

THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

February 24, 2008

Welcome

Prelude and Acolyte

Announcements

Call to Worship

Psalm 95

Leader: *O come, let us sing to the LORD;*

People: *let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!*

Leader: *Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving;*

People: *let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!*

Leader: *O come, let us worship and bow down,*

People: *let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker!*

Leader: *O that today you would listen to his voice!*

People: *For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture,
and the sheep of his hand.*

All: *Let us worship the Lord our God.*

* Hymn

“Shout to the Lord”

#94

Confession of Sin (*In Unison*)

O Lord, Creator of all things; hear our voices as we lift them up to You this day. We do not sing Your love and grace when we should; we do not reach out to those around us to share the gospel message; we too often focus on the things of this world and ignore those things of heaven. Forgive us for the sinful things we do and forgive us for the good things we do not do. O Lord, change our hearts and fill us with Your joy and love so our eyes might be opened to the truth revealed in seeking You.

Silence for Personal Confession

Assurance of Forgiveness

Leader: *Praise the Lord of mercy and grace abounding.*

People: *In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!*

* Responsive Hymn

“As the Deer”

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* Greeting and Rites of Friendship

Giving of His Tithes and Our Offerings

Offertory

The Providence Trio

* Doxology

Hymn # 34

Prayer of Dedication

Old Testament Lesson

II Samuel 22:1-7, 31-34

Special Music

The Providence Trio

Musical Interlude

(Children exit with Robbie and Kathy Wood to Children's Church)

Morning Prayers and The Lord's Prayer

New Testament Lesson

Matthew 5:43-48

Sermon

“Perfection and the Cross”

Rev. Jim Davis

Reception of New Members (*see insert*)

* Dedication Hymn

“Amazing Grace”

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* Acolyte, Benediction and Postlude

** Signifies Congregation to Stand*

February Scripture Passage

³⁴ He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, “If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. ³⁵For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. ³⁶For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? ³⁷Indeed, what can they give in return for their life?

(Mark 8:34-37)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CO-ED SOFTBALL TEAM. All men and women who are interested in playing on a church-sponsored co-ed softball team in the Spring should contact Kent Walton or Johnny Wood.

TIME, TALENT, AND PASSION FORM. For those who have not yet turned in their form, please take a few moments and fill this out. Forms can be found on the church website or picked up in the vestibule. Each of our members are special and important to the life of Christ's church. Once completed, please place it in the Pastor's box in the back hallway.

PICTURES, PICTURES, PICTURES!!! It is time to update our pictorial directory. Look for more information in the weeks to follow. We need a few volunteers to help make this a successful event. Please contact the church office at 894.4063 if you are interested.

Assisting in Worship this Sunday:

Ushers: Mark Nelms & Ryan Nelms **Acolyte/ Bell Ringer:** Daniel Stephenson
Infant Nursery: Heath and Heather White
Toddler Nursery: Pam and Lauren Collier

Assisting in Worship next Sunday, March 2:

Ushers: Jimmy Stuart & Bob Zattiero **Acolyte/Bell Ringer:** Hannah S.
Children's Message: David Collier
Children's Church: Sam and Wendy Stephenson
Infant Nursery: Richard and Andrea Jones
Toddler Nursery: Chris and Kristy Stephenson

Today at Providence:

9:45 a.m.: Adult Sunday School Assembly; Children's Choir Rehearsal
10:00 a.m.: Sunday School for Adults, Youth & Children
11:00 a.m.: Worship
5:00 p.m.: Youth Group

Events for this week:

Wednesday, Feb 27: Adult Choir Rehearsal at 7:30 p.m.

Upcoming Events:

March 2. Pioneer Clubs and Youth Group at 5:00 p.m., followed by dinner in the Fellowship Hall at 6:30 p.m.
March 9. Youth Group at 5:00 p.m.
March 16. Palm Sunday
March 16. Men's Fellowship Meeting at **5:00 p.m.**
March 16. Pioneer Clubs and Youth Group at 5:00 p.m., followed by dinner in the Fellowship Hall at 6:30 p.m.
March 20. Maundy Thursday Service
March 23. Easter Sunrise Service at Providence Presbyterian Church, followed by a light breakfast in the Fellowship Hall

The Prayer List of Joys and Concerns

JOYS:

We are thankful for the new members that God has brought into our church family!

CONCERNS:

Sherry Baker, *friend of Mary Langdon, cancer*
Annie Ruth Barbour, *friend of Kathy Ryals, cancer*
Edward Bernier, *Pam Collier's father, cancer*
Eddie Blanks, *Randy Benson's friend, tumor*
Rachel Burnette, *friend of Jimmy Stuart, cancer*
Stacy Byrd, *Chris Roberts' uncle, cancer*
Jeannie Byers, *John Pickens' sister, degenerative spine*
Sheila Dupree, *member of church family, health concerns*
Romie Eason, *member of community, health concerns*
Bill Embrey, *Dick Embrey's brother, cancer*
Ashley Green, *friend of Beth Pickens, lymphoma*
Marshall Grissom, *Alice Stephenson's brother-in-law, heart problems*
Lacy & Marilyn Johnson, *aging members of church family, health concerns*
Pauline Jones, *member of church family, broken elbow*
Blane Little, *son of Ross & Heather Little, born 14 weeks premature*
Carol Mayben, *Sandy Kopanski's sister-in-law, cancer*
Julia Nales, *member of our community, cancer*
Carol Nauquin, *friend of Beck & Laura McLamb, cancer*
Jim Parrish, *friend of the church, 50/210 Fire Chief, brain cancer*
Victor Phillips, *Kathy Wood's great-uncle, health concerns*
Peyton Rodgers, *Andrea Jones' niece, health problems following surgery*
Larry Ross, *friend of Johnny Wood, cancer*
Alice Stephenson, *aging member of church family, health concerns*
Jimmy Stephenson, *member of community, cancer*
Wayne Stephenson, *the brother of Sam & Chris Stephenson, health concerns*
David Stewart, *Kathy Wood's uncle, health concerns*
David Stowe, *Kent Walton's friend and business partner, cancer*
Chris Wade, *relative of Bob & Nadine Reed, medical concerns*
Christine Wallace, *neighbor of Bob & Nadine Reed, medical concerns*
Amy Williams, *friend of Stephanie McLamb, is recovering from a car accident*
Rosemond & Ann Woodall, *aging members of church family, health concerns*

*** Please pray over those persons listed above this week. If you have a joy or concern to share on this list, please contact DeEtta Wood at 331.9046.*

Please keep us informed of those who are already on the list as life events change – we at Providence want to know and share in the life of all those connected to our church.

Ministers of Providence Presbyterian Church
The People of Providence Presbyterian Church

Pastor
Rev. Jim Davis

Session

Class of 2008

Beck McLamb
Mission & Outreach

Nadine Reed
Congregational Care

Elaine Wood
Christian Education

Class of 2009

John Kopanski
Personnel & Clerk of Session

Steve Nordan
Long-Range Planning

Kent Walton
Fellowship

Class of 2010

Sandra Lordi
Finance

Mark Nelms
Worship

Atlee Roberts
Property & Facilities

Staff

Secretary
DeEtta Wood

Music Director
Brittany Kefauver

Treasurer - Accounting
Joan Littleton

Treasurer - Collections
Ann Benson

Organist
Ann Stephenson

Pianist
DeEtta Wood

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

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.



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RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

Presentation of Candidates

Words of Celebration

There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all.

Obedying the word of our Lord Jesus, and confident of His promises, we baptize those whom God has called.

In Baptism God claims us, and seals us to show that we belong to God. God frees us from sin and death, uniting us with Jesus Christ in His death and resurrection. By water and the Holy Spirit, we are made members of the church, the body of Christ, and joined to Christ's ministry of love, peace, and justice.

Let us remember with joy our own baptism, as we celebrate this sacrament.

Presentation by Session

Profession of Faith

With the whole church, let us confess our faith

(In Unison)

I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; On the third day he rose from the dead; He ascended into Heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Affirmation of Faith

Words of Welcome

Directory of New Members - February 24th, 2008

Brent Frampton, *By Transfer of Letter* - Christ Our King Catholic Church

Lindsey Frampton, *By Profession of Faith*

* **Caroline Nicole**

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Lisa Weatherly, *By Transfer of Letter* - Trinity UMC, Knoxville, TN

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Keith: keithweatherly@virginiaair.com

Presbyterian Women & Church-Sponsored Events

Presbyterian Women Yard Sale. The Presbyterian Women will host their Yard Sale on **Saturday, April 19** from **7:00 a.m. – 12 noon** in the Manse. Rain or Shine. Donations of family spring/summer clothing, household items, children's toys, etc. are appreciated. Also, clothes hangers, plastic bags, and men and women helpers are needed. Donation drop-off times are **Wednesday, April 16, 3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.; Thursday, April 17, 4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.; Friday, April 18, 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. at the Manse.** Please support the Presbyterian Women with your prayers, donations, and time...and then plan to come and shop on **April 19.** Anyone with questions or wanting to help should contact Carolyn Stevenson.

Relay for Life. The Session has approved for the Presbyterian Women to sponsor a Relay for Life Team. Providence will be Team #57, and the Relay for Life event will be held **Friday, May 30 at 2:00 p.m. through Saturday, May 31 at 11:00 a.m.** Please show your support of this event by being a Team member, making a donation, and/or purchasing a luminary in honor/memory of someone. Please look for more information to come in upcoming newsletters and bulletins!