

24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
September 14, 2008

The flowers today are given to the glory of God and in honor of Mary Elaine Wood on her 5th birthday, by her family, Jeff, DeEtta, Justin and Ava Wood.

Welcome

Prelude and Acolyte

Announcements

Call to Worship

Psalm 145

Leader: *Every day I will bless you, and praise your name forever and ever.*

People: *Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised; Your greatness O God is unsearchable.*

Leader: *You fulfill the desire of all who fear You; You hear their cries, and save them.*

People: *My mouth will speak the praise of the LORD, and all flesh will bless his holy name forever and ever.*

All: *Let us worship God!*

Opening Hymn “Crown Him with Many Crowns” #317

Confession of Sin (In Unison)

Gracious Lord and Redeemer, You have chosen us as your own, and called us to love one another as you have loved us. But we fall short of your life-giving command; we cling in fear to the little we have, rather than laying it down so that your riches of love may fill us and flow through us. Pour out your Spirit on us anew, that we may know and proclaim the depth, the breadth, the height, and the length of your love that passes all measure. Cause us to abide in that love so fully that it will overflow among us, and through us to the world around us; that we would be faithful children of our heavenly Father, who loves us with everlasting love, Amen.

Silence for Personal Confession

Assurance of Forgiveness

Leader: *We are forgiven through our LORD and Savior,*

People: *through Jesus Christ we are redeemed, Amen!*

***Responsive Hymn** “Seek Ye First” #349

*** Greeting and Rites of Friendship**

Children’s Message Ann Benson

Giving of His Tithes and Our Offerings

Offertory

*** Doxology** Hymn # 34

Prayer of Dedication

Old Testament Lesson Daniel 4:19-26

Special Music Brittany Kefauver

Musical Interlude

(Children exit with Nancy and Kendall Nelms to Children’s Church)

Morning Prayers and The Lord’s Prayer

New Testament Lesson Matthew 5:1-6

Sermon “The Kingdom of Heaven” Rev. Jim Davis

***Dedication Hymn** “Shine, Jesus Shine” #319

*** Acolyte, Benediction and Postlude**

** Signifies Congregation to Stand*

September Scripture Passage

¹⁹ "Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust¹ consume and where thieves break in and steal;
²⁰ but store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust¹ consumes and where thieves do not break in and steal. ²¹ For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. **Matthew 6:19-21**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

COVENANT BETWEEN PASTOR AND CONGREGATION. A copy of the covenant between Rev. Davis and our congregation is available through the church website at www.providencepresb.org. Also, copies are available in the front vestibule.

AUGUST FINANCIAL STATEMENT. Copies are available in the vestibule.

HOMECOMING SUNDAY. Our church will celebrate its 81st Homecoming on Sunday, October 12, with dinner on the grounds immediately following Worship. Everyone is invited to be a part of this special time of Worship and Fellowship.

Assisting in Worship this Sunday:

Ushers: Carlos Bagley and Nathan Dry

Infant Nursery:

Toddler Nursery:

Acolyte/Bell Ringer: Joseph Phillips

Kay Dry and Carolyn Stuart

Pam and Lauren Collier

Assisting in Worship next Sunday, September 21:

Ushers: Mark Nelms and Russell Wood **Acolyte/Bell Ringer:** Daniel Stephenson

Children's Sermon: Darren Stuart **Children's Church:** Lisa and Christina Nelms

Nursery Workers:

Richard, Andrea, Ryne and Haley Jones

Today at Providence:

9:45 a.m.: Sunday School Assembly

10:00 a.m.: Sunday School for Children, Youth and Adults

11:00 a.m.: Worship

No Youth Group meeting today

Events for this week:

Tuesday, Sept 16: Presbyterian Women Joint Circle meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, Sept 17: Adult Choir Rehearsal at 7:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary

Friday, Sept 19: Church-wide retreat to Fort Fisher, returning September 21

Sunday, Sept 21: Men's Fellowship, Pioneer Clubs and Youth Group at 5:00 p.m.

Upcoming Events:

September 27. Blood Drive for the American Red Cross in the Fellowship Hall from 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. A sign-up sheet is posted on the bulletin board behind the Sanctuary. If you have questions, please contact Beck McLamb at 894.8242.

September 28. Sunday School Teacher Appreciation, Pioneer Clubs and Youth Group Kickoff lunch immediately following Worship in the Fellowship Hall. The meal will be catered and everyone is asked to bring a side dish or dessert to share.

October 5. Sunday School time change of 9:45 a.m. - 10:25 a.m. will take effect, followed by Fellowship Time in the Fellowship Hall from 10:25 a.m. – 10:50 a.m.! Please plan to become a regular part of the Sunday School program and weekly fellowship.

October 5. Bible Study focusing on the foundations of Christian faith at 9:45 a.m.

October 5. World Communion Sunday

The Prayer List of Joys and Concerns

JOYS:

We rejoice with Heath and Heather White in the birth of their 2nd child, Kaitlyn Marie, born September 4, 2008!

CONCERNS:

Sherry Baker, *friend of Mary Langdon, cancer*

Annie Ruth Barbour, *friend of Kathy Ryals, cancer*

Tony Barnes, *friend of Randy Benson, recovering from severe head injury*

Douglas Benson, *Randy Benson's brother, lung cancer*

Edward Bernier, *Pam Collier's father, cancer*

Eddie Blanks, *Randy Benson's friend, tumor*

Jeannie Byers, *John Pickens' sister, degenerative spine*

Sarah Clayton, *friend of Chellie Poston, recovering from car accident*

William Collier, *David Collier's brother, health concerns*

Christina Davison, *friend of Heath and Heather White, deployed to Iraq*

Bridgette Dunlap, *friend of Janice Parrish, lymphoma*

Mike Eartis, *friend of Randy Benson, shoulder surgery*

Bill Ellis, *Georgeanna Phillips' father, prostate cancer*

Bill Embrey, *Dick Embrey's brother, cancer*

Ed Fontana, *Mary Langdon's father, back problems*

Ashley Green, *friend of Beth Pickens, lymphoma*

Buster Johnson, *member of community, recovering from heart surgery*

Lacy & Marilyn Johnson, *members of church family, health concerns*

David Kopanski, *John Kopanski's brother, cancer*

Nadine Langdon, *Wayne Langdon's mother, health concerns*

Carol Mayben, *Sandy Kopanski's sister-in-law, cancer*

Virginia Moore, *member of church, recovering from knee surgery*

Julia Nales, *member of our community, cancer*

Carol Nauquin, *friend of Beck & Laura McLamb, cancer*

Jon Nooney, *member of church family, back problems*

Philip Pleasant, *member of community, recovering from aneurism*

Howard Rhodes, *friend of Stephanie Bagley, cancer*

Judy Skroch, *Joan Stuart's mother, recovering from back surgery*

Alice Stephenson, *member of church family, health concerns*

Jimmy Stephenson, *member of community, cancer*

David Stewart, *Kathy Wood's uncle, health concerns*

Pete Thompson, *friend of Worth Bowman, cancer*

Chris Wade, *relative of Bob & Nadine Reed, medical concerns*

If you have updates or changes to the prayer list, please notify DeEtta Wood at 919.331.9046 or jdwood72@gmail.com.

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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 worshiping Him through Jesus Christ by the power of the Holy Spirit,
And to serve our neighbor as Jesus taught us.



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