

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

April 18, 2010

Eleven O' Clock in the Morning

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

GATHERING

CENTERING PRAYER

Almighty God,
you give us the joy of celebrating our Lord's resurrection.
Grant that we may participate in your new creation
through joyful service and glorious praise,
and bring us at last into eternal communion
with you and with all your people;
we pray in the name of Jesus Christ our Savior,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

PRAISE

VOLUNTARY

"I Know That My Redeemer Lives" Dale Wood

CALL TO WORSHIP

"Jubilate Deo" Michael Praetorius

† HYMN NO. 154

"All Hail the Power of Jesus Name" CORONATION

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

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Hymnal Page 39 Sections 1,3,4,8,10-11

RESPONSE, Hymn No. 605, v. 1

BEACH SPRING

**Wash, O God, our sons and daughters,
where your cleansing waters flow.**

**Number them among your people;
bless as Christ blessed long ago.**

**Weave them garments bright and sparkling;
compass them with love and light.**

**Fill, anoint them; send your Spirit,
holy dove and heart's delight.**

PRAYERS

CHORAL CALL TO PRAYER

"The Lord Is in His Holy Temple" George F. Root

CALL TO CONFESSION

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

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O God,
you provide everything that we need,
and yet we lack the one thing that is necessary.

You restore our souls,
and yet we are overwhelmed by choices
and exhausted by demands.

You lead us in the right direction,
and yet we wander after trivial pursuits.

You are with us in the dark places,
and yet we sense that we are alone.

Speak to us, Good Shepherd.
Guide us, protect us,
lead us to the sources of life and peace.

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

ANTHEM

"All Things Bright and Beautiful" arr. John Ferguson
The text of the anthem may be found on Hymnal Page 147.

† HYMN NO. 411

"Dear Lord, Lead Me Day By Day" COTTAGE GROVE

† GOSPEL LESSON

John 21. 1-19 New Testament Page 108

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

Thanks be to God!

SERMON

"Christ Caring for People Through People"

RESPONSE

† AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

"An Easter Affirmation"
Hope is stronger than memory.

Salvation is stronger than sin.

Forgiveness is stronger than bitterness.

Reconciliation is stronger than hatred.

Resurrection is stronger than crucifixion.

Light is stronger than darkness.

The empty tomb is stronger than the bloodied cross.

The risen Lord is stronger than the dead Jesus.

Easter is stronger than Good Friday.

We are the Easter people.

We are the people of hope.

**We are the people of the empty tomb,
the risen Lord, the new life in Christ.**

† GLORIA PATRI, NO. 71

"Glory Be to the Father" GREATOREX

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

"The Twenty-Third Psalm" arr. Jay Althouse
The text of the anthem is taken from Psalm 23 and may be found on Hymnal Page 137.

† 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. 344

"Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore" PESCADOR DE HOMBRES

† BENEDICTION

† CHORAL RESPONSE

"Depart in Peace" arr. Sandra T. Ford

† SILENT PRAYER

† CHIMING THE TRINITY

† VOLUNTARY

"Come, Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain" Wilbur Held

† 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

The Easter Affirmation of Faith was written by Kennon Callahan.



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 Leroy Robinson in loving memory of his wife, Teresa Zetzl Robinson; and by David, Linda, and Bryan Guilford and Courtney Jespersen in loving memory of Veona Oakley.

The **Sacrament of Baptism** will be administered at the 11:00 worship service to Claire Elizabeth Ratliff, daughter of Emily and Kevin Ratliff, granddaughter of Ann and Larry Atkinson, born August 30, 2010.

Today we celebrate 15 years of **Stephen Ministry** service in our congregation. This ministry is a one-to-one caring ministry for folks who are dealing with difficult times in their lives. Current Stephen Ministers are serving as greeters and participants in today's worship services. A **new Stephen Ministry training class** will begin in August. Information about the class is available at the Welcome Desk. If you would like to request a Stephen Minister, contact Nat Beasley (b325@mindspring.com), Patti Beasley (pattib@mindspring.com) or Bill Jeffries (bjeffries@Providenceumc.org). We ask for your continuing prayers for each of our Stephen Ministers.

Please be in prayer for the following members of our church family: **our senior high youth and their leaders** as they return this afternoon from a weekend beach retreat; **members of our Chancel Choir** who return tonight from a choir tour in Virginia; members of PUMC traveling with an Annual Conference exploration team to Haiti; and our **Spring Medical Mission Team** who return this week from Haiti.

Vacation Bible School will be held July 26-July 30, 8:45 am—12:30 pm. Beginning this morning, you may **register** your child(ren) in the atrium or online at www.providenceumc.org. When you register, you may also sign up to volunteer!

Tonight at 7:00 pm in the sanctuary, musicians from the Charlotte Symphony Orchestra perform Paul Hindemith's *Octet for Winds and Strings*, with Ernest Pereira conducting.

Hymn of the Month Written in 1983 by female composer Francisca Asuncion, "Dear Lord Lead Me Day by Day" is a hymn of praise with child-like simplicity that calls for guidance through each day and ultimately throughout life. The tune, COTTAGE GROVE, is an arrangement of a Philippine folk melody composed by Asuncion for this text. May this hymn become our prayer for God's guidance during this Eastertide season.

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.

SERVING THIS MORNING

Crucifer	Zach Daughtry
Acolytes	Mahari Conston, Josh Ohaus
Preacher	Ken Carter
Liturgist	Bill Jeffries, Tara Bain, Patti Beasley, Nat Beasley
Diakonia	Mary Freeman
Choir	Encore
Guest Organist	Ginger Wyrick
Visitation	Linda & Dennis Hammack, Kathy & Denny Hammack
Sound System	Russ Case
Sanctuary Steward	John Calcagni
Greeters	Barbara Ellis, Sue Spears, Ann Westlake, Donna Bishop, Dale Batman
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

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

For a more comprehensive calendar, go to www.providenceumc.org.

Sunday, April 18, 2010

Vacation Bible Registration Begins
8:30 am Worship
9:45 am Sunday School
9:45 am Inquirer's Class
11:00 am Worship
12:00 pm Stephen Ministry Luncheon
1:00 pm Senior Highs Return
4:30 pm Youth Choir
5:30 pm UMYF
6:20 pm Stephen Ministry Meeting
7:00 pm Chamber Music Recital
9:00 pm Chancel Choir Tour Return

Monday, April 19, 2010

7:00 am Men's Bible Study
11:00 am Career Transition

Wednesday, April 21, 2010

5:30 pm Cherub Choir
End-of-Year Party
6:00 pm Children's Choirs

Thursday, April 22, 2010

7:30 pm Chancel Choir

Friday, April 23, 2010

6:30 pm Heritage Dinner

Saturday, April 24, 2010

8:00 am ALS Walk
Haiti Spring Medical Mission
Team Returns

Sunday, April 25, 2010

8:00 am MMF
8:30 am Worship
9:45 am Sunday School
9:45 am Inquirer's Class
11:00 am Worship
4:30 pm Youth Choir
5:30 pm UMYF
7:00 pm Chancel Choir Concert
Mozart's **Requiem**

CHANCEL CHOIR CONCERT

On **Sunday, April 25**, the Providence UMC Chancel Choir will present Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart's beloved **Requiem**. The performance will take place in the sanctuary at 7:00 in the evening. Under the direction of Adam Ward, the choir will be accompanied by members of the Charlotte Symphony Orchestra. An offering will be received at this concert for Haitian Relief. Childcare will be provided.

OUR VISION

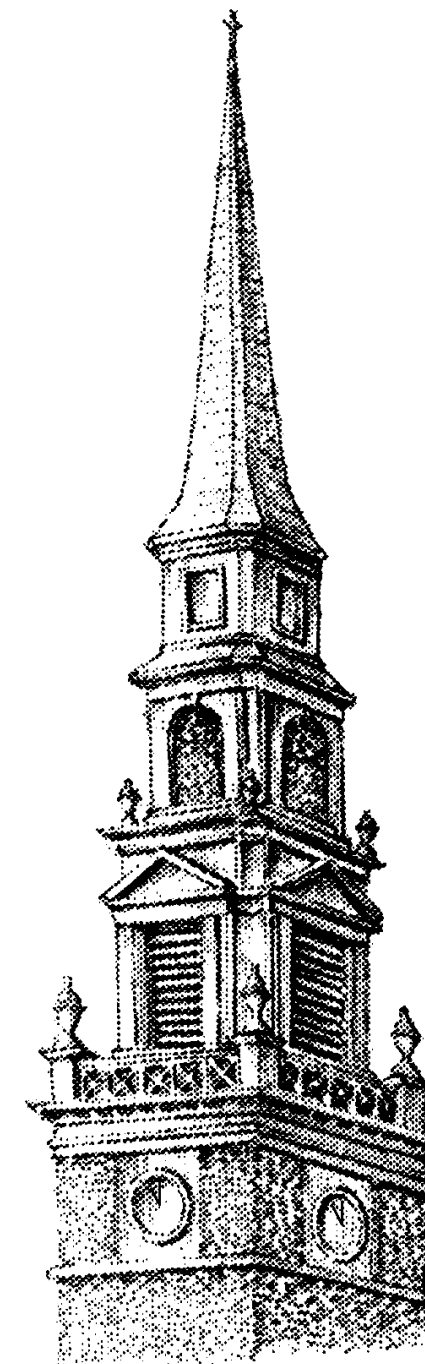
A Growing Body of Christ Glorifying God and Serving Others

OUR MINISTERS

All of the People of Providence United Methodist Church

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