

Opportunities

Hanging of the Greens – Today, the Worship Committee invites those interested in assisting with the decorating of the church with the symbols of Christmas, to meet in the sanctuary after the 11 am worship service. Please see Rich Lindgren.

The Presbyterian Women's Thank Offering – is collected in October and November of each year and is used to support health ministries and small capital improvement projects. The recipients are always a mix of domestic and international projects meeting crucial needs. Special offering envelopes are available in the sanctuary seats, or you may include with you regular offering. Please designate the offering with *"Thank Offering."*

Bells of Providence at Chrysler - December 9, at 1:00 pm. Join us at 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/huber-court-performance-bells-of-providence/>

Joy-Filled Sunday - Sunday, December 10 starting at 11 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 am (no enrichment) 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. We will end the event with a music program featuring Bells of Providence, Merry Bells, 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 food for everyone. For further information, please contact **Connie Salter at 757-288-2072 or Sue Crosland at 757-646-4735**

Men's fellowship dinner - Join us on **Thursday, December 14 at 6:00 pm.** We will meet at **Chick's Oyster Bar**, located at 2143 Vista Circle, Virginia Beach, VA. Bring a friend! A signup sheet is posted on the bulletin board or contact **Aaron Gilbert at agilbert95@ymail.com or 757-763-9802.**

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 17.**

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 9am-2pm or to worship and place in boxes in the foyer. **All food needs to be brought by Sunday, December, 17.** Here's how you can help if you are not able to pick up slips: Make a donation of \$15, \$20 or more 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 banks bill pay feature, marking the check for "Baskets." For more information call **Karen, 757-803-7150.**

Heifer International - is a nonprofit humanitarian organization working to end hunger and poverty and care for the earth. Their simple approach provides livestock and environmentally sound agricultural training to families in more than 40 countries including the United States. We will have a table in the foyer at the back of the Church beginning **November 26.** When you shop at the Heifer table you will know that you have helped to provide healthy food, medicine, schooling and security to many families around the world and the United States. Also, a donor recognition card will be given to you to send to the person you have shopped for and let them know about your gift in their name to Heifer.

Massanetta Springs Middle School Conference - for rising 6th, 7th and 8th grade students at Massanetta Springs Conference Center, a Presbyterian Camp located in Harrisonburg, VA. This is an active, participatory event with activities such as worship, keynote, small group discussions, workshops, and recreation encouraging spiritual growth in a retreat setting. We'd love to send some of our youth. **Potential dates include July 11-14 OR July 16-19.** Please let us know of your interest and we will determine the dates that work best and seek chaperones as needed. If your middle schooler is interested, please let **Connie Salter** know at **757-288-2072** or **seasaltcpa@cox.net**

Massanetta Springs Special Offering - Over the next few months, we will be collecting a special offering for Massanetta Springs Camp and Conference Center in Harrisonburg, VA. Throughout the years, many of our members have attended conferences there for youth, men, women, and musicians, and many hold dear memories of time spent there. Massanetta is building a new, modern lodge to house guests and update their facilities. All money collected for this offering will go to support their ongoing capital campaign. If you would like to contribute, please clearly mark your gift for Massanetta offering.

Today

Sunday, November 26

- 9:30 am - Discipleship
- 10:30 am - Choir Warm Up
- 11:00 am - Worship
- 11:15 am - Enrichment
- 12:00 pm - Fellowship
- 12:00 pm - Hanging of the Greens

This Week

Tuesday, November 28

- 7:00 pm - Bells of Providence

Wednesday, November 29

- 7:00 pm - Chancel Choir

Saturday, December 2

- 10:00 am - Bells of Providence rehearsal and lunch

Sunday, December 3

1st Sunday of Advent

Communion Sunday

- 9:00 am - Merry Bells
- 9:30 am - Discipleship
- 10:30 am - Choir Warm Up
- 11:00 am - Worship
- 11:15 am - Enrichment
- 12:00 pm - Fellowship
- 5:00 pm - Youth Group

Adult Mission Trip - There will be a meeting on **Sunday, January 21 at 12:15 pm in the media room** for anyone interested in an Adult Mission Trip. This meeting is just for information purposes only, as currently there are no trips planned. Sign up on the bulletin board or contact **Kevin Daley at 757-572-3977** or email **kdaley7203@cox.net**.

Need a Hand, Lend a Hand - The Congregational Care Committee announces the Need a Hand, Lend a Hand ministry. This new ministry allows us to share our time, talents, and treasures with one another. Check out the Congregational Care bulletin board if you need a hand or can lend a hand to someone in our church family. For more information, please contact **Lee Ann Armbruster or Nancy Lindgren**.

gotsneakers? 2024 - PPC Youth Group invites the congregation to donate used sneakers in the boxes in the narthex and back foyer for recycling and fundraising. Last year we collected 235 pairs. This year we are up to 67 pairs so please keep them coming! Please do NOT put shoes in the bin which are not sneakers. We cannot recycle them." Go to "**gotsneakers.com**" or ask a youth for more info!

Job Opportunity (Little Lambs) - Providence is seeking a part-time Little Lambs Nursery and Preschool Assistant to work under the supervision of the Little Lambs Supervisor to ensure a secure, nurturing environment in the nursery and preschool where each child will hear and feel the love of Jesus Christ. As part of a team of 3, you will work Sunday mornings 9:30am to 12:30 pm. For further information about specific qualifications, job responsibilities, or to request a position description and/or an employment application contact **Dianne Stockmeier, at stockm@cox.net or 757-547-0091** and leave a message with a preferred return number.

Weekly Joys and Concerns

We lift up in prayer this week

Within our church family

Norma Hall

Richard Hickman

Sue Gonzalez on the sudden passing of her father

Our homebound and elderly members

All those traveling this Thanksgiving week

We celebrate

The coming Advent season

Our community and our world

For peace and resolution in Israel and Palestine

International Missionaries

Nations at war

Our servicemen and women, at home and abroad