

September 1, 2021



PROVIDENCE

BAPTIST CHURCH

With Christ at the Center



*Our College Students
Blessing Charlotte*

The Next Vital Step



Lee Canipe

Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. John 15:4

Everything that we do at Providence Baptist Church is faith formation.

That's both a bold, and a broad, statement—and I stand behind it. Everything that we do at Providence Baptist Church is, in one way or another, faith

formation. There is great power in worshipping together, serving together, learning together, teaching together, playing together, praying together, and simply being together.

After all, Jesus himself tells us in Matthew 18:20 that, whenever two or three of us are gathered in his name, then he is right there with us. Regardless of the specific activity we're doing at any given moment, the fact that we are doing it together in the presence of Jesus shapes, deepens, and expands our understanding of what it means to be a follower of the risen Christ. Sometimes this happens in dramatic, bolt-of-lightning kind of ways. Sometimes it happens more subtly and gradually—much like water, over time, shapes rock.

The point is, though, that this does indeed happen. When the church obediently lives out its mission as the church, then everything that we do together exerts a formative influence upon our faith. It doesn't happen exclusively through worship and Bible study. We may not realize it in the moment as we're hiking in the woods with Providence friends, shooting baskets in the gym, changing diapers in the nursery, chaperoning a student beach retreat, tutoring children in the Nalley Missions Center, serving breakfast in the Crouch Fellowship Hall, or participating in a church conference, but the truth is that our faith is being formed then as well.

I think, to some extent, we've always known this to be the case. We never know where, or how, the seeds we sow will sprout and bear good fruit. Nothing happens in a vacuum. Every interaction makes a difference.

The way we've traditionally thought about the church's various ministries, however, does not reflect such a seamless approach to faith formation. Instead, we classify programs by type—as education, missions, music, or activities, for example. We distinguish between events that are “serious” and events that are

“fun,” with the implication being that the former are more substantial—and, thus, more faith-formative—than the latter. And, as a result, we end up thinking of the church's mission and ministry not as a cohesive whole, but, rather, as a collection of programs that may—or may not—have anything to do with each other. That's not only inaccurate. It's unfortunate.

Some of you may have already noticed that my colleagues and I have begun talking a lot about faith formation at Providence and how it occurs at different times, and in different ways, and through different means. That's intentional.

Faith formation at Providence happens on Sunday mornings with classes for all ages, followed by worship. Faith formation at Providence also happens on Wednesday evenings, with a fellowship meal followed by age-appropriate opportunities for learning and engagement. Faith formation at Providence happens throughout the week, everywhere on our campus. It's what we do. That's the goal: Faith formation, all the time, in a variety of ways.

Moreover, faith formation at Providence is not just a matter of passively receiving information while sitting in a classroom. When we volunteer to be teachers, caregivers, coaches, singers, or members of our audio/visual worship support team, our faith is being formed in profound ways. For example, I was talking to a children's teacher just last week who shared with me how explaining and relating the Bible to young people has helped his own faith to become stronger and more grounded. When we use our gifts to serve, God teaches us lessons that can only be gained through experience.

Most of all, faith formation at Providence—whenever it happens, however it happens—really comes down to making space in our lives, and in our church, for us to abide with Jesus as he abides with us. It's essential that we do this, Jesus tells us, for we cannot bear good fruit by ourselves. We need Jesus. We need one another. We need the Holy Spirit to work on us, consistently and creatively, as much—and as often—as possible.

And that, friends, is why everything we do at Providence is faith formation. May the peace of Christ be with you!

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lee Canipe".

The Realm PUSH

September 1st is **THE DAY!**

THE DAY for what? It's THE day to register for Realm. If you do NOT have a Realm account, you will be sent an email to set one up.

Why do you need REALM?

Do you plan on participating in any events at the church? (You'll need a Realm account.)

Are you involved on a committee? (Your committee information will be sent through Realm.)

Want to give online? (You'll need a Realm account.)

Realm offers many great features and will be used more extensively in the coming months. So, if you aren't signed up for Realm, MARK YOUR CALENDAR and check your inbox.

The September 1st email invitation will include a link at the bottom. Click the link and it will take you to the "Create an account" page. (Our church logo is on the page.)

The email link is active for 24 hours.

Once you have your account set up, you can return to your Realm account online at www.onrealm.org, or you can download the Realm app on your smart phone. (To get the most out of Realm, you'll want the mobile app!)

Here's how to download the app:

1. The first step is to get the Realm app, so DOWNLOAD it from the APP Store.
2. Type in "REALM" in the APP Store search box and look for "CONNECT - Our Church."

The icon looks like this:



3. Then, click the "GET" box and download the app.
4. First things first, set up your profile. You can add as much or as little information as you like. (You can update it at any time.)

Questions? Want to get started sooner?
Call us. We can help.

Dyanna Blackwell | 704.366.4030x110.

Providence WILL...



*Cultivate
Generosity*



*Make
Disciples*



*Engage
Cotswold*



*Bless
Charlotte*



*Send
Apostles*

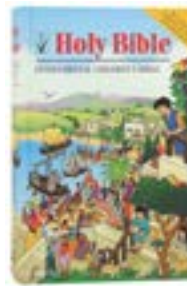
Fall Lift Off

Wednesday, September 1
5:00pm – 7:00pm

Join us for an evening of fun and fellowship as we reach new heights together! We will have food from local food truck vendors. Bring picnic blankets and chairs with you, too! Let's kick this thing off right!

1st Grade Bible Presentation

Sunday, September 12
10:30am



We look forward to giving our first graders their own Bibles during morning worship!

MOPS Pool Party

Wednesday, September 8
6:00pm – 7:00pm

Hey, mamas of preschoolers!

Bring a dessert or snack to share (individually wrapped, if possible) and we will provide drinks. Come and enjoy some pool time together as we splash into a new year of MOPS!



Email Kristen for location.
khendrix@providencebc.org

Can You Volunteer?

ANY Sunday
10:10am – 11:40am

Did you know that Extended Session is a mission opportunity right here at Providence?

Every Sunday we offer childcare for our youngest so that their parents can have the opportunity to go to worship and concentrate on their spiritual growth. While serving in Extended Session, you are not only serving our youngest by providing them a loving and fun way to learn about Jesus, but you are also serving their parents by giving them the opportunity to worship.

Make Disciples.
Serve in Extended Session
one Sunday a quarter.

Contact Kristen Hendrix.
704.366.4030x125

RA Welcoming Ceremony

**Wednesday,
September 29**
6:15pm

Let's welcome
our newest RAs!



From Mrs. Ursula's Desk

New beginnings are full of adventure and unknowns. And here we are. Our new beginnings have arrived, and we are getting ready to welcome families to a new school year. We share our children's excitement as we welcome them back into their classrooms where exploration and wonder are ever present. And we are still delighted with our newly installed playgrounds where children can develop large gross motor skills such as climbing, pushing, balancing, and throwing.

We have come through the first year of navigating this pandemic with its challenges, obstacles, and ever-changing procedures and protocols. This was possible because our families and our TEAM of educators have been adaptable and flexible, and have remained patient and calm. For that I'm so very grateful.

So, as we start this new school year and begin with our new beginnings, let us remember to love one another, laugh out loud and live with purpose. It's going to be a great year!



Ursula Taylor

Ursula S. Taylor

Important Dates

September 2nd: Closed

Orientation/Meet the Teachers

6:15pm – 8:00pm

**PRESCHOOL
PARENT
ORIENTATION**

September 3rd: Closed

Professional Development
Training Day



September 6th: Closed

Labor Day Observance

September 7th: OPEN!

New Classes Begin



Ice Cream In A Bag

Here's a fun "end of summer"
ice cream recipe sure to please!

1/2 cup whole milk, half and half, or cream

1 tbsp sugar

1 tsp vanilla extract

6 tbsp sea salt

2 cups of ice

sandwich-sized ziplock bag

quart-sized ziplock bag

Instructions:

In the sandwich sized ziplock bag, add milk, sugar, and vanilla. Seal bag tightly. Then, in the quart sized bag, add the ice and salt.

Place the smaller bag inside the larger bag and seal tightly. Shake the bag as hard as you can, without popping it open, for 5 minutes or until it reaches the consistency of ice cream.

Remove the smaller bag and give it a quick rinse to remove any pieces of salt.

(Make sure you rinse the opening as well.)

Open the ice cream and eat it straight out of the bag with a spoon! Enjoy!

Providence, I NEED You



Dane Jackson

Providence Baptist Church Family, I need you.

The past 18 months have been ... well ... a lot of things. Over that time, George and I, and so many others on the Student Ministry team, have been given space and time to adapt, create, fail, think, reflect, dream, hope, break, build, read, plan, and pray. And from those experiences has come new knowledge, new ideas, and new excitement for what the Student Ministry can be at Providence Baptist Church. And so many of you in the church have approached me with affirmations, questions, and your own unique visions for the Student Ministry of Providence. To that, I say 'thank you' and I ask for your help. We all want to encourage our students to become faithful followers and influential leaders for Christ, and we all want a peaceful, loving, encouraging community for them to grow in that faith. I am asking you to be a catalyst for this vision.

Do any of these sound like you? * I like to have fun. * I want to help students know they are loved, welcomed, and belong. * I want to worship, grow, serve, and share alongside our students.

There are so many opportunities to say "Yes" to volunteering and helping with Providence Student Ministry this year! The energy level with our students is HIGH and now is the time to join us! There is something for everyone: all ages, passions, skill levels, and schedules, AND it doesn't matter if you have a current student or not! We can find a match for your commitment level to our needs, as well as create partnerships with other leaders who share in your passions!

Have a specific skill or talent? Want to try something new? We need people like you. Don't feel equipped? We will have many training opportunities throughout the year for you to ask questions and hear about expectations, support, and details, as well as meet other leaders. Thinking about it still, but not quite sure? Come out to an event and meet our students and leaders. It is pressure-free and a great way to give us a try. Know someone perfect for a volunteer position? Spread the word! Extend an invitation!

Check out the volunteer roles below that fit your passions: Weekend and Midweek fusion small group leaders, Trip & Event Chaperones, Artists & Decorators, Story Tellers, Builders, Coffee Enthusiasts, & Hospitality Coordinators.

Have a question or passion for something not listed? Let's talk about it! I want to say "Yes" to you. Contact me and let's get you plugged in! It is my goal to work with adults throughout our church family to have a student ministry that is authentic, formative, mission-focused, relational, safe, and sustainable. Won't you join us??

A New Look for Fusion



Sundays | 9:15am
and
Wednesdays | 6:00pm

Join us two times a week for games, worship, and small groups!

"Into the Unknown"

Sundays and Wednesdays

A series about change. Join us on Sundays and Wednesdays as we grow in our confidence (even when everything changes).



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

Yuck Night

Wednesday, September 8 | 6:00pm

A messy game night to remember! Invite a friend and meet at the Gazebo for the craziest night of the year!



Make sure to bring a towel and a change of clothes, too. (Your parents will thank you!)

Blessing New Drivers

Sunday, September 19 | 10:30am

All recently (or soon to be) new drivers and their families are invited to take part in a special blessing during worship.

For more information, contact Dane.



Driveway Hangouts

All Month Long

Contact Dane to hang out after school and enjoy



a treat together! Sign-Up required.

Go to the website for details.

Cornhole Fundraiser

Sunday, October 17 | 5:00pm

Start practicing your toss and save the date for a Cornhole

Tournament to raise funds for the 2022 High School Mission Trip. Registration opens September 20th. For more

information, visit the Student page of the website!



MS Fall Retreat

October 8 - 10



Get ready to relax, grow, and have fun in the mountains. You can register and find other information on the website!

HS Fall Retreat

November 19 - 21



Enjoy a weekend of fellowship, music, and retreat.

Registration will open October 25th.

Monthly Prayer Focus for College Students

Listed below are monthly topics and suggestions you can use as you pray for college students and their families.

September - Pray that students will:

- Have clear discernment in making choices and dealing with the pressures of school and social relationships
- Keep in good health
- Find fulfilling friendships that will have a positive influence and support in their lives
- Listen to and act upon the ways they are being called to serve on their campuses

October - Pray that students will:

- Have patience and perseverance to endure all hardships
- Have the wisdom to make a difference in the situations which they can control
- Have the understanding to navigate through difficult times
- Seek God's love and peace to settle their anxious thoughts and feelings

November - Pray that students will:

- Give thanks for the blessings and gifts around them in nature, in relationships, and within daily moments
- Enter exams and the end of semester prepared and with strong minds
- Know that when challenges come their way, God's grace abounds
- Find rest as they return home for the holidays



Caitie Jackson

Care Packages

Donate individually wrapped snacks OR check out our Amazon wish list:

www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/2L61X11GVXOIX?ref_=wl_share

Please give donations to Caitie Jackson by September 25.



STUDENTS:

If you'd like to receive a care package, please provide your current school address to Caitie Jackson at cjackson@providencebc.org by October 1.

End of Summer Event

We closed out our college summer program together with BBQ and outdoor games! As this summer came to an end, it was beautiful to see the ways relationships



grew and students stepped into leadership amongst one another.

Student Service Event

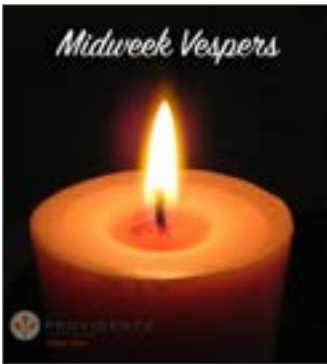


Our college students spent a Friday morning serving at Second Harvest Food Bank. The college ministry has a continued partnership with Second Harvest as we serve with them each summer. It is a way to directly serve our city

and it provides education on food insecurity in Charlotte which is a mission focus with our Little Free Pantry.

For more information about the College Ministry, contact Caitie Jackson at 704.366.4030x121 or cjackson@providencebc.org.

Midweek Vespers



Wednesdays | 6:15pm | Narthex

Adults of all ages are invited to participate in a new and inspiring faith formation experience. “Vespers” is the ancient Latin word meaning “evening song or prayer.” So, what is “Midweek Vespers” here at Providence? Think of it as a midweek pause, a respite, a recharge of inspiration and hope. Beginning September 8, we’ll gather in the Narthex located between the Rotunda and the Sanctuary for a time of restful prayer and nurturing worship.

Scripture will be our guide as we light the Christ candle, pray for our church, our community, and our world. Bring your tired body and weary soul.

Bring your concerns, worries, and celebrations. Our minds and hearts will be stretched open by Scripture and prayer, artwork, and silence. And our souls will be nourished at Christ’s table of Holy Communion. You are invited to come and pray, find rest and inspiration, and nourish the life of God within you.



Blake Kendrick

“Falling Upward”

This fall, adults of all ages are invited to participate in this communal, self-led study of Richard Rohr’s book “Falling Upward: A Spirituality for the Two Halves of Life.” Do you feel stagnant or stuck in your spiritual development? Do you long for deeper spiritual roots? Have you struggled to mature and grow in your faith journey? If you answered “yes” to these questions, then this book is for you. In “Falling Upward,” Richard Rohr helps us explore the “two halves of life,” so that we can deepen our faith, grow to spiritual maturity, and understand why our faith journey is often so challenging. As you read, Blake will send you emails with questions, encouragement, and occasional short videos to supplement your reading. The book study begins October 1 and ends November 21, when we’ll gather in the Crouch Fellowship Hall for a boxed lunch and a vibrant discussion of the book.



Make Disciples

SIGN UP: Email Blake with the subject line “Fall Book Study” by Sunday, September 19th.

Adult Bible Study Is Here!



Begins Thursday,
September 9 | 11:00am
Nalley Missions Center

Our Thursday morning Adult Bible Study returns! This 10-session study focuses on the Old Testament book of Isaiah. This prophet preached about faithfulness to God and preparing for God’s Messiah. This study will inspire us and prepare us for the glory and wonder of Advent. Adults of all ages are invited to attend.

Time to Donate

Remember to donate your out-of-date devotional materials to LOVE PACKAGES. As we move ahead with our new quarterlies, bring in your gently used Bibles, Sunday School books, and devotional materials so they can be sent to those in need all over the world.

Look for the receptacle outside the Rotunda entrance.



For more information about Adult Discipleship, contact Blake Kendrick at 704.366.4030x126 or bkendrick@providencebc.org.

Count Your Blessings

Several weeks ago, we sang one of my favorite hymns in worship. It's what many might refer to as an "oldie, but goodie." Lately, I find myself captivated with the lyrics; indeed, they are timely.



Timothy Hill

*When upon life's billows you are tempest tossed,
when you are discouraged, thinking all is lost,
Count your many blessings, name them one by one,
and it will surprise you what the Lord hath done.*

For well over a year now, "life's billows" have been raging—up and down, shifting back and forth—our hopes rising and falling with each news cycle. "Discouraged" may not sufficiently describe what we have often felt. And now, as we once again find ourselves cast back into the throes of a pandemic, it would be very easy to think "all is lost." As people of faith, we know well the stories from Scripture that describe similar situations: epics where tragedy is inevitable, and yet, God surprises us. By the power of the Holy Spirit, hope emerges, victories are won, and silver linings shine brighter.

Taking a cue from this great old song, I want to count a few blessings—specifically, those within our Music Ministry for whom I am very grateful. I have written the short prayer below to express my gratitude to God for these gifts to the church. I hope you will join me in this prayer.

Creating God, source of all that is good, we give you thanks.

For Diann Clark, whose beautiful music inspires us and moves us closer to you, we give you thanks.

For Caitie Jackson, whose servant heart welcomes and encourages all, we give you thanks.

For Noel Freidline, whose expressions through music fill us with joy, we give you thanks.

For Debra Wallace, whose teachings grow and train our youngest, we give you thanks.

For the Sanctuary Choir, who continually seek to glorify God through song, we give you thanks.

For countless others, who give of their time, their talent, and of their treasures, we give you thanks.

Through the gifts you have given to these, O God, we are forever blessed. Amen.

May the peace of Christ be with you.



Diann Clark



Caitie Jackson



Noel Freidline



Debra Wallace

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

Minister Search Committee

The Minister with Children and Their Families Search Committee wants to thank the church for their prayers and support. The profile for the position was presented to the church on August 29th and approved. Our next step is to post the position and to begin the process of accepting resumes.



The Bible verse that we selected to guide us is 1 Peter 4:10, NIV: “Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God’s grace in its various forms.”

We thank you for your patience as we continue this work to select the next Minister with Children and Their Families for Providence.

Submitted by Kristy Thomas, Search Committee Chair

“Go in Peace” Prayer Time

Sunday, September 5
Immediately following worship



Bring your personal concerns for a time of prayer and healing. Simply, come forward immediately following worship to have

prayer, to be anointed with oil, and to receive a blessing. A pastor will be waiting for you. Instructions will be given during the “Benediction.”

Questions? Contact Blake Kendrick.

Save the Date - CROP Walk

Sunday, November 7
2:30pm

It’s almost time for the 43rd annual Charlotte CROP HUNGER WALK! We are celebrating more than four decades of joining together to end hunger in our community!

This year’s walk will be both IN PERSON (at the American Legion Memorial Stadium) and virtual (your choice)! You can walk, support a walker, or support a team.

Stay tuned for ways you can get involved!

September Sermon Scripture

- September 5: James 2:1-17
- September 12: James 3:1-12
- September 19: Mark 9:30-37
- September 26: Esther 7:1-6, 9-10; 9:20-22
- October 3: Hebrews 1:1-4, 2:1

Prayer Vigil

Saturday, September 25

**Gordon
Weekley Chapel**
8:00am - 12:00pm
Come. Sit. Listen.



Spend a few precious moments with God.

Call Bill Caldwell at 704.553.2615.

September Fun for Seniors

September has arrived, which means it's time for our fall luncheon programs to resume. Come join us for our first PrimeTimers event (see info to the right). Deadline for RSVP is Tuesday, September 14th. There are several ways to RSVP:

- “Next Steps” weekly email
- Call 704.366.4030 x110 and leave your name(s), number attending, contact information and event date
- Call Wilna at 704.553.2615

And, time is RUNNING OUT to sign up for our two night “SC Lowcountry ADVENTure” tour December 2-4. The last date to sign up is Wednesday, September 8th. Final payment is due by Friday, September 17th. If you are interested, check out our brochure on Realm or call Wilna at 704.553.2615.

Submitted by Wilna Eury, Senior Adult Committee Chair

PrimeTimers with Diann! “Favorite Old Fashioned Hymns”

Thursday, September 16th | 11:45am
Crouch Fellowship Hall

Diann Clark will entertain us with her vast repertoire. If you have a favorite hymn request, email Diann at dclark@providencebc.org.

Remember to RSVP by the deadline:
Tuesday, September 14th.

Different Ways to Serve

The Nominating Committee has been working to educate the people of Providence about the many ways to be involved in serving the church and our community. This is the last article in a series meant to offer a glimpse into committee members' personal experiences.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

My husband Tim and I joined Providence Baptist Church in 1997. We have both served on several committees and as Deacons. Currently, I serve as chair of the Personnel Committee. We have been honored to be able to serve our church family, but we have learned that our involvement means the most when we utilize our gifts and passions in our service.

Our decision to join Providence was easy. We were drawn to the people, the choir, and the commonality of purpose despite varying backgrounds and theological perspectives. As for me, I have always been fascinated by people and I love how the breadth of experiences, cultures and viewpoints enrich my journey. Diversity in all aspects has been a key part to my growth and learning. People won't always agree, but if you take the time to listen, the rewards are there. I once managed a large team of resources from a wide variety of cultures and backgrounds. The relationships I cultivated expanded my horizons, and made me better as a manager and person.



Karen Dukes

Service on the Personnel Committee feeds that passion. While the committee does not have the responsibility for day to day management, we do have an opportunity to learn more about our staff members and the work they do for our ministry and community. We participate in decisions to support and benefit our staff in the important work they do. We assist with the development, review, and administration of church policies relative to church personnel. We review and administer the budget for personnel in conjunction with the Finance Committee. We meet with designated staff members on an annual basis, to listen to them discuss their roles and goals as they relate to the mission of Providence. It's not always easy work, because at times the committee is tasked with making difficult and emotional decisions that affect people we care about, serve, and support. However, those times are few and far between. I have found the work of the committee encompasses more gratifying experiences than challenging ones—and, as chair my prayer for the Personnel Committee is that we always do our best to encourage a good working environment and faithful support for our church staff. I encourage everyone to discover their passion, utilize their gifts and be involved—the reward is great!

Submitted by Karen Dukes, Personnel Committee Chair

Celebrating Providence Staff



Carson Dean celebrates his first year as Director of Church Operations on September 8. He is proactive, efficient, resourceful and kind. His vision is to serve the church in tactical ways, allowing the ministerial staff to focus on their ministries and the Providence members themselves. He and his wife

Molly have two children, Riley and Sarah.



Katelyn DeVane celebrates her first year as Activities Ministry Director on September 8. She is creative, energetic, and fun-loving, a perfect fit for someone who oversees this ministry! Her fresh ideas have allowed us to continue to offer ways to stay fit and active even during a pandemic.



Caitie Jackson celebrates her fourth year as Music Ministry Associate, organizing and communicating the ongoing music and worship plans of the church. Additionally, her work with College Ministries has been an added

blessing within our church and community.



Lee Canipe celebrates his fifth year as Senior Pastor with Providence on September 19. He is a gifted preacher and an avid reader. He loves running and watching basketball. He and his wife Hilary have three children, Helen, Watt and Peter.



Kristen Hendrix celebrates her sixth year as the Children's Ministry Administrative Assistant. Kristen is creative, kind and talented. She will be coordinating the Children's Ministry while we search for our next Minister. She and her husband Neal have two children, Jack and Ella Haze.



Diann Clark celebrates her fourteenth year on September 17 as Church Organist and Music Associate. She goes above and beyond to provide meaningful musical moments for worship, and is always prepared in her role as accompanist. Diann's gifts are treasures to our family of faith.



Jeff Motsinger celebrates his fourteenth year as a Custodian at Providence. Jeff is a practical joker and has a huge smile! He loves NASCAR and on his time off, he repairs lawn mowers and small power tools.

A Hearty Thank you!

Thank you, Providence! Because of your generous donations, we were able to outfit 53 children with school supplies! We helped our Burmese friends, our Rama Road Tutoring students, and several other Providence children who were thrilled to receive new notebooks, pencils and backpacks. Thank you for helping us Bless Charlotte in such a special way!



How to Contact Us

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Lee Canipe x 114
Diann Clark x 122
Carson Dean x 145
Katelyn DeVane x 103
Kim Gray x 129
Martha Haigler x 112
Kristen Hendrix x 125
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Blake Kendrick x 126
Debra Motsinger x 119
George Mulley x 116
Amy Shoemaker x 141
Summer Sneed x 127
Ursula Taylor x 135

Women on Mission

Tuesday, September 7

10:30am | Nalley Missions Center



Ladies of Providence!

Join our Women on Mission group for a Mission Action Work Day. Meet in the Nalley Missions Center at 10:30am to make sandwiches for our friends at Urban Ministry.

Remember to wear your mask!

Contact Penny Hewett (704.641.2767) or Debra Wallace (704.614.7998) for more details.

New Facebook Page



Did you know? The Providence Activity Center is now on Facebook! If you want to stay up-to-date with the latest Activities Ministry updates, be sure to follow along. Gym hours, adult and youth sports league information, and more can be found @ProvidenceActivityCenter.

Covid Task Force

Continuing our practice of following the most current guidelines provided by our local public health authorities, the Providence Covid-19 Task Force asks people ages 5 and up, regardless of their vaccination status, to wear masks while indoors on our campus.

Wearing masks when we are together indoors allows us to continue worshiping in the Sanctuary and to resume faith formation activities throughout the week while, at the same time, promoting good health and supporting those health care professionals in our community who are working hard to support us during the pandemic.

Thank you for helping us care for each other!



Welcome New Members!



Akylai Niyazbekova
Joined July 25



Grace Long
Joined July 25



Tolgania Niyazbekova
Joined July 25

Blessings of Stephen Ministry

Stephen Ministry multiplies blessings throughout the church and community.



Congregations carry out Christ's commandment to "Love one another as I have loved you" (John 15:12 RSV) in a powerful and practical way. Pastors have a team of gifted, trained and committed lay caregivers

ready to minister to hurting people. Laypeople nurture and use their gifts in meaningful ministry, growing spiritually as they serve others. People who are hurting have a caring Christian presence to provide emotional and spiritual support. In short, Stephen Ministry helps carry out the mission of the church.

Would you consider becoming a Stephen Minister?

Pray.

Request an application from Martha Haigler, complete it and return it to her.

You will be scheduled for an interview with Stephen Leaders.

If selected as a Stephen Minister, you must attend training classes.

At the end of training, Stephen Ministers are commissioned by the congregation.

Submitted by Bill Griffin

For answers to your questions email
or call Martha Haigler:

mhaigler@providencecbc.org | 704.608.7947

In Christian Sympathy

- Carolyn Ussery's nephew, Bryan Traywick (6.9)
- Carolyn Ussery's sister, Betty Jean Traywick (6.28)
- Earl Williams (7.22)
- Don Motsinger (7.23)
- Betty Yelverton (7.23)
- Randy Ballard's aunt, Margaret Smothers (7.29)
- Scott Griffin's father, Johnny Alvin Griffin (8.1)
- Mary Henline's sister, Margaret Chellie Mason (8.6)
- Larry Carroll's father, Ted E. Carroll (8.8)
- Donna Newman's aunt, Martha Lee Rothrock (8.9)
- Larry Carroll's mother, Ruth Carroll (8.13)
- Bernice "Jo" Taylor (8.14)
- Jane Jurney's son, Phillip Jurney (8.19)
- Jackie Kirkman's brother, Clark Nolen (8.20)



Need Care?

If you or a loved one are hospitalized or are in need of prayer, please contact Martha Haigler, who cares for our Providence community by scheduling visits, notifying deacons and praying with those who are hurting.

Contact Martha Haigler.

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Welcome, Babies!

Charlotte McLean Alexander was born July 29, 2021.

She is the daughter of Heath and Susan (Crosby) Alexander and the sister of Thomas. The proud grandparents are BJ and Jerry Crosby.

Charlie Thomas Fullam was born August 18, 2021.

He is the son of Ryan and Hannah (Dotson) Fullam. He is the grandson of Chip and Sharon Dotson and the great grandson of Lowell and Sallie Dotson.

CONGRATULATIONS!

Martha Iley Memorial

Sunday, September 19

2:00pm | Sanctuary

The Providence church family is invited to the Celebration of Life service planned for Martha Strawn Iley in the Providence Sanctuary. (Martha died on June 25, 2020.)

All are warmly invited to attend this worship service.



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Fall Lift Off

Wednesday, September 1 @ 5:00pm
Aubrey Arant Fields



Mission Action Work Day

Tuesday, September 7 @ 10:30am
Nalley Missions Cener



Student YUCK Night

Wednesday, September 8 @ 6:00pm
Aubrey Arant Fields



Prayer Vigil

Saturday, September 25 @ 8:00am - 12:00pm
Gordon Weekley Chapel

Next Connections is October 1, 2021.

Deadline for submitting articles,
photos, or announcements is
Noon, Wednesday, September 15th.
Articles should be 350 words or less.
Email your submissions to:
ssneed@providencebc.org.

Thank you!



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