

# Opportunities

**Sunday Worship Schedule - Beginning Sunday, September 8, worship returns to 11:00 am** - We will resume regular Sunday schedule with Discipleship classes at 9:30 am, **Worship in the sanctuary at 11:00 am**, and Fellowship following worship in the Fellowship hall. The Enrichment program for children will continue as well. Join us this fall for all of the Sunday morning activities.

**Family Fusion - Today** you are invited to join us in the **parlor at 12:15 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. Please sign up on the bulletin board at church. For more information, please contact **Karen & Rick Moore at karenmore16@aol.com**.

**Youth Group Pool Party** - Mark Your Calendars! We are excited to kick off the PPC Youth Group again with our annual POOL PARTY! All youth grades 6-12 are invited to join us **today from 4 pm - 7 pm** at the Schroeders' home (3692 Brannon Dr.) for a cookout and pool party. Please bring a side dish of your choice to share and if you'd like something other than burgers/hot dogs to grill feel free to bring that too. Kindly **RSVP to Ashley Schroeder, ashdogger@me.com or 757-270-4476** if your youth will attend. Can't wait to see everyone!

**Women's Circles and Bible Study** - The Women's Circles will begin their 2024-2025 meetings in the **second week of September**. **Dorcas will meet on Tuesday, September 10 at 10:00 am** in the parlor with Jane Pritchett leading the study. **Mary and Martha Circle will hold their meeting on Wednesday, September 11 at 10:00 am** in the media room in the leadership of Stephanie Boose. **The PW Bible Study will commence on Thursday, September 12 at 6:00 pm**, and will be lead by Karen Moore. For more information please email **ppw@provpres.org**.

**Providence Men't Fellowship Dinner** - In September we will return to our regular meetings. Mark your calendars as this year, we will be meeting on **the second Thursday of each month at 6:00 pm**. We start with Dinner at **1608 Craffhouse Restaurant**, located at 1608 Pleasure House Rd. Virginia Beach. **Thursday, September, 12**. Bring a friend! A Sign up sheet is posted on the bulletin board at church or contact **Aaron Gilbert at agilbert95@ymail.com**.

**Grief Support Group** - On **Sunday, September 15**, the Grief Support Group will resume meeting at **9:30 am in room 100** on the **1st and 3rd Sunday** of each month. The group is open to anyone who is experiencing difficulty with a loss, whether recent or many years ago. Come find that you are not alone and share the sadness of your loss, the joy of your memories, and the hope for a future enriched by those who have passed on before us.

**Workcamp 2025** - There will be a meeting held **Sunday, September 15** in the **parlor at 4:30 pm**. All parents with children interested in going to workcamp are requested to attend this meeting. For further information please contact **Kevin Daley at kdaley7203@gmail.com** or **Ashley Schroeder at ashdogger@icloud.com**.

**Called Congregational Meeting** - A Congregational Meeting will be held on Sunday, September 22, 2024, immediately following worship to hear and act on the report and recommendations of the Pastor Nomination Committee. Please plan to attend.

**Hymn Festival at Great Bridge Presbyterian Church** - You are invited! Bells of Providence and our Chancel Choir will be joining the musicians at Great Bridge Presbyterian Church for a Hymn Festival featuring the music of John Behnke. This event is part of GBPC's 60th anniversary celebration. It will be held on **Sunday, September 22, 4:00 pm, at Great Bridge Presbyterian Church**, 333 Cedar Road, Chesapeake. More details may be found in the Friday e-newsletter, and for questions, please contact Valetta at **music@provpres.org**.

**Women's Dinner Out** - The women at Providence are invited to join us for dinner out on **Monday, September 23 at 6:00 pm**. We will meet at **YNot Pizza**, located at 1036 Volvo Pkwy #7, Chesapeake, VA 23320. If you wish to attend, please RSVP online or sign up on the sheet at church. For more information, please contact **PPW@provpres.org**.

**Elder Nominations Class of 2028** - The Nominating Committee seeks your input. As they work to put together a slate of Elders for the Class of 2028, they invite your suggestions. If you would like to suggest someone to be considered for Elder, please use the form available in the narthex. You **DO NOT** need to ask the person, simply submit their name. The Nominating Committee will consider all suggestions and proceed from there. **The deadline is Sunday, September 29, 2024**.

**Rise Against Hunger** - On **Sunday, October 6** our congregation will participate in a meal packaging event in conjunction with Rise Against Hunger Inc. This event is designed to allow participation by everyone age 4 and over. We will turn the fellowship hall into our production area for a few hours and the end result will be 10,000 shelf-stable meals that will be transported by Rise Against Hunger to identified areas of food insecurity through the Word. Sign up and register online by QR code, or by using the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board at church. You must submit a waiver online or return it to the church office. Everyone can help. There are sitting and standing jobs. You can choose what you want to do as there is a list of different positions to be fulfilled. For more information, please contact **Ashley Schroeder at ashdogger@icloud.com**.

## Today

### Sunday, September 8

#### *Rally Day*

- 10:00 am - Rally Day celebration/breakfast
- 10:40 am - Choir Warm Up
- 11:00 am - Worship
- 11:15 am - Enrichment
- 12:00 pm - Fellowship
- 12:15 pm - Family Fusion
- 4:00 pm - Youth Group Pool Party

## This Week

### Monday, September 9

- 7:00 pm - Session Meeting

### Tuesday, September 10

- 10:00 am - Dorcas Circle
- 7:00 pm - Bells of Providence

### Wednesday, September 11

- 10:00 am - Mary & Martha Circle
- 7:00 pm - Chancel Choir

### Thursday, September 12

- 6:00 pm - PW Bible Study
- 6:00 pm - Men's Dinner Out

### Sunday September 15

- 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
- 5:00 pm - Youth Group



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.

To send a private message to our current pastors you may use the following addresses.

For Rev. Linda Rainey -

[PastorLinda@provpres.org](mailto:PastorLinda@provpres.org)

For Pastor Melinda Stroyeck -

[PastorMelinda@provpres.org](mailto:PastorMelinda@provpres.org)

**Beach Bags** - School will begin soon and our shelves are empty. Please help us support the Beach Bags program at Fairfield Elementary which provides shelf-stable meals and healthy snacks to students who might otherwise go hungry during the weekend and school breaks. Collection boxes are in the narthex and foyer all year round along with a list of items that are in most need: shelf-stable milk, individual canned or boxed meals, individual fruit cups, individual 100% fruit juice cartons, individual cereal packs, or monetary donations. For more information, please contact **Frances at [frances.stefonich@cox.net](mailto:frances.stefonich@cox.net)**.

**Little Lambs Ministry** - Calling all loving, caring adults! Our Little Lambs Ministry needs you! We have two rooms for our youngest disciples; a Little Lambs Nursery for birth to 2 years old, and a Little Lambs Preschool for ages 3 years and up to kindergarten. We have a paid staff member in each room on Sunday mornings. We need you to help with crowd control, love on and hug the child missing mommy or daddy, help a preschooler to the restroom, pass out leaflets for the Bible lesson and just be present as a second adult in the room. Our childcare policy does require a confidential background check every 3 years, but that is the only requirement keeping you from being blessed while hanging out with our adorable young disciples. We hope to have enough volunteers so that you would only miss the worship service once every 6-8 weeks! Don't delay! Reach out to Connie Salter TODAY! 757-288-2072 or [seasaltcpa@cox.net](mailto:seasaltcpa@cox.net).

**Preschool Bibles Special Offering** - Thanks to the generosity of our Providence family last year, we were able to purchase 67 Bibles for all children in our preschool. This school year, our Providence session has once again approved a special offering to purchase Bibles for any new students to Providence Preschool. The children will receive their bibles at the beginning of this school year. We are thankful for this opportunity to support our preschool and community. Please consider donating to this very special offering. Donations should be marked as "Special Preschool Bible Offering" and can be placed in the offering plates. Please contact **Sue Crosland [suecrosland2940@outlook.com](mailto:suecrosland2940@outlook.com)** for any questions.

**The Men's Fellowship group** - is restarting their **Men's Transportation Ministry**. If you would like a ride to/from church on any Sunday to attend worship services, please contact **Aaron Gilbert at (757) 763-9802 or [agilbert95@gmail.com](mailto:agilbert95@gmail.com)**.

**2024-2025 Sanctuary Flowers orders** - Please help us fill our flowers calendar located on the sign-up board outside the fellowship hall. Use one envelope per order, include your payment of \$40, and put the envelope in the offering plate. After service, the congregational care committee repurposes the flowers and distributes them to those in the our church family to brighten their day!

### Weekly joys and concerns

*We lift up in prayer this week*

### Within our church family

Our Preschool Director, Brooke Vellines

The family and friends of Alice Sherman

Our homebound and elderly members

Our Pastor Nominating Committee and the work they are doing

Members include: Julie Bauman, Nick Bolton, Michelle Clatterbuck, Sue Crosland, Jonathan Hyslop, Karen Moore, Glynn Rogers, Ken Wheeler

### We celebrate

Rally Day

The start of a new school 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