

FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT

March 2, 2008

The flowers today are given by Joan Littleton to the glory of God and in honor of her granddaughter, Macy Simmons, on her 3rd birthday.

Welcome

Prelude and Acolyte

Announcements

Call to Worship

Psalm 23

Leader: *The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.*

People: ***He makes me to lie down in green pastures:***

Leader: *he leads me beside the still waters and restoreth my soul:*

People: ***he leads me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.***

Leader: *Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I will fear no evil:*

People: ***for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.***

Leader: *Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine
enemies.*

People: ***thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.***

Leader: *Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of
my life:*

People: ***and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.***

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

* Hymn

"I Love You, Lord"

#85

Confession of Sin (In Unison)

O mighty God, against you we have sinned, and done what is evil in your sight. You desire truth in the inward being; therefore teach us wisdom and anoint us with oil, and we shall be clean; wash us in the still waters, and we shall be whiter than snow. O God, create in us a clean heart and put a new and right spirit within us. Restore to us the joy of your salvation, and sustain in us a willing spirit, so that we may receive salvation through Jesus Christ, Amen.

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 "Open My Eyes, That I May See" # 480

* Greeting and Rites of Friendship

Children's Message

David Collier

Giving of His Tithes and Our Offerings

Offertory

* Doxology

Hymn # 34

Prayer of Dedication

Old Testament Lesson

I Samuel 16:1-13

Special Music

Georgeanna Phillips

Musical Interlude

(Children exit with Darren and Joan Stuart to Children's Church)

Morning Prayers and The Lord's Prayer

New Testament Lesson

John 9:1-41

Sermon "A Shepherd, a Beggar, and a Cowboy" Rev. Jim Davis

*Dedication Hymn "Lift High the Cross" #287

* Acolyte, Benediction and Postlude

** Signifies Congregation to Stand*

March Scripture Passage

²⁵ Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, ²⁶ and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?"

²⁷ She said to him, "Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one coming into the world." ²⁸ When she had said this, she went back and called her sister Mary, and told her privately, "The Teacher is here and is calling for you."

(John 11:25-28)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

EASTER CELEBRATION. All children (infant through 5th grade) are invited to come to an Easter Celebration on Saturday, March 22 from 10:00 a.m. – 12 noon. The celebration will include the Easter story, crafts, refreshments and an Easter Egg hunt.

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.

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: Jimmy Stuart and Bob Zatteiro **Acolyte/ Bell Ringer:** Justin Wood
Infant Nursery: Richard and Andrea Jones
Toddler Nursery: Chris and Kristy Stephenson

Assisting in Worship next Sunday, March 9:

Ushers: David Collier and Johnathan Reed **Acolyte/Bell Ringer:** Hannah S.
Children's Message: Rev. Jim Davis
Children's Church: Sam and Wendy Stephenson
Infant Nursery: Robbie and Kathy Wood
Toddler Nursery: Joan Littleton and Brenda Dupree

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.: Pioneer Clubs and Youth Group

Events for this week:

Wednesday, Mar 5: Adult Choir Rehearsal at 7:30 p.m.

Upcoming Events:

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 at 7:30 p.m.
March 22. Children's Easter Celebration from 10:00 a.m. – 12 noon, including crafts, Easter story, Easter egg hunt and refreshments.
March 23. Easter Sunrise Service at 7:00 a.m. 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*
David Kopanski, *John Kopanski's brother, cancer*
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*
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
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Nadine Reed
Congregational Care

Elaine Wood
Christian Education

Class of 2009

John Kopanski
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Kent Walton
Fellowship

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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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