

Providence United Methodist Church

CONNECTIONS 9:00 a.m.

Greeting and Welcome

Opening Prayer

Singing

“Good, Good Father”

“Great are You, Lord”

Making Connections

A Time with the Children

Scripture

Mark 10:35-45

Message

“First Place or Last Place?”

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

“Power of Your Love”

Benediction

Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

11:00 a.m.

Upward Soccer Sunday

- 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)

FWS = The Faith We Sing (Black)

* = Words Projected

+ = Please stand as you are able

Thank you for silencing all electronic devices.

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

Prelude

"Make Me a Servant"

by Kelly Willard

Call to Worship *

One: Power and might and majesty belong to God who created and is creating.

Many: Thanks be to God for God's mighty wonders.

One: Like the image of the powerful wind, and heavens as a garment, God's majesty is revealed in all creation.

Many: We look around us at the wonders and marvel at the infinite variety and beauty which God has created.

One: Who are we, that God should pay attention to us?

Many: We are all God's beloved children, the stewards whom God has selected to care for God's world. AMEN!

+ Hymn

"Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

UMH # 384

Upward Soccer Introduction

Sean Collins

Scriptures from Upward:

HUMILITY: "Anyone who lives without blame walks safely. But anyone who takes a crooked path will get caught." - *Proverbs 10:9 (NIRV)*

GENEROSITY: “Do to others as you want them to do to you.” - Luke 6:31 (NIRV)

FORGIVENESS: “No one has greater love than the one who gives their life for their friends.” - John 15:13 (NIRV)

LOVE: “For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life.” - John 3:16 (NIRV)

Opening Prayer Sean Collins

Making Connections

A Time with the Children Laura Worrell

First Reading Psalm 104:1-9 **Thanks be to God.**

+ Hymn “The Servant Song” TFWS # 2222

Second Reading * Mark 10:-35-45 **Thanks be to God.**

Special Music “They Shall Soar Like Eagles” by Laura Manzo
Accompanied by Laura Worrell, Flutist

Sermon “First Place or Last Place?” Rev. Derrick Parson

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.

Offertory “Interlude 1” by Mark Hayes

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

+ Hymn “Here I Am, Lord” UMH # 593

+ Benediction

+ Postlude “Praise Him, Praise Him” arr. by F.J. Garlock & S. Hamilton

The **flowers on the altar** are given to the glory of God and in honor of Luke David Collins’ Birthday!

“Happy Birthday, Luke David Collins! Four years ago you entered our lives and we are thankful and blessed by God. We love you!”

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.

A warm “Welcome!” to all of our Upward Soccer families and friends! Thanks for being here and please feel free to join us again in the future!

The **Path to Healing** is a 16-Week Small Group Ministry that will begin on October 29th at 6:30pm at Providence. This ministry offers help for those who are struggling with emotional and spiritual brokenness. It offers a safe and confidential place to heal from deep wounds, false beliefs, damaged emotions and dysfunctional behaviors.

**Begins Oct. 29th from 6:30—8:30pm
(Will meet on Tuesdays)**

Registration (paid at first session) - \$25.00

Weekly Fee - \$15.00

Participant Workbook - \$45.00

“Healing Care, Healing Prayer” book by Terry Wardle = \$18.00 (This book may also be purchased online cheaper.)

Fees may be paid in installments, including the weekly fees, if needed.

Today is Upward Soccer Sunday! In gratitude of Sean Collins’ work with this ministry, there will be a basket in the Narthex giving the congregation an opportunity to bless him. Please make checks payable to Sean Collins and not the church due to IRS stipulations. Thank you!

We **still need cooks** for the **Wednesday Night Dinner** on October 23rd! If you would like to volunteer, please contact the church office at: 804-276-4289.

Fall Festival & Trunk or Treat

October 26, 3-6 pm

We are only a week away from the Fall Festival! Come and enjoy the food, fun and festivities! Nutzy the Flying Squirrel, Hayrides, Bounce House, Balloon Artist and much more!

** Bring a Canned Good for our Food Pantry **

Providence’s Charge Conference will be on Sunday, October 27. There will be one worship service at 11:00 a.m. Please mark your calendars now.
~ Missions Team

A big “THANKS” to everyone for supporting Shalom Farms with the sale of pansies. Thanks also to those who helped to plan and make arrangements for the distribution of the items. Your assistance is greatly appreciated!

UPWARDS SOCCER 100 Days of Prayer

Thank you for making this outreach to the children and families of our community a part of your daily prayers.

Pray for:

- 10/20 Upward families to attend PUMC
- 10/21 Coaches as they share the gospel this week
- 10/22 Our church to gain new members from this ministry
- 10/23 Thank the Lord for our ability to participate in this ministry
- 10/24 Preparation for the awards celebration
- 10/25 Safe travel for all guests to the awards celebration
- 10/26 Last Game and Awards celebration

The **Equipping The Saints For Ministry** group will meet TODAY in Room 309. **ETSM** gatherings have been held to teach you how to reach people outside our doors AND how to stay in touch with

those inside our doors. This is our last gathering. The meeting is in the social hall immediately after the 11:00 a.m. worship service.

The church-wide bake sale held on October 12th was a great success! Thanks to all who supported by donating and buying goodies! The sale raised \$311! All proceeds went directly to the church operating fund.

It's time for us to start shopping for our CCHASM **Thanksgiving Baskets**. A list of items needed for each basket is on the table in the narthex. Look for it in the mid-week updates as well. Our PUMC secret shopper checked prices at two stores and the **average cost for a complete basket AND the \$15 gift card is \$40**. If you'd like someone to do the shopping for you, mark your check/envelope "CCHASM Food Basket". *The **deadline** for your basket items and gift card (or your check for the shoppers) is **November 10***. Our 2019 goal is one more bag than we had last year.

Christmas Cantata practice is continuing on Wednesdays at 6:30pm. We start the practice by first working on the Cantata; so you can come just for that or you're welcome to stay for the entire practice which ends at 8:00pm. We look forward to seeing you!

The United Methodist Women are collecting the following **items for Grace Inside**. These donations go to women in correctional institutions. We appreciate the help you give in showing these women the love Jesus has for them with these gifts.

- **OCTOBER**—1 bottle of shampoo, 15 oz. (as close to 15 oz. as possible but no larger)
- **November**—1 bottle of lotion, 15 oz. (as close to 15 oz. as possible but no larger)

We also need gallon Ziploc bags to use in assembling the items. A complete kit consists of a wrapped toothbrush, 6 oz. toothpaste, 2.6 oz. deodorant stick, and 15 oz. bottles of shampoo and lotion.

Please note that only described items and sizes can be accepted. Donations can be placed in the marked container in the donations area outside the 2nd floor elevator. Thank you for your support.

Congratulations to Thomas & Holly Guy on the birth of their new baby boy: Parker Wayne Guy! Parker was born on October 6, 2019—proud grandparents are Rick & Lisa Fleenor.

The **Asbury Walking Club** will begin meeting at PUMC on Tuesday, Oct. 22nd at 10:30am and wish to welcome any Providence members that may want to join in! Hope to see you there!

PUMC Financial Report as of September 30, 2019			
	September	2019 YTD	2018 YTD
Receipts	\$24,288.92	\$214,952.83	\$258,137.81
Disbursements	\$29,463.70	\$271,737.47	\$262,268.45
Net Receipts	(\$5,174.78)	(\$56,784.64)	(\$4,130.64)
Transfers to OF			
Operating Fund	\$40,242.57		

Have you ever dreamed of visiting where Jesus walked or where Paul established the first Christian churches? Would a **12-day Mediterranean cruise** aboard a Royal Caribbean ship appeal to you? The actual dates of travel are scheduled for November 1-14, 2020, so there is plenty of time to start planning and saving. Brochures are available on the table in the narthex. The trip is not limited to members of Providence, so please talk with anyone you think may be interested. Feel free to take them a brochure as well!

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 20: We pray for public, non-profit, and religious social service work and ministries in Metropolitan Richmond: For all who suffer from addiction, dependency or co-dependency of any sort; for twelve-step programs, recovery programs, therapists and addiction counselors; for advocates who provide a voice for the rights of persons whose voices are not heard.

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. 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:

- * Nan Blackwell
- * Bursell Bradshaw (Natalia Parson's father)

- * Renate Brennet (surgery 9/24)
- * Ron Brooks (home)
- * Keri Lyn Coleman (cancer; friend of Dave Robinson)
- * Dana Dirickson (cancer; sister of Reyna Skrabala)
- * Dawn DiSavino (14 brain tumors; friend of Karen Duncan)
- * John Duncan
- * The Dugger Family
- * Jim Harris (brother of Hugh Harris—shoulder replacement surgery on Oct. 4th)
- * Mildred Isbell
- * Kelli (cancer; sister of Jake Vogeler)
- * Charles King
- * Gwen Madison
- * Catherine Milholen
- * Mary Murdock (Paul Martin's sister)
- * **The family of Katherine Nester (Kathy Alred's mother)**
- * Leeanne Percell (friend of Martha Negri)
- * Dr. Joy Rowe (battling breast cancer; doctor of Logan & Linda Wettle)
- * Bill Steele
- * Edward Vernon (son of Ralph & Billiedale Vernon)
- * Stephanie White
- * Frank Wildeson (in hospital, Althea Armstrong's brother)
- * Dacey Wilkerson (Nikki Earley's grandmother)

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	Nathan Spencer
Jennifer Collins	Megan Thomas
Shelby Gordon	Thomas Wood

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday, October 20-Upward Soccer

- 9:00 Connections Service
- 9:45 Sunday School
- 11:00 Traditional Service
- 12:00 Communications Meeting (206)
- 12:00 ETSFM (Social Hall)
- 3:00 Girl Scouts (309)
- 5:30 SonRise Sisters (Music Room)
- 5:30 Youth (309)
- 6:30 Bells of Providence

Monday, October 21

- 10:00 Asbury Prayer Group (206)
- 10:00 Line Dancers (309)
- 12:30 Alpha Theatre Rehearsals (SH)
- 7:00 Church Council (309)
- 7:00 Ruritan Dinner (Social Hall)

Tuesday, October 22

- 11:00 Bible Study (L)
- 6:00 Upward Practice (SH & Fields)
- 6:30 Cub/Boy Scouts (SH/309)

Wednesday, October 23

- 7:30 Men's Breakfast/Bible Study (Shoney's)
- 10:30 Staff Meeting (L)
- 6:30 Chancel Choir

Thursday, October 24

- 10:00 Prayer Team (Parlor)
- 11:00 Knitters & Crocheters (205)
- 6:00 Upward Practice (SH & Fields)
- 6:15 Men's Study (L)
- 6:30 AA (205)
- 6:30 Providence Praise Band (Sanc.)
- 6:30 UMW Leadership Team (309)

Friday, October 25—Newsletter Deadline

- 8:00 AA (309)

Saturday, October 26—FALL FESTIVAL!

- Ruritan Stew
- 9:00 Upward Soccer Games (Soccer Fields)
- 11:00 UPWARD Awards Celebration (SH)
- 3:00 Fall Festival (SH and Fields)

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

Acolyte:

11:00 Joshua

Greeters:

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

Ushers:

Head Usher: Klaus Worrell
9:00 Wayne Latimer, Doug Sheek
11:00 Sean Collins, Tony Fleshman
Laurie Breeden, Gary Wettle,

Nursery:

9:00 Laurie Breeden
SS Laurie Breeden
11:00 Lindsey Collins & Cherie Justice

Counters:

Jimmy Sculthorpe & Hugh Miles

Reader:

Pat Loud

Audio/Visual Team:

9:00 _____(A)
_____ (V)
11:00 _____(A)
_____ (V)

Sanctuary Organizers:

Nickie Price (October)

Grass Cutters: October 20
Area 2 Gary Vest

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