

# Opportunities

**PPC Youth Group** - All youth grades 6-12 are invited to join **today from 5 pm - 7 pm** in the fellowship hall for the first youth group gathering of the year. Please bring dinner if you like and remember to leave phones/devices at home (or at least OFF). We will prepare the January bulletin board for the preschool, practice for the upcoming Youth Service, and have some fun and fellowship!

**2024 Offering Envelopes** - are now available in the narthex. Please pick yours up following worship.

**Family Fusion** - You are invited to join us in the parlor **today at 12:00 pm**. We believe when families make time for faith, fellowship, and fun, everything changes! Life becomes less stressful, relationships grow, and Christ's community strengthens. For more information, please contact **Karen and Rick Moore at moore16@aol.com**.

**Congregational Meeting** - The Session has called a congregational meeting for **Sunday, January 14**, following worship. The purpose of the meeting is to present the 2024 budget, Elect Elders for the Class of 2027, a Trustee for the Class of 2027, the 2024 church Nominating Committee. If the way be clear, we will also elect the Pastor Nominating Committee.

**Chili Cook Off and Report from Vision Team - Sunday, January 14**, following the congregational meeting. Come and taste a variety of homemade chilis, enjoy fellowship, and hear the final report from our Vision Team and a summary of what happens next in the search for a pastor.

**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**.

**Men's Valentine's Dinner - Saturday, February 10 at 5:00 pm - 7:30 pm**. Join us for a great evening of food and fellowship. Ticket costs are \$20.00 per person and will go on sale on January 7 after worship. There is a pre-sale signup sheet at the church. For more information please contact **Aaron Gilbert at agilbert95@ymail.com**.

**2024 Youth Conferences** – We have two exciting opportunities for Providence youth to attend! The **Massanetta Springs Middle School Conference** for rising 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders is located in Harrisburg, VA. The potential dates include July 11-14 or July 16-19. The **Montreat Youth Conference** is located in Montreat, NC and holds a yearly summer conference for rising 9<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> graders. The potential dates include July 7-13 or July 14-20. We would love to send our youth. For a little more detail, see our promotion in the weekly newsletter. Please let us know of your interest and we will determine the dates that work best and seek chaperones as needed. If your child is interested, please let **Connie Salter** know by **March 1 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.

**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 **112** 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.

# Today

## **Sunday, January 7**

*Communion Sunday*

9:00 am - Merry Bells

9:30 am - Discipleship Class

10:30 am - Choir Warm Up

11:00 am - Worship

11:15 am - Enrichment

12:00 pm - Fellowship

12:00 pm - Removing of the Greens

12:00 pm - Family Fusion

12:15 pm - Confirmation Class

5:00 pm - Youth Group

## **This Week**

### **Monday, January 8**

7:00 pm - Session Meeting

### **Tuesday, January 9**

*Special Election Day*

10:00 am - Docas Circle

7:00 pm - Bells of Providence

### **Wednesday, January 10**

10:00 pm - Mary and Martha Circle

7:00 pm - Chancel Choir

### **Thursday, January 11**

6:00 pm - Men's Fellowship Dinner

6:00 pm - PW Bible Study

### **Sunday, January 14**

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12:00 pm - Fellowship Chili cook-off

12:15 pm - Mission Meeting

12:15 pm - Confirmation Class

5:00 pm - Youth Group

### **Weekly Joys and Concerns**

*We lift up in prayer this week*

### **Within our church family**

The Gilbert family, on the passing of Pam Conde

The Dixon family, on the passing of John's father

Richard Hickman

Our homebound and elderly members

### **We celebrate**

The New Year

### **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



*The flowers that grace our sanctuary today are given to the glory of God by Carolyn Knowles, in memory of Gary Knowles.*



*To add a prayer concern, please email the church office at [office@provpres.org](mailto:office@provpres.org) or the Pastor at [pastor@provpres.org](mailto:pastor@provpres.org). Submissions must be received by Tuesday noon to be included for Sunday. In order to respect confidentiality, all requests should be self-made.*