

22nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

August 29, 2010

The flowers today are given to the glory of God and in honor of Randy Benson's birthday, by Ann and Austin Benson

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

Acolyte

Call to Worship

Leader: *Sing aloud to God our strength;*

People: *shout for joy to the God of Jacob.*

Leader: *For it is a statute for Israel, an ordinance of the God of Jacob.*

People: *He made it a decree in Joseph, when we went out over the land of Egypt.*

Leader: *I hear a voice I had not known:*

People: *"I relieved your shoulder of the burden; your hands were freed from the basket.*

Leader: *In distress you called, and I rescued you;*

People: *I answered you in the secret place of thunder; I tested you at the waters of Meribah.*

Leader: *Hear, O my people, while I admonish you; O Israel, if you would but listen to me!*

People: *There shall be no strange god among you; you shall not bow down to a foreign god.*

Leader: *I am the LORD your God,*

People: *who brought you up out of the land of Egypt.*

All: *Praise be to our LORD God this day!*

*Opening Hymn

"O Worship the King"

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Confession of Sin (In Unison)

Almighty God, we come before you this day to confess our unworthiness and sinful actions. O LORD, send forth Your Holy Spirit and renew our hearts so we can remember Your unending love and truth. Help us to sing and proclaim Your redeeming Grace for all humanity – for we close ourselves off from others and offer cruel words that pierce the heart and quench the spirit. Forgive us, O God, for we do that which we do not want to do. Help us to transform into the disciples You have called us to be.

Silence for Personal Confession

Assurance of Forgiveness

Leader: *What can wash away our sins?*

People: *Nothing but the blood of Jesus.*

Leader: *Through the blood of the risen Lord we are redeemed!*

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

Affirming the Apostle's Creed

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*Responsive Hymn "Spirit of the Living God"

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* Passing of the Peace of Christ

Giving of His Tithes and Our Offerings

Offertory

*Doxology

Hymn # 34

Prayer of Dedication

Old Testament Scripture Lesson

Jeremiah 2:4-13

Anthem

"Seeker's of Your Kingdom" Providence Choir

Musical Interlude

(Children exit with Johnathan and Amy Reed to Children's Church)

Morning Prayers and The Lord's Prayer

New Testament Scripture Lesson

Hebrews 13:1-8

Sermon

"Spiritual Amnesia"

Rev. Jim Davis

*Dedication Hymn

"Blessed Assurance"

#426

*Acolyte, Benediction, and Postlude

**Signifies Congregation to Stand*

August Scripture Passage

¹At that time the disciples came to Jesus and asked, "Who is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven?" ²He called a child, whom he put among them, ³and said, "Truly I tell you, unless you change and become like children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven. ⁴Whoever becomes humble like this child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven. ⁵Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me. ⁶"If any of you put a stumbling block before one of these little ones who believe in me, it would be better for you if a great millstone were fastened around your neck and you were drowned in the depth of the sea. ⁷Woe to the world because of stumbling blocks! Occasions for stumbling are bound to come, but woe to the one by whom the stumbling block comes! (**Matthew 18:1-7**)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

YOUTH CHRISTMAS CANTATA. ALL Youth ages **8-18** are asked to attend Wednesday night choir practice at 6:30 p.m. beginning Wednesday, September 1. These Youth will practice every Wednesday night to rehearse for their cantata which will be held in the evening on Sunday, December 12. Should you have questions, please contact Brittany Jones or Ann Stephenson.

ANNUAL FORT FISHER RETREAT is scheduled for September 17-19, 2010. Everyone within the congregation is invited to attend! For additional information or to sign-up, please contact Gary or Georgeanna Phillips.

Assisting in Worship this Sunday:

Ushers: Nathan Dry and Jimmy Stuart **Acolyte/Bell Ringer:** Mary Elaine Wood
Greeter: Elaine Wood
Nursery: Tammy Berg, Lauren Langdon, Roxann Porter & Elaine Wood

Assisting in Worship next Sunday, September 5:

Ushers: Ronnie Creech & Hamilton Greene **Acolyte/Bell Ringer:** Haleigh Weaver
Children's Church: Robert and Brandy Joyner
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 in the Fellowship Hall
11:00 a.m.: Worship
2:00 p.m.: Adult Choir Christmas Cantata Rehearsal
4:30 p.m.: Long-Range Planning Committee meeting

Weekly Events:

Wednesday, Sep 1: Youth Cantata Rehearsal at 6:30 p.m.; Adult Choir Rehearsal at 7:30 p.m.

Upcoming Events:

September 7. Prayer Shawl Project at 10:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall
September 8. Youth Choir Rehearsal at 6:30 p.m.
September 11. Habitat for Humanity Project in Benson
September 12. Sunday School Teacher Appreciation Sunday
September 17-19. Fort Fisher Retreat
September 21. Presbyterian Women Circle meetings at 10:00 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.

Prayer List of Joys and Concerns

JOYS:

We are joyful for the gift of our Providence family!

CONCERNS:

Frances Blizzard, *friend of Janice Parrish, brain aneurism*
Shepherd Byrd, *member of church family, recovering from stent procedure*
Helen Coates, *Ann Benson's mother, health concerns*
Pam Collier, *member of church family, recovering from broken foot*
Sallie Johnson, *member of church family, homebound due to health*
Johnny Moore, *Virginia Moore's son, recovering from surgery for brain tumor*
Chris Nooney, *member of church family, recovering from surgery*
Kevin Walton, *Rosyval & Barbara Walton's son, recovering from surgery*
Ann Woodall, *member of church family, homebound due to health*

All persons living with cancer, including:

Pam Aycock-Grimes, *member of community*, **Elaine Bass**, *friend of Sue Bryant*, **Edward Bernier**, *Pam Collier's father*, **Ronnie Betts**, *friend of Jean Carroll*, **David Carson**, *member of community*, **Linwood Cobb**, *member of community*, **Cynthia Connell**, *friend of Sue Bryant*, **Ricky Ennis**, *member of community*, **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*, **Ray Nooney**, *Jon Nooney's father*, **Maxine O'Connell**, *friend of Lisa Nelms*, **Carol Pigott**, *friend of Allison Tart*, **Tony Pleasant**, *Jim Ingram's cousin*, **Wanda Stewart**, *relative of Kathy Wood*, **Teresa Vaughn**, *friend of Christina Nelms*, **Bunny Walker**, *Andrea Jones' aunt*, **Kay Williams**, *friend of Sandy Kopanski*, and **Sue Wood**, *friend of Ann Benson*

Other persons with health concerns, including:

Elaine Andrews, *Andrea Jones' mother*, **Eddie Blanks**, *Randy Benson's friend*, **Teresa Noblin**, *member of community*, **Odell Council**, *friend of Lisa Nelms*, **Ralph Everhart**, *Debbie Greene's father*, **Norbert Kopanski**, *John Kopanski's father*, **Wanza Mayben**, *Sandy Kopanski's mother*, **Randy Pope**, *member of community*, **Wayne Reed**, *Bob Reed's cousin*, **Faye Roberts**, *Chris Roberts' mother*, **Pete and Brenda Skinner**, *friends of Sue Bryant*, and **Molly Ward**, *friend of Brenda Byrd*.

All persons serving in the armed forces, including:

Jamie Powell, *Sue Bryant's niece serving in Afghanistan*

Our Christian Sympathy is extended to the families of:

Erleen Bridges, *member of community*
Charles Powell, *Brandy Joyner's uncle*
Jill Smith-Lilly, *Patsy Bowman's niece*

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*
Bobbie Langdon *at Highland Commons in Cary*
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

Class of 2010

Sandra Lordi <i>Long-Range Planning</i>	Mark Nelms <i>Worship</i>	Atlee Roberts <i>Property & Facilities</i>
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Class of 2011

Gary Phillips <i>Christian Education</i>	Carolyn Stevenson <i>Mission & Outreach</i>	Russell Wood <i>Congregational Care</i>
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Class of 2012

Laura McLamb <i>Personnel & Clerk of Session</i>	Kristy Stephenson <i>Finance</i>	Kent Walton <i>Fellowship</i>
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Staff

<i>Secretary</i> DeEtta Wood	<i>Music Director</i> Brittany Jones
<i>Treasurer - Accounting</i> Ann Stephenson	<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

2010 Budgeted Monthly General Fund Expenses.....	\$12,225.00
Designated Funds Receipts for 8/22.....	\$50.00
General Fund Receipts for 8/22.....	\$843.05
<i>Total Receipts for 8/22.....</i>	<i>\$893.05*</i>
Total Receipts for August	\$13,263.43*
Attendance for Sunday School August 22.....	50
Attendance for Worship August 22.....	100

**Receipts include General and Designated Funds*



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