

the INVITATION

Welcome, Lisa Nixon!



Isaiah 43:19 says "For I am about to do something new. See, I have already begun!" God has graciously led us to a dynamic woman, Lisa Nixon who has accepted the position as Administrative Assistant for Providence. She has a heart for service and ministry and just happens to have a twenty-year professional background that includes administrative and management duties with a strong marketing emphasis. For the past ten years Lisa Nixon has been providing event

management, sales and marketing representation to various local, regional and national trade associations. Most recently Lisa and her team produced the Coastal Virginia Home and Garden Show for the Peninsula Housing and Builders. Lisa has been praying for an opportunity to use her management and marketing experience in a ministry and is delighted to join the Providence Presbyterian team.

Lisa is married to Navy Capt. Keith Nixon and together they reside in Chesapeake with their two youngest children, Andrew and Sarah. Lisa enjoys spending time with family, bible studies, entertaining, boating and dabbling in interior design. Lisa and family currently attend River Oak Church.

Starting Friday, July 1, you can stop by the front office to welcome Lisa and introduce yourself as she begins a month transitioning to her new role.

Happy Retirement, Karen Cagni!



Ecclesiastes 3:1 says: "There is a time for everything, and a season for everything under the heavens..." This can certainly be said for Karen Cagni who has served Providence for 35 years. What does 35 years as the church Administrative Assistant look like? Over 35 years Karen typed, printed, folded and collated over 2,000 bulletins, and received and processed over 9,000 calls for assistance for water, electricity, rent, gas,

food, and clothing. During 35 years of service she lived through 4 pastors and a few interim pastors — each of whom had their own way of doing things — the constructions of the original building and a building addition! During 35 years of ministry she raised her own family of three, and helped raise some of your children. She chaperoned field trips to ski lodges, and chased teens out of the dark and inconspicuous places around the church (don't ask)! Karen pinched pennies when the budget was tight, made lemonade when the situation offered only lemons, closed windows that were left open, turned off lights that were left on, and ran around ahead of the Fire Marshall when fire doors were not properly closed. Whew! "There is a time for everything, and a season for everything under heaven... A time to weep, a time to laugh; a time to tear down, and a time to build up..." And for Karen Cagni, 'a time to work at Providence, and a time to retire.' Well done, good and faithful servant.

Wonder-Filled wednesdays

Wonder-filled Wednesdays are a weekly time of wonder for the entire family! Join us Wednesday evenings, August 3, 10, 17, and 24, 6:00 - 8:00pm, as we engage our faith, build community, learn about and participate in mission projects, and have some fun. Each Wednesday evening features a simple shared meal, a Bible story, a family-friendly activity, and a specific mission project.

Our guiding verse for Wonder-filled Wednesdays (also Providence's upcoming Rally Day and Stewardship focus) is 1 Timothy 6:17-18:

"Teach those who are rich in this world not to be proud and not to trust in their money, which is so unreliable. Their trust should be in God, who richly gives us all we need for our enjoyment. Tell them to use their money to do good. They should be rich in good works and generous to those in need, always being ready to share with others."

Come to one or join us for all four! If you would like more information about Wonder-filled Wednesdays, please contact Connie Salter, 288-2072 or seasaltcpa@cox.net.



According to USA TODAY, 96 year old Dr. Henry Heimlich has finally used the life-saving maneuver he is famous for for the first time.

Dr. Heimlich is a resident at the Deupree House Retirement facility who noticed fellow resident Patty Ris choking on a piece of hamburger (May 23, 2016). Dr. Heimlich performed his namesake maneuver on her to dislodge it.

In 1974 Dr. Heimlich developed the life-saving maneuver and has faithfully taught and prepared others to save lives for over 40 years. But at 96, it was finally his turn. In a telephone interview afterward, Heimlich said, "When I used it, and she recovered quickly, it made me appreciate how wonderful it has been to be able to save all those lives."

It just goes to show, you never know when all the training and preparation is going to pay off. That's why the Apostle exhorts us to, "Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have ... (1 Peter 3:15).

Perhaps you're one of those who love the Gospel

and have looked for opportunities to share your faith and lead others to a saving knowledge of Christ, but with little fruit. The important thing is to be faithful, prepared, and willing. You never know when God will call upon you to save a life.

See you in church, **leff**



SESSION NOTES

The Session met on Monday, June 13, 2016 and conducted the following business:

- Agreed to extend the employment contract of Pastor Billy to July 31, 2018.
- Approved a reguest from the Hampton Roads chapter of the American Parkinson Disease Association to hold their annual Summer Social at the church on Saturday, August 13, 2016.
- Approved a recommendation to allow the Christian Education committee authority to approve the Sunday school curriculum for the coming Sunday school year.
- Approved the "Wonder-Filled Wednesdays" program focused on providing opportunities for families with children to engage their faith, build community through fellowship, to participate in mission projects, and to have some fun during the summer.

COMMITTEE SPOTLIGHT

The purpose of the Congregational Care Committee is to oversee the pastoral care of our congregation through various ministries and activities. Everyone is invited to take an active role in one or more of our areas of service including preparing meals in times of need, bereavement support, college ministry, card ministry, supporting our nursery by volunteering, or the weekly flower ministry. Some Providence groups already formed to support congregational care are Care teams, Presbyterian Men and Women's groups, and Gad Abouts. With session approval new groups can be formed out of special interest or need in our church family. Let us know where you will serve best!



"Each one should use whatever gift he has received to serve others, faithfully administering God's grace in its various forms." 1 Peter 4:10

PARTNER IN EDUCATION

Thank you to all the faithful volunteers who shared their time and love with Fairfield Elementary students this year. Because of you, the Reading Café and Lunch Buddy programs were able to provide enriching experiences for those young people who participated. Summer is here and time to relax! These two programs will most likely start up again in the fall. New volunteers are always welcome. Look for information in September church publications.

JULY AT PROVIDENCE

FRIDAY, JULY 1

Workcamp Virginia Beach 2016

Peggy Main's Birthday

SATURDAY, JULY 2

Workcamp Virginia Beach 2016

Andrea Owensby's Birthday Iona Sawyer's Birthday

SUNDAY, JULY 3

Tyler Cole's Birthday Emily Pursel's Birthday

9:45am Sunday School 11:00am Worship with Communion

MONDAY, JULY 4

Independence Day Church Office Closed

Annika Ashcraft's Birthday 7:00pm Boy Scouts

TUESDAY, JULY 5

WEDNESDAY, JULY 6

Mark Dorsch's Birthday Karen Moore's Birthday

THURSDAY, JULY 7

FRIDAY, JULY 8

Larry Whitaker's Birthday

SATURDAY, JULY 9

Donna Rae Barrow's Birthday

SUNDAY, JULY 10 Workcamp Spring Grove, PA

9:45am Sunday School 11:00am Worship

MONDAY, JULY 11

Workcamp Spring Grove, PA

Marietta Madden's Birthday Susan Wagoner's Birthday 7:00pm Boy Scouts

TUESDAY, JULY 12

Workcamp Spring Grove, PA Sarah Hyslop's Birthday

WEDNESDAY, JULY 13

Workcamp Spring Grove, PA

THURSDAY, JULY 14

Workcamp Spring Grove, PA

FRIDAY, JULY 15

Workcamp Spring Grove, PA Newsletter Submission Deadline

Debi Boettiger's Birthday Janice Singletary's Birthday

SATURDAY, JULY 16

Workcamp Spring Grove, PA

David Stockmeier's Birthday 9:00am Courtyard Graces

SUNDAY, JULY 17

9:45am Sunday School 11:00am Worship

MONDAY, JULY 18

Daniel Burford's Birthday Cheri Bank's birthday Dot Soule's Birthday 7:00pm Boy Scouts

TUESDAY, JULY 19

Will Ricketts' Birthday

WEDNESDAY, JULY 20

Debbi Buschert's Birthday Samantha Ewald's Birthday

THURSDAY, JULY 21

7:00pm Care Team Leaders

FRIDAY, JULY 22

Denise Burford's Birthday Mike Sawyer's Birthday

SATURDAY, JULY 23

Hayley Parson's Birthday Joey Pennypacker's Birthday

SUNDAY, JULY 24

9:45am Sunday School 11:00am Worship

MONDAY, JULY 25

Roland Bogdan's Birthday

7:00pm Boy Scouts

TUESDAY, JULY 26

6:30pm Norfolk Tides Faith & Family Night

WEDNESDAY, JULY 27

THURSDAY, JULY 28

Melinda Cullipher-Toone's Birthday Bill Lehm's Birthday Rick Moore's Birthday Charlie Elise Yurasko's Birthday

FRIDAY, JULY 29

Rob Harnly's Birthday Marie Jorgensen's Birthday Stephanie Webster's Birthday Walter Wichrowski's Birthday

SATURDAY, JULY 30

SUNDAY, JULY 31

9:45am Sunday School 11:00am Worship 12:15pm Karen Cagni Retirement Celebration

Workcamp





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AUGUST AT PROVIDENCE

MONDAY, AUGUST 1

Wesley Barham's Birthday Tom McMahan's Birthday

7:00pm Committee Chairs7:00pm Boy Scouts7:30pm Committee Night

TUESDAY, AUGUST 2

Catherine Harker's Birthday Johnny Miller's Birthday Sherry Wood's Birthday

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 3

Anne Cluverius' Birthday Steve Shinn's Birthday

6:00pm Wonder-filled Wednesdays for families

THURSDAY, AUGUST 4

Fern Bower's Birthday Dave Carré's Birthday

FRIDAY, AUGUST 5

SATURDAY, AUGUST 6

SUNDAY, AUGUST 7

9:45am Sunday School 11:00am Worship with Communion

MONDAY, AUGUST 8

Norman Dean's Birthday Sue Miller's Birthday 7:00pm Boy Scouts

TUESDAY, AUGUST 9

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 10

Beverly Lichtman's Birthday
6:00pm Wonder-filled
Wednesdays for families

THURSDAY, AUGUST 11

Reed McMahan's Birthday

FRIDAY, AUGUST 12

Frankie Yurasko's Birthday

SATURDAY, AUGUST 13

SUNDAY, AUGUST 14

9:45am Sunday School 11:00am Worship

MONDAY, AUGUST 15

Newsletter Submission Deadline

Barbara Collins' Birthday Alice Freeberg's Birthday Doris Weber's Birthday 7:00pm Boy Scouts

TUESDAY, AUGUST 16

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 17

Robin Dortch's Birthday
6:00pm Wonder-filled
Wednesdays for families
7:30pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, AUGUST 18

FRIDAY, AUGUST 19

SATURDAY, AUGUST 20

Chris Bauman's Birthday Connie Maifeld's Birthday 9:00am Courtyard Graces

4:30pm Fish Fry SUNDAY, AUGUST 21

Deadline to bring in school supplies for St. Columba Ministries

Jim Fry's Birthday Beverly Lehm's Birthday Kim Whitaker's Birthday 9:45am Sunday School 11:00am Worship

12:15pm Ice Cream Social

MONDAY, AUGUST 22

Mary Stein's Birthday 7:00pm Boy Scouts

TUESDAY, AUGUST 23

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 24

6:00pm Wonder-filled Wednesdays for families 7:30pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, AUGUST 25

David Cole's Birthday

FRIDAY, AUGUST 26

Serving a Meal at Judeo-Christian Outreach Center; bring food donations to church 9am-1pm

Charles Cohick's Birthday

SATURDAY, AUGUST 27

Ann Wilkins' Birthday

1:00pm Women's Pool Party & Pot Luck Lunch

SUNDAY, AUGUST 28

Shirley Dimmick's Birthday Patricia Ferguson's Birthday Kat McCubbin's Birthday

9:45am Sunday School 11:00am Worship 12:15pm Women's 2016-2017

2:15pm Women's 2016-2017 Ministry & Studies Preview

MONDAY, AUGUST 29

7:00pm Boy Scouts

TUESDAY, AUGUST 30

Gloria Bell's Birthday Connie Salter's Birthday Becky Walter's Birthday

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 31

Marie Tuttle's Birthday

7:30pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal

FISH FRY - AUGUST 20, 4:30-7PM

Join us for great fried fish (catfish or flounder) or hot dogs prepared by the men of Providence and served up with hush puppies, coleslaw, baked beans, and desserts. This fun evening includes wonderful fellowship with your church and local community. Tickets go on sale July 23 and are just \$10 for adults and \$7 for children under 10. Proceeds from this event benefit local charities.



MUSIC NOTES FROM VALETTA

During the more relaxed days of summer, when the choir takes a well-deserved break from their weekly Wednesday rehearsals, we will have a "pick-up" choir in the chancel to lead the congregational singing and offer a simple introit, and special music (solos, duets,



small ensembles) during the anthem time. We would love to have you join us for Summer Choir, which will be all the Sundays of July and the first two Sundays of August. We practice in the choir room right before worship, at 10:40, and do not wear robes. Children, youth, and adults are welcome. If you'd like to experience worship from a different perspective, give it a try! Questions? Call Valetta at 518-8299.

I'm looking forward to "charging up my battery" at the annual Virginia Wesleyan College Sacred Music Summer Conference the last week of July. I have attended this week-long conference for probably almost twenty years, and every year, in addition to catching up with my church musician friends, I come away with new ideas and new music. Several evening events are open to the public and if you're able to attend, I know you would enjoy them. Here are the details:

- Monday, July 25, 7:30pm at Monumental Chapel on the campus of Virginia Wesleyan College A Service
 of Christian Prayer using the music of Taize;
- Wednesday, July 27, 7:30pm at Great Bridge Presbyterian Church, 333 Cedar Road, Chesapeake Sing to the Lord a New Song, festival worship with handbell ringers from area churches under the direction of Dr. John Behnke, with Dr. Paul Galbreath, preacher, Jason Evans, pianist-organist, and Billye Brown Youmans, soprano;
- Thursday, July 28, 7:30pm at First Presbyterian Church, 300 36th Street, Virginia Beach **Let Heavenly Music Fill This Place**, a hymn festival led by Dr. Charles Callahan;
- Saturday, July 30, 7:30pm at Christ and St. Luke's Episcopal Church, 560 W. Olney Road, Norfolk **Sing to the Lord with Cheerful Voice**, a concert of sacred choral works featuring the 90-voice Wesleyan Festival Chorus under the direction of Dr. Timothy Sharp, with Dr. Stephen Z. Cook, organist, and the Wesleyan Festival Brass.

Best wishes for a wonderful summer! Valetta

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

Don't miss these upcoming PW events:

August 27, 1-4pm - PW Pool Party at Robin Birdwell's. Please bring a dish to share and an item to help restock supplies for our Beach Bag Ministry.



August 28, 12:15pm - Ministry & Bible Study Preview November 11-13 - Women's Retreat in Corrolla, NC February 4, 2017, 9am-3pm - Mission Project Day March 25, 2017 - Italian Night

Providence women attended the **PW Synod Summer Gathering at Massanetta Springs,** "Who is Jesus? What a Difference a Lens Makes". Over 35 pillowcase dresses were donated for girls in Africa.

Through your generosity, we provided 522 backpacks filled with 5,220 items for weekend meals to Fairfield Elementary students in need this year.

Shop those back-to-school deals and pick up a few extra items for the School Supply Drive for St. Columba Ministries. Collection boxes will be in the Narthex and by the Fellowship Hall July 1 through August 21. (Tax-free weekend is August 5 - 7!)

WORKCAMP UPDATES

Workcamp Virginia Beach's awesome week of service is coming to an end. Youth and adult mentors (420 volunteers and 20 staff from all over the country) transformed the lives of 66 families in our area through free home repair!

Fifteen participants from Providence (10 youth, 2 adult chaperones, and 3 staff volunteers) travel to **Workcamp in Spring Grove, Pennsylvania** July 9 through 16. This group will join others from around the United States to provide life-changing free home repair to Spring Grove homeowners in need.

Post-Workcamp presentations from each of these efforts will be shown in the Fellowship Hall.

Kevin Daley and the entire Workcamp team wish to thank the congregation for their faithful support through fundraising, ladder loans, tasty snacks, cool water, warm smiles of welcome, pre-Workcamp set up and post-Workcamp clean up, site evaluations, and the ongoing prayers. These missionary efforts into local communities are made possible and successful because of your support.

GREETERS WANTED

The Worship Committee seeks members of the congregation to be greeters at worship services. We are looking for 10 outgoing and friendly individuals that would enjoy greeting and welcoming people to the church each Sunday. Our hope is to have two people each Sunday, from 10:30-11:00am, one at the main front entrance and one at the back entrance. Greeters would serve approximately once a month. Our new greeters begin on Rally Day, Sunday, Sept. 11. Please see a member of the Worship Committee (John Dixon, Mike Stockmeier, Valetta Fellenbaum, Cathy Polychroni or Rich Lindgren) to be considered to serve through this opportunity.

NEWSLETTER INFORMATION

Newsletter items should be submitted no later than the 15th of each month for the following month's edition. Please e-mail newsletter items to: office@provpres.org.

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