

# *Providence United Methodist Church*

**CONNECTIONS 9:00 a.m.**

**Greeting and Welcome**

**Opening Prayer**

**Singing:** "Holy is the Lord God Almighty"  
"The Joy of the Lord is My Strength"

**Making Connections  
A Time with the Children**

**Scripture**  
Jeremiah 29:1-14

**Special Music:** "From the Inside Out" by Joel Houston  
Emma Breeden, solo

**Introduction of the Speaker**

**Message:** "Embracing the Discomfort"  
Rev. Dr. Justin Allen

**Prayer Time**

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

**Singing with Offering:** "Reckless Love"  
**Benediction**

# 21st Sunday after Pentecost

11:00 a.m.

## *Young Adult Sunday*

**Welcome Guests! We're glad you're here!**

- Please pick up a welcome gift from an usher in the foyer.
- **Children's activity bulletins, bags and boxes** are available in the foyer.
- **Restrooms** are located down the main hall turning to the left. A baby changing table is available in the handicap accessible restroom.
- Assisted listening devices, large-print hymnals and large-print bulletins are available. Ask an usher for assistance.
- A **nursery** with professional care is offered as an option for our children newborn through age four (located downstairs).

**UMH** = United Methodist Hymnal (Red)

**TFWS** = The Faith We Sing (Black)

\* = Words Projected

+ = Please stand as you are able

**Thank you for silencing all electronic devices.**

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## **THE CHURCH GATHERS**

Prelude

"Let All Things Now Living"  
(in the setting of *Menuett* by J.S. Bach)

arr. by Cindy Berry

+ Call to Worship

inspired by Jeremiah 29:1, 4-7

One: A word of encouragement came from prophet to people;

**Many: Live a life that is full — build, plant, eat, love, multiply —**

One: Pray for your communities

**Many: Keep God in the center of all that is.**

One: We enter into worship today with hope in our hearts

**Many: For something happens here that reminds us that we can live as God desires**

One: God has made a promise of faithfulness to us

**ALL: and we can trust the promise.**

~ written by Henrietta Stith Andrews

Opening Prayer

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+ Hymn "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise" UMH #103

Making Connections

## **TO HEAR THE WORD**

A Time with the Children Sherry Jeter

Responsive Reading (UMH #752) Psalm 22:1-15 **Thanks be to God.**

+ Hymn "'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus" UMH #462

Second Reading \* Jeremiah 29:1-14 **Thanks be to God.**

Special Music "From the Inside Out" by Joel Houston  
Emma Breeden, solo

Introduction of the Speaker Derrick Parson

Sermon "Embracing the Discomfort" Rev. Dr. Justin Allen

Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

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## **TO RESPOND IN FAITH**

Offertory Anthem "You Are My All in All" words & Music by Dennis Jernigan  
The Chancel Choir arr. by Benjamin Harlan

+ Response \* "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" UMH #94

+ Hymn "Precious Lord, Take My Hand" UMH #474

+ Benediction

+ Postlude "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee" arr. by Cindy Berry  
(in the setting of Handel's *Prelude in G*)

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

All guests, visitors and members (adults and children), **please sign in** on a pew clipboard today and include your contact information. Please continue to sign in each Sunday and especially tell us if you have changes to the personal information that the church maintains.

Our **guest speaker today** is the Reverend Dr. Justin Allen of Shenandoah University. He is the Dean of Spiritual Life and Director of the Institute for Church Professions at the University.

A native Virginian, Dr. Allen completed his undergraduate degree with honors at Greensboro College and his Masters of Divinity with honors at Wesley Theological Seminary in Washington, D.C. His Doctor of Ministry Degree is also from Wesley Theological Seminary, in the area of Church Leadership. He is an ordained elder in the United Methodist Church and a member of the Virginia Conference.

Following pastoral assignments in Virginia and Tennessee, Allen was named director of the Wesley Foundation (a ministry to students, faculty and staff) at the University of Memphis. His five years leading campus ministry in Memphis was distinguished by “raising from the dead” a dormant ministry and bringing it to a robust life. Allen gained a reputation at the University of Memphis for effectively communicating the Christian faith while honoring and respecting persons of other faith perspectives.

Allen’s wife Alethea is a pediatrician. They are the parents of daughter Camdyn, 7, and son Charlie, 4. Please give Rev. Allen and his family

a warm Providence welcome today.

Mark your calendars now! Our **Fall Festival** (4:30 p.m.) and **Trunk or Treat** (at 6:00 p.m.) is on Saturday, October 27. This is a great way to reach our community and get to know our neighbors. Sign up on the bulletin board in the hallway to help!

## **The Virginians Barbershop Chorus**

Sunday, October 28, 3:00 p.m.

Free Concert at PUMC

Meet and Greet Reception will follow

The United Methodist Urban Ministries of Richmond is currently having their annual **Pansy Sale** to benefit Shalom Farms. Order by Monday, October 15; delivery on Friday, October 19. Checks should be made out to UMUMR. There is an order form inside the church office or you can call Shirley Collins directly (745-3024) to place your order.

### Prices are:

1 flat (32 plants) — \$20

1/2 flat (16 plants) — \$10

1/4 flat (8 plants) — \$5

The **Chesterfield Ruritan Club** will be making stew next Saturday, October 20 — ready for pick-up at the picnic shelter around 1:00 p.m. Cost is \$7 per quart. To pre-order your stew, contact any Ruritan member (Dave Robinson, Bill Estes, Jerry Bowers, Bobby Burton). Or, leave a note in the **RURITAN mailbox** in the hallway near the church office.

**October 22 is the deadline for all Charge Conference reports to be turned in.** Please email

your bulletin information and reports to [Linda.Collins@providenceumc.net](mailto:Linda.Collins@providenceumc.net).

The United Methodist Women are having a **soup luncheon today** in the social hall today after the 11:00 a.m. service. All Women of the church are invited to attend.

Would you like to **volunteer at A. M. Davis Elementary School?** There is a new online process this year. Please go to: <https://sites.google.com/a/ccpsnet.net/des/home/resources/volunteers> and complete your online application and you will be notified by email when your application is accepted.

Have you started shopping for your **Thanksgiving Baskets for CCHASM?** There is still time to find some good sales. *Please pick up a shopping list in the narthex.*

**CHAMP's** (Children Active in Ministry at Providence) has resumed its activities on Fridays (dates are below), 6-8 pm. If you have questions or are willing to help, contact Sherry Jeter ([sherry.jeter@providenceumc.net](mailto:sherry.jeter@providenceumc.net) or 382-9398).

Oct. 19	Nov. 16	Dec. 14
Nov. 2	Nov. 30	Dec. 28

## 100 Days of Prayer

Please continue to pray for our **Upward Soccer Ministry**. The 100th day will be October 27th, the last day of our season. Thank you for making this outreach to the children and families of our community a part of your daily prayers.

### Date / Day Pray For . . .

- 10/14 87 Pictures to be distributed smoothly after picture day
- 10/15 88 The witness of coaches at home and at school
- 10/16 89 Children in the K4 and K5 division
- 10/17 90 Children in the 1st and 2nd grade division
- 10/18 91 Children in the 3rd-5th grade division
- 10/19 92 Parents and guardians of all Upward players
- 10/20 93 Those leading halftimes today (Eighth game day)

Please let **Our Shut-Ins** of the week know we love them and are thinking of them, by sending them a note or card. This week's Shut-ins are:

**Dot Janutolo** (DOB 10/5)  
 c/o Tralina Walker  
 146 Cobbler Circle  
 Henderson, TN 37075

PUMC Financial Report as of September 30, 2018			
	September	2018 YTD	2017 YTD
Receipts	\$28,463	\$258,096	\$237,670
Disbursements	\$30,211	\$263,268	\$291,657
Net Receipts	(\$1,747)	(\$5,172)	(\$53,986)
Operating Fund	\$51,509		

**Leigh Middleton (DOB 1/16)**  
**Anne Middleton (DOB 8/15)**  
6653 Roundabout Way, Apt. 412  
Chesterfield, VA 23832

The United Methodist Women are collecting hygiene items for the women in **Fluvanna Correctional Facility**. For the month of October, they are asking for:

- Shampoo (bottle; 15 ounces)
- Lotion (bottle; 15 ounces)

If you wish to give a check and have the UMW do the shopping, make the check payable to *Providence United Methodist Women* for **Grace Inside**. Donations may be left in the container by the elevator in the back hallway.

Are you thinking about being baptized or becoming a member of Providence? Speak with Pastor Derrick who will guide you in the next steps (804) 276-4289.

## **PRAYER MINISTRY**

**October 14, 2018** — We pray for schools and educational institutions of Metropolitan Richmond: for all in need of mental health services, all mental health workers, counselors, and treatment facilities.

Handmade **prayer squares are available** in the foyer to take or mail to someone for whom you are praying.

To connect with our email prayer ministry, you may send a prayer request to Nancy Coffman at [nlctlc73@gmail.com](mailto:nlctlc73@gmail.com). If you would like to be added to the list to receive prayer requests, contact Nancy. Please check your email address book to make sure you have this email address.

### **Our gathered prayer concerns:**

- \* Dot Ashburn
- \* Curtis Bailey

- \* Bobby Baker (friend of the Bell's)
- \* Nan Blackwell
- \* Keisha Clement (niece of Althea Armstrong)
- \* AB Creasy
- \* John Curtis (Tyler's Retreat; rehab)
- \* Uldine Curtis
- \* Jim DeLap
- \* George Fest
- \* Allison Fuquay (cancer; niece of Robin Jeffrey)
- \* The family of Boyd Gurney (died, 4/20/18)  
Marlene Gurney  
15100 Birchaven Lane, Apt. 301  
Findlay, OH 45840
- \* **Judy Gindhart**
- \* Dot Janutolo
- \* **The family of James Jenkins** (died on 9/4)
- \* Jack & Linda Keery
- \* Charles & Diane King
- \* Anna Knight (rehab; Sheltering Arms)
- \* Blanca & Jose Mera
- \* Leigh Middleton
- \* Johnise Molloy
- \* Grace Newman
- \* Sharon (chemotherapy treatments; friend of Cathy Patterson)
- \* Carly Royer (diagnosed with leukemia; friend of Nancy Treanor)
- \* John Stallings (cancer; friend of Bill Mannering and Julie Gaudett)
- \* Beth Tucker (cancer; friend of Paul Martin)
- \* Sharon & Bob VanWhy (friends of Peg Martin)
- \* Fred Wilson
- \* The family of Sue Worrell (died 9/16)

### **Our service men and women, wherever they serve, and their families:**

Jessica Ammon	Paul Hager
Harrison Bailey	Wayne Lee
Hunter Blankenship	Marshall Mallory
Terrance Brunson	Megan Thomas
Jennifer Collins	

# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

## Sunday, October 14

- 9:00 Connections Service
- 9:45 Sunday School
- 11:00 Traditional Service
- 12:00 UMW Soup Luncheon (SH)
- 2:00 Disciple 2 (205)
- 5:30 Sonrise Sisters
- 5:30 Youth (YH)
- 6:30 Bells of Providence

## Monday, October 15

- 10:00 Line Dancers (309)
- 7:00 Church Council (309)
- 7:00 Ruritan Dinner (SH)

## Tuesday, October 16

- 11:00 Bible Study (L)
- 6:00 Upward Soccer Practice
- 6:30 Cubs/Boy Scouts (SH/309)

## Wednesday, October 17

- 7:00 Men's Breakfast (Shoney's)
- 10:30 Staff Meeting (205)
- 6:30 Chancel Choir
- 6:30 Providence Green Meeting (309)
- 7:00 Study Series w/John Robison (205)

## Thursday, October 18

- 9:30 Prayer Team (P)
- 6:00 Upward Soccer Practice
- 6:15 Men's Study (L)
- 6:30 AA (205)
- 6:30 MIM (Sanc)

## Friday, October 19

- 9:15 Cooks for Christ
- 6:00 CHAMPS
- 8:00 AA (309)

## Saturday, October 20

- Ruritan Brunswick Stew
- 9:00 Soccer Games

# Prayer Requests

Pray for:

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Place in Bulletin: Yes / No

Specific Request:

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Meal Needs: Yes / No

Transportation Needs: Yes / No

Desire Card: Yes / No

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

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Your Contact Information:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Drop this sheet in the offering plate or at the church office.

To direct an urgent concern for yourself or a family member to our email prayer group, please contact the church office by phone or email.

## THOSE SERVING TODAY

### Acolyte:

11:00 Joshua Parson

### Greeters:

9:00 \_\_\_\_\_ (Library)

\_\_\_\_\_ (Narthex)

11:00 Donna Smith (Library)

\_\_\_\_\_ (Narthex)

### 1st Floor

8:15-9:45 Reyna Skrabala,

Beverly Brooks

9:45-11:15 Mary Elliott, Beverly Brooks

**Reader:** Emma Breeden

### Ushers:

9:00 Bill Blankenship

Wayne Latimer, Doug Sheek

11:00 Klaus Worrell

Sean Collins, Tony Fleshman

Laurie Breeden, Gary Wettle

**Counters:** Gary Wright

Wayne Smith, Anne Baird

### Nursery:

9:00 Wendy Collins

SS Barbara Oliver

11:00 Kathy Alred, Meredith Kyser

### Audio/Visual Team:

9:00 Tyler Griggs (A)

Jimmy Sculthorpe (V)

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Jimmy Sculthorpe (V)

### Sanctuary Organizers:

Marilyn Bell (Oct. 1-31)

**Grass Cutters:** (Area 2)

Oct. 15—Jimmy Sculthorpe

## Providence United Methodist Church

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### Office Hours:

Monday—Thursday 10:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m.

Friday Office Closed

### Contact us at:

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[Tyler.Griggs@providenceumc.net](mailto:Tyler.Griggs@providenceumc.net)

**Custodial Service** Curtis Jones

**Nursery Attendant** Cynthia Liverpool

**Youth Ministries** Mary & Greg Elliott (interim)

**Young Adult Ministries** Terrence Jeter (interim)

**Our Covenant Missionary** Kim King Torres

**Presiding Bishop** Sharma Lewis