

Providence United Methodist Church

CONNECTIONS 9:00 a.m.

Greeting and Welcome

Opening Prayer

Singing: "Forever"

Making Connections

A Time with the Children

Singing: "Desert Song"

Scripture

Matthew 18:21-35

Message: "How Often Should We Forgive?"

Rev. Isaac Nedd

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: "All the People Said Amen"

Benediction

7th Sunday after the Epiphany

11:00 a.m.

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.

THE CHURCH GATHERS

Prelude

"There's a Wideness in God's Mercy"

by Lizzie S. Tourjee

+ Call to Worship

One: What if God paid us back in full for all the wrong we have done?
O Lord, we seek your mercy, yet we ourselves look for payback when we are wronged.

Many: We think it "only fair" and "what is right" when we retaliate and use harsh words and withdraw from relationship.

One: The forgiveness you offer on our account is larger than we can comprehend, still we withhold forgiveness and carry the grudge over petty items.

Many: We are eager to do your judging. And the worst: we conspire our inner thoughts to secure your forgiveness while avoiding honest repentance. Forgive us Lord for the sins we know in our heart. Save us Lord from the sins we hide.

ALL: This gift of forgiveness makes us able, with the power of Holy Spirit, to choose to forgive, renew and live again in right relationship with each other and with our God. Amen.

+ Hymn "Oh How I Love Jesus" UMH #170

Opening Prayer

Making Connections

TO HEAR THE WORD

A Time with the Children Sherry Jeter

First Reading Psalm 37:1-11, 39-40 **Thanks be to God.**

+ Hymn "Freely, Freely" UMH #389

Second Reading * Matthew 18:21-35 **Thanks be to God.**

Special Music "Day by Day" *by Lina Sandell*

Sermon "How Often Should We Forgive?" Rev. Isaac Nedd

Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

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.

TO RESPOND IN FAITH

Offertory "Seek Ye First" arr. by Tom Keene

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

+ Hymn "My Hope is Built" UMH #368

+ Benediction

+ Postlude "Toccata Breve with Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee" arr. by Tom Birchwood

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.

THE DIRECTORIES ARE HERE! Feel free to stop by the Library today, or office during the week, to pick up your copy. There will be a volunteer in the Library during the early service, Sunday school and late service. You will be asked to sign that you have received your directory. If you wish to have more than one, additional copies are \$10 each.

The Chesterfield Ruritan Club is preparing our **Wednesday Night Dinner** this week, (2/27). The menu features baked spaghetti, salad, bread, dessert and beverages. Sign up today and join them for dinner and support the Chesterfield Ruritan Club in the support of our local community.

The Ruritans are making **Brunswick Stew** on March 2. You can order stew by contacting Dave Robinson (804-739-2991) or Bobby Burton (804-432-5096) or from any other Ruritan member. The cost is \$7 per quart and it will be ready around 1:00 p.m. at the Picnic Shelter.

Since the Wednesday Night Dinners are back, we need a few cooks. Please sign up on the bulletin board beside the counters' room if your group can help. Available dates are:

March 13 March 20 April 10

Soon roofing people will be at the church working to repair roof problems on the Education Building. So if you happen to drive by the church and see trucks and other vehicles that you might not recognize, please be assured that all is well.

There will be a **Missions Committee meeting** after the second service on Sunday, March 10 in Room 309. Members and interested individuals are invited to attend. If you would like additional information, contact Donna Smith (dmsmith7200@gmail.com or 443-336-2537). Refreshments will be served.

If you or a friend or family member might benefit by an informal **Grief Support Group**, please share this information. You do not have to be a member of Providence to participate. The group will meet in Room 309 on Saturday mornings at 10:00 a.m. beginning March 2. The book **A Decembered Grief: Living with Loss While Others are Celebrating** by Harold Ivan Smith will be used. Books have been purchased for you to use as you wish and for reference by the group leader. There will be refreshments at the meeting.

New Life for Youth — Volunteer Day

When: Saturday, March 2, 9:00 a.m.

Where: Mercy House. Mercy Mom's House.
Men's Homes (assigned in advance)

What: Painting. Yardwork. Cleaning. Refurbishing Furniture. Etc.

Contact Donna Smith (443-366-2537; dmsmith7200@gmail.com) for more information or if you are interested in participating.

The **2019 Flower Calendar** is in the hallway, near the water fountain. The **BLUE** flower order forms are below it. Please remember: *payment should accompany the blue form*. Complete the form and put it and your check in the offering plate or bring it to the office. Please do not put your name on the calendar until you submit your form and check.

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

PRAYER MINISTRY

February 24 — We pray for the coming of God's Kingdom in Metropolitan Richmond: for enhancement of our common life in Jesus' Name through the Holy Spirit, and for the resurrection of metropolitan Richmond as a modern metropolitan city of hope for the world.

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

PUMC Monthly Financial Report

	January 2019	2019 Year-to-Date	2018 Year-to-Date
Receipts	\$30,059	\$30,058	\$35,010
Disbursements	\$32,469	\$32,469	\$34,384
Net Receipts	(\$2,411)	(\$2,411)	(\$626)
Transfers to Operating Fund	\$11,734		
Operating Fund	\$94,953		

February 24, 2019

To connect with our email prayer ministry, you may send a prayer request to Nancy Coffman at 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 service men and women, wherever they serve, and their families:

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

Our gathered prayer concerns:

- * Dot Ashburn
- * Curtis Bailey
- * Bobby Baker (friend of the Bells)
- * Nan Blackwell
- * Mae Clarke
- * Keisha Clement (niece of Althea Armstrong)
- * Keri Lyn Coleman (cancer; friend of Dave Robinson)
- * AB Creasy
- * John Curtis
- * Uldine Curtis
- * Jim DeLap
- * John Duncan
- * Doug Harrick (husband of Laurie Glassburn, a former member)
- * Shirley Hudson (not feeling well)
- * Judy Jacobs
- * Dot Janutolo
- * The family of Myrtle Jenkins (died February 12)
- * Jack & Linda Keery
- * Anna Knight (rehab, Lakewood Manor, room 310)
- * Blanca & Jose Mera
- * Michele (urgent prayers needed; friend of Betty-Anne Roberson)
- * Catherine Milholen (home)
- * Johnise Molloy (home)
- * Mary Murdock (Paul Martin's sister)
- * Sharon (chemo therapy treatments; friend of Cathy Patterson)
- * Carly Royer (diagnosed with leukemia; friend of Nancy Treanor)
- * Mary & Bill Steele
- * Jimmy Stells (heart surgery; friend of Paul Martin)

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday, February 24

- 9:00 Connections Service
- 9:45 Sunday School
- 11:00 Traditional Service
- 2:00 Disciple 2 (205)
- 3:30 Girl Scouts (309)
- 5:30 SonRise Sisters
- 5:30 Youth
- 6:30 Bells of Providence

Monday, February 25

- 10:00 Line Dancers (309)
- 6:30 Trustees (L)

Tuesday, February 26

- 11:00 Bible Study (L)
- 12:00 Scouts (SH)
- 6:30 Cub/Boy Scouts

Wednesday, February 27

- 10:30 Staff Meeting
- 5:30 Wednesday Night Dinner (SH)
- 6:30 Chancel Choir
- 6:30 Providence Greene Board Mtg. (SH)

Thursday, February 28

- 9:30 Prayer Team (L)
- 11:00 Knitters & Crocheters (205)
- 6:15 Men's Study (L)
- 6:30 AA (205)
- 6:30 MIM
- 6:30 UMW Leadership Team (309)

Friday, March 1

- 8:00 SH Reserved
- 9:00 Ruritan Stew Prep (SH/PS)

Saturday, February 30

- 4:00 Ruritan Stew (SH/PS)
- 8:00 Ruritan Stew (ready at 1:00 pm PS)

Prayer Requests

Pray for:

Place in Bulletin: Yes / No

Specific Request:

Meal Needs: Yes / No

Transportation Needs: Yes / No

Desire Card: Yes / No

Comments:

Your Contact Information:

Name:

Telephone Number:

Email Address:

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

Providence United Methodist Church
901 S. Providence Road
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Acolyte:

11:00 Tabitha & Oliver

Greeters:

9:00 _____ (Library)
Klaus Worrell (Narthex)
11:00 _____ (Library)
Klaus Worrell (Narthex)

Reader:

Jean Chappell

Ushers:

9:00 Neal Fleenor
Ron White
11:00 Tom Koertge
Ralph Vernon
Bobby Burton
Charlotte Glidewell

Counters:

Ron Wootten
Janice Bergeron
Gracie Martin

Nursery:

9:00 Pam Asbury
SS Wendy Collins
11:00 Jean Riekers & Kathy Alred

Audio/Visual Team:

9:00 Tyler Griggs (A)
Nikki Earley (V)
11:00 Tyler Griggs (A)
Nikki Earley (V)

Sanctuary Organizers:

Jean Winfree &
Flora Scott
(February 1-28)
Judy Gindhart
(March 1-15)

Office Hours:

Monday—Thursday 10:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m.
Friday Office Closed

Contact us at:

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Terrence Jeter (interim)

Our Covenant Missionary

Kim King Torres

Presiding Bishop

Sharma Lewis