



Providence
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
"Where Life and Faith Connect"

Sunday, November 24, 2024

WELCOME VISITORS AND FRIENDS

Please silence your cell phone before worship.

WELCOME FRIEND! We are glad you are here.

The Sanctuary is equipped with Assistive Hearing Technology.



Here are some ways to meet people and get involved:

- Look for someone with a name tag! Ask questions; we're here to help.
- Read this bulletin; see information displays in the Gathering Areas.

Pew Cards Please let us know you joined us today by signing a pew card and returning it to the outer aisle of the pew / row. (Bonus: You can learn the names of others in your row!)

WELCOMING CHILDREN

- We have a Quiet Room located just outside the Sanctuary if you would like a quieter space for your child.
- A fully staffed nursery for infants and toddlers up to 4 years old, in Room 200 at the top of the ramp on the left, is available during worship services.
- Most Sundays, children up to 3rd grade begin in worship with their families. After the anthem, children 4 years old to 3rd grade are invited to Godly Play. Breakfast & Bible Study and 4-6 Sunday School begin at 10 am.
- Children's Choir, for children 6th grade and younger, meets in the Godly Play Room from 11-11:45 am.

On first Sundays there is no Christian Education as we encourage families to worship together. We are glad you are here today! If you have any questions, please see the ushers or look for Paige Bach, our Dir. of Next Gen Ministry.

FLOWERS IN THE CHANCEL WILL RESUME IN JANUARY 2025:

The Providence Flower Guild invites you to make a donation for flowers on a Sunday that has special meaning for you. When you sign up, please indicate the purpose of your flower donation: to the glory of God, in honor or memory of a special person in your life, in celebration of a special occasion. This information will be printed in the bulletin on the Sunday of your choice. The suggested donation for flowers is \$40. You may pay by check (please write "Flower Guild" on your check's memo line). Sign up by QR Code or URL: <https://bit.ly/3KrVQ0B>



The Presbyterian Church (USA) has officially recognized Providence as an Earth Care Congregation. To learn more about this initiative visit <https://www.providencechurch.org/earth-care-congregation/>



November 24, 2024

Christ the King

Gathering

PRELUDE

Serenade in C –Josef Haydn
Cindy Crumb, violin, and Jane Kaye, piano

CHIMES

WELCOME

Rev. Mary Rodgers

INTROIT

We Plow the Fields –John Zundel
The Sanctuary Choir
(All good gifts around us are sent from Heaven above;
then thank the Lord, O thank the Lord for all His love.)

CALL TO WORSHIP

Helen Hwang

One: Thanks-giving is a journey of faith. In thanks-seeing, we acknowledge the many blessings of the world we live in.

All: Our hearts are filled when we recognize all that God has given us.

One: In thanks-blessing, we acknowledge the help we need and receive from others.

All: We give thanks for the grace of God, always provided for us.

One: In thanks-sharing, we transform ourselves and others, to open our souls to love.

All: We are made whole, to love our world and those around us.

***HYMN #643** (Purple)

Now Thank We
All Our God
(Lyrics: See page 7.)

NUN DANKET
ALLE GOTT

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Word

FIRST READING

Psalm 95:1-7
(Text: See page 10.)

Helen Hwang

ANTHEM Music of Heaven –Craig Courtney
The Sanctuary Choir with Cindy Crumb, violin
(Lyrics: See page 7.)
(Children are invited to Godly Play.)

SECOND READING Luke 17:11-19 Rev. Rodgers
(Text: See page 10.)

This is the word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

SERMON “One Promise, a Couple of Stories,
a Few Points to Ponder and a Big Dose of Hope”
Rev. Mary Rodgers

***HYMN #644** (Purple) Give Thanks, ES FLOG EIN KLEINS
O Christian People WALDVÖGELEIN
(Lyrics: See page 8.)

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (unison) Helen Hwang
We believe in a God who knows our names, who counts the hairs on our heads, and carries the dreams in our hearts. We believe that God’s fingerprints are all over creation, and that God is forever speaking to us in a million different ways. We believe that awe and wonder, goosebumps and laughter, telling stories and paying attention, are all ways that we can say thank you to our creating, sustaining, and loving God. Therefore, we commit ourselves to moving through this world with eyes wide open, with porous hearts, and grateful spirits. We commit ourselves to living lives of awe, wonder, and gratitude, trusting that these things will forever draw us deeper into God’s loving arms. We believe. We stand in awe. Thanks be to God!

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Rev. Rodgers
The Lord’s Prayer (debts)

TITHES AND OFFERINGS Kyle Durbin
(Please place your tithes & offerings in the basket at the rear of the Sanctuary.)

***DOXOLOGY** (Purple #608)

PRAISE GOD

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise Christ, all people here below;
praise Holy Spirit evermore;
praise Triune God, whom we adore.**

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

Kyle Durbin

Sending

***HYMN #263** (Purple) All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name
(Lyrics: See page 9.)

CORONATION

***BENEDICTION**

Rev. Rodgers

(Please remain standing unless otherwise directed.)

***RESPONSE**

God Be in My Head
The Sanctuary Choir

–John Rutter

POSTLUDE

“Minuet” from Quintet in E Major –Luigi Boccherini
Cindy Crumb, violin, and Jane Kaye, piano

****Those able are invited to stand.***

*When the Worship Is Over, the Service Begins;
Every Christian Goes into the World as a Minister*

November 24, 2024

GATHERING

*Good God Almighty

–David Crowder

WELCOME

Announcements

Rev. Mary Rodgers

*Adoration

–Thomas Aquinas; Matt Maher

*Home

–Phillip Phillips

GRACE

Prayer of Confession

Rev. Rodgers

Assurance of Pardon

Symbol of Peace

THE WORD

Scripture

Luke 17:11-19

Rev. Rodgers

Message

“One Promise, a Couple of Stories,
a Few Points to Ponder and a Big Dose of Hope”

Counting My Blessings

–Schlueter / Maher

PRAYER

Prayers

Rev. Rodgers

Offering/Prayer of Dedication

Kyle Durbin

(Please place your tithes & offerings in the basket at the rear of Taylor Hall.)

*Thank You Lord

–Paul Baloche

SENDING

*Benediction

Rev. Rodgers

**Please stand.*

#643 Now Thank We All Our God NUN DANKET ALLE GOTT

1 Now thank we all our God with heart and hands and voices,
who wondrous things hath done, in whom this world rejoices;
who, from our mothers' arms, hath blessed us on our way
with countless gifts of love, and still is ours today.

2 O may this bounteous God through all our life be near us,
with ever joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us;
and keep us in God's grace, and guide us when perplexed,
and free us from all ills in this world and the next.

3 All praise and thanks to God, who reigns in highest heaven,
to Father and to Son and Spirit now be given:
the one eternal God, whom heaven and earth adore,
the God who was, and is, and shall be evermore.

ANTHEM Music of Heaven –Craig Courtney

Immortal Spirit, living eternal "I Am", look on our weakness.
Hear now our singing, songs of thanksgiving and praise,
this is our off-'ring.

Bowing before You, with grateful hearts we will sing music of heaven.
Hear now our singing, songs of thanksgiving and praise,
this is our off-'ring.

From highest heaven, send Your invisible wind, gift of the Father.
Hear now our singing, songs of thanksgiving and praise,
music of heaven.

Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
praise Him all creatures here below.
Praise Him above ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen

**#644 Give Thanks, O Christian People
ES FLOG EIN KLEINS WALDVÖGELEIN**

1 Give thanks, O Christian people,
for workers of our day
who heed the call to service
and make it their life's way
to go to feed the hungry,
to tend to those in need,
to work for equal justice,
till all God's folk are freed.

2 Give thanks, O Christian people,
for leaders of our years
who live to share with others
our joy when Christ appears,
to teach the ones who seek light,
to guide the faltering feet,
to lead the followers forward
our living Lord to meet.

3 Give thanks, O Christian people,
for all who love the Lord,
who live each day believing
in God's eternal Word:
to share Christ's love in living,
to witness with each deed,
to use the talents given
to plant the gospel seed.

4 Give thanks, O Christian people,
for life in fellowship
with all who trust our Savior
their serving to equip:
to ease another's burdens,
to cope in joy and stress,
to magnify God's message
and Christ's great love confess.

#263 All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name CORONATION

1 All hail the power of Jesus' name!
Let angels prostrate fall;
bring forth the royal diadem,
and crown him Lord of all!
Bring forth the royal diadem,
and crown him Lord of all!

2 Ye chosen seed of Israel's race,
ye ransomed from the fall,
hail him who saves you by his grace,
and crown him Lord of all!
Hail him who saves you by his grace,
and crown him Lord of all!

3 Let every kindred, every tribe
on this terrestrial ball
to him all majesty ascribe,
and crown him Lord of all!
To him all majesty ascribe,
and crown him Lord of all!

4 O that with yonder sacred throng
we at his feet may fall!
We'll join the everlasting song,
and crown him Lord of all!
We'll join the everlasting song,
and crown him Lord of all!

Psalm 95:1-7, NRSVUE

A Call to Worship and Obedience

- ¹ O come, let us sing to the Lord;
 let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!
- ² Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving;
 let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!
- ³ For the Lord is a great God
 and a great King above all gods.
- ⁴ In his hand are the depths of the earth;
 the heights of the mountains are his also.
- ⁵ The sea is his, for he made it,
 and the dry land, which his hands have formed.
- ⁶ O come, let us worship and bow down;
 let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker!
- ⁷ For he is our God,
 and we are the people of his pasture
 and the sheep of his hand.
- O that today you would listen to his voice!

Luke 17:11-19, NRSVUE

Jesus Cleanses Ten Men with a Skin Disease

¹¹ On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. ¹² As he entered a village, ten men with a skin disease approached him. Keeping their distance, ¹³ they called out, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!" ¹⁴ When he saw them, he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were made clean. ¹⁵ Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. ¹⁶ He prostrated himself at Jesus's feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. ¹⁷ Then Jesus asked, "Were not ten made clean? So where are the other nine?" ¹⁸ Did none of them return to give glory to God except this foreigner?" ¹⁹ Then he said to him, "Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well."

Announcements

LAY READER: Helen Hwang

WELCOMING DEACONS: 10–Helen Hwang; 11:15–Jen Lewis-Cooper

A/V & Live Streaming: 10–Charlie Brewer; 11:15–Rose Clark

THE FLOWERS IN THE CHANCEL are to the glory of God.

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM is celebrated today for Hadley Rose DeKeuster, born May 8, 2024 to Andy & Jenna DeKeuster.

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2025 Thankful Heart Stewardship Update – almost there!!!

Well, the heart of 78 members has kicked off the 2025 campaign, and we are very, very thankful!!!! We have close to a \$1M budget for 2025 and are hoping the other 65 (or so) members who pledged last year will again pledge and possibly increase for next year. We are seeing a lovely trend of increased giving, so again THANK YOU!

*We remain prayerful that we will share even better news in a few weeks, so please continue to pray for our efforts, church, leaders, and staff. **If you wish to pledge today, please scan the QR Code (<https://bit.ly/3CgmAjC>) or reach out to Kyle and let her know of your intent.** ~Elly and Mary Jo*



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SAVE THE DATES! Webster Springs Mission Trip: June 21 - 28!

This mission trip is intentionally intergenerational and open to those 12 and older. Younger children may participate in a limited capacity when accompanied by a parent or guardian. This is an awe-inspiring way to experience the body of Christ working in service of God's Kingdom, enjoy the beauty of God's creation, and grow connections with your church family. No experience necessary! Everyone's skills can be put to good use!



SUNDAY ANNOUNCEMENTS DUE ON MONDAYS;

All announcements submitted to Kathy **by 9:00 am on Monday** will appear in Providence communications (bulletin, weekly emails, hallway monitors, etc.) for the Sunday immediately following (unless different timing is requested). Items received after that deadline will begin to run for the Sunday of the following week. The deadline for all communications for **December 1 has passed.** (There are different deadlines for worship information and the prayer list.)

COMMUNION CARE SUNDAY Help us celebrate Communion on **December 1 by bringing to worship non-perishable food for our Food Pantry.** Volunteers will be at the Food Closet on Sunday to accept your donations. We request donations of any combination of these items in non-breakable containers: **jams/jellies, canned vegetables, canned baked beans, canned kidney beans.** Please help as you are able. Thank you for all of the food items and monetary gifts donated to our Food Closet. You have made a difference as we continue to do what we can to eradicate systemic poverty.

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**Advent
Festival**
December 7 @ 12:30-2Pm
Cookies • Cocoa • Caroling • Crafts
featuring Captain cookie

MORE INFO: WWW.PROVIDENCECHURCH.ORG



Join us at our annual

THANKSGIVING *Service*



**Sunday, November 24 at 4:00 pm
St. Alban's Episcopal Church
6800 Columbia Pike, Annandale**

The Holidays are fast approaching!

Once again we will be working with the ACCA Child Development Center to help these low income families have a special Christmas. You provide the "fixins" for a holiday meal or provide gift cards for the family to purchase their favorites for the holiday. This opportunity includes gifts for the children under 18 in the household; gift items will be suggested by the referring agent. You also have the option to buy only gifts.



Contact Mary Lee Di Spirito at ddmld@verizon.net or 703-256-9513 or to learn more. The deadline for requesting a family for Christmas is **December 8.**

NAME _____

PHONE / EMAIL _____

I want to adopt a family for:

Christmas _____ **Gifts only** _____.

Please leave this form in the offering basket.

Stuff a Stocking

Make Christmas magical for a child in need by filling a stocking!



DOING THE MOST GOOD™

Christmas Giving Opportunity: Salvation Army Christmas Stockings

Every Christmas there are children in Fairfax County who do not receive gifts because their families are struggling financially and cannot afford the expense. The Salvation Army's Christmas Stocking Program ensures that these children have a wonderful holiday season with their families.

This program serves boys and girls, ages 3 - 12 years old in need throughout the Fairfax County community. The Salvation Army Fairfax Corps' goal this year is to serve as many children as possible, and Providence members and friends can help them reach that goal.

Christmas stockings are available through **November 24th** for pick up at the display table across from the kitchen. Please take an empty stocking and a cardboard topper with the gender and age of the child for whom you would like to fill a stocking. Flyers with stocking stuffer ideas and tips are also available with each stocking.

Please completely fill the stockings with age-appropriate, **NEW** gifts, attach the topper, and return your filled stocking to the display table **by Wednesday, November 27th**.

This is a great Christmas giving activity for the whole family. Thanks to your generosity, you will make a difference in the lives of the children who receive a stocking filled with gifts. **For questions or more information, please contact Paula Rogers (703-495-9144).**





Christmas Flowers

If you would like to contribute to the wreaths, poinsettias and swags that decorate the sanctuary for Christmas, please complete this form and place it in the offering basket.

YOUR NAME: _____

To the glory of God: _____

In memory of: _____

In honor of: _____

In celebration of: _____

Please note "Christmas Flowers" on the memo line of your check. Scan the QR code or use this URL:
bit.ly/3KrVQ0B



Contributions will be accepted through December 16.

Contributors will be acknowledged in the bulletins on Christmas Eve and December 29.

NOTE: Weekly donations for Flowers in the Chancel will be suspended from December 1 through the end of the calendar year as we celebrate the season of Advent with special arrangements in the Sanctuary. We are accepting weekly requests for January 5, 2025 onward.

Calendar

SUNDAY SCHEDULE (most Sundays)

(Worship is live streamed through Providence's YouTube channel.)

Traditional worship at 10 am, The Sanctuary, with Choir

Contemporary worship at 11:15, Taylor Hall, with Band

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION at 10:00 am (every Sunday, except First Sunday):

Breakfast & Bible Study (YL Cafe); Confirmation (Rm 206);

4-6 Sunday School (Rm 205); Godly Play (GP Rm/202)

Children's Choir-11 am (GP Rm/202)

Sunday, November 24

Sacrament of Baptism-10:00 am, Sanctuary

Monday, November 25

Adult Ministry Study-7:00 pm, Parlor

Tuesday, November 26

Decorating for Christmas-10 am to 2 pm, churchwide

CL&F Yoga-10:30 am & 4:00 pm, Mission Hall

Sanctuary Choir rehearsal-8:00 pm, Sanctuary

Wednesday, November 27

Food Pantry open-12-2 pm

CL&F Yoga-4:30 pm, Mission Hall

Thursday & Friday, November 28 & 29

The Church Office will be closed for Thanksgiving.

Sunday, December 1

First Sunday of Advent

Children's Choir sings, both services

Providence Singers Christmas Extravaganza-

2:00 pm, Garden Ridge at Greenspring

PYF-5:30 pm, Youth Lounge

Core office hours: Monday through Friday, 10 am to 2 pm.

It is church practice to keep the doors locked most of the time, even during core hours.

Please ring the doorbell for assistance or make arrangements ahead of your visit.

Events subject to change ~
for current information, go to
[https://www.providencechurch.org/
events/calander/](https://www.providencechurch.org/events/calander/)



Starry Nights: An Advent Devotional Full of Light and Wonder

Advent is a season of stars: twinkling over shepherds, leading the Magi to Bethlehem, and filling our own dark Advent nights with glimmers of brilliance.

And it's also a season of wonder, a time for all of God's children to marvel at what God has done - and will yet do - for the love of this broken, beautiful world.



Starry Nights
AN ADVENT DEVOTIONAL
FULL OF LIGHT AND WONDER

This devotional is all about embracing light and wonder. It comes complete with simple, candlelight weekly services, biblical passages to read, prayers to pray, reflections to think about, practices to try, and more. And since the stars appeal to all ages, this devotional is designed to do the same: amazing facts interweave with engaging activities, big ideas, and the wondrous, star-studded stories of Advent and Christmas.

Look for copies in the Narthex and the main hallway. Or scan the QR code for the digital version.



Fellowship Time

Do you LOVE seeing friends and meeting new people on Sunday mornings?

Please scan the QR Code to help with coffee/snack set-up for fellowship time.



URL: bit.ly/3XA1WIC



Providence Singers Christmas Extravaganza

Dec. 1, 2:00 pm, Garden Ridge at Greenspring

Escape the hubbub of the holiday season—
try something different,
something peaceful, quiet, and calming.
Attend our ecumenical Contemplative service—

Music & Reflections for Advent

Providence Presbyterian Church
Monday, December 16, 2024 at 7:30 pm

The hour-long program alternates between
Readings, Music, and Silence.

Come as you are, Sit, Listen, and Pause
before you leave in Silence.

*Sponsored by –
The Contemplative Prayer Group
at Providence Presbyterian Church*



Prayer List ~ November 24, 2024

Bereavement

Cath Krebs,
on the death of her brother,
David Edwin Stanley

Under Hospice Care

***Janet Hawthorne,**
sister of Jane Millward

In Rehabilitation Unit

Carol Linscott,
friend of the Ranowskys

Undergoing Treatment

Linda L.,
friend of Susan McCannell

Pam B.,
friend of Susan McCannell

Richard Mudd

Glynda Johnson,
friend of Niki Gamble

Faith Perkins,
friend of Kate Zander

Kara Owen, family friend of
Rhoda Waters

Guy Goodwin, USCG (Ret.),
friend of Rick Witton

Virginia Holian, friend of
David & Brenda Kepley

Jennifer Porter,
cousin of David Kepley

Mary C. Davis Bishop,
daughter of Martha Lamb

Continuing Care

Cecelia Porter

Bill & Elsie Hamilton, father
& mother of Chloe Hamilton

Gerri Shea,
sister of Brenda Kepley

Martyn Cusworth, brother-
in-law of Lesley McKeever

Zachary Hasley,
friend of Toni Medwedeff

Lucille Daly,
cousin of Paul Krumhaus

Rick Hofscher, nephew of
David & Kathi Ranowsky

Mike Gelb,
friend of David Kepley

Jim Saros,
brother of Niki Gamble

Karen Renner,
sister of Doris Gearing

Nancy Evans,
sister of Sara Bennett

Ongoing Concern

Karen Culpeper, friend of
David & Kathi Ranowsky

**Rev Steve Elderbrock
and family,**
friends of Rick Witton

The Ardan Family, who live
in Lviv, Ukr.; extended
family of Elly (Ardan) Brtva

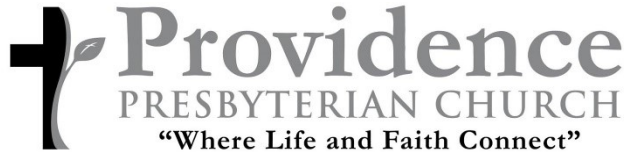
***New to Prayer List / Change in listing**

Help us keep the Prayer List up to date:

Please contact the church office when anyone's status has changed.

If you wish to add a loved one to our prayer list,

contact the church office at office@providencechurch.org.



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Scan (above) or
text Giveppc to 73256