

25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
September 20, 2009

Welcome

Prelude and Acolyte

Announcements

Call to Worship

from Psalm 25

Leader: *To You, O LORD, I lift up my soul.*

People: *O my God, in You I trust;*

Leader: *Make me to know Your ways, O LORD;*

People: *All the paths of the LORD are steadfast love and faithfulness*

Leader: *Lead me in Your truth, and teach me,*

People: *for You are the God of my salvation;*

Leader: *Good and upright is the LORD;*

People: *You lead the humble in what is right,*

All: *For great is the Lord and worthy to be praised.*

Opening Hymn

“Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise”

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Confession of Sin (*In Unison*)

from Psalm 25

For Your name's sake, O LORD, pardon our guilt, for it is great. Teach us the way that we should go and help us to choose Your truth instead of our feeble reasoning. We confess our hearts dwell on selfish ways and our minds make excuses for our behavior. Turn Your eyes upon us and be gracious to us, for we are lonely and afflicted. Relieve the troubles of our hearts, and bring us out of our distresses.

Silence for Personal Confession

Assurance of Forgiveness

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

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

*Responsive Hymn

“To God be the Glory”

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* Greeting and Rites of Friendship

Children's Message

Darren Stuart

Giving of His Tithes and Our Offerings

Offertory

*Doxology

Hymn # 34

Prayer of Dedication

Old Testament Scripture Lesson

Isaiah 45:18-22

Anthem

“Underneath the Shadow of His Wings”

Providence Choir

Musical Interlude

(Children exit with Lisa and Christina Nelms to Children's Church)

Morning Prayers and The Lord's Prayer

New Testament Scripture Lesson

John 14:1-14

Sermon

“God of Truth”

Rev. Jim Davis

*Dedication Hymn

“Blessed Assurance”

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* Acolyte

* Benediction and Postlude

* 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

PINESTRAW FUNDRAISER... are you in need of pine straw to spruce up your yard for Fall? Or just want to have a bale of pine straw to decorate with? The Providence Youth Group is selling bales of pine straw to be delivered Saturday, October 3 from 9:00 a.m. – 12 noon. Please fill out the enclosed form with a check in the appropriate amount OR see any of our Youth or Youth Advisors for details.

NEW MEMBERS CLASS begins on Sunday, October 18 in the Fellowship Hall at 9:45 a.m. If you are interested in joining our church, or just curious about what Presbyterians believe, please come and join us. If you have questions, please contact Rev. Davis.

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 Fellowship Hall

Assisting in Worship this Sunday:

Ushers: Mark Nelms and Jimmy Stuart

Acolyte/Bell Ringer: Tim Nooney

Nursery Workers:

Richard, Andrea, Ryne & Haley Jones

Assisting in Worship next Sunday, Sept 27:

Ushers: Tony Bryant and Gary Phillips

Acolyte/Bell Ringer: Abigail Wood

Children's Message:

Wendy Stephenson

Children's Church:

Randy and Ann Benson

Nursery:

Chris & Kristy Stephenson, Sue Bryant and Courtney Walton

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.: Middle and High School Youth Groups meet in the Manse; Men's

Fellowship meets at 5:30 p.m.

Weekly Events:

Tuesday, Sept 22: Presbyterian Women Combined Circle meeting and Installation of Officers at 7:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, Sept 23: Youth Choir Rehearsal at 6:30 p.m.; Adult Choir Rehearsal at 7:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary

Thursday, Sept 24: Long-Range Planning Committee meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Prayer List of Joys and Concerns

JOYS:

Praise the Lord for answered prayers!

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*
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*
Nancy Nelms, *member of church family, recovering from a fall*
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*
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><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>

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 worshiping 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 13	\$1,514.00*
Total Receipts for September.....	\$5,748.30*
Revitalization Project total received.....	\$40,094.31
Attendance for September 688

**Receipts include General Fund and Designated Funds*



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