

**Honoring our history
.....building our future**



OUR MISSION STATEMENT

To disciple others in Christ by sharing the gospel through our words and actions,
To nurture existing Christians into a mature faith by worship, fellowship and Christian education,
To prayerfully serve God by worshipping Him through Jesus Christ by the power of the Holy Spirit,
And to serve our neighbor as Jesus taught us.

Providence Presbyterian Church

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**30th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
October 23, 2011**

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

Acolyte

Call to Worship from Psalm 147

Leader: *Praise the Lord! How good it is to sing praises to our God;*

People: *for he is gracious, and a song of praise is fitting.*

Leader: *The Lord heals the broken-hearted and binds up their wounds.*

All: *Great is our Lord, and abundant in power; his understanding is beyond measure.*

***Opening Hymn** "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee" # 59

Confession of Sin (In Unison)

Lord God, eternal and almighty Father: We acknowledge before Your holy majesty that we are poor sinners, conceived and born in guilt and in corruption, prone to do evil, unable of our own power to do good. Because of our sin, we endlessly violate your holy commandments. But, O Lord, with heartfelt sorrow we repent and turn away from all our offenses. We condemn ourselves and our evil ways, with true sorrow, asking that your grace will relieve our distress. Have compassion on us, most gracious God, Father of mercies, for the sake of your son Jesus Christ our Lord. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Silence for Personal Confession

Assurance of Forgiveness

Leader: *For Almighty God is merciful and gracious, withholding what we deserve and giving what we do not deserve,*

People: *washing clean those who confess and repent of their sins and believe in His Son as our Lord and Savior.*

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

*** Responsive Hymn**

"I Have Decided to Follow Jesus" # 344

*** Passing of the Peace of Christ**

Giving of His Tithes and Our Offerings

Offertory

***Doxology**

Hymn # 34

Prayer of Dedication

Old Testament Lesson

Ruth 2:14-20

Anthem

"Be Thou My Vision"

Providence Choir

Musical Interlude

(Children exit to Children's Church with Chris and Kristy Stephenson)

Morning Prayers and The Lord's Prayer

New Testament Lesson

John 8:3-11

Sermon

"Do What?"

George Dudley

***Dedication Hymn** "Blest Be the Tie That Binds" # 393

***Acolyte, Benediction and Postlude**

**Signifies Congregation to Stand*

October Scripture Passage

²⁶ They came to John and said to him, "Rabbi, the one who was with you across the Jordan, to whom you testified, here he is baptizing, and all are going to him." ²⁷ John answered, "No one can receive anything except what has been given from heaven. ²⁸ You yourselves are my witnesses that I said, 'I am not the Messiah, but I have been sent ahead of him.' ²⁹ He who has the bride is the bridegroom. The friend of the bridegroom, who stands and hears him, rejoices greatly at the bridegroom's voice. For this reason my joy has been fulfilled. ³⁰ He must increase, but I must decrease." ³¹ The one who comes from above is above all; the one who is of the earth belongs to the earth and speaks about earthly things. The one who comes from heaven is above all. ³² He testifies to what he has seen and heard, yet no one accepts his testimony. ³³ Whoever has accepted his testimony has certified this, that God is true. ³⁴ He whom God has sent speaks the words of God, for he gives the Spirit without measure. ³⁵ The Father loves the Son and has placed all things in his hands. ³⁶ Whoever believes in the Son has eternal life; whoever disobeys the Son will not see life, but must endure God's wrath.

(John 3:26-36)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Prayer List of Joys and Concerns

Ministers of Providence Presbyterian Church
The People of Providence Presbyterian Church

Pastor
Rev. Jim Davis

Session

	<u><i>Class of 2011</i></u>	
Gary Phillips <i>Christian Education</i>	Carolyn Stevenson <i>Congregational Care</i>	Russell Wood <i>Long-Range Planning</i>

	<u><i>Class of 2012</i></u>	
Laura McLamb <i>Clerk & Personnel</i>	Kristy Stephenson <i>Finance</i>	Kent Walton <i>Fellowship</i>

	<u><i>Class of 2013</i></u>	
Stephanie Bagley <i>Worship</i>	John Kopanski <i>Mission & Outreach</i>	Atlee Roberts <i>Property</i>

Staff

<i>Secretary</i>	<i>Accounting Treasurer</i>	<i>Collections Treasurer</i>
DeEtta Wood	Ann Stephenson	Ann Benson

<i>Music Director</i>	<i>Organist</i>	<i>Pianist</i>
Brittany Jones	Ann Stephenson	DeEtta Wood

<i>Webmaster</i>	<i>Usher Coordinator</i>
David Nelms	Russell Wood

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Weekly Statistics

2011 Budgeted Monthly General Fund Expenses.....	\$12,099.00
Capital Campaign Giving.....	\$81,665.42
General Fund Receipts for 10/16.....	\$1,246.25
Total Designated Fund Receipts for October.....	\$54,331.00
Total General Fund Receipts for October.....	\$5,228.95
Attendance for Sunday School October 16.....	61

HARVEST SUNDAY will be celebrated on Sunday, November 6. We will have a congregational meeting following Worship to elect Elders for the Class of 2014 and discuss the change in the Pastor's Terms of Call.. After the meeting, we will come together for a meal to celebrate the many blessings God has given us and briefly discuss what God is calling us to do in the upcoming year by discussing the 2012 budget. The Fellowship Committee will provide meat and drinks for the meal, members of the congregation are asked to bring side dishes & desserts

STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY is on Sunday, November 20. This will be a Sunday to dedicate our pledges for the upcoming year. Please complete your pledge card and bring it with you on Stewardship Sunday. If you are unable to attend on Stewardship Sunday, please feel free to place it in the offering plate or mail it to the church to the attention of Ann Benson. Pledge cards were mailed out with the 2012 budget and are available in the vestibule

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD shoe-boxes are to be turned in by Sunday, November 13. For questions, contact John Kopanski

Assisting in Worship this Sunday:

Ushers: Scott Martin and Jeffrey Wood **Acolyte:** Emma Phillips
Nursery: Candace Creech, Mary and Lauren Langdon

Assisting in Worship next Sunday, Oct 30:

Ushers: Ken Lordi and Heath White **Acolyte:** Connor Reed
Children's Church: Gary and Georgeanna Phillips
Nursery: Richard, Andrea, Ryne and 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
3:45 p.m.: Christmas Play Practice **for all children and youth**

Weekly Events:

Monday, Oct 24: Co-Ed Softball game at 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday, Oct 26: Youth Choir Rehearsal at 6:30 p.m.; Co-Ed Softball game at 7:00 p.m.; Adult Choir Rehearsal at 7:30 p.m.

Upcoming Events:

October 30. Fifth Sunday Fellowship Breakfast served by the Youth Group at 8:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall; All Saint's Day Remembrance during Worship at 11:00 a.m.; Christmas Play Rehearsal at 4:00 p.m.; Harvest Festival at 5:00 p.m. at the home of Gary and Georgeanna Phillips for all children, youth and their families
October 31. Trunk-or-Treat in the church parking lot from 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.; Sign-up sheet is posted on the bulletin board behind the Sanctuary.

November 5. Relay for Life Craft Sale

JOYS:

We are thankful for the grace and mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ!

CONCERNS:

Patsy Bowman, *member of church family, recovering from surgery*
Presley Emory, *Rhonda Stewart's grandson, born premature*

Our Christian Sympathy is extended to the family of:

Jerri Coleman, *Marilyn Johnson's roommate*

Members of the Providence Family in Long-Term Care or Shut-In:

Brack Johnson at *Classic Care Assisted Living in Smithfield*, **Lacy & Marilyn Johnson** at *Barbour Court Nursing & Rehab in Smithfield*, **Pauline Jones** at *Liberty Commons in Benson*, **Bobbie Langdon** at *Highland Commons in Cary*, **Bud and Frances Schmidt**, *at home*, and **Ann Woodall** *at home*

Our Nation's Leaders and All Persons Serving in the Armed Forces,

including: **Drew Boyd**, **Joseph Dalton**, **Christina Davison**, **Peter Richardson**, and **Robert Wolak**, *all serving in Afghanistan.*

All Persons Living with Cancer, including: **Lori Barefoot**, *Dick and Pat Embrey's daughter*, **Elaine Bass**, *friend of Sue Bryant*, **Linwood Cobb**,

member of community, **Richard Coman**, *friend of Stephanie Bagley*, **Phyllis Duncan**, *friend of Janice Parrish*, **Ricky Ennis**, *member of community*, **Alma Ezzell**, *Brandy Joyner's grandmother*, **Sherry Hemingway**, *friend of Wendy Stephenson*, **Roy Johnson**, *friend of Sue Bryant*, **Linda Ketner**, *friend of Bob Reed*, **David Kopanski**, *John Kopanski's brother*, **Melvin Langdon**, *member of church family*, **Mike Lusky**, *friend of Sue Bryant*, **Carol Mayben**, *Sandy Kopanski's sister-in-law*, **Meloney Mills**, *Kelly Nordan's cousin*, **Barbara Owens**, *friend of Laura Langdon*, **Brenda Pacheco**, *friend of Ken & Sandra Lordi*, **Jackie Parker**, *friend of Amy Reed*, **Carol Pigott**, *friend of Allison Tart*, **Bobby Poole**, *friend of Peggy Jones*, **Joey Porter**, *member of church family*, **Sherry Pourron**, *Kelly Nordan's cousin*, **Donald Shumaker**, *Brittany Jones' grandfather*, **Barbara Smith**, *Paul Sherrill's sister*, **Crystal Stotter**, *friend of Sandy Kopanski*, **Rob Viscosi**, *friend of Charlie Porter*, **Bunny Walker**, *Andrea Jones' aunt*, **Angie Wheelless**, *member of community*, and **Kay Williams**, *friend of Sandy Kopanski.*

Other Persons with Ongoing Health Concerns, including: **H.A. Andrews**,

Andrea Jones' father, **Elaine Andrews**, *Andrea Jones' mother*, **Don Bridges**, *friend of Brenda Byrd*, **Ed Fontana**, *Mary Langdon's father*, **Charlotte Howell**, *friend of Atlee Roberts*, **Fred Ipock**, *Cathy Creech's father*, **Norbert Kopanski**, *John Kopanski's father*, **Melinda Kendall**, *member of church family*, **J.B. and Colleen Lange**, *Sandra Lordi's parents*, **Wanza Mayben**, *Sandy Kopanski's mother*, **Elaine Penny**, *friend of Dick and Pat Embrey*, **Bobbie Powell**, *Brandy Joyner's mother*, **Faye Roberts**, *Chris Roberts' mother*, **George Roberts**, *friend of Eunice Newnam*, **Gary Schmidt**, *Kim Schmidt's brother*, **Pete and Brenda Skinner**, *friends of Sue Bryant*, **Vaughn Stephenson**, *member of community*, **Edward Strickland**, *friend of Lisa Nelms*, **Eva Lee Taylor**, *Rick Taylor's mom*, **Willistine Tyrance**, *friend of Kent Walton*, and **Billie Wright**, *Chris Nooney's mother*