

Providence Presbyterian Church

August 13, 2017 10th Sunday after Pentecost 11:00 a.m.

GOD CALLS US

Prelude Prelude on *Beautiful Savior, Hursley* and *Hyfrydol* F. Peeters
Organ: Dr. JooSoo Son

Prayer of Preparation (silent)

Oh Lord, may the winds of Your Spirit blow in our midst today. May we be strengthened with Your power and be refreshed for what lies ahead. Dwell with us this hour and fortify us with Your presence as we sing Your praises and hear Your Word. Amen.

Striking of the Bell

† Welcome and Announcements Beadle: Joan Perry
(Please pass the Friendship Pads at this time.)

Moments for Mission *Discipleship* Chris Hix
Missions Update Lynn Clanton

Opening Prayer

Introit *Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring* J. S. Bach
Soloist: Sonya Jacobs

GOD KNOWS US

Call to Worship the Rev. Dr. John R. Wall

†* Hymn 399 *We Are God's People* SYMPHONY

Prayer of Confession (unison)

O God, we confess that we have been far more ready to say we believe than to trust You to lead us to new ventures of faithfulness. We hunger for something more but we are gorged on what the world offers. We thirst for true refreshment but we are drunk with the world's empty gifts. Empty us that we might be filled with Your Spirit. Open us to the wonderful life You offer through Your Son Jesus. Remove all the impediments as we offer our most personal confessions... (silent prayer)...Amen.

Congregational Response 390, v. 1 *Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart*

*Spirit of God, descend upon my heart; wean it from earth,
thro' all its pulses move; stoop to my weakness, mighty as Thou art,
and make me love Thee as I ought to love.*

Assurance of Pardon

Offering Our Tithes and Gifts to the Lord

Offertory Music *I Have Chosen the Way of Truth* C. Courtney
Soloist: Sonya Jacobs

* Hymn 815 *Doxology* OLD HUNDREDTH

* Prayer of Dedication

Introduction of New Members

Beth Newman
Rett and Angela Thompson
Tony and Sandy Satterfield

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

Thank you for joining with us in the worship of Almighty God here at Providence Presbyterian Church. We hope you sense the presence of Christ through the warmth and joy of our fellowship.

Joining Our Providence Church Family

If you are interested in learning more about joining our Providence Family, please indicate on the Friendship Registers, speak with our pastor after this service or call the church office (843-842-5673).

Providence Presbyterian Church

We are a family of faith committed to Jesus Christ and His Good News of God's grace. Our guidance comes through a prayerful study of the Bible and its standards for faithful living. Our motto is *Cause God Joy!*

Worship Aids, Childcare and Children's Program

To enhance your worship participation, we provide large-print copies of today's bulletin and hymns. The Visitor Angels at the table in the Narthex have wireless receivers, if you have difficulty hearing, and may provide assistance with walkers, if needed. Nursery is offered for infants & toddlers, and discipleship in the Mills Building for children preschool age to 5K during the service. ****A Friendly Reminder****: If you bring your children to Sunday School in the Mills Building at 10 a.m. in room #3 please remember to pick your child up from Sunday School at 10:50 a.m. to sit with you during the traditional service at 11 a.m. until the Children's message at 11:15.

Volunteer to Help on Sundays

We need volunteers who are willing to assist us on Sunday mornings. Please sign up today at the Visitor Angel table in the Narthex, or call the church office if you can help. (843-842-5673)

Today's volunteers are:

Greeters Anne & Ron Montgomery, Sam Imler
Visitor Angels Barbara Ash, Shirley Stuller
Ushers Marilyn Rawlings, Ruth Brown,
Rich Willis, Al Bobbitt

Providence's Television Ministry: Broadcasts of thirty minutes of highlights from the previous Sunday's worship service are on WHHI TV on Saturdays and Sundays at 6:00 am and 10:30 am. You can view the same highlights at your convenience beginning the Friday following the service, on our website, www.CauseGodJoy.com under WORSHIP and then SERMONS.

FINANCE REPORT

Weekly Receipts July 31, 2017: \$ 8,490.23
Monthly Receipts July 2017: \$62,543.78
Budgeted Receipts July 2017: \$65,340.00

ATTENDANCE COMPARISON REPORT

August 7, 2016: 8:15 - 42 August 6, 2017: 8:30 - 38
11:00 - 168 11:00 - 144

Please include Providence Presbyterian Endowment Fund
in your will and estate plans.

DISCIPLESHIP & FELLOWSHIP

The Pastor Nominating Committee: Our Pastor Nominating Committee wants to hear from YOU! **Congregational Listening Sessions** are scheduled for TODAY and next Sunday during the discipleship hour (9:45-10:45 a.m.) in Fellowship Hall. Refreshments will be provided.

Mission of the Week: Providence member Rita Jones will be joining three other Hilton Head residents on a mission trip September 7-17 to Malawi's Ministry of Hope. Funds contributed to Providence designated for Ministry of Hope for the Crisis Nursery, Secondary School Scholarships and Lean Season Feeding Program will be sent to support this team's efforts. **If you would like to donate items for them to take with them, baby clothes, cloth diapers or rubber/plastic baby pants, size 3-18 months, please bring them to the church office by Sunday, August 27.**

Pray for our Neighborhood Presbyterian Church: Barnwell Presbyterian

You are invited to the Fall Open House Sunday, August 27th. Come explore the Christian Educational Opportunities for the Fall in two settings. One after Church or join us in the Fellowship Park in the evening.
1. Discipleship Sunday Noon-1:00pm (Outside the sanctuary)
2. Evening Celebration- 4:00pm-7:00pm (in the Fellowship Park). Join us for fellowship, entertainment, and food!

Starting Point Class. "Everything has a starting Point... your life, your career. Remember faith has a starting point too! Join us Wednesday evenings starting September 13th from 4:30pm to 6:00pm in the Fellowship Hall. Contact Chris Hix at hixchris3@gmail.com or call the Church office 843-842-5673 for more info or to register.

Come join us for two new **Adult Sunday School classes** starting Sept 10th at 9:45am-10:45am. Kate Keep will teach from the Book of John in room#6 and Chris Hix will teach from the Book of Galatians and James in the Mills Chapel. Sign-ups in the Church office or at hixchris3@gmail.com. All are welcome.

Meizon Evening Worship. This service offers contemporary music, scripture offerings, and support for families and youth in an environment where all can come together and worship our Great God. This will be starting Sept 13th at 6:30pm in the Chapel in the Woods.

THIS WEEK AT PROVIDENCE: August 13 - 19, 2017

Tuesday, August 15

10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting (Library)
1:30 p.m. Providence Purls (Parlor)
4:30 p.m. Stephen Ministers (Library)

Wednesday, August 16

8:15 a.m. Men's Bible Study (Parlor)
10:00 a.m. Decorating Committee (Library)
5:31 p.m. PRAYERS FOR PROVIDENCE (Chapel)

Thursday, August 17

10:00 a.m. PELC Chapel Service
12:00 noon Men's LOL Lunch Group (Fellowship Hall)
2:00 p.m. Pastor Search Committee (Library)
6:00 p.m. Session (Library)

Friday, August 18

6:00 p.m. S.O.A.R. (Youth Building)

GOD INSPIRES US

Psalter Psalm 51:10-12 (page 598)
Children's Message Rev. Chris Hix
(The children may go to Children's Worship in the Mills Building.)

Congregational Response 391 Sweet, Sweet Spirit SWEET, SWEET SPIRIT
There's a sweet, sweet Spirit in this place, and I know that it's the Spirit of the Lord. There are sweet expressions on each face, and I know they feel the presence of the Lord. Sweet Holy Spirit, sweet heavenly Dove, stay right here with us, filling us with Your love. And for these blessings we lift our hearts in praise. Without a doubt we'll know that we have been revived when we shall leave this place.

Morning Prayer and *The Lord's Prayer* (Hymn 631)

Gospel John 3:1-8 (page 1111)

New Testament 1 Corinthians 2:9-14 (page 1194)

Anthem *Worthy of Worship* arr. T. Fettke
Summer Choir

Sermon *Running on Empty*
the Rev. Dr. John R. Wall

* Affirmation of Faith (unison) The Apostles' Creed

* Hymn 389 *Spirit of the Living God* IVERSON

GOD SENDS US

* Invitation to Christian Commitment

* Benediction (Congregation holds hands)

* Postlude *Now Thank We All Our God* S. Karg-Elert
Organ: Dr. JooSoo Son

* Those who are able, please stand *After the service, John Zimmerman,*
† Latecomer seating *a Stephen Minister, is in the*
~ Those with appointments may leave *Church Parlor for prayer.*

The flowers today are given to the Glory of God by Carol and Richard Moorehead in loving memory of Carol's son, James Edward Ross.

PRAYERS FOR PROVIDENCE:

We will be holding prayer sessions in the chapel each Wednesday at 5:31 p.m. to pray for our church, our pastor, our search committee and our future pastor. Please join us each week.

The Pastor Search Committee members are:

Joann Brandes - Rick Clanton - Jan Crudden - Craig Douglas
Gene Ann Ellison - Larry Holdren - Briggs Jones - Charles Perry
Vic Samuelson - Pat Shelburne - Keith Walston

A Word and A Prayer August 13 - 19

Inspiration is the name of that all-comprehensive operation of the Holy Spirit. Abraham Kuyper

O Holy Spirit, pour into me Your renewing strength.

"Poor in spirit" refers, not precisely to humility, but to an attitude of dependence on God and detachment from earthly support.

Ronald Knox

O Holy Spirit, I depend upon You alone for strength.

The acknowledgment of our weakness is the first step towards repairing our loss.

Thomas a Kempis

O Holy Spirit, wipe away my false illusions of personal strength.

The great deed of the world today is the spiritual power necessary for the overthrow of evil... and that spiritual power begins in the surrender of the individual to God.

William Jennings Bryan

O Holy Spirit, empower me to fight fire with fire.

The basic difference between physical and spiritual power is that men use physical power but spiritual power uses men.

Justin Wroe Nixon

O Holy Spirit, release me to be Your instrument.

A change in external circumstances without inner renewal is a materialist's illusion, as though man were only a product of his social circumstance and nothing else.

Jurgen Moltmann

O Holy Spirit, work in me the change necessary to face the changes in life.

The gospel is entirely a message of what someone has done, not only for me but for the renewal of the whole creation.

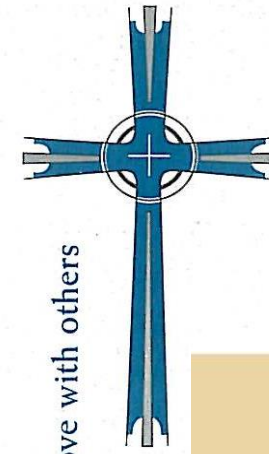
Michael Horton

O Holy Spirit, help me to see how Your strength is beyond my personal need.

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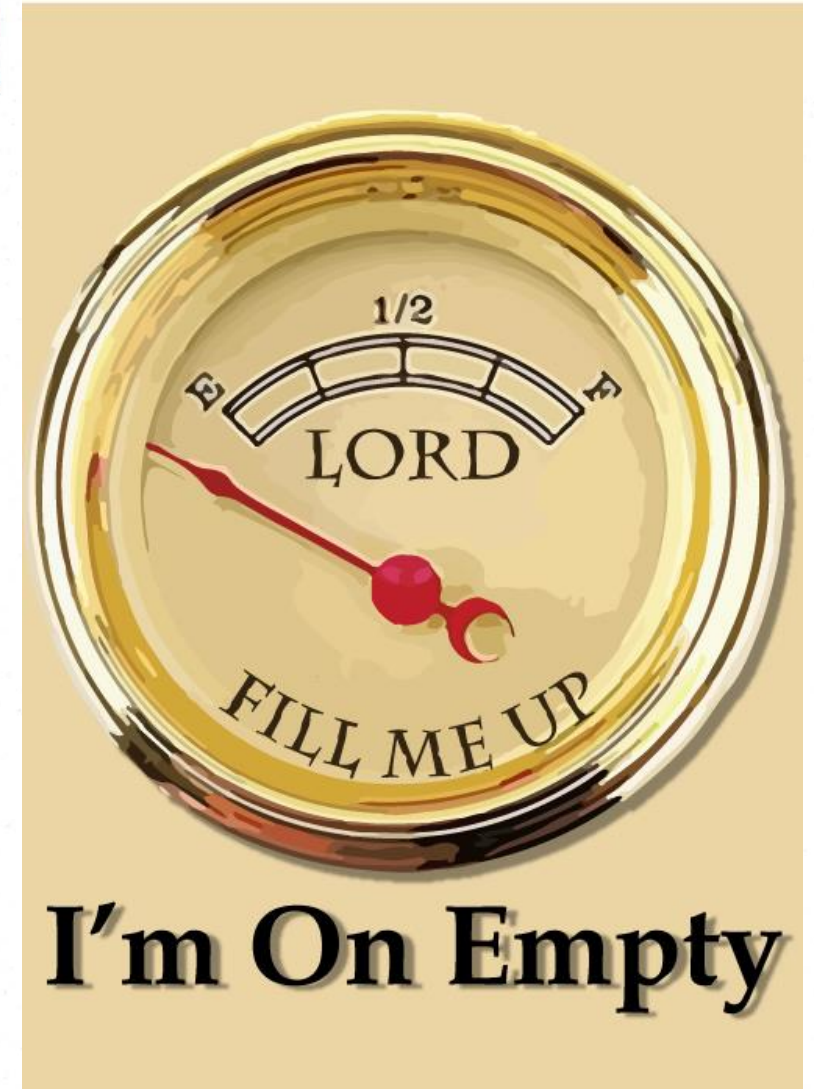
Rev. Dr. John R. Wall, *Interim Pastor*
Dr. JooSoo Son, *Traditional Worship Music Director & Organist*
Rev. Chris Hix, *Director of Christian Education*
Cecile Bibaud, *Director of Providence Early Learning Center*
Michael Foy, *Sexton*
Christian Beamguard, *Youth Director*
Jenny Douglas, *Office Manager*
Erin Bruchert, *Administrative Assistant*
Don Carlson, *Clerk of Session*
Rev. Dr. Gerald Mills, *Pastor Emeritus*

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Inviting and leading people to believe in Jesus • Following His Word • Sharing His Love with others

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11:00 a.m.



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