

# EASTER SUNDAY

April 12, 2009

Welcome

Prelude and Acolyte

Announcements

Call to Worship Psalm 118

Leader: *Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter through them and give thanks to the LORD.*

People: ***This is the gate of the LORD; the righteous shall enter through it.***

Leader: *I thank you that you have answered me and have become my salvation.*

People: ***The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.***

Leader: *This is the LORD's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.*

People: ***This is the day that the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it***

Leader: *Christ is risen*

People: ***Christ is risen indeed!***

All: ***O give thanks to the LORD, let us Worship our Lord God!***

Opening Hymn            “Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”            # 59

Confession of Sin (*In Unison*)

*Almighty God, in raising Jesus from the grave, You shattered the power of sin and death. We confess that we remain captive to doubt and fear, bound by the ways that lead to death. We overlook the poor and the hungry, and pass by those who mourn; we are deaf to the cries of the oppressed, and indifferent to calls for peace; we despise the weak, and abuse the earth You made. Forgive us, God of mercy. Help us to trust Your power to change our lives and make us anew, that we may know the joy of life abundant given in Jesus Christ, the risen Lord.*

Silence for Personal Confession

Assurance of Forgiveness

Leader: *Through the blood of the risen Lord we are redeemed!*

People: ***Hosanna in the highest, we are truly forgiven!***

\*Responsive Hymn            “**In the Garden**”            #300

\* Greeting and Rites of Friendship

Giving of His Tithes and Our Offerings

Offertory

\*Doxology Hymn # 34

Prayer of Dedication

First Scripture Lesson Matthew 28:1-10

Anthem            “Festive Introit for Easter” **Providence Choir**

Musical Interlude

*(Children exit with Chris and Kristy Stephenson to Children's Church)*

Morning Prayers

Second Scripture Lesson Luke 24:34-53

Sermon            “Life.....” Rev. Jim Davis

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Invitation to the Table

Prayer and Words of Institution

Communion of God's People

*(We celebrate communion this morning and invite you to partake of the bread as you receive it – but please hold the cup so we may drink together)*

\*Dedication Hymn        “**Christ the Lord is Risen Today**” # 288

\* Acolyte and Postlude

\* ***Recessional outside to place flowers on the Cross and Benediction***

*\* Signifies Congregation to Stand*

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## April Scripture Passage

<sup>18</sup> Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord"; and she told them that he had said these things to her. <sup>19</sup> When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." <sup>20</sup> After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. <sup>21</sup> Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." <sup>22</sup> When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. <sup>23</sup> If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain sins of any, they are retained."

**John 20:18-23**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL SURVEY.** If you are 18 years or older and have not completed one of these surveys, please pick up a copy in the vestibule, complete it and return it to the Survey Box. Thank you.

**TRANSPORTATION.** If you, or someone you know, would like to attend Worship services on Sunday mornings, but is not able to drive themselves, please contact Johnny Wood at 639.2926 for his assistance in making transportation arrangements.

**RELAY FOR LIFE:** We are Relay for Life Team #59! If you would like to be a part of the team, purchase a luminary, or make a donation, please contact Kay Dry at 639.9784. The next Team meeting is Sunday, April 19 at 5:30 p.m. in the Ladies Sunday School class.

### Assisting in Worship this Sunday:

**Ushers:** Lisa Nelms and Christina Nelms      **Acolyte/Bell Ringer:** Joseph Phillips  
**Nursery Workers:** Mary, Emily & Lauren Langdon and Haley Jones

### Assisting in Worship next Sunday, April 19:

**Ushers:** Johnathan Reed and Jeffrey Wood      **Acolyte/Bell Ringer:** Justin Wood  
**Children's Message:** Wendy Stephenson  
**Children's Church:** Kay Dry and Carolyn Stevenson  
**Nursery Volunteers:** Darren & Joan Stuart, Emily Langdon & Kathy Wood

### Today at Providence:

7:00 a.m.: Easter Sunrise Service at Pleasant Grove Baptist Church  
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.: Easter Sunday and the Celebration of the Lord's Supper

### Weekly Events:

**Tuesday, Apr 14:** Stated Session Meeting at 7:00 p.m.  
**Wednesday, Apr 15:** Adult Choir Rehearsal at 7:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary  
**Thursday, Apr 16:** *Passion of the Christ* Bible Study at 7:00 p.m.  
**Sunday, Apr 19:** Pioneer Clubs Celebration from 3:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.; Men's Fellowship at 5:30 p.m.; Relay for Life meeting at 5:30 p.m.

### Upcoming Events:

**April 21.** Presbyterian Women Circle meetings at 10:00 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.  
**April 26.** Organ Dedication and Concert at 4:00 p.m., followed by refreshments  
**April 27.** VBS Volunteer Planning Meeting at 7:00 p.m.  
**May 1.** Pack 210 Spaghetti Fundraiser. Lunch served from 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. and Dinner served from 4:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.  
**May 15.** Men's Fish Fry from 11:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.  
**May 17.** Youth Sunday  
**May 29-30.** Relay for Life event at Johnston Community College.  
**May 31.** Pentecost Sunday

## Prayer List of Joys and Concerns

### **JOYS:**

Hallelujah! Christ is Risen!

### **CONCERNS:**

Annie Ruth Barbour, *friend of Kathy Ryals, cancer*  
Kathy Barbour, *member of community, cancer*  
Vanecia Barbour, *friend of Laura Langdon, cancer*  
Sylvia Barbour, *member of community, recovering from a stroke*  
Edward Bernier, *Pam Collier's father, cancer*  
Jean Blalock, *member of community, cancer*  
Eddie Blanks, *Randy Benson's friend, tumor*  
Worth and Patsy Bowman, *members of church family, health concerns*  
Jeannie Byers, *John Pickens' sister, degenerative spine*  
William Collier, *David Collier's brother, health concerns*  
R.T. Critcher, *Kent Walton's uncle, health concerns*  
Kathryn Harris, *Kay Dry's niece, breast cancer*  
David Kopanski, *John Kopanski's brother, cancer*  
Jim Lewis, *Beth Pickens' father, health concerns*  
R.Z. McGee, *member of community, health concerns*  
Eloise McLeod, *Chellie Poston's sister, recovering from surgery*  
Carol Mayben, *Sandy Kopanski's sister-in-law, cancer*  
Julia Nales, *member of community, cancer*  
Chris Nooney, *member of church family, recovering from surgery*  
Ina Jean Powell, *Chris Roberts' aunt, cancer*  
Bud Schmidt, *member of community, health concerns*  
Jay Stephenson, *member of community, cancer*  
Jimmy Stephenson, *member of community, cancer*  
Ida Stewart, *Kathy Wood's grandmother, heart attack*  
Pete Thompson, *friend of Worth Bowman, cancer*  
Camille Tudor, *friend of Stephanie Bagley, heart problems*  
Chris Wade, *relative of Bob & Nadine Reed, health concerns*  
Ann Woodall, *member of church family, migraines*

### **Members of the Providence Family in Long-Term Care**

Brack Johnson *at Classic Care Assisted Living in Smithfield*  
Lacy & Marilyn Johnson *at Britthaven in Smithfield*  
Alice Stephenson *at Oak Hill Assisted Living in Angier*

*If you have changes/additions to the prayer list, please contact DeEtta Wood at [jdwood72@gmail.com](mailto:jdwood72@gmail.com) or 919.331.9046*

*Ministers of Providence Presbyterian Church*  
The People of Providence Presbyterian Church

*Pastor*  
Rev. Jim Davis

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*Session*

<i>Class of 2009</i>		
John Kopanski <i>Personnel &amp; 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 &amp; Facilities</i>
<i>Class of 2011</i>		
Gary Phillips <i>Christian Education</i>	Carolyn Stevenson <i>Mission &amp; Outreach</i>	Russell Wood <i>Congregational Care</i>

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*Staff*

<i>Secretary</i> DeEtta Wood	<i>Music Director</i> Brittany Kefauver
<i>Treasurer - Accounting</i> Joan Littleton	<i>Treasurer - Collections</i> Ann Benson
<i>Organist</i> Ann Stephenson	<i>Pianist</i> DeEtta Wood
<i>Webmaster</i> David Nelms	

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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.*



## *Providence Presbyterian Church*

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**Additional Announcements**  
**April 12, 2009**

**PIONEER CLUBS YEAR END CELEBRATION.** On Sunday, April 19, Pioneer Clubs will have a year-end celebration from 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. that will include funnel cakes, cotton candy, tilt-a-whirl ride, bouncy slide, a fire truck, and police car. A meal of hot dogs, hamburgers, and all the trimmings will be provided. This celebration is open to the entire congregation!

**ORGAN DEDICATION AND CONCERT.** On Sunday, April 26 at 4:00 p.m. we will have a Dedication Service for our new organ, followed by an organ concert performed by Rodney L. Barbour from Huntington, West Virginia. Following this special service, refreshments will be served in the Fellowship Hall. All within the congregation and community are invited to attend.

**VBS VOLUNTEER PLANNING MEETING.** All those who have volunteered to help with our 2009 Vacation Bible School are asked to participate in the first volunteer planning meeting on Monday, April 27 at 7:00 p.m. If you have questions, or will be unable to attend, please contact Kristy Stephenson or DeEtta Wood.

**PACK 210 SPAGHETTI FUNDRAISER.** Pack 210 will hold a Spaghetti Fundraiser on Friday, May 1. Lunch will be served from 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m., and dinner will be served from 4:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. The cost is \$6.00 per plate and includes spaghetti, salad, bread, dessert and drink. To purchase tickets, contact Christy Cross.

**BENEFIT FOR JULIA NALES.** Mt. Zion Methodist Church is hosting a Benefit for Julia Nales, a member of our community and friend of our church family who is battling breast cancer, on Friday, April 24 from 11:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m. The cost is \$7.00 per plate, and includes BBQ, slaw, potatoes, rolls and dessert. Eat-in or Take-out. If you are interested in purchasing tickets, please contact Ann Stephenson or Kristy Stephenson.

**Older Adult Ministries Award Nominations**

The Presbytery of New Hope is requesting nominations for an Older Adult Ministries' Outstanding Older Adult Award. The purpose of this award is to recognize an adult 60 years or older who exemplifies positive images of aging personally, in the life of the church and/or the community. To nominate someone from our church, please submit their name and a 50-word summary (one page or less) answering the following questions:

- What contributions has the nominee made in the life of his/her congregation and community since reaching the age of 60?
- How is this person a role model to other generations and his/her own generation as to how to live fully, particularly in one's later years?
- How have his/her gifts and talents been exhibited, particularly in creative ways?
- How does this person's life bear witness to Christ working in him/her?

Provide the above information to Johnny Wood by Sunday, May 3. The Session will review all nominations and select one person to represent our church for this award. This person will be introduced and honored at the July 21 meeting of the Presbytery in Raleigh.

*When nominating a person for this award, please focus exclusively on the person's later life activities*