

Providence United Methodist Church

CONNECTIONS 9:00 a.m.

Greeting and Welcome

Opening Prayer

Singing

“Your Grace is Enough”

“Your Grace Finds Me”

Making Connections

A Time with the Children

Special Music—“Tremble”

(by M. Fieldes, H. Bentley, M. McManus and A. Figueroa)

Providence Praise Band

Scripture

Luke 18:1-10

Message

“Are You Persistent in Prayer?”

Rev. Derrick Parson

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

“Who You Say I Am”

Benediction

5th Sunday after the Epiphany

11:00 a.m.

Scouting 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)

FWS = The Faith We Sing (Black)

* = Words Projected

+ = Please stand as you are able

Thank you for silencing all electronic devices.

Prelude

"Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

arr. by Joel Raney

Post Colors

Scout Oath & Scout Law

Welcome and Information about Scouting at PUMC

+ Call to Worship

Leader: How beautiful is the Word of the Lord!

People: How wise are God's commandments!

Leader: Through the Lord's precepts, we gain understanding.

People: Through God's wisdom, we find truth.

Leader: The Lord is our God; we are God's people.

People: God's word lives within us, for it is written on our hearts.

ALL: Living Word, Great Teacher, lead us and guide us! Amen!

Opening Prayer—Lord, Your words are sweet to the taste, sweeter than honey; let them be our daily meditation and our study. Give us ears to hear, for we marvel at Your instruction. Train us in righteousness, grant us patience and persistence, and equip us for every good

work. Inspire our faith, and give us voices to proclaim your message. Guide our feet, keep us from every false way, for you alone speak the words of life. Amen!

+ Hymn "How Firm a Foundation" UMH #529

Making Connections

A Time with the Children

Responsive Reading (UMH #833) Psalm 112:1-10 Thanks be to God.

+ Hymn "Thy Word Is a Lamp" UMH #601

+ The Apostle's Creed UMH # 881

Second Reading * Luke 18:1-10 Thanks be to God.

Choir Anthem "Grace Medley" arr. by Steve W. Mauldin

Sermon "Are You Persistent in Prayer?" 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 "Tremble" Providence Praise Band
by M. Fieldes, H. Bentley, M. McManus & A. Figueroa

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

+ Hymn "Kum Ba Yah" (Come by Here) UMH #494

+ Benediction

Postlude "Sweet Hour of Prayer" arr. by Gail Smith
(In the setting of Bach's *Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring*)

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 let us know if you have changes to the personal information that the church maintains.

We are happy to have **Pack 2862** and **Troop 2862** and their families worshiping with us today. Providence is fortunate to have had such a worthwhile youth organization here for so many years.

YES-There WILL be a **Wednesday Night Dinner on February 12th!** The menu is: Chili: Beef & Vegetarian, Cornbread, Desserts and Beverages. The dinner will be hosted by the Ruritans. Please put your name on the sign-in sheet located on each pew, or call the church office to sign-up - (804) 276-4289. Dinner starts at 5:30 p.m. and all are welcome!

Pastor Brandon Robbins is scheduled to be at PUMC on **Saturday, Feb. 15th from 9am—12:30pm** to share his experience regarding assimilation and retention of church members. The Seminar is free and a great opportunity and all are welcome! Please sign up today on the Sign-In Sheet.

Boy Scout Troop #2862 is taking orders for mulch! This year they are selling 2-cubic foot bags of top-quality double-shredded hardwood mulch for \$4.00 per bag (10-39 bags) or \$3.50 (40 or more bags). They are requesting that a minimum of ten bags be purchased and they will even deliver and stack the bags in your

driveway! BSA Troop #2862 is sponsored by PUMC and is comprised of boys from the surrounding neighborhoods. By supporting the mulch sale, you will help to replace outdated gear and equipment. You may contact Joe Roussos at 804-437-994 or joeroussos@juno.com with questions. Orders and checks must be mailed by Feb. 19th, and the mulch will be delivered on March 14th along with a receipt for the tax-deductible portion of your order. Order forms and more information are on the table in front of the church office. Please mail forms and payment to: BSA Troop 2862, 901 S. Providence Rd., Richmond, VA 23236.

Providence UMC has been informed by the company that produces our **Monthly Giving Envelopes** that they are ceasing business operation and will no longer be providing services. Therefore those who are receiving the monthly packet of envelopes in the mail will not be receiving anything for your February giving due to this business closure.

As an interim step generic package sets of envelopes can be picked up in the Narthex on Sundays for February giving needs. We are working to find an appropriate solution for this unfortunate closure and hope you will pick up a packet of generic envelopes in the Narthex or from Tony Fleshman. Arrangements can be made to pick up the envelopes during the weekdays or mailed to shut-ins as appropriate. We apologize for this disruption in a process that has worked well over the years and

we hope to have a solution in the next month or so. ~ Tony Fleshman, Stewardship

FIVE THINGS GOD USES TO GROW YOUR FAITH



A **new study** will begin Sunday, February 16th at 6:30 p.m., at the home of Greg and Mary Elliott. **“Five Things God Uses to Grow Your Faith”** by **Andy Stanley**. Please

contact Mary Elliott at melliott-t0603@gmail.com if you are interested in participating. Books are not required but can be ordered online.—*“Your faith in God matters to God. God is most honored through your living, active, death-defying, out-of-the-box faith and He’s committed to growing it. Imagine how different your outlook on life would be if you had absolute confidence that God was with you? In other words, imagine what it would be like to have PERFECT faith. In “Five Things God Uses to Grow Your Faith”, Andy Stanley builds a biblical case to grow BIG Faith and the assurance that God is with you every step of the way!”*

The next **UMW Unit Meeting will be on February 23rd at noon in the Social Hall**. This will be our “Winter Wonderland” holiday party and lunch will be served. The menu is: lasagna (prepared by Marilyn Bell), salad, bread and dessert. We are asking members to bring donations of new children’s underwear to be donated to A.M. Davis Elementary. This is a nice time of fellowship and you do not have to belong to a Circle to attend. All ladies of the church are welcome!

The **2020 Flower Calendar** is in the hallway near the water fountain. The **BLUE** flower order forms are below it. *Remember that payment should accompany the blue form.* Put completed forms and your check in the offering plate or bring them to the office. *Please do not put your name on the calendar until you submit your form and payment.*

If you would like to participate in a **Royal Caribbean 12-Day Mediterranean Cruise** scheduled for Nov. 1-14, 2020, please see the brochures on the table in the Narthex. The trip is not limited to the members of Providence, so share the word with anyone you think might be

PUMC Financial Report as of December 31, 2019			
Apportionment payments have been suspended since August 2019.			
	December 2019	2019 YTD	2018 YTD
Receipts	\$85,995.80	\$354,203.77	\$382,924.89
Disbursements	\$25,378.96	\$346,045.52	\$354,216.86
Net Receipts	\$60,616.84	\$8,158.25	\$28,708.03
Operating Fund	\$107,986.99		

interested! Please contact Barbie Vest with questions: (804) 378-2632.

Providence Road Partners

- The church is **collecting boxes of Valentine cards** for students who might not be able to afford to give them to their classmates. Please bring the card donations to church by the end of today, Feb. 9th.
- The A.M. Davis Clinic is **in need of new children's underwear** (Sizes: Large toddler's, all children's sizes, small adult sizes). Gently used children's clothing can also be donated for the clothing closet at the school. Contact Wendy Collins with questions. Thank you!
- PUMC will once again be giving **two A.M. Davis students from each classroom a free book at the upcoming spring book fair** (March 23-27). If you would like to make a contribution towards this project, please make checks payable to the church and write in the memo field "A.M. Davis."

Please let the office know your **2020 Committee Meeting Dates and Volunteer Schedules**. Send meeting/event calendar requests to: Linda.Collins@providenceumc.net. Thanks!

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).



February 9: We pray for the coming of God's Kingdom in Metropolitan Richmond: For healthy economic development, which enhances the Metropolitan community, employs the unemployed, and contributes to the common good.

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, or if you would like to be added to the prayer list, you may send a prayer request to Nancy Coffman at nlctlc73@gmail.com. Please check your email address book to make sure you have this email address.

Our prayer concerns:

- * Nan Blackwell
- * Monica (Mary Lou & Alan Branson's granddaughter)
- * Mae Clarke
- * Nancy & Tom Coffman
- * Keri-Lyn Coleman (cancer, Dave Robinson's friend)
- * Dawn DiSavino (friend of Karen Duncan)
- * Sara Householder (fighting cancer)
- * Janice Mannering (Bill Mannering's sister-in-law, cancer)
- * The family of Mildred Isbell (died Jan. 11th)
- * Charles King (surgery on Jan. 20th)
- * Kelli (cancer; sister of Jake Vogeler)
- * Bob Loud (Pat Loud's cousin, tumor on pituitary gland)
- * Gwen Madison
- * Catherine Milholen
- * **Ms. Olson's mother and Ms. Long's mother**, two A.M. Davis teachers
- * Maggie B. Perry (Unetta Jones' aunt, stage 4 stomach cancer)
- * Christi Roberson (Ken & Betty-Anne's daughter)
- * Dr. Joy Rowe (battling breast cancer)
- * Stephanie White



Sunday, February 9

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

Monday, February 10

- 10:00 AMUMC Prayer Group (205)
- 10:00 Line Dancers (309)
- 6:30 Path to Healing (206)
- 7:00 Finance (L)
- 7:00 Ruritan Board Meeting (309)

Tuesday, February 11

- 10:30 Walking Club
- 10:30 Laughon Circle UMW
- 11:00 Bible Study (L)
- 6:30 Cub/Boy Scouts (SH & 309)

Wednesday, February 12

- 7:30 Men's Breakfast/Bible Study (Shoney's)
- 10:30 Staff Meeting (L)
- 5:30 Community Dinner
- 6:30 Chancel Choir

Thursday, February 13

- 10:00 Prayer Team (Parlor)
- 11:00 Knitters & Crocheters (205)
- 5:30 Starlighters (SH)
- 6:15 Men's Study
- 6:30 AA (205)
- 6:30 Providence Praise Band (Sanc.)

Friday, February 14

- 8:00 AA (309)

Saturday, February 15

- 9:00 Assimilation & Retention of Members (SH)

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.



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Monday—Thursday 10:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m.
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Our Covenant Missionary

Kim King Torres

Presiding Bishop

Sharma Lewis

Acolyte:

11:00 Joshua

Greeters:

11:00 Nickie Price (Library)

Ushers:

Head Usher—Gary Wettle

9:00 Kathleen White & Ron White

11:00 Bobby Burton, Tom Koertge,
Ralph Vernon, Charlotte Glidewell

Nursery:

9:00 Wendy Collins

SS Wendy Collins

11:00 Laurie Breeden & Mary Elliott

Counters:

Jimmy Sculthorpe & Steve Oliver

Reader:

Jean Chappell

Sanctuary Organizers:

Flora Scott & Jean Winfree (February)