

FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

March 1, 2009

The flowers today are given to the glory of God by Joan Littleton and in honor of her granddaughter, Macy Simmons, on her 4th birthday

Welcome

Prelude and Acolyte

Announcements

Call to Worship

Psalm 25

Leader: *To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul. Lead the humble and teach them your way.*

People: *Make me to know your ways, O Lord; teach me your paths.*

Leader: *For you are the God of my salvation; for you I wait all the day long.*

People: *Your paths are steadfast love and faithfulness for those who keep your decrees.*

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

Opening Hymn

“God of Creation, All Powerful”

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Confession of Sin (*In Unison*)

Merciful God of all that is and will be. You are our one hope, hear our prayer. We confess our ways in this world are less than genuine, our ways are not Your ways, and our hearts and minds dwell on things that decay the soul and destroy our neighbors. Forgive us O God, send Your spirit into us this day, so that we may seek Your will and not our own. Restore us to a right relationship with You, ourselves, and others in our lives.

Silence for Personal Confession

Assurance of Forgiveness

Leader: *In the Lamb of God we have an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading.*

People: *In the blood of Jesus Christ we have been washed clean!*

*Responsive Hymn

“Shine Jesus Shine”

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* 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

Exodus 13:17-22

Anthem

“A Sure Foundation is Our God”

Adult Choir

Musical Interlude

(Children exit with Sam and Wendy Stephenson to Children’s Church)

Morning Prayers and The Lord’s Prayer

New Testament Lesson

John 8:12-24

Sermon

“God of Heaven and Earth”

Rev. Jim Davis

*Dedication Hymn

“God of Grace and God of Glory”

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* Acolyte and Benediction

* Postlude

** Signifies Congregation to Stand*

March Scripture Passage

¹⁴ When the hour came, he took his place at the table, and the apostles with him. ¹⁵ He said to them, "I have eagerly desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer; ¹⁶ for I tell you, I will not eat it¹ until it is fulfilled in the kingdom of God." ¹⁷ Then he took a cup, and after giving thanks he said, "Take this and divide it among yourselves; ¹⁸ for I tell you that from now on I will not drink of the fruit of the vine until the kingdom of God comes." ¹⁹ Then he took a loaf of bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to them, saying, "This is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me." ²⁰ And he did the same with the cup after supper, saying, "This cup that is poured out for you is the new covenant in my blood."

Luke 22:14-20

ANNOUNCEMENTS

YOUTH SKI TRIP. Those who participated in the Mission Project qualify for the ski trip. We will meet in the church parking lot and leave, March 7th, Saturday morning at 7:00 a.m. – youth should bring a pillow, sleeping bag, warm clothes, a warm coat, shoe & boots, and \$40 for tubing and 2 meals. If you have any questions please see Rev. Davis for details, terms and conditions.

MONTREAT. The Presbyterian Women's Retreat at Montreat is scheduled for August 8-12, 2009. Any women within the congregation who are interested in going on this Retreat should contact Roxann Porter.

CO-ED SOFTBALL. Players are needed for a church-sponsored co-ed softball team. Anyone interested in playing should contact Kent Walton. The team will play in a co-ed league through Garner Parks & Recreation.

Assisting in Worship this Sunday:

Ushers: Sandy Kopanski and Lisa Weatherly
Acolyte/Bell Ringer: Mary Elaine Wood
Nursery Workers: Richard, Andrea, Ryne and Haley Jones

Assisting in Worship next Sunday, March 8:

Ushers: Carolyn Stevenson & Elaine Wood **Acolyte/Bell Ringer:** Tim Nooney
Children's Message: Rev. Davis **Children's Church:** Carlos & Stephanie Bagley
Nursery Workers: Brenda Dupree, Joan Littleton, Kathy Ryals & Kathy Wood

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.: Worship
5:00 p.m.: Pioneer Clubs and Youth Group

Events for this week:

Monday, Mar 2: Christian Education Committee meeting at 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday, Mar 4: Adult Choir Rehearsal at 7:30 p.m.
Saturday, Mar 7: High School Youth Group tubing/ski trip

Upcoming Events:

March 10. Stated Session Meeting at 7:00 p.m.
March 15. Pioneer Clubs and Youth Group at 5:00 p.m.; Men's Fellowship at 5:30 p.m.
March 17. Presbyterian Women Circle meeting at 10:00 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.
March 18. Senior Citizen's Luncheon at 12 noon in the Fellowship Hall
April 5. Palm Sunday
April 9. Maundy Thursday Service at 7:30 p.m.
April 12. Easter Sunrise Service at Pleasant Grove Baptist Church, followed by a light breakfast in their Fellowship Hall

Prayer List of Joys and Concerns

JOYS:

Praise the Lord for answered prayers for Mike Ertis, Kirk Hatsidakis, Nancy Nelms, Dillon Pendegraff and Robbie Reed.

CONCERNS:

The family of Phillip Harris, *Dorothy Nesselrodt's brother*
Annie Ruth Barbour, *friend of Kathy Ryals, cancer*
Kathy Barbour, *member of community, cancer*
Venica Barbour, *friend of Laura Langdon, cancer*
Edward Bernier, *Pam Collier's father, cancer*
Eddie Blanks, *Randy Benson's friend, tumor*
Patricia Brack, *Brandy Joyner's cousin, needs a heart transplant*
Jeannie Byers, *John Pickens' sister, degenerative spine*
William Collier, *David Collier's brother, health concerns*
R.T. Critcher, *Kent Walton's uncle, health problems*
Brack Johnson, *member of church family, health concerns*
Lacy & Marilyn Johnson, *members of church family, health concerns*
David Kopanski, *John Kopanski's brother, cancer*
Jim Lewis, *Beth Pickens' father, health problems*
Eloise McLeod, *Chellie Poston's sister, recovering from surgery*
Jonathan Marlin, *Carolyn Stevenson's nephew, health problems*
Carol Mayben, *Sandy Kopanski's sister-in-law, cancer*
Julia Nales, *member of our community, cancer*
Maxine O'Connell, *friend of Lisa Nelms, recovering from surgery*
Bud Schmidt, *member of church family, health problems*
Alice Stephenson, *member of church family, health concerns*
Jay Stephenson, *member of community, throat cancer*
Jimmy Stephenson, *member of community, cancer*
Pete Thompson, *friend of Worth Bowman, cancer*
Chris Wade, *relative of Bob & Nadine Reed, medical concerns*

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

Ministers of Providence Presbyterian Church
The People of Providence Presbyterian Church

Pastor
Rev. Jim Davis

Session

<i>Class of 2009</i>		
John Kopanski <i>Personnel & Clerk of Session</i>	Steve Nordan <i>Long-Range Planning</i>	Kent Walton <i>Fellowship</i>
<i>Class of 2010</i>		
Sandra Lordi <i>Finance</i>	Mark Nelms <i>Worship</i>	Atlee Roberts <i>Property & Facilities</i>
<i>Class of 2011</i>		
Gary Phillips <i>Christian Education</i>	Carolyn Stevenson <i>Mission & Outreach</i>	Russell Wood <i>Congregational Care</i>

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<i>Webmaster</i> David Nelms	

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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