

2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER
April 19, 2009

*The flowers today are given to the glory of God by John and Beth
Pickens in honor of their 25th wedding anniversary*

Welcome

Prelude and Acolyte

Announcements

Call to Worship

Psalm 134

Leader: *Come, bless the LORD,*

People: *bless the LORD, all you servants of the LORD,*

Leader: *Come, bless the LORD,*

People: *All you who stand by night in the house of the LORD!*

Leader: *Come, bless the LORD, all you servants of the LORD,*

People: *Lift up your hands to the holy place, and bless the LORD.*

Leader: *May the LORD, maker of heaven and earth, bless you from Zion.*

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

Opening Hymn

“Shout to the Lord”

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Confession of Sin (In Unison)

O Lord God, hear our prayer of confession. You have revealed Yourself to us in so many ways and yet we turn toward the worldly things for answers and fulfillment. We confess that we remain captive to doubt and fear, bound by the ways that lead to death. You sent Your Son Jesus Christ to redeem us from the wages of our sin and we turn to you only when it suits our needs. Forgive us, O God, for we do that which we do not want to do. Renew our minds and spirits to bear witness to Your truth, righteousness, and love.

Silence for Personal Confession

Assurance of Forgiveness

Leader: *God anointed Jesus Christ as the sacrificial Lamb of God.*

People: *Everyone who believes in Jesus Christ receives forgiveness of sins through his name!*

***Responsive Hymn**

“Lord, Be Glorified”

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*** Greeting and Rites of Friendship**

Children’s Message

Wendy Stephenson

Giving of His Tithes and Our Offerings

Offertory

***Doxology**

Hymn # 34

Prayer of Dedication

First Scripture Lesson

Acts 4:32-37

Anthem

“Lift High the Cross”

Providence Choir

Musical Interlude

(Children exit with Kay Dry and Carolyn Stevenson to Children’s Church)

Morning Prayers and The Lord’s Prayer

Second Scripture Lesson

John 20:21-31

Sermon

“Doubt Amongst Us”

Rev. Jim Davis

***Dedication Hymn**

“Blessed Assurance”

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*** Acolyte**

*** Benediction**

*** Postlude**

** Signifies Congregation to Stand*

April Scripture Passage

¹⁸ 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. ¹⁹ 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." ²⁰ After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. ²¹ Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." ²² When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³ 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. *Please turn in your survey today!*

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 today at 5:30 p.m.

Assisting in Worship this Sunday:

Ushers: Johnathan Reed and Jeffrey Wood **Acolyte/Bell Ringer:** Justin Wood
Nursery Workers: Darren & Joan Stuart, Emily Langdon & Kathy Wood

Assisting in Worship next Sunday, April 26:

Ushers: Keith Weatherly & Russell Wood **Acolyte/Bell Ringer:** Abigail Wood
Children's Message: **Pioneer Clubs and Youth Group will perform**
Children's Church: Mary & Emily Langdon
Nursery Volunteers: Linda Roberts, Kathy Ryals & Johnathan & Amy Reed

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
3:00 p.m.: Pioneer Clubs Celebration (this is open to the entire congregation!)
5:30 p.m.: Men's Fellowship and Relay for Life Team Meeting

Weekly Events:

Tuesday, Apr 21: Presbyterian Women Circle meetings at 10:00 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.
Wednesday, Apr 22: Adult Choir Rehearsal at 7:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary
Thursday, Apr 23: *Passion of the Christ* Bible Study at 7:00 p.m.
Sunday, Apr 26: Youth Pancake Breakfast (served from 9:15 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.); Organ Dedication and Concert at 4:00 p.m., followed by refreshments in the Fellowship Hall

Upcoming Events:

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 celebrated during Worship, followed by a Long-Range Planning Committee luncheon and presentation in the Fellowship Hall

Prayer List of Joys and Concerns

JOYS:

Hallelujah! Christ is Risen!

CONCERNS:

Please remember the family of Julia Nales, who passed away this week.
Annie Ruth Barbour, *friend of Kathy Ryals, cancer*
Kathy Barbour, *member of community, cancer*
Vanesia 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*
Larry Ezzelle, *Brandy Weaver's uncle, cancer*
Derrick Haas, *Pat Davis' friend, suffered a massive stroke*
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*
Olivia Mullis, *Andrea Jones' aunt, health concerns*
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*
Amanda & Atalie Vess, *Andrea Jones' sister & niece, premature baby*
Chris Wade, *relative of Bob & Nadine Reed, health concerns*
Nan Walker, *Andrea Jones' grandmother, health concerns*
Angie Walton, *Barbara Walton's daughter-in-law, health concerns*
Carmen Watson, *friend of Brandy Weaver, cancer*
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 or 919.331.9046

Additional Announcements

April 19, 2009

YOUTH PANCAKE BREAKFAST. On Sunday, April 26 the Youth will serve pancakes, sausage and eggs from 9:15 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. Donations for the Youth Group will be accepted during this time. Please come and enjoy a delicious breakfast and support our Youth!

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, who recently passed away after a long battle with 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.

LONG RANGE PLANNING COMMITTEE (LRPC) LUNCHEON AND PRESENTATION. The LRPC met with the Session on April 14 and received approval to begin a short-term improvement project for our church building. Details of the project will be presented at a luncheon on May 31 which will be held in the fellowship hall immediately following Worship. The meats will be catered and everyone attending is asked to bring side dishes and desserts. The LRPC looks forward to sharing the details of this exciting project with you – please plan on attending!

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.

Ministers of Providence Presbyterian Church
The People of Providence Presbyterian Church

Pastor
Rev. Jim Davis

Session

	<u><i>Class of 2009</i></u>	
John Kopanski <i>Personnel & Clerk of Session</i>	Steve Nordan <i>Long-Range Planning</i>	Kent Walton <i>Fellowship</i>
	<u><i>Class of 2010</i></u>	
Sandra Lordi <i>Finance</i>	Mark Nelms <i>Worship</i>	Atlee Roberts <i>Property & Facilities</i>
	<u><i>Class of 2011</i></u>	
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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