

## WELCOME TO WORSHIP AT PROVIDENCE

We welcome you to the worship of Almighty God. Providence is an evangelical, conservative Christian church. Our hallmarks are joy, friendliness, and Christian zeal. If you are a visitor, we hope that you will sense the joy and spiritual energy that our church family shares. Our hope is that you will experience the Living God in this place. We invite you to join with us in our mission to **CAUSE GOD JOY!**

We have large-print copies of today's bulletin and hymns and wireless receivers, if you have difficulty hearing. Please ask an usher or inquire at the table in the Narthex. **Nursery is offered for infants and Children's Church for children 4 years old - 5<sup>th</sup> grade in the Mills Building during worship.** If you prefer to worship as a family, the Narthex is equipped with speakers if your infant should grow restless. Copies of *Our Daily Bread* devotional book are available in the Narthex and the Church Office.

The flowers today are given to the Glory of God by  
Erin Clark  
in loving memory of her mother, Nancy Knowles.

<u>Today in worship:</u>	9:00 a.m.	11:00 a.m.
<b>Greeters</b>	Mary Jo & Don Carlson	Sue & Mac Macdonald Helen Soutter
<b>Visitor Angels</b>	Emily & Jim Webb	Ruth Brown
<b>Head Usher</b>	Carroll Meseke	Phil Smith
<b>Ushers</b>	Lee Hildenbrandt Melba Hildenbrandt Karen Burky	Chris Jenkins Marilyn Hopper Ruth Germany
<b>Youth Ushers</b>	Evan Cotter Raechel Schroeder	Evan Cotter Jacqueline Steinmetz
<b>Acolytes</b>	Raechel Schroeder	Jacqueline Steinmetz
<b>Children's Church</b>	Theresa Lacey	Kim Smith
<b>Beadle</b>	Al Bobbitt	Randy Dolyniuk

Stephen Ministers assisting Dr. Lifer with notes following the services today are Fred Ludtke (9:00) and Lynn Clanton (11:00).

**We Invite You to Join Us.** If you are interested in joining our faithful Providence Family, please speak with Dr. Lifer, Rev. Benek or Dr. Armistead following worship, or call the church office (842-5673).

**Providence Media Outreach:** Today's sermon is available on CD immediately following the service, outside the Narthex on the CD cart. DVDs of today's entire service will be available in the church office Monday afternoon. Call Jenny Douglas in the church office, (842-5673), or order online at [www.CauseGodJoy.com](http://www.CauseGodJoy.com).

## CHRISTIAN EDUCATION - 10:10 SUNDAY SCHOOL

**Adult Classes:** Fellowship Hall Class: We will investigate historical evidence for the miracles of Jesus (led by Howard Wright.)

Robbie and Don Leech's class is in the Mills Chapel; *The Case for Christ* by Lee Strobel, is in the Parlor with Mike and Gina Armistead;

**Sunday Nursery, 8:45 a.m. to noon:** "Our Little Blessings" Nursery has moved! Our Sunday morning nursery for children ages 0-3 has moved from the Children's Center to the "Tent Room" located in the Mills Building. The Little Blessing Nursery provides a safe, loving, nurturing and Christian environment for your child while you worship with us or attend Sunday School. Available from 8:45 a.m.-12:00 NOON.

**PARENTS!** Please sign your children in outside the Mills Chapel.

**PreK-1<sup>st</sup> Grade:** Join Mrs. Murray, Mrs. Pruehs and Mr. Clanton in the Alligator Room.

**2<sup>nd</sup> - 4<sup>th</sup> Grades:** Meet with Mr. & Mrs. Muehleman in the Creation Room.

**5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> Grades:** Meet with Mrs. Brockmann in the Movie Room.

**7<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> Grades:** Meet with Johnna Marbut in the Mills Conference Room.

## DISCIPLESHIP & FELLOWSHIP



Next Sunday, May 23<sup>rd</sup>, is PENTECOST. Please prepare for worship on this special Sunday. We will celebrate the Lord's Supper as we

also remember the coming of the Holy Spirit upon the first Christians in Jerusalem. We encourage you to wear RED next Sunday as a classic way of celebrating Pentecost. We will also have special recognition of and participation by our High School Graduating Seniors.

**THE BLOODMOBILE WILL BE HERE TOMORROW FROM 1:30 P.M. - 5:30 P.M. Please come and give the gift of life!**

**Graduating High School Seniors:** Don't forget to pick up your display boards in the Church Office. All decorated boards are due to the church by May 21<sup>st</sup> to be set up for display on May 23<sup>rd</sup>, High School Senior Sunday. If you have any questions, call Johnna Marbut at 681-6174 or email her at [ajohnna@hargray.com](mailto:ajohnna@hargray.com).

**Women AND Men of Providence:** HERE AND NOW - THERE AND THEN, a study of the book of Revelation by Beth Moore, is in the Music Room each Tuesday at 10:00 a.m. \$20 Registration fee includes materials. Questions? Contact Alora at [PPCBibleStudy@gmail.com](mailto:PPCBibleStudy@gmail.com).

**ATTENTION HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS:** We need the names of all high school graduating seniors! As soon as possible, please contact Johnna Marbut at [ajohnna@hargray.com](mailto:ajohnna@hargray.com). Thank you.

**College Age Young Adults and High School Seniors** are meeting at Fancy Q's in Northridge Plaza on Wednesday, May 19<sup>th</sup> at 5:45pm. If you know someone who did not get an invitation, please let Jan Hoaglin (363-2665) know. Thanks!

**The Providence Men's Golf Scramble is HERE! This Saturday, May 22, at Crescent Pointe Golf Club, tee times start at 8:30 a.m. Cost is \$60 per person, all inclusive. Be sure to sign up outside the Narthex today. Contact Jay Pruehs for more information: 363-2532.**



We are the hands and arms of God. If He's calling you to reach out to others in His name, Stephen Ministry will provide 50 hours of training to equip you for a ministry of caring and support as you companion fellow Christians through the trials of everyday living. Stimulating and useful training in Christian caring skills will begin on Tuesday, September 7<sup>th</sup>. Please call Nancy Ludtke at 686-2210,

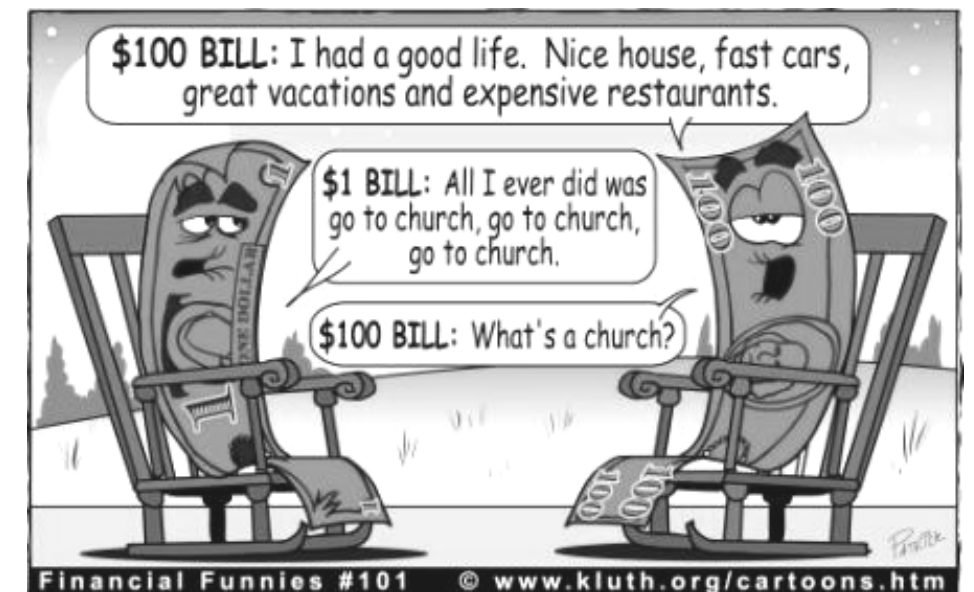
or Pat Dempsey at 686-6270 for more information about joining this care-giving ministry. To learn more about being paired with a Stephen Minister, call Patty Schroeder (671-2481) or Jack Dempsey (686-6270).

**NEW ANCHOR GROUP FORMING NOW:** Haven't joined an Anchor Group yet? A new Anchor Group named "Spirit" (after a wonderful sailboat) will be meeting in the Parlor June 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6:30 p.m. We will be studying the book of Luke and plan to adopt a soldier to care for. If you are not already in an Anchor Group, please plan to join "Spirit". If you have any questions, please call Robbie Leech at 363-6306.

**Don and Robbie Leech's Sunday School Class** invites you to study *The Book of James, Living for Jesus*, with us. This new Bible Study begins June 6<sup>th</sup>. We meet in the Mills Chapel at 10:10 each Sunday. Please come join us and bring your Bibles! Don and Robbie Leech, 363-6306.

Today, at the 11:00 service, we will have special prayers of commissioning and blessing for one of our many faithful Providence families: Paul, Bebe, Olivia and Paul (IV) Cifaldi. Olivia has completed her freshman year at College of Charleston and ~ as part of her continuing to pursue a call to lifetime ministry ~ will be working with Group Work Camps this summer. Paul, Bebe, and Paul IV will also be part of a week-long mission to Belize this summer. Finally and very significantly, Paul is being considered for the call to become Area Director of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes for Beaufort, Jasper, and Hampton counties. The FCA ministry vision is to see the world impacted for Jesus Christ through the influence of athletes and coaches in schools, on teams, and during camps. Please be in prayer, as Paul and the leaders of FCA seek God's will on the possibility of Paul's serving in this new ministry role.

## STEWARDSHIP



# Providence Presbyterian Church

May 16, 2010      Seventh Sunday of Easter      9:00 and 11:00 a.m.

Gathering Music                      *Adagio*                      T. Albinoni  
Susan Glenn, Organist

Striking of the Bell

† Welcome and Announcements

† Introit                      *Michael, Row Your Boat Ashore*  
Hand Bell Choir

Opening Scripture and Prayer      1 Cor. 1:20-26                      Rev. Chris Benek

Call to Worship

†\* Hymn 562                      *Be Thou My Vision*                      SLANE

Anthem                      *Now Thank We All Our God*  
Hand Bell Choir

Morning Prayer and *The Lord's Prayer* (Hymn 631)      Dr. Mike Armistead

† Time for Young Disciples                      Rev. Chris Benek  
Children's Church available for ages 4-5<sup>th</sup> grade in the Chapel in the Mills Building  
(Please pass the Friendship Pads at this time.)

\* Hymn 382                      *Come, Holy Spirit*                      COME, HOLY SPIRIT

\* Prayer of Dedication

Offering the Gifts of our Life and Labor to the Lord

Offertory Music                      *Gaelic Blessing*                      J. Rutter  
Chancel Choir

Series Theme: *Biblical Wisdom*

Scripture                      Ecclesiastes 9:10-17; 11:3; 12:11-14

Sermon                      *Powerfully Wise Witness*                      Dr. Martin Lifer

\* Hymn 602 (verses 1, 2 & 4)      *I Have Decided to Follow Jesus*                      ASSAM

Commissioning and Blessing of the Cifaldi Family (11:00)

\* Invitation to Christian Commitment

\* Closing Prayer and Blessing

\* Choral Response                      *Amen*                      trad. African-American

\* Postlude                      *Voluntary on the 100<sup>th</sup> Psalm Tune*                      H. Purcell  
Susan Glenn, Organist

\* Those who are able, please stand

† Latecomer seating

## THIS WEEK AT PROVIDENCE

Monday, May 17, 2010

1:30-5:30 p.m.      BLOODMOBILE ON CAMPUS  
3:00 p.m.              Grannies' Laps (Room 5)  
6:15 p.m.              Men's Discipleship (Mills Building)  
6:30 p.m.              Women's Discipleship (members' homes)

Tuesday, May 18

9:45 a.m.              PCC Music (Mills Chapel)  
10:00 a.m.              Staff Meeting (Library)  
10:00 a.m.              Beth Moore Revelation study (Music Room)  
2:30 p.m.              ACE (Library)  
3:30 p.m.              Discipleship (Library)  
5:30 p.m.              PCC Board Meeting (Mills Conference Room)  
5:30 p.m.              Stephen Ministry (Mills Building)

Wednesday, May 19

8:00 a.m.              Men's Bible Breakfast (Parlor)  
9:30 a.m.              PCC Chapel (Mills Chapel)  
10:00 a.m.              Decorating Committee (Small Conference Room)  
10:30 a.m.              Prayer Shawl Ministry (Carolina House)  
11:00 a.m.              Lydia Circle (Parlor)  
4:00 p.m.              Men's Fellowship (Library)

Thursday, May 20

9:00 a.m.              Men's Discipleship (Mills Conference Room)  
11:30 a.m.              Providence Prays (Library)  
3:00 p.m.              Grannies' Laps (Room 5)  
3:30 p.m.              Contemplative Prayer Group (Parlor)  
4:00 p.m.              Praying the Scriptures (Sm. Conference Room)  
7:00 p.m.              Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Music Room)

Friday, May 21

NOON                      Building & Grounds (Fellowship Hall)

### Confirmation Meeting Next Sunday

Dr. Martin Lifer and Rev. Chris Benek invite  
**all High School students and current  
eighth-graders who have not yet  
participated in Confirmation**  
to attend a

Confirmation Orientation Lunch Meeting next  
**Sunday, May 23, 12:15-1:30 p.m.,  
in the Fellowship Hall.**

**Parents of participating youth are also invited to  
attend this introduction to our upcoming Confirmation  
Class, in which our pastors and other leaders will  
prepare participating youth to profess Christian faith  
and to become adult members in the church.**

**Please call the church office (842-5673) by  
Wednesday afternoon, May 19,  
if you will be attending.**

## *Cause God Joy*

May 16, 2010

Rev. Dr. Martin Lifer, *Senior Pastor*  
Rev. Christopher Benek, *Associate Pastor of Family Ministries*  
Rev. Dr. Mike Armistead, *Parish Associate*  
Rev. Dr. Gerald Mills, *Pastor Emeritus*  
Betty Shirley, *Lay Pastor serving at TidePointe*  
Paul Elgin, *Director of Music Ministries*  
Jill Farrar, *Director of Children's Ministries and Education*

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