

24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

September 13, 2009

*The flowers today are given to the glory of God and in honor of
Mary Elaine Wood on her 6th birthday, by Jeffrey, DeEtta,
Justin & Ava Wood*

Welcome, Prelude and Acolyte

Announcements

Call to Worship

Psalm 103

Leader: *Bless the LORD, O my soul,*

People: *and all that is within us, bless his holy name.*

Leader: *Bless the LORD, O my soul,*

People: *who forgives all our iniquity, and redeems our life*

Leader: *The LORD is merciful and gracious,*

People: *slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.*

Leader: *For as the heavens are high above the earth,*

People: *so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him;*

Leader: *The steadfast love of the LORD is from everlasting to everlasting.*

People: *to those who keep his covenant and remember to do his
commandments.*

Leader: *Bless the LORD, all his hosts, his ministers that do his will.*

People: *Bless the LORD, all his works, in all places of his dominion.*

All: *Bless the LORD, O my soul.*

Opening Hymn

“Sanctuary” (sing through twice)

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Confession of Sin (In Unison)

*O merciful God, we confess our sin to You this day. We turn our eyes
towards ourselves and ignore those who are in need and suffering. We
confess our sin of greed, apathy, and ignorance. Forgive us, O Lord, and
help us to understand our mission and ministry. 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 minds and souls with Your
radical love and unending mercy. May we understand Your truth more fully
with every beat of our heart.*

Silence for Personal Confession

Assurance of Forgiveness

Leader: *O give thanks to the LORD, for his steadfast love endures forever.*

People: *Through the blood of Christ, we are forgiven.*

*Responsive Hymn

“I Believe in Jesus”

#675

* Greeting and Rites of Friendship

Children’s Message

Ann Benson

Giving of His Tithes and Our Offerings

Offertory

*Doxology

Hymn # 34

Prayer of Dedication

Old Testament Scripture Lesson

Exodus 19:1-7

Anthem

“Unbounded Grace”

Providence Choir

Musical Interlude

(Children exit with Pam and Kendall Nelms to Children’s Church)

Morning Prayers and The Lord’s Prayer

New Testament Scripture Lesson

II Corinthians 5:14-21

Sermon “In Relationship with God: Ministry” Rev. Jim Davis

*Dedication Hymn “They’ll Know We Are Christians” # 595

* Acolyte

* Benediction and Postlude

Congregational Meeting

** Signifies Congregation to Stand*

September 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

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER APPRECIATION SUNDAY. The Christian Education Committee will recognize all 2008/2009 Sunday School teachers during the Worship Service on Sunday, September 27, and will host the Fellowship Time in appreciation of our teachers. Anyone who has taught in the children, youth or adult classes will be honored during this special service.

CONFIRMATION CLASS. A confirmation class for all youth in 6th – 8th grade will begin Sunday, October 4 at 9:45 a.m. and run for approximately 8 weeks. Leaders for this class are: Kay Dry, Wendy Stephenson, Carolyn Stevenson, and Allison Tart. A meeting for all parents of the youth who will participate in this class will be held on Sunday, September 27 at 4:00 p.m. in the Seekers Classroom.

THANK YOU!! from the Fellowship and Christian Education committees to everyone who brought food and came out to enjoy the church-wide pool party. A great time was had by all!

Assisting in Worship this Sunday:

Ushers: Nathan Dry and Don Dupree **Acolyte/Bell Ringer:** Mary Elaine Wood
Nursery Workers: Pam and Lauren Collier, Lauren Langdon and Elaine Wood

Assisting in Worship next Sunday, Sept 20:

Ushers: Mark Nelms and Jimmy Stuart **Acolyte/Bell Ringer:** Tim Nooney
Children's Message: Darren Stuart
Children's Church: Lisa and Christina Nelms
Nursery: Richard, Andrea, Ryne & Haley Jones

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
12 noon: Congregational Meeting

Weekly Events:

Monday, Sept 14: Christian Education Committee meeting at 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday, Sept 16: Adult Choir Rehearsal at 7:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary
Friday, Sept 18: Fort Fisher Retreat returning Sunday, September 20

Upcoming Events:

September 20. Middle and High School Youth Group meet at 5:00 p.m. in the Manse; Men's Fellowship Meeting at 5:30 p.m. in the Seeker's Classroom
September 22. Presbyterian Women Combined Circle meeting and Installation of Officers at 7:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall
September 23. Youth Choir Rehearsal at 6:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary
September 27. Sunday School Teacher Appreciation Sunday
October 4. World Communion Sunday
October 4. Pioneer Clubs resumes their regular meetings at 5:00 p.m.
October 11. Homecoming Sunday

Prayer List of Joys and Concerns

JOYS:

Praise the Lord for answered prayers for Regan Abernathy and Shavonna Owen.

CONCERNS:

Elaine Andrews, *Andrea Jones' mother, health concerns*
Pam Aycock-Grimes, *Robin Grimes' wife, breast cancer*
Sylvia Barbour, *member of community, recovering from a stroke*
Jerry Batchelor, *Linda Roberts' nephew-in-law, cancer*
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*
Peggy Campbell, *Lisa Nelms' mom, back problems*
Betty Carroll, *Linda Roberts' sister, health concerns*
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*
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*
Stephen Nicholson, *friend of Melinda Kendall, deployed to Iraq*
Ray Nooney, *Jon Nooney's father, health concerns*
Carter Pepper, *2-year old awaiting bone marrow transplant*
Roxann Porter, *member of church family, reconstructive ear surgery*
Charles Powell, *Brandy Joyner's uncle, cancer*
Ina Jean Powell, *Chris Roberts' aunt, cancer*
Bud Schmidt, *member of community, health concerns*
Don Shumaker, *Brittany Kefauver's granddad, cancer*
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*
Kathy Ward, *friend of Ann Stephenson, lung cancer*
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

Ministers of Providence Presbyterian Church
 The People of Providence Presbyterian Church

Pastor
 Rev. Jim Davis

Session

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

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	

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 worshipping Him through Jesus Christ
 by the power of the Holy Spirit,
 And to serve our neighbor as Jesus taught us.*

Weekly Statistics

Receipts for September 6	\$4,234.30
Total Receipts for September... ..	\$4,234.30
Revitalization Project total	\$32,571.28
Attendance for September 6	82



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