

# *Providence United Methodist Church*

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

**Greeting and Welcome**

**Opening Prayer**

**Singing**

“Hosanna (Praise is Rising)”

“Mighty to Save”

**Making Connections**

**A Time with the Children**

**Scripture**

Deuteronomy 31:7-8

**Message**

“Keeping Up With God”

J. Paulo Lopes

**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**

“O Come to the Altar”

**Benediction**

# 2nd Sunday in Lent

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 and large-print hymnals 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

"My Jesus, I Love Thee"

arr. by Mark Hayes

Duet by Carla Wootten and Sara Vogeler

+ Call to Worship

Leader: Sing to the Lord a new song, a song of hope and rejoicing!

**People: Praise God for wonderful acts of mercy and kindness.**

Leader: God has remembered God's faithful ones.

**People: God has poured blessing upon blessing upon us!**

Leader: Praise the Lord, all the earth, shout your praise!

**ALL: Rejoice, for God is truly with us. AMEN.**

Opening Prayer

+ Hymn

"Blessed Assurance"

UMH #369

Making Connections

A Time with the Children

Responsive Reading (UMH #840)	Psalm 119:1-8	Thanks be to God.
+ Hymn	“O, How He Loves You and Me”	TFWS #2108
Second Reading	Deuteronomy 31:7-8	Thanks be to God.
Special Music	“This Little Light of Mine” Duet by Carla Wootten and Sara Vogeler	arr. by Mark Hayes
Sermon	“Keeping Up With God”	J. Paulo Lopes

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

+ Response *	“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”	UMH #94
+ Hymn	“Freely, Freely”	UMH #389
Reception of New Member	<b><i>Charles Negri</i></b>	
+ Benediction		
+ Postlude		



# 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.

At the moment there is NO Wednesday Night Dinner planned for this week, March 11th! If you might be interested in hosting, please call the church office at (804) 276-4289. Thanks!

Plans are currently in the works for a **Spring Festival/Easter Egg Hunt** on Saturday, April 4th, at Noon! We need donations of filled or empty plastic eggs, toys and treats to fill the eggs (no chocolate or peanut candy, please), and cake donations for the cake walk! Please sign-up on the pew sheet if you are able to help! Please bring all items to the church by April 2nd!

This year for Easter, you can place flowers in the Sanctuary or send Bibles through the American Bible Society. If interested in purchasing, please see today's insert and turn your completed forms with payment into the church office no later than April 1st! Flowers can be picked up on April 12th after the 11am, service! Thank you!

Lilies—\$10.00 Tulips—\$10.00 Bibles—\$10.00



Attention all PUMC and AMUMC Members! If you might be interested in **making palm crosses**, we will be teaching how to do so

here at PUMC on April 2nd in Room 309 at 6:30pm. All are welcome!

Reverend Brandon Robbins recently announced that there would be another program in Virginia Beach on how to reach and retain members. The PUMC people are invited to attend. This program will be on Thursday, March 19th.

**GOOD NEWS!** We are in the process of working with a new vendor, Cathedral Envelope Company, to provide our **mail service Giving Envelopes**. The envelopes will be delivered bi-monthly, and the first shipment for May/June will be delivered sometime in April. We look forward to this new partnership which will save us around \$400 annually. As an interim option giving envelopes will remain in the pew pockets and packs of four will be on the tables in the Narthex for your convenience.

**The Virginians are Coming!** Sunday, March 22nd at 3pm in the PUMC Sanctuary! The Virginians, a premiere A Cappella vocal ensemble who sing four-part harmony, is a nationally competitive ensemble that has been performing in central Virginia for over sixty years. They sing Traditional Barbershop, Doo-wop, Gospel, Pop, Holiday, Broadway Classics, and Contemporary A Cappella music. Mark your calendars now for this special afternoon of great music. A love offering will be collected.

**UMCOR Sunday**—March 23rd—This ministry specializes in solutions that help people become self-reliant. Through your donations to this ministry, you will share the goodness of life to those who hurt.

**New Bible Study — *What Makes a Hero*** — a 6-week contemporary study of good and evil will begin tomorrow, March 9th, and will continue on Mondays at 2pm in the Church Library. Books will be available to those that signed up for the class.

**“Five Things God Uses to Grow Your Faith”** by Andy Stanley resumes tonight, **March 8th** at 6:30 p.m. in the home of Greg and Mary Elliott. Please contact Mary Elliott at [melliott10603@gmail.com](mailto:melliott10603@gmail.com) if you are interested in participating. Books are not required but can be ordered online.

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

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

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

**Providence Road Partners**

- PUMC will 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.”



**Thanks for Your Support!**

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).

**PUMC Financial Report as of January 31, 2020**  
 Apportionment payments have been suspended since August 2019.

	January 2020	2020 YTD	2019 YTD
Receipts	\$29,007.52	\$29,007.52	\$30,057.81
Disbursements	\$31,861.04	\$31,861.04	\$32,468.55
Net Receipts	(\$2,853.52)	(\$2,853.52)	(\$2,410.74)
Operating Fund	\$105,133.47	\$105,133.47	\$94,953.23

# In Our Thoughts & Prayers

**March 8:** We pray for health care in Metropolitan Richmond: For all the sick and their caregivers, doctors, nurses, hospice workers, home healthcare workers, and all who minister to the health of others. For clinics, medical personnel, and all institutions that serve persons who are uninsured or underinsured.

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](mailto: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)
- \* **The family of Ron Brooks** (passed 3-1-20; husband of Beverley Brooks)
- \* Mae Clarke
- \* Nancy & Tom Coffman
- \* Keri-Lyn Coleman (cancer, Dave Robinson's friend)
- \* Jim DeLap (procedure on 3/4)
- \* Dawn DiSavino (friend of Karen Duncan)
- \* **Francis Driskill**

- \* **Jim Holland & The Holland Family** (Loss of family member & illness in the family-friends of Peg Martin & Bill Mannering)
- \* Sara Householder (fighting cancer)
- \* Janice Mannering (Bill Mannering's sister-in-law, cancer)
- \* 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
- \* **Leeanne Percell** (friend of Martha Negri)
- \* Maggie B. Perry (Unetta Jones' aunt, stage 4 stomach cancer)
- \* Michelle Porter (Johnise Molloy's daughter)
- \* **Christi Roberson-Phipps** (Ken & Betty-Anne's daughter)
- \* Robbie Robertson
- \* Dr. Joy Rowe (battling breast cancer)
- \* **The family of Gene Sheek** (passed 3-1-20; father of Doug Sheek)
- \* Marie Smith (sister of Jimmy Sculthorpe, lung cancer surgery on Feb. 17)
- \* Stephanie White



# UPCOMING EVENTS

## Sunday, March 8—Daylight Savings Time Begins!

- 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
- 6:30 "Five Things God Uses to Grow Your Faith"  
Bible Study (The Elliott's home)

## Monday, March 9

- 10:00 AMUMC Prayer Group (205)
- 10:00 Line Dancers (309)
- 2:00 "What Makes a Hero" Bible Study (L)
- 6:30 Path to Healing (206)
- 7:00 Finance Meeting (L)
- 7:00 Ruritan Board Meeting (309)

## Tuesday, March 10

- 9:45 Chair Aerobics
- 10:30 Walking Club
- 10:30 Laughon Circle UMW (206)
- 11:00 Bible Study (L)
- 6:30 Cub/Boy Scouts (SH & 309)

## Wednesday, March 11

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

## Thursday, March 12

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

## Friday, March 13

- 8:00 AA (309)

## 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.



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**Young Adult Ministries** Terrence Jeter (interim)  
**Our Covenant Missionary** Kim King Torres  
**Presiding Bishop** Sharma Lewis

**Acolyte:**

11:00 Joshua

**Greeters:**

11:00 Nickie Price (Library)

**Ushers:**

Gary Wettle (Head Usher)  
 9:00 Valerie Reese & Steve Reese  
 11:00 Pam Asbury, Frank Bell,  
 Melvin Watkins & Linda Wettle

**Nursery:**

9:00 Pam Asbury  
 SS Wendy Collins  
 11:00 Carol Urso & Wendy Collins

**Counters:**

Jimmy Sculthorpe & Steve Oliver

**Reader:**

Youth

**Sanctuary Organizers:**

Pam Groome (March)

