

FOURTH SUNDAY IN EASTER
April 25, 2010

Welcome

Prelude

Acolyte

Announcements

Call to Worship

Psalm 23

Leader: *The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.*

People: ***He makes me to lie down in green pastures:***

Leader: *he leads me beside the still waters and restoreth my soul:*

People: ***he leads me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.***

Leader: *Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I will fear no evil:*

People: ***for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.***

Leader: *Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies.*

People: ***thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.***

Leader: *Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life:*

People: ***and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.***

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

*Opening Hymn

“Sanctuary”

#482

(sing through twice)

Confession of Sin (In Unison)

Redeemer God, hear our prayer of confession and lead us to true repentance. Forgive us when we want what feeds our desires. Illuminate our hearts and reveal the path that leads to You. We do not sing Your love and grace when we should; we do not reach out to those around us to share the gospel message; we too often focus on the things of this world and ignore those things of heaven. O God, forgive our foolish and sinful ways. Give us your Holy Spirit that we may be given all the gifts of grace needed to fulfill our common calling; through Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior. Amen.

Silence for Personal Confession

Assurance of Forgiveness

Leader: *In the Kingdom of God we have our assurance and citizenship.*

People: ***Through the blood of Jesus Christ we have been adopted into the family of God!***

*Responsive Hymn “Breathe on Me, Breath of God”

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* Greeting and Rites of Friendship

Giving of His Tithes and Our Offerings

Offertory

*Doxology

Hymn # 34

Prayer of Dedication

First Scripture Lesson

Matthew 16:13-21

Anthem

“Prince of Peace”

Providence Choir

Musical Interlude

(Children exit with Mary & Lauren Langdon to Children's Church)

Morning Prayers and The Lord's Prayer

Second Scripture Lesson

Acts 9:36-43

Sermon

“The Keys to the Kingdom”

Rev. Jim Davis

*Dedication Hymn “Lord, I Want to Be a Christian”

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*Acolyte

*Benediction

*Postlude

**Signifies Congregation to Stand*

April Scripture Passage

⁴⁶ ... (Jesus) said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, ⁴⁷ and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. ⁴⁸ You are witnesses of these things. ⁴⁹ And see, I am sending upon you what my Father promised; so stay here in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high." ⁵⁰ Then he led them out as far as Bethany, and, lifting up his hands, he blessed them. ⁵¹ While he was blessing them, he withdrew from them and was carried up into heaven. ⁵² And they worshiped him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy; ⁵³ and they were continually in the temple blessing God.

Luke 24:46-53

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN are planning a beach retreat to Swansboro, NC from Friday, May 14 – Sunday, May 16. Janice Parrish and Brenda Byrd are hosting us at their homes for the weekend. This invitation is extended to all women within the congregation. If you are interested in participating for all or part of the weekend, please notify DeEtta Wood.

MAY NEWSLETTER. Anyone with information to include in the May newsletter, please forward your information to Dave Nelms at davenelms@embarqmail.com

Assisting in Worship this Sunday:

Ushers: David Collier & Jonathan Breeden **Acolyte/Bell Ringer:** Denver Berg
Greeter: Russell Wood
Nursery: Chris & Kristy Stephenson, Darren & Joan Stuart

Assisting in Worship next Sunday, May 2:

Ushers: Johnathan Reed & Jeff Wood **Acolyte/Bell Ringer:** Jarrett Cross
Children's Church: Darren and Joan Stuart
Nursery: Brenda Dupree, Lauren Langdon, Joan Littleton, & Elaine Wood

Today at Providence:

9:45 a.m.: Sunday School for Children, Youth and Adults
10:25 a.m.: Fellowship Time in the Fellowship Hall
11:00 a.m.: Worship
12:00 noon: Relay for Life Luncheon
4:00 p.m.: VBS Volunteer Meeting
5:00 p.m.: High School Youth Group

Weekly Events:

Wednesday, April 28: Youth Choir Rehearsal at 6:30 p.m.; Adult Choir Rehearsal at 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, Apr 29: Adult Bible Study at 7:00 p.m.

Friday, Apr 30: Pack 210 Spaghetti Fundraiser from 11am – 2pm & 4pm – 7pm

Upcoming Events:

May 14-16. Presbyterian Women Beach Retreat to Swansboro, NC

May 16. Youth Sunday

May 18. Presbyterian Women Combined Circle meeting, with Installation of Officers and Birthday Offering at 7:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall

May 21. Men's Fish Fry from 11:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Prayer List of Joys and Concerns

JOYS:

We rejoice in Christ at the marriage of Travis and Brittany Jones! May God bless us in celebrating a rich life in Jesus Christ.

CONCERNS:

Nancy Allen, *Sheila Dupree's mother, at Wake-Med Raleigh*
Caleb Reece, *Andrea Jones' cousin, spinal surgery scheduled for May 4*
Keith Langdon, *member of church family, hip problems*
Chellie Poston, *member of church family, serious medical concerns*
Ann Woodall, *member of church family, homebound due to health*

All persons living with cancer, including:

Hunter Aiken, *member of community*, **Pam Aycok-Grimes**, *member of community*, **Doug Bailey**, *member of community*, **Elaine Bass**, *friend of Sue Bryant*, **Edward Bernier**, *Pam Collier's father*, **Jean Blalock**, *member of community*, **Glenn Carroll**, *Kelly Nordan's father*, **Laura Fite**, *member of community*, **Jo Hawley**, *friend of Laura Langdon*, **David Kopanski**, *John Kopanski's brother*, **Carol Mayben**, *Sandy Kopanski's sister-in-law*, **Denise Napp**, *friend of Brenda Byrd*, **Maxine O'Connell**, *friend of Lisa Nelms*, **Carol Pigott**, *friend of Allison Tart*, **Tommy Pope**, *member of community*, **Charles Powell**, *Brandy Joyner's uncle*, **Benny Smith**, *member of community*, **Teresa Vaughn**, *friend of Christina Nelms*, **Bunny Walker**, *Andrea Jones' aunt*, **Carmen Watson**, *friend of Brandy Joyner*, **Kay Williams**, *friend of Sandy Kopanski*, and **Jesse Wise**, *Ronnie Creech's nephew*

Other persons with health concerns, including:

Elaine Andrews, *Andrea Jones' mother*, **Eddie Blanks**, *Randy Benson's friend*, **Odell Council**, *friend of Lisa Nelms*, **Norbert Kopanski**, *John Kopanski's dad*, **Bobbie Langdon**, *member of church family*, **Wanza Mayben**, *Sandy Kopanski's mother*, **Pete and Brenda Skinner**, *friends of Sue Bryant*, and **Molly Ward**, *friend of Brenda Byrd*.

All persons serving in the armed forces, including:

Justin Coats, *son of J.L. and Barbara Coats serving in Afghanistan*
Jamie Powell, *Su Bryant's niece serving in Afghanistan*
Matthew Shattell, *friend of Pam Collier serving in Afghanistan*

Members of the Providence Family in Long-Term Care:

Alice Honeycutt *at Liberty Commons in Benson*
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

<i>Sandra Lordi</i> <i>Long-Range Planning</i>	<i>Mark Nelms</i> <i>Worship</i>	<i>Atlee Roberts</i> <i>Property & Facilities</i>
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<i>Gary Phillips</i> <i>Christian Education</i>	<i>Carolyn Stevenson</i> <i>Mission & Outreach</i>	<i>Russell Wood</i> <i>Congregational Care</i>
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<i>Laura McLamb</i> <i>Personnel & Clerk of Session</i>	<i>Kristy Stephenson</i> <i>Finance</i>	<i>Kent Walton</i> <i>Fellowship</i>
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Staff

Secretary
 DeEtta Wood

Music Director
 Brittany Jones

Treasurer - Accounting
 Joan Littleton

Treasurer - Collections
 Ann Benson

Organist
 Ann Stephenson

Pianist
 DeEtta Wood

Webmaster
 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

Designated Funds Receipts for 4/18.....	\$2,165.50
General Fund Receipts for 4/18.....	\$1,668.00
<i>Total Receipts for 4/18.....</i>	<i>\$3,833.50*</i>
Total Receipts for April	\$6,338.75*
Attendance for Sunday School April 18.....	57
Attendance for Worship April 18.....	115

**Receipts include General and Designated Funds*



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