

March 1, 2019



PROVIDENCE

BAPTIST CHURCH

Start Here



**"The time has come," he said,
"The kingdom of God has come near.
Repent and believe the good news!"**

Mark 1:15

Better Together



Lee Canipe

O magnify the LORD with me, and let us exalt His name together. Psalm 34:3

A congregation that *can* worship together *should* worship together. Since 1966, Providence has regularly held two Sunday worship services, a practice that began when the congregation could no longer comfortably fit in the space that is now Randolph Hall. For now, at least, space restrictions

are not an issue for us. We are, once again, in a position where we *can* worship together at Providence. Therefore, we *should* worship together at Providence.

The primary considerations driving this conviction for me have to do with the spiritual unity of our church, the quality of our relationships within the church, and the vitality of our mission as a church focused not on ourselves but on Jesus Christ. When we regularly worship together, week after week, in one Sunday service, we get to know each other better. We learn to recognize one another's faces and remember one another's names. We become one congregation of Providence people, as opposed to a church made up of "8:30 people" and "11 o'clock people."

Gathering for worship as one people reinforces the good news that, in Jesus Christ, God has made us into one body of believers "through the cross, thus putting to death the hostility that once divided us" (Ephesians 2:16). The joy and energy that our spiritual unity in Christ generates is a gift from God. We notice it when we worship together during the summer months. We are now in a position to celebrate this gift from God throughout the year.

Strong family relationships develop at the dinner table, through conversations in the den, and in the course of doing everyday activities together. Gathering for worship as one people every Sunday allows us to become brothers and sisters who regularly sing, pray, and listen to God's word together. Being together for special occasions also strengthens family ties, which is what happens when we share communion, dedicate babies, ordain deacons, welcome new members, and witness holy baptisms. These moments in the life of the church—both the ordinary and extraordinary—

are gifts from God. It is possible right now for us to enjoy these gifts together as a church family each week.

Finally, the habit of gathering as one people every Sunday to worship the one, true God revealed in Jesus Christ serves as a healthy reminder that our mission as a church must be less about our preferences and more about God's priorities. When we worship God together with one heart and one voice, we are saying something critically important about our purpose as the body of Christ. We're saying that we're here to point others to Jesus. A Sanctuary filled with grateful Christians praising God together not only encourages us as members of this church family, but it also sends a strong message to guests worshipping with us for the first time. It speaks of the vitality, energy, commitment needed to fulfill our mission of connecting people to God in Christ. This sense of purpose and opportunity are gifts from God.

Granted, it's been more than 50 years since Providence last worshipped together on a regular basis as one congregation throughout the year. That's a long time. The very idea of making a change like this probably seems a bit daunting. Few of us welcome big changes in our lives, especially at the outset. It takes time to adjust. In fact, I recently came across the Providence church directory from 1967. In its preface, one of my predecessors, Gordon Weekley, observed that the church had grown to the point of being "forced into two morning worship services." The new directory, he hoped, "will enable us to know each other better" now that the church family could no longer worship together. We adjusted then. We can adjust now.

But, in order for us to adjust together, we're going to have to talk together and work together. As spiritual leaders of Providence, our deacons began last spring discussing the prospect of returning to a single, unified Sunday morning worship service. After much conversation, they recommended at their August meeting that the Providence ministry staff lead the congregation in a process to discuss "the best way to worship God at Providence Baptist Church."

It's time to begin that process. We will hold church forums on Sunday, March 24, at 4:00pm; Saturday, April 6, at 10:00am; and Tuesday, April 16, at 7:00pm

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to begin discussing together how we can, as a church, best worship together. These three forums will be identical in nature. The idea is to present the same information and opportunity for conversation on three different occasions in hopes of maximizing congregational participation. I hope that you will choose to join one of these three conversations. It's important that everyone's voice be a part of this process.

Will the transition to one Sunday worship service be seamless? Probably not. Will it require some give-and-take? Most definitely. Will it take some time before we hit our stride? Yes. All of us will have to make some adjustments. That's to be expected. But I am confident that worshipping together will make us a stronger, more vibrant and unified congregation. That's reason enough to move forward—together, and with Christ at the center.

May the peace of Christ be with you!



Worship Forums



Let's talk about worship!
How can we BEST worship together at Providence?

Forum dates include:

Sunday, March 24 @ 4:00pm
Saturday, April 6 @ 10:00am
Tuesday, April 16 @ 7:00pm

All meetings will be held in the Crouch Fellowship Hall.

On Second Thought

Every Monday morning, Lee Canipe sends a sermon "follow up." The timely email arrives in your inbox with a question, a challenge, or a point to ponder based on the previous day's sermon. Think of it as a step further in your ongoing conversation with God.



Want to give it a try? Subscribe by emailing connections@providencebc.org and ask for "On Second Thought."

Deacon on Call

Deacon on call (Weekdays): 704.366.4030x147

- March 3 - 8: Mike Martin
- March 10 - 15: Seth McKinney
- March 17 - 22: Jason Mercer
- March 24 - March 29: Marlyn Morton
- March 31- April 5: Linda Mullis



Minister on Call

Minister on call (Weekends): 704.366.4030x147

- March 1 - 4: Julia Wright
- March 8 - 11: Lee Canipe
- March 15 - 18: Randy Ballard
- March 22 - 25: Dane Jackson
- March 29 - April 1: Timothy Hill

February 17, 2019

Cultivate Generosity - PROPOSED BUDGET

Weekly Requirement \$45,192
The average weekly requirement is the \$2,350,000 financial plan for missions and ministry divided by 52 weeks.

Revenue Received
Through Sunday, 2/17 \$ 323,803

Expenses Paid
Through Sunday, 2/17 \$ 250,934

Net Revenue to Expenses
Through Sunday, 2/17 \$ 72,870

Shine Bright!



Julia Wright

God has gifted Providence with many children. With every gift comes responsibility. It is our responsibility to teach our children and nurture faith within them. One way to think about this task is to let our light shine brightly so that the light beams fall with grace on our children. Our children soak up the light that shines on their path. If we are faithful to the task, children will be shaped and molded by God in pleasing ways. But this task of shining light is too big for parents alone. That is why the church steps in to partner with parents so that the load is shared. As we prepare to celebrate our children on March 24, I am grateful for the folks who share the journey with parents.

First of all, I am grateful for our Sunday School teachers. This team of folks studies their Bibles to teach a lesson each week. They also prepare activities that will interest the children. They arrive early and set up the room so that Bible teaching will be maximized. They “Shine Bright” on our children every Sunday.

Secondly, I appreciate our choir teachers and leaders. Helping children sing and make music in their hearts provides a lifelong gift toward worshipping God. These choir leaders are letting their light shine every week at church.

Third, our mission leaders deserve our thanks and praise. They teach in the hardest time slot of the week—on Wednesday evenings. But they give time and energy every week to help children develop a heart for missions. Who knows? God may call one of our own to missions simply because a leader was faithful in letting his/her light shine.

And finally the group that deserves our deepest gratitude is our extended session volunteers who serve and teach our preschoolers during our worship hours. Extended session volunteers teach? Yes, indeed. They help preschoolers learn that church is a happy and safe place to be. The love they share is a beautiful light beam for our children. We have much to celebrate on Children's Sunday. Join us and shine your light with us!

Julia A. Wright

Children's Sunday

Sunday, March 24

Let's celebrate the children of Providence together!

Our day is always highlighted by photos of our precious little ones.

We're planning special events for children, parents AND families.

Shine Bright

At Play

Friday, March 22

6:00pm

Activity Center Gym

Fun for families.

\$5 per person for pizza

Shine Bright

At Home

Sunday, March 24

10:00am

Crouch Fellowship Hall

A session for parents with Julia Wright.

\$5 per person for breakfast

For more information about the Children's Ministry, contact Kristen Hendrix at 704.366.4030x125 or khendrix@providencebc.org.

St. Patrick's Day Fun

Friday, March 15

March 17 is “officially” St. Patrick’s Day. But our Weekday Education Ministry children and staff will be celebrating on Friday, March 15th. We will be wearing all shades of green! And—to top it off—all of our classes will be participating in a Pot of Gold treasure hunt and parade.



Sounds like we’ve got the “luck of the Irish!”

Book Fair Success!

What a huge success! Thank you to all who supported the recent Book Fair. We were able to surpass the set goal of selling \$1,800 worth of books. We even had books donated to the teachers and to the library. We could not have done it without you. What a legacy!

Thank you to our amazing Parent Advisory Council leaders Erin Young and Nicole Woodley and volunteers Susan Mayer, Katie Johnson, and Heather Nodeland! The money raised for the Parent Advisory Council goes towards teacher appreciation throughout the year and our end of the year school-wide party. Thank you again for all the support!



From Ursula's Desk

Over the next few months I will be sharing how the Weekday Education Ministry supports the outreach and mission of the church through Cultivating Generosity, Making Disciples, Engaging Cotswold and Blessing Charlotte. This month’s focus is Cultivating Generosity.



Ursula Taylor

Cultivating Generosity

The Weekday Education Ministry operates in grateful giving by using our professional talents as educators of young children ages 8 weeks – 5 years serving those outside the Providence immediate family of faith. Day-to-day we grow in faith and



strengthen our ability to share the good news of Jesus in our neighborhood, city and world.

Ursula S. Taylor

Fall Registration Open Now

It’s an exciting time for our Weekday Education Ministry as we begin to prepare for this fall.

That means enrollment is open for the 2019-2020 school year.

We’ve got a few slots remaining, so spread the word.



Online registration is available at:
www.providencebc2.org

(Click on Providence Baptist Church for Weekday registration form.)

Do, Love, Walk Lenten Challenge



Dane Jackson

My favorite verse of scripture is Micah 6:8 and that verse is best understood when we read the few verses that come before it.

“With what should I approach the LORD and bow down before God on high? Should I come before him with entirely burned offerings, with year-old calves? Will the LORD be pleased with thousands of rams, with many torrents of oil? Should I give my oldest child for my crime; the fruit of my body for the sin of my spirit? He has told you, human one, what is good and what the Lord requires from you: to do justice, embrace faithful love, and walk humbly with your God.” Micah 6:6-8

As the church prepares to enter the Lenten season, Micah’s question is still valid for us today. What kind of worship does God want from us? What kind of worship does God want from us right now? Right now, when there is so much pain and suffering around the globe.

What kind of worship does God want from us this year? This year when we feel division growing between neighbor and neighbor, church member and church member, country and country.

God’s answer is also still valid for us right now and tomorrow: Do justice, embrace faithful love, and walk humbly with your God.

Instead of ‘sacrificing’ that Diet Coke or giving up sweets this year, perhaps we could DO something, LOVE somebody, and WALK toward someone.

Might we spend these 40 days practicing justice, showing love in tangible ways, and walking with humility on our minds? Justice can be shown in volunteering to serve the poor or standing up to the bully. Kindness and love can be shown through words that give life and build our neighbor up instead of tear down. Walking in humility can be done in deferring to the person in front of us instead of speaking or acting first.

If you take on this Do, Love and Walk Lenten challenge, consider tying your action to something you do every day – brushing your teeth, starting your car, or touching your phone to check social media. Let those be reminders to stop and pray for God to show you how to Do, Love or Walk. And then pay attention to whom God sends your way.

This Lenten season, what does the Lord require of you?

Sunday Night Live

Beginning March 24th, we’ll begin a new series called “Choices.” Every day we are faced with countless decisions where we can choose to be honest, choose to serve others, choose to be unselfish, and choose to forgive. This series will help students move beyond the obvious choices in life to examine how Jesus helps us live lives of integrity.



SNL Dinners

We are in need of volunteers to help provide Sunday Night dinners for our students this spring. They are easy to do and you can team up with other friends or even your Sunday School class. Slots are currently needed through April 14th. You can find more information and sign up on the website.

For more information about the Student Ministry, contact George Mulley at 704.366.4030x116 or gmulley@providencebc.org.

Lent 3Devotional Boxes

Lent is the season of the church year during which we take the time to strengthen our relationship with God, as we follow Jesus down the long road to Jerusalem, where he will sacrifice his mortal life for us.



During Lent, we also follow Jesus' example of prayer and fasting. This 3Devotional Box walks through the 40 day (and 7 Sunday) journey of Lent by offering a number of introspective and interactive prayer experiences and scriptural exploration that will allow students to dig deeper into their faith together.

Pick one up in the Student area beginning March 3rd.

HSMT Team Meeting

2019 High School Mission Trip
Telgart, Slovakia



Next Team Meeting:
March 1-2

Success!

This past month, students, staff and parents hosted a festive Valentine's dinner. Thanks to the entire Providence church family, we raised more than \$2,000, which will support the High School students who are going to be the hands and feet of Jesus to the Roma people in Slovakia this summer. We can't wait to share His love with others. Thank you, Providence!

Save the Date

The High School Spring Retreat is fast approaching. Be sure to get the dates on your calendar. Sign up at www.providencebc.org/students now!



Passport Camp

Registration for PASSPORTmissions Camp is now open! The deadline to register and pay your deposit is March 10th. Sign up at www.providencebc.org/students.



Sing to the LORD a New Song

For many years, Providence Baptist Church has participated in *Festival by the Sea*, an ecumenical youth choir festival sponsored by the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship of South Carolina, the Presbyterian Association of Musicians, and participating churches. I, too, participated with this festival before coming to Providence, not only taking choirs, but assisting in the planning and execution of the event for many years. So, you can imagine the shock when I shared with our students that we would NOT be attending this year.



Timothy Hill

While *Festival by the Sea* will continue on this year, celebrating its 20th anniversary, Providence Baptist Church has been invited to host the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship of North Carolina's youth choir festival. As we seek to be leaders in our own "denominetwork," we see this as an honor and privilege too important to pass up. On the weekend of March 8-10, students, chaperones and leaders from around our state and area will gather together at Providence for a time of singing, learning and fellowship. While attendance many not rival that of larger choir festivals, we hope to engage in meaningful music and worship – moving students to use their gifts for the glory God!



Our guest clinician for the event will be G. Phillip Shoultz, III. Dr. Shoultz is associate conductor and director of learning, engagement, and community programs at VocalEssence—a Minneapolis-based group with decades of history as one of the world's premier choral music organizations. In addition to his work with VocalEssence, he serves as director of music, worship, and the arts for Good Samaritan United Methodist Church and frequently appears throughout the U.S. as a guest clinician, adjudicator, and consultant. We are delighted to have Dr. Shoultz join us, as well as members of his own youth choir who will be traveling from Minnesota to the festival at Providence.

As we prepare to serve as host and leaders this month, I am reminded of Psalm 96. This worship psalm invites us to "sing to the LORD a new song." Sometimes, God asks us to celebrate and worship in new ways. At times, that might mean learning new music for a cherished festival, and at other times, it may mean attending a new festival altogether. Regardless, we come to both places with a shared vision, to give God glory and honor, and to seek the Kingdom of God. I pray our efforts will enable us to share the psalmist's vision to "Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous deeds among all peoples ... For great is the LORD and most worthy of praise."

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be the initials "B" or "B." followed by a flourish.

Student Choir Tour Planning

As host church to the CBFNC Youth Choir Festival, we recognize that our students will miss out on a fun experience that many look forward to each year—but, do not lose heart! We are making plans for a great choir tour, June 8-11, and the location will be just as rewarding and fun! Although, we're not telling you where that is just yet. Here's a hint for the curious: *St. John* would love this place ... really *spot on!* *Stay Tuned* for more details, as well as a chance to sign up online.



For more information regarding the Music Ministry contact Caitie Jackson at 704.366.4030x121 or cjackson@providencecbc.org.

Providence on Missions

College Students and Young Adults!

May 15 - 19

New York Mission Trip
\$200 + airfare



Send Apostles We have 15 spots available! Open to all college students and young adults. We will be serving at “God’s Love, We Deliver” and helping our partner, Metro Baptist Church, with its bake sale supporting the Teen Center. This will be a perfect opportunity to serve alongside friends, old and new.

Sign Up Now

Contact Randy Ballard:
rballard@providencebc.org

Mission Action/Collection

Backpack Packing

On March 6, our Children’s Missions groups will be filling backpacks with food for “Families Forward,” a non-profit that helps children in food-insecure households. To support this effort, our monthly mission collection will be giving money to purchase supplies for the project. Note “Mission Action” in check memo line.



Bless Charlotte

WMU Update

We had a successful January collection campaign for Salvation Army Center of Hope Women’s Shelter. We collected 203 towels, 19 hand towels and 11 bath cloths. Remember, there is no regular meeting in March. Instead, WMU will be supporting the Second Harvest’s Empty Bowl fundraiser on March 29. We’d love you to join us!

Contact:
Anne Tunstall - 704.567.9593
Penny Hewett - 704.552.0688



Here For Good

We normally think that “back to school” time happens in August. It did, and Providence responded to a call to action by helping students served by QC Family Tree by supplying backpacks and school supplies. However, the gifts that were given in August had a broader reach than we first thought they might. Because of the generosity of the people at Providence, we were able to fulfill the number of backpacks needed AND begin a project with students at West Charlotte High School. This semester, the “Here for Good” Leadership Class began.

Your gifts enabled a mobile classroom to be “tricked” out with cool rugs, cushions, and colorful decorations to provide a space for students to meet together and work through life situations while developing leadership and coping skills. A projector, computer, and speakers purchased with your gifts also help students attain these important life skills they need to be successful in high school and beyond.

Art supplies that were purchased encourage creativity and expression. The bottom line is that students are coming into a space that shows them that someone cares about them—both academically and emotionally.



Thanks, Providence, for being “here for good!”

Submitted by Margaret Marshall / Missions Committee

Act Justly
Love Mercy
Walk Humbly

Niniah 6:18

Pancake Supper

Shrove Tuesday, March 5
5:00pm



Lee Canipe and Rocky Cannon serve up hotcakes with a smile.

The flapjacks are flipping again! The Providence staff will be serving up hot pancakes as they fire up the griddles in the Crouch Fellowship Hall on Shrove Tuesday.

Invite your friends and neighbors for this fun family meal full of all your breakfast favorites.

The cost is \$5 per person.

Prayer Vigil

Saturday, March 23
8:00am - 12:00pm
Gordon Weekley Chapel

Spend a few moments with the Creator of the universe.

Our quiet chapel is the perfect setting to sit quietly, to mediate and to pray. The deacons will offer a meditation guide.



Ash Wednesday Worship

Wednesday, March 6
6:00pm
Sanctuary

As we begin our Lenten journey, we turn our hearts more fully toward the Divine. We examine our lives and work to eliminate habits that distract us from the holy. We ask our Creator to create our hearts anew. We turn more fully toward Christ.



Mark Your Calendar



Lent is a meaningful season during the Christian year as we contemplate Jesus' sacrifice and resurrection.

The Providence calendar is full of special services and opportunities for worship.

Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper
March 5 at 5:00pm

Ash Wednesday Worship
March 6 at 6:00pm

Dan Forrest's "Requiem for the Living"
Sunday, April 14 at 7:00pm

Maundy Thursday Worship
Thursday, April 18 at 7:00pm

Good Friday Worship
Friday, April 19 at Noon

Rock Hunt
Saturday, April 20 at 10:00am

Easter Worship
Sunday, April 21
Sunrise, 8:30am and 11:00am

Young Professionals



Calling all Young Professionals!

We are looking for a new location for our monthly gathering.

If you have any ideas of available locations, contact Randy Ballard at rballard@providencecbc.org.

In the meantime, be on the lookout for information regarding our next meeting. You won't want to miss this special time of debate and fellowship.

A dynamic discussion always develops.

Speakers may vary. The friends do not!

Church Administrator Search

Rocky Cannon continues to serve faithfully and very capably as our interim church administrator. During the first four months of his service in this capacity, Rocky split his time equally between administrative work and his regular responsibilities as our facilities manager. Going forward, I believe that his attention needs to focus primarily on administration.

Rocky has brought stability to this important position in our church, and that's always a huge asset during a transition period. Rocky will still be working with our maintenance team to ensure that our facilities are properly cared for. That won't change, but, beginning this month, the amount of time that Rocky devotes to hands-on maintenance work will decrease.

Rocky's generous willingness to serve Providence as needed gives us the welcome opportunity to be both careful and deliberate in searching for the right person to be our next church administrator. This is a real gift—so, next time you see Rocky out and about at church, please do me a favor: Thank him!



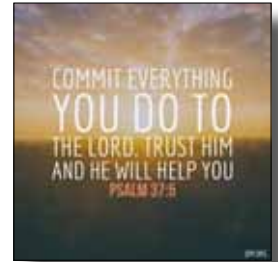
Lee Canipe

Minister Search Update

Greetings Providence Baptist Church Family!

The Minister for Adult Discipleship Search Committee is pleased and joyful to announce that we unanimously recommend an exceptional candidate to fill the open position on our ministry team.

Our guiding scripture for this search has been Psalm 37:5, "Commit your way to the Lord, trust in Him and He will do this;" and it is surely by the grace of God that we have reached this point so smoothly and with such an incredible result. We are so very thankful to all of you for your prayers, words of support, and encouragement.



Please join us for these special events!

Meet and Greet

Saturday, March 16th from 3:00pm - 5:00pm
Crouch Fellowship Hall

Vote to Call

Sunday, March 17th

Gratefully, The Minister for Adult Discipleship Search Committee

Burt Banks, Jonathan Bensch Lee Canipe, Larry Elmore, Wilna Eury, Suzanne Lail, Cayce Martin, Stacy Mercer, Rita Stanley, and Charles Stroupe

PrimeTimers



Thursday, March 21
12:00pm

\$7.00 per person

Listen as Dane Jackson sings and strums his way through this enjoyable hour of entertainment.

Join us!

RSVP Deadline:
Sunday, March 17.

Call 704.366.4030x211 for reservations.

Wednesday Night Meals

Don't cook on Wednesday nights!

Enjoy our family-friendly buffet every Wednesday from 4:45pm - 6:00pm in the Crouch Fellowship Hall.

March 6

Lemon Cream Baked Fish
Rice Pilaf
Broccoli Casserole
Corn Muffins
Key Lime Pie



March 13

Beef Tips in Gravy
Buttered Red Skin Potatoes
Bacon Sauteed Cabbage
Irish Scones
Apple Pie with Irish Pouring Cream

March 20

Turkey and Dressing
Orange Glazed Carrots
Green Beans
Yeast Rolls
Layered Pumpkin Pie

March 27

Beef Enchiladas
Chicken Enchiladas
Spanish Rice
Red Beans
Chocolate Tres Leches Cake

(Salad and Pizza Bar also available.)

**PRICES: Adults and Teens \$8.00,
Seniors \$7.00, Children \$5.00,
Max Family \$25.00**

Wednesday Night Study

Every Wednesday night, children's programming begins at 5:30pm. Adult programming begins at 6:15pm.



Lent is a time of thoughtful prayer, meditation and devotion. So, during the month of March, we will be offering a Lenten prayer and devotion time led by Bill Caldwell, Lee Canipe and Elizabeth Still.

Join us in the Sanctuary each Wednesday night in March as we prepare for the death and glorious resurrection of Jesus Christ.

Sunday Worship

Sanctuary

8:30am and 11:00am

March 3

Communion
Luke 9:28 - 36

March 10

CBFNC Youth Choir (11:00)
Luke 4:1 - 13

March 17

Luke 13:31 - 35

March 24

Children's Sunday
1 Corinthians 10:1 - 13

March 31

Guest Preacher
Dane Jackson



**Enjoy a hot Sunday breakfast!
\$5 per person.**
Each Sunday from 7:30am - 9:30am.

Dinner With The Pastor

Thursday, March 21
Time and Location TBD

“Let’s Talk” about what we see for the future of Providence. Join Lee Canipe for dinner and meaningful conversation.



Providence is hosting several of these small evening events in member homes, but the first will be March 21. More information and sign ups will be available in the Rotunda.

Contact Colette McCollum:
704-618-4396 (call or text) or
colette.mccollum48@gmail.com

CBF Award Winner

Cayce Martin, one of our very own Providence members, has been selected by the CBF Ministries Council as one of the “2019 Young Adults to Know.”



Cayce Martin

Our church is blessed with many young adults who are active in the life of our church. Cayce is one of those special individuals. She has been involved for the last two years in helping to coordinate our church’s participation in the Charlotte CROP Walk.

Under her capable leadership, she organized preschoolers, children and adults to participate in this event to raise awareness and money for the hungry in our city. Thanks to her efforts, Providence was one of the largest fundraisers in Charlotte (see below).

Cayce also participated in a children’s CBF event at Providence and is active in our young adult ministry. She also serves on the Minister for Adult Discipleship Search Committee. We are grateful to call Cayce one of our own!

Calling All Artisans



Providence is hosting an Arts Fair in the late spring to support the High School Mission Trip to Slovakia.

Artisans are needed to sell their hand-crafted goods.

Do YOU have a talent? We are looking for woodworkers, potters, needlepointers, painters, knitters, jewelry designers, and more.

Each artisan may decide what percentage of his/her proceeds goes to Student Missions.

Contact Linda McConnell:
704.545.9815 or
linda28227@carolina.rr.com

CROP WALK Thank you

We did it again! Thanks to your generous support, Providence was honored as one of the Charlotte CROP Walk’s top fundraisers for 2018.



Many thanks to Cayce Martin (Providence coordinator) and Dave Miller (Charlotte coordinator).

Just look what we can accomplish together! We are so grateful to be able to serve our neighbors in Charlotte.

Youth Soccer Registration

Deadline March 15

For ages 9 and under



Member Cost: \$100
Non-member Cost: \$110

All games will be hosted at Providence.

Play begins April 13 and runs through the end of May. Download the registration form:

www.providencebc.org/sports

(Copies also available for pick up in the Activity Center, Weekday Education Ministry or Rotunda.)

Contact Randy Ballard:
704.366.4030x133

DST Spring Forward

Sunday, March 10

Daylight Saving Time begins.

Set your clock ahead one hour before bed Saturday night!



Grounds Work Day

Saturday, March 2

8:00am - 12:00pm

It's time to pitch in and help keep Providence beautiful!

Bring your gloves, loppers, chain saws and hedge trimmers and help us get our landscape spruced.

This is an "all hands on deck" work day!
Contact Bill Brown:
704.905.1708 or
wlanierbrown@gmail.com



Member Help - Yard Work

Winter is largely behind us and flowers are starting to bloom! For many of us these serve as a reminder that we have spring cleaning to do.

Providence has members who, from time to time, need assistance with minor home repairs and yard maintenance. Deacons in the Home / Yard Small Task ministry group are able and willing to provide this help upon request. They also welcome other volunteers from the church who are passionate about helping others in times of need.

Have a need or want to help?

Contact Jason Mercer:
540.220.8657 or
jasonsmcercer@gmail.com



Welcome New Baby

- Hudson Warner Case was born January 30. He is the son of Aaron and Crystal Case and baby brother to Avery. He is the grandson of Sylvia Case.
- Thomas Heath Alexander was born on January 28 to Susan and Heath Alexander. The proud grandparents are BJ and Jerry Crosby.
- William Withers "Wit" Zweier was born February 16 to William "Billy" and Rebecca Zweier. Wit is the grandson of Bob and Myra Zweier.

New Members



(l-r) **Ben, Sara Lauren, Samantha (Sam), and Sydney Wallach** joined Providence on January 27. The family is transferring their membership from Carmel Baptist Church in Charlotte. Sydney joined by profession of faith and was baptized in February. Welcome to the Providence family!



Will Bonheimer made his profession of faith and joined Providence on January 27. Will is the son of David and Mary Bonheimer and the brother of Bud. He is an 8th grader at Walnut Grove Christian School. We are so grateful for your decision!



Gary and Kimberly Franceschi joined Providence on February 5. They are transferring their membership from Trinity Episcopal Church in Spruce Pine, NC. They have been attending the Kerygma Sunday School class. Welcome to the Providence family!



In Sympathy

- John Ivey in the death of his brother, Willie Lampkin on January 23.
- Mike Williams in the death of his mother, Dorothy B. Williams on January 4.
- The family of Sam Dennis in his death on January 30.
- Ken Johnson in the death of his daughter-in-law, Ann Johnson on January 30.
- Sally Klintworth in the death of her cousin, Dot Dean Parker on February 1.
- Linda McQuay in the death of her mother, Frances Lewis on February 2.
- Mary Bonheimer and family in the loss of her uncle, Smiley Allen Funderburk on February 12.
- Tom Holder and family in the death of his wife, Patsy B. Holder on February 13. Patsy was also Susan McCue's mother.
- Tandy McConnell in the death of his mother Jesse Ruth McConnell on February 15.
- Judy Brown in the death of her step-father, Kenneth Joe Hollars on February 17.
- Caitie Jackson and family in the death of her grandfather, Earl Herndon on February 18.
- Gail Prosser in the death of her brother, Mark Ford on February 19.





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