

**SERVICE OF WORSHIP**  
**August 20, 2006**

Prelude and Acolyte

Welcome and Announcements

\* Greeting and Rites of Friendship

Preparing our Hearts to Worship

*We invite you to center your hearts and minds during a few moments of musical meditation as we prepare to worship our God.*

Call to Worship

Leader: *There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under heaven.*

People: **There is a time to be born and a time to die.**

Leader: *There is a time to tear down and a time to build.*

People: **There is a time to mourn and a time to dance.**

All: **There is a time to scatter stones and a time to gather them. For God has made everything beautiful in its own time. Let us worship God at all times and in all places as we join our hearts together in praise and thanksgiving.**

\* Hymn No. 581 "Called as Partners in Christ's Service"

Call to Confession (First in Unison and then in Silent Confession)

*Almighty God, we come before You asking forgiveness for our selfish attitudes and behaviors. We ask forgiveness for envying others instead of blessing them in Christ's name. We ask forgiveness for using others rather than serving them. We ask forgiveness for our shallow and materialistic attitudes and behaviors. We ask forgiveness for not properly representing Christ to a world filled with hunger for spiritual food. Forgive us, Lord, and free us to joyful service in the community into which You have sent us.*

Assurance of Forgiveness

\* Hymn No. 88 "Lord, I Lift Your Name on High" (sing through twice)

Children's Sermon Rev. Lisa Nance

Offertory and Giving of His Tithes and Our Offerings

\* Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

Anthem "Softly and Tenderly" Adult Choir

Musical Interlude: Children exit with Jim and Lisa Ingram to Children's Church

Prayer Requests, Morning Prayers and the Lord's Prayer

Old Testament Lesson I Kings 3:3-14

\* Hymn No. 344 "I Have Decided to Follow Jesus"

Gospel Lesson Matthew 5:13-16

Sermon "What Do We Want?" Rev. Lisa Nance

\* Affirmation of Faith The Apostle's Creed Page 12, Red Hymnbook

\* Hymn No. 554 "We Have Heard the Joyful Sound"

\* Acolyte, Benediction and Postlude

\* Signifies Congregation to Stand

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Flowers.** The flowers today are given to the glory of God and in honor of the Stewart Pickens' 17<sup>th</sup> birthday, by his family, John, Beth and Jane Pickens.

**Christian Education Celebration and Sunday School Teacher Recognition.**

Next Sunday, August 27, we will take time during our Worship Service to celebrate our Christian Education program and recognize the current and upcoming Sunday School teachers. Please plan to be a part of this special service!

**Newsletter.** If you have items that you would like to place in the September newsletter, please have that information to DeEtta Wood by Sunday, August 27 at [jdwood72@earthlink.net](mailto:jdwood72@earthlink.net)

**Assisting in Worship this Sunday:**

**Ushers:** Hamilton Greene and Johnathan Reed

**Acolyte and Bell Ringer:** Katie Rutherford

**Infant Nursery:** Christina Nelms and Beth Pickens **Toddlers:** Jeffrey Wood

**Assisting in Worship next Sunday, August 27:**

**Ushers:** Randy Benson and Jim Ingram

**Acolyte and Bell Ringer:** Lauren Collier

**Children's Church:** Mary and Lauren Langdon

**Infant Nursery:** Christina Nelms and Georgeanna Phillips

**Toddlers:** Gary Phillips

### Events for this week:

**Today, Aug 20:** Children's Choir Rehearsal from 9:45 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. Adult Sunday School Assembly at 9:45 a.m. in the Sanctuary, followed by Sunday School at 10:00 a.m. and Worship at 11:00 a.m.

**Monday, Aug 21:** Pastor Nominating Committee meeting at 7:00 p.m.

**Monday, Aug 21:** AA meets at 8:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall

**Wednesday, Aug 23:** **No Adult Choir Rehearsal this week**

**Thursday, Aug 24:** AA meets at 8:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall

**Saturday, Aug 26:** Church-wide Pool Party and Fellowship Meal at McGee's Crossroads Pool from 8:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m. The Fellowship Committee will provide hot dogs, hamburgers, and trimmings. Everyone is invited to come and bring a side dish or dessert!

**Sunday, Aug 27:** Children's Choir Rehearsal from 9:45 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. Adult Sunday School Assembly at 9:45 a.m. in the Sanctuary, followed by Sunday School at 10:00 a.m. and **Christian Education Celebration and Sunday School Teacher Recognition** during Worship at 11:00 a.m.

### Upcoming Events:

**September 5:** Stated Session Meeting at 7:30 p.m.

**September 10:** Young Adult Sunday School class resumes their meetings at 10:00 a.m. in the Library

**September 15-17:** Church-wide Retreat to Fort Fisher

**September 19:** Presbyterian Women Daytime and Evening Circles will have a combined meeting at 7:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall

### The Prayer List

Christy Anderson, Jeff Anderson, Richie Andrews, Bevoline Brooks, Josephine Byrd, Mickey Carroll, Carol Clifton, Vera Critcher, Will Duncan, Lovie Dorman, Mary Hart, Lawrence Herron, Ricky Jackson, Chris Johnson, Lacy Johnson, Tim Lang, Betty Lou Lee, Carolyn Lewis, Carol Mayben, Lewis McLamb, Eloise McLeod, Julia Nales, Mike Sanchez, Harry and Betty Smith, Alice Stephenson, Mary Stephenson, and Barbara Walton.

### **MISSION STATEMENT**

We believe God's mission for Providence Presbyterian Church is:

To make new disciples by sharing the gospel through our words and actions,  
To nurture existing Christians into a mature faith by worship, fellowship and Christian education,

To serve God by worshipping Him through Jesus Christ by the power of the Holy Spirit,

And to serve our neighbor as Jesus taught us.

## **Providence Presbyterian Church**



Jesus Christ touching lives through us  
and growing His church

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