

# 21<sup>ST</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

August 23, 2009

*The flowers today are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Paul Stephenson's birthday, by Ann Stephenson*

## Welcome, Prelude and Acolyte

### Announcements

### Call to Worship

Psalm 32

Leader: *Happy are those whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered.*

**People:** *Let us confess our transgressions to the LORD*

Leader: *Be glad in the LORD and rejoice, O righteous.*

**People:** *The Lord will instruct us and teach us the way we should go*

Leader: *Shout for joy, all you upright in heart.*

**People:** *Steadfast love surrounds those who trust in the LORD.*

**All:** *Let us worship the Lord our God.*

### Opening Hymn

**"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"**

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### Confession of Sin (*In Unison*)

*Almighty God, in whom all things are possible, You shattered the power of sin and death through Jesus Christ. 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, O God of mercy. May we trust your power to change our lives and make us a new. Lead us in Your joy and life abundant given in Jesus Christ, our Savior and risen Lord.*

### Silence for Personal Confession

### Assurance of Forgiveness

Leader: *The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting.*

**People:** *In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!*

\*Responsive Hymn **"Lord I Lift Your Name on High** (2 times)

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### \* Greeting and Rites of Friendship

## Children's Message

Andrea Jones

## Giving of His Tithes and Our Offerings

Offertory

\*Doxology

Hymn # 34

Prayer of Dedication

## Old Testament Scripture Lesson 2 Chronicles 34:14-19, 29-33

Anthem

"It Is Well"

Providence Choir

Musical Interlude

*(Children exit with Mary and Emily Langdon to Children's Church)*

## Morning Prayers and The Lord's Prayer

## New Testament Scripture Lesson

Matthew 23:1-8

Sermon "In Relationship with God: Study" Rev. Jim Davis

\*Dedication Hymn

"Take Time To Be Holy"

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\* Acolyte

\* Benediction and Postlude

*\* Signifies Congregation to Stand*

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## August Scripture Passage

*<sup>15</sup> People were bringing even infants to him that he might touch them; and when the disciples saw it, they sternly ordered them not to do it. <sup>16</sup> But Jesus called for them and said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. <sup>17</sup> Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it."*

**Luke 18:15-17**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**PASTOR'S OFFICE HOURS.** Rev. Davis' church office hours are now Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m., office phone 894.4063 or cell 264.4324

**NEWSLETTER.** If you have items for the September newsletter, please forward those to Dave Nelms today at [davenelms@embarqmail.com](mailto:davenelms@embarqmail.com)

**CD MINISTRY.** God has opened another door, isn't He good? The Mission and Outreach Committee are excited to offer CDs of the Sunday sermons to those who are unable to attend services. We're prayerfully requesting donations to purchase 6 CD players for those shut-ins who do not have one. Your prayers and commitment are necessary resources for the spiritual and physical growth of Providence. If you have questions, please contact Carolyn Stevenson.

**JOHNSTON COUNTY BOOKMOBILE.** Beginning tomorrow, August 24, the Johnston County Bookmobile will be making a monthly stop in the church parking lot at approximately 12:30 p.m. Anyone can check out books, but you will have to get a library card at your first visit. Future dates are: Sept 21, Oct 19, Nov 16 and Dec. 12.

### Assisting in Worship this Sunday:

**Ushers:** Keith Weatherly & Russell Wood      **Acolyte/Bell Ringer:** Joseph Phillips  
**Nursery Workers:** Linda Roberts, Kathy Ryals, Johnathan & Amy Reed

### Assisting in Worship next Sunday, August 30:

**Ushers:** Hamilton Greene and Darren Stuart      **Acolyte/Bell Ringer:** Daniel S. Carolyn Stevenson  
**Children's Message:** Carolyn Stevenson  
**Children's Church:** Phil and Christy Cross  
**Nursery:** Kay Dry, Laura Langdon, Chris Nooney & Lisa Weatherly

### 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  
10:30 a.m.: Called Presbyterian Women's Meeting in the Fellowship Hall  
11:00 a.m.: Worship  
12:30 p.m.: Worship Committee meeting at the home of Ann Stephenson  
8:00 p.m.: Church-Wide Pool Party at McGee's Crossroads Pool

### Weekly Events:

**Monday, Aug 24:** Christian Education Committee meeting at 7:00 p.m.

**Wednesday, Aug 26:** Youth Choir Rehearsal at 6:30 p.m.; Adult Choir Rehearsal at 7:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary

### Upcoming Events:

**September 1.** Prayer Shawl Project at 10:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall

**September 18.** Church-wide Retreat to Fort Fisher returning Sunday, September 20

**September 20.** Men's Fellowship Meeting at 5:30 p.m. in the Seeker's Classroom

## Prayer List of Joys and Concerns

### **JOYS:**

Praise the Lord for answered prayers!

### **CONCERNS:**

*The family of Ruth Jernigan*  
*Our students returning to school and those going off to college*  
Regan Abernathy, *1-year old suffering from severe burns*  
Pam Aycock-Grimes, *Robin Grimes' wife, breast 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*  
Jeannie Byers, *John Pickens' sister, degenerative spine*  
Shelby Clifton, *member of community, health concerns*  
Larry Ezzelle, *Brandy Joyner's uncle, cancer*  
Kathryn Harris, *Kay Dry's niece, breast cancer*  
David Kopanski, *John Kopanski's brother, cancer*  
Norbert Kopanski, *John Kopanski's dad, health concerns*  
Graham Langdon, *member of community, heart problems*  
R.Z. McGee, *member of community, health concerns*  
Carol Mayben, *Sandy Kopanski's sister-in-law, cancer*  
Wanza Mayben, *Sandy Kopanski's mother, health concerns*  
Joan Morris, *friend of Pat Embrey, complications from car accident*  
Olivia Mullis, *Andrea Jones' aunt, health concerns*  
Ray Nooney, *Jon Nooney's father, health concerns*  
Shavonna Owen, *friend of Pam Collier, recovering from burns*  
Charles Powell, *Brandy Joyner's uncle, cancer*  
Ina Jean Powell, *Chris Roberts' aunt, cancer*  
Bud Schmidt, *member of community, health concerns*  
Pete and Brenda Skinner, *friends of Sue Bryant, health concerns*  
Jimmy Stephenson, *member of community, cancer*  
Vaughn Stephenson, *member of community, health concerns*  
Michael Tillis, *Chris Nooney's nephew, deployed to Iraq*  
Nan Walker, *Andrea Jones' grandmother, health concerns*  
Angie Walton, *Barbara Walton's daughter-in-law, health concerns*  
Carmen Watson, *friend of Brandy Joyner, cancer*  
Ann Woodall, *member of church family, health concerns*

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

Alice Honeycutt *at Oak Hill Assisted Living in Angier*  
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 to this list, please contact DeEtta Wood at 919.331.9046 or [jdwood72@gmail.com](mailto:jdwood72@gmail.com).*

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

*Pastor*  
Rev. Jim Davis

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*Session*

	<u><i>Class of 2009</i></u>	
John Kopanski <i>Personnel &amp; 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 &amp; Facilities</i>
	<u><i>Class of 2011</i></u>	
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.*



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