

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

May 16, 2010

Eleven O' Clock in the Morning

ASCENSION SUNDAY UNITED METHODIST WOMEN SUNDAY

GATHERING

CENTERING PRAYER

**Ever living God,
your eternal Christ once dwelt on earth,
confined by time and space.
Give us faith to discern in every time and place
the presence among us
of him who is head over all things and fills all,
even Jesus Christ our ascended Lord. Amen.**

PRAISE

VOLUNTARY

“Chorale Prelude on *Hail the Day That Sees Him Rise*”

Hermann Schroeder

CALL TO WORSHIP

“I Will Fill This House with Glory”

Eric Thiman

† HYMN NO. 327

“Crown Him with Many Crowns”

Diademata

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

REGISTRATION OF ATTENDANCE

*Please write your name in the Friendship Pad on the center aisle and pass it to your neighbor.
First-time guests are encouraged to list your address and telephone number or e-mail address so
that we may share additional information about our church.*

DIAKONIA

PRAYERS

CHORAL CALL TO PRAYER

“Bless the Lord, O My Soul”

Mikhail M. Ippolitov-Ivanov

CALL TO CONFESSION

Let us now confess our sin before God and one another.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**O God of promise and fulfillment,
you command us to pray for the coming of your spirit,
and yet we confess a reluctance to watch and wait.
O God of power and might,
you invite us to pray for the coming of your kingdom,
and yet we acknowledge an unwillingness to witness and work.**

**O God of cross and crown, wind and fire,
you reveal yourself to us in ordinary and extravagant ways,
and yet at times we have not perceived your presence,
heard your voice,
received your blessing,
or shared your love with others.**

**Forgive us,
in the name of the One who is seated at your right hand,
even Jesus Christ our Lord.**

SILENT PRAYER AND WORDS OF ASSURANCE

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come,
thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory, forever. Amen.**

THE WORD

† PSALTER, NO. 781

Psalm 47

ANTHEM

“O, Clap Your Hands”

Ralph Vaughan Williams

The text of the anthem is taken from Psalm 47.

O, clap your hands, all ye people; shout unto God with the voice of triumph. For the Lord most high is terrible: He is a great King over all the earth. God is gone up with a shout, the Lord with the sound of a trumpet. Sing praises to God, sing praises unto our King; for God is King of all the earth; sing ye praises everyone that hath understanding. God reigneth over the heathen: God sitteth upon the throne of His holiness. Sing praises unto our King, sing praises.

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Acts 1. 1-11

New Testament Page 107

† HYMN NO. 559

“Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation”

WESTMINSTER ABBEY

† GOSPEL LESSON

Luke 24. 44-53

New Testament Page 84

This is the Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God!

SERMON

“Waiting”

RESPONSE

† AFFIRMATION OF FAITH, NO. 881

Apostles' Creed

† GLORIA PATRI, NO. 71

“Glory Be to the Father”

GREATOREX

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS, PAGE 38

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

“God Is Gone Up with a Merry Noise” (from *Ascendit Deus*)

Arthur Hutchings

God is gone up with a merry noise, and the Lord with the sound of the trumpet. Thou art gone up on high, Thou hast led captivity captive and received gifts for men. O sing praises unto our God. Alleluia! God is gone up on high.

† DOXOLOGY, NO. 94

“Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow”

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.
Praise God all creatures here below:
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

SENDING FORTH

† HYMN NO. 157

“Jesus Shall Reign”

DUKE STREET

† BENEDICTION

† CHORAL RESPONSE

“Two-fold Amen”

Vincent Persichetti

† SILENT PRAYER

† CHIMING THE TRINITY

† VOLUNTARY

“Trumpet Voluntary”

John Travers

† SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

**Our service of worship has ended.
Our worship through service now begins.**

As we leave this Sanctuary, let us greet one another in Christ's name.

† Congregation may stand



Our nave is equipped with a hearing loop system. Switch hearing aid to T-coil to receive sound through your hearing aid. Personal receivers are also available for others desiring enhanced listening. Please ask an usher.

PARISH NOTES

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God by Gratia Wiley and children in memory of a loving husband and father, Dick Wiley.

Ascension Day is the fortieth day after Easter, when Chris ascended into heaven (Acts 1. 1-11). While it falls on Thursday, it is often celebrated on the following Sunday. It is also a preparation for the *Day of Pentecost* (Acts 2), when we receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.

Isn't It Time We Talk – A Health Forum Lunch and Learn Series presented by Advocated For Christian Concerns (ACC) will be held today at noon in Charter Annex.

Vacation Bible School will be held July 26-July 30, 8:45 am—12:30 pm. You may register your child(ren) online at www.providenceumc.org. When you register, you may also sign up to volunteer! The registration deadline is June 30.

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT PROVIDENCE?

EXCITING UPCOMING EVENTS

For more information, please check the Voice of Providence.

May 17	Church Council
May 26-June 2	College Student Mission to Haiti
May 20	Livewires (Senior Adult Luncheon)
May 23	Pentecost
June 5	Western NC Conference-Day of Service on Saturday, 9:00-2:00
June 6	Holy Communion (8:30 & 11:00) High School Senior (Graduation) Sunday Commissioning of the Summer Mission Teams
June 11-13	Western North Carolina Annual Conference, Lake Junaluska
June 13	Dr. John Arey, Methodist Counseling Center, preaching
June 14-18	Youth & College H.O.P.E. Mission, John's Island, SC Children's Music, Art, Drama Camp, <i>The Tale of the Three Trees</i>
June 17	Livewires (Senior Adult Luncheon)
June 20	Service of Holy Communion (8:30) Children's Music, Art, Drama Camp participants lead in worship (11:00)
June 21-26	Youth Choir Music in Mission Trip, Hollywood, SC
July 1	Fall <i>Disciple</i> Registration begins
July 4	Holy Communion (8:30 & 11:00)
July 16-24	Summer Haiti Medical Mission
July 18-23	Garden City Beach Youth Retreat
July 26-30	Vacation Bible School
August 8	Dr. David Mosser, Senior Pastor, First UMC, Arlington, Texas, preaching
August 20	Livewires (Senior Adult Luncheon) Stephen Ministry Training
Aug. 20-22	Chancel Choir Retreat at Bonclarken
August 24	Day of Prayer for beginning of school (first day of class CMS)
August 28	Attic Sale for Global Missions
August 29	Intentional Faith Development Sunday; First Grade Worship Readiness begins Children's Ministry Parent Appreciation Lunch

SERVING THIS MORNING

Crucifers	Trent Patterson, Jordan Pierpont
Acolytes	Natalie Bonsall, Charlie Talmadge
Preacher	Ken Carter
Liturgists	Bill Jeffries, Helen Coble, Jacquie Slack
Diakonia	Wanda Musgrave
Visitation	Donna & Mike Bishop, Elaine Levi, Laurie Pixley
Sound System	Russ Case
Sanctuary Steward	John Calcagni
Ushers	Group Chairmen: Bill Coble, Brett Logan; Bob Baldwin, Dale Batman, Mike Bishop, Al Brown, Kelly Case, Brian Mobley, Rick Pugh, Kevin Rose, Wes Sugg, Chris Sutherland, Bob Sutton, Chuck Weeks

WANT TO LEARN MORE ABOUT PROVIDENCE?

The **Inquirer's Class** meets on the first, second and third Sundays of each month, at 9:45 am in the church parlor. Join others like yourself who want to know more about our community of faith. Simply indicate your interest on the Ritual of Friendship pad or contact Suzi Stephens, 704.714.9365 or sstephens@providenceumc.org.

OUR VISION

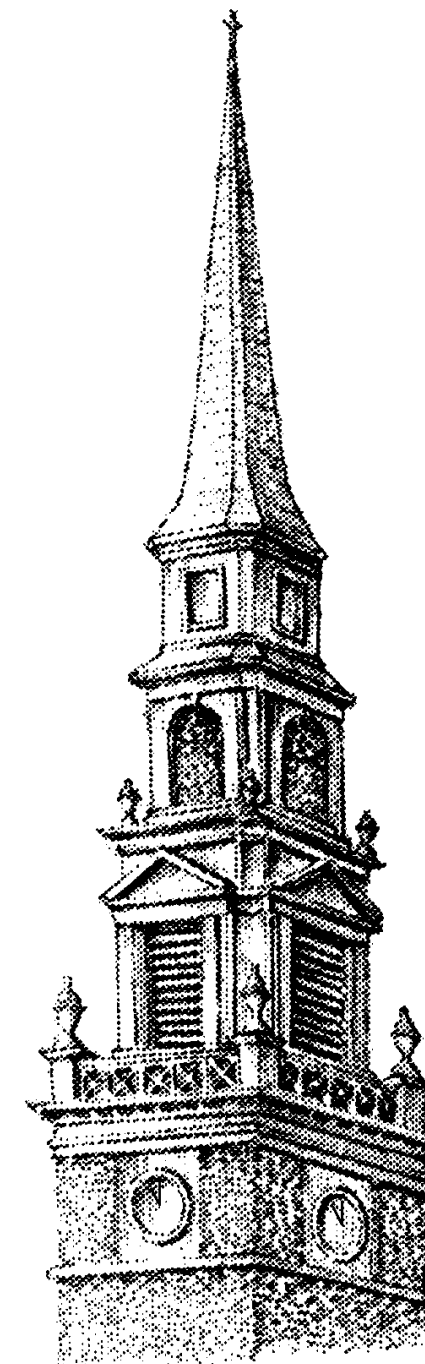
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All of the People of Providence United Methodist Church

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