


Providence United Methodist Church

Belong. Be Transformed.  Make a Difference.

CONNECTIONS—9:00 a.m.

Greeting and Welcome

Opening Prayer

Singing: Our God Saves

Making Connections

A Time with the Children

Scripture: Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18

Singing: El Shaddai

Message: Contract vs. Covenant
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: We Are Marching in the Light of God

Benediction

Second Sunday in Lent

11:00 a.m.

THE CHURCH GATHERS

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude Be Thou My Vision

+ Hymn UMH 116 The God of Abraham Praise LEONI

+ Greeting*

Leader: Come, let us walk in the light of the Lord

People: **That he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths.**

Call to Prayer FWS 2200 O Lord, Hear Our Prayer HEAR MY PRAYER

Prayer

A Time with the Children Derrick Parson

TO HEAR THE WORD

First Reading* UMH 758 Psalm 27 **Thanks be to God.**
(with sung responses)

Anthem Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying
Chancel Choir and percussion

Second Reading* Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18 **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon Contract vs. Covenant Derrick Parson

Canticle of Covenant Faithfulness* UMH 125

TO RESPOND IN FAITH

The Lord's Prayer

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| Offertory | How Beautiful | arr. Lloyd Larson |
| + Response* | Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow | UMH 94 |
| + Hymn FWS 2235 | We Are Marching | SIYAHAMBA |
| + Benediction | | |
| + Postlude | | |

Thank you for silencing all electronic devices.

UMH = United Methodist Hymnal (Red)
FWS = The Faith We Sing (Black)

* = Words Projected
+ = Please stand as you are able

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

- Pick up a welcome gift in the foyer.
- **Children's age-appropriate 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).

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Providence's Got Talent! On February 28, there will be a talent show and potluck dinner in the social hall. If you are interested in performing, please sign up on the clipboard today. You may also sign up on the bulletin board in the main hallway leading to the sanctuary. For additional information, contact Margaret Taylor at: M.E.Taylor003@gmail.com. You must sign up in order to participate!

Wednesday Lenten Dinners are at 5:30 p.m. Please sign up today for next Wednesday's (2/24) dinner. Donations will be accepted.

Are you interested in learning about the Bible, but not in a "Study"? Join us on Wednesday nights, 6:30-7:30 p.m. in Room 309, for **Bible Basics** and fun facts. No cost and no "study" required. Led by Laura Griggs.

The Cemetery Committee requests that any **non-seasonal flowers** be removed from the cemetery by March 13.

Tutors are needed for third grade ESOL students at A. M. Davis Elementary. Sessions will be each Monday morning, 8:15-9:00 a.m., beginning Monday, February 15-April 15. If you are interested, please contact Mrs. Dottie Rilee, ESOL teacher (phone: 674-1310 or email: dorothy_rilee@ccpsnet.net).



On Sunday, March 6, 8:45 a.m. to 12:00 noon, there will be a **Krispy Kreme Donut Sale** to benefit the Inukshuk Middle School Retreat to Journey at Rockbridge. Cost: Glazed—\$7 per dozen; Chocolate Frosted—\$8 per dozen; Single Donuts—\$1 each. **Pre-orders** will be taken for full dozens only and can be delivered to your Sunday School classroom at 9:45 a.m. Contact Amy Palmer at arp0703@yahoo.com to place your order now!

Mission Minute: Keep a lookout over the next few weeks for inexpensive stocking caps, men's gloves and work gloves for next winter's homeless missions. You can buy them on clearance and leave them in the Missions Room.

Methodist University's premier touring choral ensemble, the **Methodist University Chorale**, will present a concert at Providence UMC on March 4 at 7:30 p.m. The Chorale will present works from different musical epochs with special performances by soloists from the group, MU Chamber Singers, and John Drymon, their accompanist. The ensemble consists of 37 vocalists and performs traditional/advanced choral literature. Methodist University is a private college located in Fayetteville, NC, and is one of the fastest growing institutions in the southeast, having doubled enrollment since 1990.

Are you able to be a Host Family for the singers for one night? If so, please add your name and phone number to the sign in sheet today. The singers will arrive Friday, March 4, have dinner at the church, and give their concert. You can pick your guest up after the concert and bring them back to church Saturday morning. If you are not able to provide transportation, someone will assist you with that too. Any additional questions, contact Bill Estes at 745-9379.

The United Methodist Women are selling **Tote Bags**. The bags are \$5 and are available today, in the church office, between the worship services and after the 11:00 service. They are nice bags and can be used for gifts, groceries, crafts or as a carry-on for your next airplane trip! The bags will also be available in the church office during the week. Get yours today while supplies last!

Boy Scout Troop 2862 is taking orders for top-quality, double-shredded, **hardwood mulch**. Order forms are on the table near the church office. Deadline to place order is February 29.

- 2 cubic foot bags (10-29 bags) = \$4.50 per bag
- 2 cub foot bags (30+ bags) = \$4.00 per bag

The scouts will deliver your mulch on March 19 along with a receipt for the tax-deductible portion of your order. Thank you very "mulch" for support Troop 2862!

Giving Statements for 2015 have been mailed. If you have any questions or discrepancies, please call the church office (276-4289) or email Linda Collins at: Linda.Collins@providenceumc.net.

Do you know someone in our congregation who is unable to attend church, who might like to have a visit and receive communion? If so, please call Jane Elbert (675-0534) or email her at: janeelbertquilts@gmail.com.

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

Hand-knitted **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 Tom and Nancy Coffman at tlcnlc@verizon.net. If you would like to be added to the list to receive prayer requests, contact the Coffmans.

Our service men and women, wherever they serve, and their families: Jessica Ammon (niece of Linda Keery, joined US Marines), Hunter Blankenship, Jennifer Collins, Matt Latimer, Wayne Lee, Bob Muchow, Megan Thomas.

Our gathered prayer concerns:

Ruby Agee, Althea Armstrong, Curtis Bailey (broken ankle, surgery on 1/20), the family of Carolyn Bilski (on the death of her son, Brian on 2/15), Lee Bradshaw, **Mary & Ben Brown** (Mary had a stroke last week), Jim & Laura DeLap, **Jim Dugan** (friend of Jane Elbert), Mildred Isbell, Ronnie Justice, Jack Keery (fractured his hand), Tristen Kellam, Kathy Kincaid (surgery on 1/18), Buddy Lindsey (son of Hilda Lindsey), Patricia Logan-Reilly (needs a new heart), Cindy Lowe (battling cancer, niece of Eula Phillips), Charlene Reardon (sister of Linwood Hudson), the family of Ellie Rennie (who died on January 20, Nan Blackwell's mother), Lois Reil (will have hip replacement on 3/8), Iris Ryder (sister of Mae Clark and Uldine Curtis), Nancy Segal (friend of the Collins family), Wayne Smith (home), Mary Steele (home) & Bill Steele, **Barbara Sutton** (Brookdale), Stuart Watkins, Rita & Leroy Williams (friends of Nickie Price), James Yeatts.

Metro Richmond at Prayer for February 21, 2016: We pray for the coming of God's Kingdom in Metropolitan Richmond: for redemption of the divisions, prejudices, pettiness, despair, and discrimination of the past.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday, February 21

- 9:00 Connections
- 9:45 Sunday School
- 11:00 Traditional Worship
- 1:00 Elmcroft Worship
- 2:00 Disciple 3 (205)
- 4:00 Girl Scouts (309)
- 4:00 Youth Choirs
- 5:30 Youth or Inukshuks
- 5:30 Adult Bells
- 6:30 SonRise Sisters

Monday, February 22

- 10:00 Line Dancers (309)
- 3:00 Alpha (SH)
- 6:30 Trustees (L)

Tuesday, February 23

- 8:30 Connections Plng. (L)
- 9:30 Worship Plng. (L)
- 11:00 Bible Study (L)
- 6:30 Christian Believer Class (205)
- 6:30 Cub/Boy Scouts (SH/309)
- 7:00 Young Adults (L)

Wednesday, February 24

- 5:30 Lenten Dinner (SH)
- 6:30 Bible Basics (309)
- 6:30 Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, February 25

- 9:30 Prayer Team (L)
- 11:00 Knitters & Crocheters
- 5:45 Ministry in Motion Rehearsal
- 6:15 Men's Bible Study (L)
- 6:30 AA Group (205)

Friday, February 26

- 8:00 AA Group (309)

Saturday, February 27

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 Hailey Davis

Greeters:

9:00 Linda Keery (Library)
Mike Patterson (Narthex)
11:00 Allen Branson (Library)
Mary Lou Branson (Narthex)

Nursery:

9:00 Kelly Horne
SS Wendy Collins
11:00 Shirley Collins/Emily Kyser (Y)

Counters:

Ron Wootten (captain)
Janice Bergeron, Gracie Martin

Ushers:

9:00 Bill Blankenship
Neal Fleenor, Ron White
11:00 Bobby Burton, Meredith Kyser
Tom Koertge, Ed Harper
Ralph Vernon, Lori Justice

Reader: 11:00 Laura King

Audio/Media Shout Team:

9:00 Tyler Griggs (A)
Jimmy Sculthorpe (MS)
11:00 Tyler Griggs (A)
Jimmy Sculthorpe (MS)

Sanctuary Organizers:

Judy Gindhart

CCLI License #1495687
CCVLI License #502817990

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Monday—Thursday 10:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m.
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