

**28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
HOMECOMING SUNDAY
October 12, 2008**

The flowers today are given to the glory of God by the Seekers Sunday School Class in honor of our 81st Homecoming, praising God for all those who have gone before us and all who are here with us today.

Welcome

Prelude "This is My Father's World"

Acolyte

Announcements

Call to Worship Psalm 123

Leader: *To You, O LORD, we lift up our eyes.*

People: *O You who are enthroned in the heavens!*

Leader: *As the eyes of the servants look to the hand of their master,*

People: *so our eyes look to the LORD our God.*

Leader: *Have mercy upon us, O LORD,*

People: *We praise You, O God of grace and mercy.*

All: *Let us worship our Lord God, Amen.*

Opening Hymn "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" #72

Confession of Sin (In Unison)

O merciful God, we confess our eyes are not always upon you. We turn our attention towards ourselves and ignore those in the world who are in need and suffering. We confess our sin of greed, apathy, and ignorance. Forgive us, O Lord, and help us to understand the mission and ministry You call us to. Help us to seek Your Word and Power in our lives to that our vision might be corrected and see our neighbors as reflections of You. Convict our hearts with love and mercy so Your truth can be realized in every beat of our heart.

Silence for Personal Confession

Assurance of Forgiveness

Leader: *We are loved by God whose generosity exceeds our understanding.*

People: *We have been redeemed through Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Amen!*

***Responsive Hymn** "Shout to the Lord" #94

*** Greeting and Rites of Friendship**

Children's Message Kay Dry

Giving of His Tithes and Our Offerings

Homecoming Project: Building and Property Enhancements

Offertory "Sun of My Soul"

*** Doxology** Hymn # 34

Prayer of Dedication

Old Testament Lesson Joshua 4:1-9, 23-24

Anthem "Voices of Praise" Adult Choir

Musical Interlude

(Children exit with Crissy Porter and Lauren Langdon to Children's Church)

Morning Prayers and The Lord's Prayer

New Testament Lesson I Peter 2:1-10

Sermon Rev. Jim Davis

"Twelve stones...living stones...rolling stones...and the cornerstone"

***Dedication Hymn** "Here I Am, Lord" #559

*** Acolyte, Benediction and Postlude**

** Signifies Congregation to Stand*

October Scripture Passage

³⁵ But love your enemies, do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return. Your reward will be great, and you will be children of the Most High; for he is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked. ³⁶ Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful. ³⁷ "Do not judge, and you will not be judged; do not condemn, and you will not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven; ³⁸ give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap; for the measure you give will be the measure you get back." (Luke 6:35-38)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

FELLOWSHIP TIME. Anyone who is interested in helping with the organization of the weekly Fellowship Time is asked to choose a Sunday on the Sign-Up Sheet posted in the Fellowship Hall. If you have questions, please contact Kent Walton.

CHRISTMAS PROGRAM. Plans are being made for our 2008 Children's Christmas Program. If you are interested in helping in any capacity (directing, music, costumes, props/decorations, fellowship/refreshments) please contact Kristy Stephenson at 207.0111.

Assisting in Worship this Sunday:

Ushers: Dick Embrey, Jimmy Stuart, Jeffrey Wood and Russell Wood
Acolyte/Bell Ringer: Justin Wood
Nursery Workers: Sue Bryant, Amanda McLamb, Jane Pickens and Linda Roberts

Assisting in Worship next Sunday, October 19:

Ushers: Gary Phillips and Ken Lordi **Acolyte/Bell Ringer:** Abigail Wood
Children's Sermon: Andrea Jones **Children's Church:** Kent and Gwen Walton
Nursery Workers: Melinda Kendall, and Mark, Pam and Kendall Nelms

Today at Providence:

9:45 a.m.: Sunday School for Children, Youth and Adults
10:25 a.m.: Fellowship Time for everyone in the Fellowship Hall
11:00 a.m.: Homecoming Sunday

Events for this week:

Tuesday, October 14: Stated Session Meeting at 7:30 p.m.
Wednesday, Oct 15: Adult Choir Rehearsal at 7:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary
Thursday, Oct 16: *Back to Basics* Bible Study at 7:00 p.m.
Sunday, Oct 19: Pioneer Clubs, Youth Group and Men's Fellowship at 5:00 p.m.
All Pioneer Clubs members will enjoy decorating pumpkins as a part of their evening activities!

Upcoming Events:

October 21. Presbyterian Women Daytime Circle meets at 10:00 a.m. and the Evening Circle meets at 7:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall
October 23. *Back to Basics* Bible Study at 7:00 p.m.
October 25. Christmas Cantata practice at 9:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary
October 30. *Back to Basics* Bible Study at 7:00 p.m.
November 2. Pioneer Clubs and Youth Group meet in the Sanctuary at 5:00 p.m.

The Prayer List of Joys and Concerns

JOYS:

We are joyful in what our Lord God is doing in the ministries of our church. We celebrate Homecoming Sunday with all those who love the Lord and have been an important part of the life of Christ's church here at Providence.

We rejoice with Bob and Jenni Dry in the birth of their son, Theo Lawrence Dry.

CONCERNS:

Barbara Anderson, *friend of Brenda Byrd, recovering from bypass surgery*
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, cancer*
Edward Bernier, *Pam Collier's father, cancer*
Eddie Blanks, *Randy Benson's friend, tumor*
Jeannie Byers, *John Pickens' sister, degenerative spine*
Stacy Byrd, *member of community, cancer*
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*
Bill Embrey, *Dick Embrey's brother, cancer*
Mike Ertis, *friend of Randy Benson, shoulder surgery*
Ashley Green, *friend of Beth Pickens, lymphoma*
Diane Hefter, *Carolyn Stevenson's daughter, chrone's disease*
Barry Howard, *friend of Sandy Kopanski, cancer*
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*
Annie Lewis, *member of church family, recovering from surgery*
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*
Philip Pleasant, *member of community, recovering from aneurism*
Judy Skroch, *Joan Stuart's mother, recovering from back surgery*
Alice Stephenson, *member of church family, health concerns*
Jimmy Stephenson, *member of community, cancer*
Pete 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.

Ministers of Providence Presbyterian Church
The People of Providence Presbyterian Church

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Rev. Jim Davis

Beck McLamb <i>Mission & Outreach</i>	<u><i>Class of 2008</i></u> Nadine Reed <i>Congregational Care</i>	Elaine Wood <i>Christian Education</i>
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John Kopanski <i>Personnel & Clerk of Session</i>	<u><i>Class of 2009</i></u> Steve Nordan <i>Long-Range Planning</i>	Kent Walton <i>Fellowship</i>
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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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