

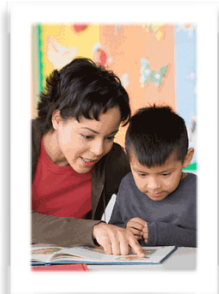


# INVITATION

## We have the cause. You have the effect.

Providence Presbyterian will continue to support Fairfield Elementary School in various ways this school year.

Volunteers are needed for the Lunch Buddy program which will meet once a month, on the third Wednesday, from October 20 through May 17. Volunteers will be “buddies” to students in need of an adult mentor sharing time and conversation during their lunch time. Many students live in single parent households, do not have good adult relationships, military parents are deployed, etc. The hours are 10:45 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. If you can’t be there the entire lunch time but can help part of the time the coordinator can schedule you accordingly. The program really needs as many people as possible to participate so please consider joining the group. To sign up or get answers to your questions, please call Kristin Fitch, Fairfield PTA Lunch Buddy Coordinator, at 366-0199 or 575-2198.



The Reading Café got off to a great start already with many students participating. Volunteers meet with students on a weekly basis to share the love of reading. A schedule of volunteers has already been set up for that program.

The Farm Fresh 1234 Community Rewards Program will continue as last year. Fairfield PTA will order more plastic key tags for us to distribute to those who shop at Farm Fresh. In the meantime, paper tags will be located

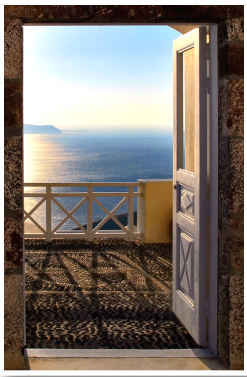


in a designated bin in the hallway between the sanctuary and back entrance to the building. Customers can also just ask the cashier to scan the bar code for Fairfield Elementary on a list of local schools maintained at each register. The bar code must be scanned every time a purchase is made at Farm Fresh for the school to receive the benefit for that particular purchase. We will let you know when plastic key tags become available.

The Kroger program has changed this year. The previous bar code tags for Kroger are no longer valid. There will be a shift to a different Kroger program that can benefit our own church instead. Look for info in upcoming publications.



Please continue to save and turn in Box Tops for Education, found on many grocery items, for redemption by Fairfield Elementary. Look for a designated bin in the hallway between the sanctuary and back entrance to the building.



*"Command those who are rich in this present world not to be arrogant nor to put their hope in wealth, which is so uncertain, but to put their hope in God, who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. Command them to do good, to be rich in good deeds, and to be generous and willing to share. In this way they will lay up treasure for themselves as a firm foundation for the coming age, so that they may take hold of the life that is truly life."* 1 Timothy 6:17-19

The giving we do in stewardship will continue to build the spiritual community that Paul refers to in this passage.

Back in August the congregation learned some of the details of the Patty Landrum dedicated bequest to the church. The Administration Committee worked during the summer to establish an Endowment Sub-Committee to oversee the investment and distribution of the bequest along the lines established in Patty's will. And the Chair of the Administration Committee reminded the congregation that the bequest is money set aside

for special projects, not money that can be used for normal church expenses.

The bequest does not take the place of your annual pledge. Neither does it diminish its importance. Pledges represent 99.3% of our operating budget. They are a vital part of Providence's mission and ministry. The gifts you pledge this year will continue to fund everything from Judean Christian Outreach Center to Meals on Wheels to hosting Workcamp and Care Team. Our Annual Pledge is a pledge to the operating budget of our church. So that, referring back to 1 Timothy, we can "do good, be rich in good deeds, be generous and willing to share." Our church relies on everyone's generosity to keep building together.

Stewardship materials will be sent to each home in October. And remember to bring your pledges to worship on Dedication Sunday, October 30 where we'll celebrate together the good God has done in and through our congregation as we make plans to continue blessing others in the years to come.

I look forward to seeing you in worship as we build on our history and work as God's instruments to do something truly special together!

See you in Church!



Join us on Sunday, October 16,  
at 12:15 pm, and feast on German fare of  
brautwurst, knockwurst,  
red cabbage, potato salad and more.  
PBEJ for the kids.

*Please bring a dessert to share.*

## WOMEN'S COROLLA BEACH RETREAT



**November 11-13, 2016**

Please join us for our  
annual women's retreat in Corolla, NC.  
Cost is \$80 per person for the full weekend  
or \$25 for Saturday only.  
Bus and car pools available.

Register to attend at the Sign-up bulletin board.

## THIS MONTH AT PROVIDENCE

### **SATURDAY, OCTOBER 1**

12:30pm Boy Scouts

### **SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2**

8:45am Merry Bells

9:45am Sunday School

11:00am Worship & Communion

12:30pm Mission Matters

6:30pm Movie Night "Risen"

*Paul Ashcraft's Birthday*

*Helen Pennington's Birthday*

### **MONDAY, OCTOBER 3**

7:00pm Boy Scouts

7:00pm Committee Chair Meeting

7:30pm Committee Night

### **TUESDAY, OCTOBER 4**

12:00pm Gad-Abouts Meeting

7:30pm Bells of Providence

### **WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 5**

6:00pm Kirk Night

6:30pm Kirkmusik

7:30pm Chancel Choir

### **THURSDAY, OCTOBER 6**

6:30pm Men's Fellowship

### **FRIDAY, OCTOBER 7**

*Eric Pennypacker's Birthday*

### **SATURDAY, OCTOBER 8**

*Bob North's Birthday*

### **SUNDAY, OCTOBER 9**

8:45am Merry Bells

9:45am Sunday School

11:00am Worship

*Don Douglas' Birthday*

### **MONDAY, OCTOBER 10**

**Columbus Day - Office Closed**

7:00pm Boy Scouts

7:00pm Session Meeting

*Marilyn Kemmerer's Birthday*



### **TUESDAY, OCTOBER 11**

10:00am Dorcas Circle

7:30pm Bells of Providence

### **WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 12**

9:45am Mary & Martha Circle

6:00pm Kirk Night

6:30pm Kirkmusik

7:30pm Chancel Choir

*Dorothy Brangan's Birthday*

### **THURSDAY, OCTOBER 13**

*Judy Cole's Birthday*

7:00pm Women's Bible Study

### **FRIDAY, OCTOBER 14**

*Don Bielman's Birthday*

### **SATURDAY, OCTOBER 15**

**Newsletter Submission Deadline**

8:30am Courtyard Graces

### **SUNDAY, OCTOBER 16**

8:45am Merry Bells

9:45am Sunday School

11:00am Worship

12:15pm Octoberfest

*Cristy Martin's Birthday*

*Ashley Polychroni's Birthday*

### **MONDAY, OCTOBER 17**

7:00pm Boys Scouts

*Mike Lathrop's Birthday*

### **TUESDAY, OCTOBER 18**

7:30pm Bells of Providence

### **WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 19**

6:00pm Kirk Night

6:30pm Kirkmusik

7:30pm Chancel Choir

*Mil Cluverius' Birthday*

*Dawn Hill's Birthday*

### **THURSDAY, OCTOBER 20**

7:00pm Care Team

*Eric Custer's Birthday*

*Nicholas Passarella's Birthday*

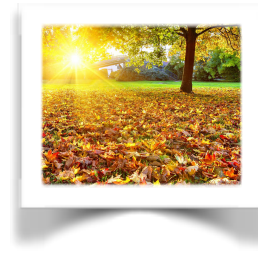
### **FRIDAY, OCTOBER 21**

**Men's Retreat**

*Kevin Daley's Birthday*

*Barry Davis' Birthday*

*Art Freeberg's Birthday*



### **SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22**

**Men's Retreat**

*Michelle Bolton's Birthday*

### **SUNDAY, OCTOBER 23**

**Men's Retreat**

8:45am Merry Bells

9:45am Sunday School

11:00am Worship

12:15pm PPWCT

*Dolores Hickman's Birthday*

*Rebecca Lindgren's Birthday*

*Jackie Sawyer's Birthday*

### **MONDAY, OCTOBER 24**

7:00pm Boys Scouts

*Garrett Finch's Birthday*

*Julia Foust's Birthday*

### **TUESDAY, OCTOBER 25**

9:30am MOE Reception

7:30pm Bells of Providence

### **WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 26**

6:00pm Kirk Night

6:30pm Kirkmusik

7:30pm Chancel Choir

### **THURSDAY, OCTOBER 27**

*Julie Bauman's Birthday*

*Johnny Dortch's Birthday*

*Allison Lindgren's Birthday*

*Lu Steger's Birthday*

### **FRIDAY, OCTOBER 28**

*Jennifer Zimmerman's Birthday*

### **SUNDAY, OCTOBER 30**

8:45am Merry Bells

9:45am Sunday School

11:00am Worship

### **MONDAY, OCTOBER 31**

7:00pm Boys Scouts

*Lynn Carre's Birthday*

*Catherine Hensly's Birthday*



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## MUSIC NOTES FROM VALETTA

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I love kids! And I love them even more when they're singing! I've never met a young child who doesn't love to sing. I'm fortunate to be able to work with children every day at Cape Henry Collegiate, where I've taught for over 25 years and this year have 248 students ages Pre-kindergarten through Grade 3. I also love working with our young musicians at Providence during Wednesday's Kirk Night, when we break out for Kirkmusik at 6:30.

In last month's newsletter, I shared a list by Michael Kemp of the benefits of singing in a choir. (Here's a link if you'd like to look at that again: [http://resources.razorplanet.com/512948-9713/1130858\\_2016SEPnewsletter.pdf](http://resources.razorplanet.com/512948-9713/1130858_2016SEPnewsletter.pdf)). For children, it's even more so! Think back to your own childhood, how you learned and remembered the alphabet or the 50 states or the days of the week by means of a catchy tune! You learned Bible stories and scripture through Sunday School songs.

I encourage you to send your young children to Kirkmusik on Wednesday nights at 6:30. This year, in addition to the fun songs, solfege singing, rhythm clapping, and music games, we are doing a Bible story every week and singing a related song. Give your children the gift of music as they grow in the love of God!

## MISSION MATTERS

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The Mission Matters Youth Group focuses on serving others. Over the last year, PPC middle & high school students worked closely with mission partner, *Blankets for the Homeless*, where they made countless meals for those who have no place to live and provided lots of supplies (blankets, shoes, backpacks, sun screen and much, much more) to this mission.

Last year, our youth organized an Alternative Advent Gift Market where they raised around \$1,400. This money was used to purchase (120) pair of thermal socks and over (100) gift cards for emergency food for homeless folks in Virginia Beach.



Mission Matters' first meeting of the season will take place from 12:30 until 1:30 on October 2nd in the church Parlor. Afterwards, gatherings will happen on the first

### Attention Collegiate!

Providence Presbyterian wants to stay in touch! We need current email and mailing addresses of our young adults attending college. Please take a minute to update that information by emailing [office@provpres.org](mailto:office@provpres.org).



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## MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

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For years, the Providence Presbyterian Church Men's Group had always gathered once a month for dinner at the church. While attendance has always been fine, it has become obvious that the gentlemen might appreciate a little variety!

On Thursday, October 6th, we'll venture outside the walls of the Fellowship Hall to try Buoy 44 for dinner at 6:30PM. On Thursday, November 3, we'll get back to our roots and enjoy dinner in the Fellowship Hall.



In the following months, we'll follow the same pattern (breakfast & mission; dinner out; and dinner at the church) each quarter. The many folks who have been a part of this group for years are encouraged to continue to participate (and bring a friend). We're also excited about the possibility of increasing the size of the group by offering multiple opportunities. If you have any questions or plan to participate in October's event, please contact Pastors Jeff or Billy in the church office.

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## ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE

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Last month, we explained the "Designated" areas the funds from the Patty L. Landrum Estate are to be used. This month we will share with you the committee that will oversee those funds to ensure we honor Patty's wishes.

The newly established Endowment Sub-Committee (ES-C), is a subsidiary of and reports to the Administration Committee. It is staffed by three voting members, the Chair of the Administration Committee, Glynn Rogers, and two at-large members selected by the Administration Committee, Jonathan Hyslop and Connie Salter, who were approved by the Session. Additionally, there are two non-voting members, Pastor Dr. Jell Bell and Treasurer Carolyn Knowles.

The ES-C is governed by the **Articles Establishing the Endowment Fund and Endowment Sub-Committee of Providence Presbyterian Church of Virginia Beach, Virginia**. A copy of these articles are available in the church office for your review. Simply put, the ES-C is charged with soliciting and assisting with new donations, investing existing funds and disbursing the funds for the designated purposes. Requests for distribution from the ES-C, and I quote, "must be submitted in writing to the sub-committee stating clearly the purpose of the request, from which designated account the funds would be drawn, the amount to be withdrawn and signed by the person or church entity representative requesting said funds." These request forms will be available in the church office.

The ES-C reviews the request to ensure it meets the guidelines, makes a recommendation to the Admin. Com. who also does a review and if approved, recommends it to the Session for final approval.

These funds will be available for distribution in the near future and as I said from the pulpit, "God has blessed Providence Presbyterian Church with this gift from Patty Landrum. It is up to us to be good stewards of this gift."

Administration Committee, Glynn H. Rogers, Chair

*Blessings*  
COUNT THEM ONE BY ONE

# Kitchen Clean Up Day

**October 2, 2016**

The Fellowship Committee will clean and purge the kitchen and pantry on October 2, 2016.

Individuals and/or committees must claim/label prior to that date.

Any items left unclaimed or unlabeled will be discarded.

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## NEWSLETTER INFORMATION

Please e-mail newsletter items no later than the 15th of each month for the following month's edition to:  
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