

Opportunities

Heifer International - The Heifer animals are coming! Chickens, beehives, and goats, Oh my! Plus, this year, there are biogas stoves and water pumps. Of course, you may purchase shares of any item in the catalog. Our annual Heifer sale starts after worship service **TODAY**. For more information, please contact **Sandra VanDercook** at svandercook@peoplepc.com

PPC Youth Group - Will not meet today. Please enjoy the poster we made with of the things for which we are thankful. We look forward to meeting again on **December 4** for fun and fellowship. Call **Ashley Schroeder** 757-270-4476 for more information.

JCOC- On Friday, December 2, Providence will provide meals and serve the homeless. Volunteers are needed to prepare and serve meals for the shelter, donate food, or donate financially. If donating food or volunteering, please sign up at church or online. For more information, contact Nick Bolton at nick@cardinalmessenger.com. Dinner items will be collected Wednesday, November 30 – Friday, December 2. Desserts will be collected on Friday, December 2, 10 am - 2 pm. Volunteers will meet at the church on Friday, December 2 at 4:30 pm to drive to the shelter. Dinner will be served from 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm.

Providence Men's Fellowship Dinner Out - Join us on **Thursday, December 8 at 6:00 pm** at **Brickhouse Diner located at 941 Providence Square Shopping Center, Virginia Beach, VA**. Please sign up on the bulletin board and bring a friend! For more information, please contact **Aaron Gilbert** at agilbert95@yamaail.com or 757-763-9802

Bells of Providence at Chrysler - December 10, at 1:00 pm. Join us at the Chrysler Museum, as the Bells of Providence fill Huber Court with festive music! This event is free. Invite your friends and neighbors! For more information, you may go to the website: <https://chrysler.org/event/holiday-handbells-concert/>

Joy Filled Sunday – Sunday, December 11 starting at 11:00 am. Providence Presbyterian presents a day to celebrate Advent, a time of welcoming the Christ Child into our hearts and homes! We will have a Service of Lessons and Carols at 11:00 am (no early worship) with special music performed by our Chancel Choir and Providence Kids. Following worship, we will have an Advent Workshop and Luncheon in the fellowship hall from 12:00 pm - 1:30 pm with crafts and activities for children and adults, strolling carolers, and yummy lunch treats. We will end the event with a music program featuring Bells of Providence, Providence Kids, and a Christmas Carol Sing-along. Please sign up for the workshop and luncheon via the link provided online or sign-up sheet at the church located outside the fellowship hall, so we can ensure enough goodies for everyone. For further information, please contact **Connie Salter** at 757-288-2072 or **Sue Crosland** at 757-646-4735

Giving Tree - Providence is providing gifts for needy children. To participate, look for the "Giving Tree" in the narthex and take a tag with instructions on how to donate a personalized gift. Wrapped gifts with the tag attached need to be placed under the tree by **December 18**.

Christmas Food Baskets - Providence will provide turkey dinners to 10 families and 5 senior citizens at Christmas. Slips of paper listing the food items needed are in baskets in the narthex and fellowship hall. Draw as many slips as you can and bring the food to church weekdays between 9 am-2 pm or to worship and place in boxes in the foyer. **All food needs to be brought by Sunday, December, 18. Here's how you can help if you are not able to pick up slips:** Make a donation of \$15, \$20 and we will purchase needed items. Make checks payable to Providence with a notation for "Baskets." Bring to worship; mail to church, or send using your bank's bill pay feature, marking the check for "Baskets." For more information call **Karen, 757-803-7150**.

Food Pantry - We are collecting items to be delivered to the **St. Marks Food Pantry**. There is a list of items on the collection box. This is merely a suggested list. They will accept all unexpired food items. Place items in the labeled bin in the narthex and foyer of the church. You may also donate via check in lieu of items. If you choose to do so, please write "Food Pantry" in the memo of the check and send it to the church or leave it in the collection plate at Sunday service. For further information, please contact **Laureen Simmons** at 757-479-2400. ***Just as the cost of food has increased, so has the cost of the brown paper bags used to deliver the food to recipients. Gather up your brown paper grocery bags and donate them in the same bin as the groceries. Please, remember to bring food on Communion Sunday for our partnership with St. Mark's Food Pantry.***

**** The following Sundays there will be 11:00 am worship only. No Early Worship ****

December 11 (Advent Workshop, Luncheon, and Music Concert after worship)

December 25 (Christmas Day)

January 1, 2023 (New Year's Day)

Today

Sunday, November 27

1st Sunday of Advent
Communion Sunday
8:30 am - Early Worship
9:30 am - Discipleship Class
10:30 am - Choir warmup
11:00 am - Worship / Zoom worship
11:15 am - Enrichment

This Week

Tuesday, November 29

7:00 pm - Bells of Providence

Wednesday, November 30

7:00 pm - Chancel Choir

Friday, December 2

4:30 pm - JCOC

Sunday, December 4

2nd Sunday of Advent
8:30 am - Early Worship
9:15 am - Merry Bells
9:30 am - Discipleship Class
10:30 am - Choir warmup
11:00 am - Worship / Zoom worship
11:15 am - Enrichment

Sermon Notes

Matthew 24: 36-44

What Are We Really Waiting For?



*The flowers that grace our sanctuary
today are given to the glory of God by
Dudley and Sue Crosland
in honor of their granddaughter,
Lavinia Wood's first birthday!*

