

Opportunities

Preschool Bibles Special Offering - This year, our Providence session once again approved a special offering to purchase Bibles for any new students to the Providence Preschool. We purchased Bibles for **47** new children! The children will receive their bibles on **November 6**, during a special chapel time with Pastor Joel. Thank you to our Providence family for your love and generosity to our community. For questions please contact **Sue Crosland 757-646-4735**.

PPC Youth Group - All youth grades 6-12 are invited to help paint the new youth room after worship today. We will have lunch, then paint, so wear clothes you don't mind getting paint on! We will paint until **4:00 pm**. If your youth is staying for Youth Bells practice they should be picked up at 5:00 pm.

Children's Chime Choir - We have started up a children's chime choir and will meet **today at 4:00pm in the Choir Room**. This will be for our younger kids. Sue Crosland and Stacy Johnson will be working with Valetta to prepare fun music activities for the children and will lead the group. Both Sue and Stacy have years of experience in ringing and working with children. Contact **Valetta at music@provpres.org** with any questions.

Music event - Our organist, John Dixon, will present a program of his compositions at Main Street UMC, 202 N. Main Street, Suffolk 23434, at **4 pm this afternoon, November 3**. You are welcome to attend this free event, to hear John play a wide variety of music on one of his favorite instruments, in this beautiful sanctuary patterned after England's Durham Cathedral.

Youth Weekly Bible Study - All youth grades 6-12, are invited to a weekly Bible study each Sunday, led by Pastor Joel, beginning **today**. This weekly Bible study will be held in the Media Room from **9:30 am - 10:30 am**. Please bring your Bible each week. If you do not have a Bible at home, the church will provide one for you.

Elementary Students Weekly Bible Study - All students in grades K-5, also are invited to a weekly Bible study each Sunday, led by Jennifer Parker, beginning **November 3, 2024**. This weekly Bible study will be held in the Grade K-2 Enrichment Room from **9:30 am-10:30 am**. These lessons will be different from the lessons taught during Enrichment Time. **Please know that our weekly Enrichment classes will still meet as usual during the worship service**. We are excited to offer these opportunities for spiritual growth to our children and youth! Please contact **Sue Crosland, 757-646-4735** for questions.

Beach Bags - 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**.

PPW Dinner Out - The women at Providence are invited to join us for dinner out on **Thursday, November 7 at 6:00 pm**. We will meet at **Rib City** located at 4688 Princess Anne Rd, Virginia Beach, VA 23462. If you wish to attend, you can RSVP online or add your name to the sign-up sheet at church. For more information, please contact **Elizabeth at ppw@provpres.org**.

Grief Support Group - The Grief Support Group meets 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.

Family Fusion - Sunday, November 10 you are invited to join us in the Parlor 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. Please sign up on the bulletin board at church. For more information, please contact **Karen and Rick Moore at karenmoore16@aol.com**.

Providence Men's Dinner - Please join us on **Thursday, November 14** for our Men's Dinner at Providence. We will meet at **6:00 pm** in fellowship hall. This fall we will be delving into a six-part study series. Bring a friend and sign up on the bulletin board at church. For more information, please contact **Aaron at agilbert95@ymail.com**

JCOG - On **Friday, November 15** 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**

Today

Sunday, November 3

Communion Sunday

- 9:00 am - MerryBells
- 9:30 am - Discipleship class
- 9:30 am - Youth / Elementary Bible Study
- 10:30 am - Choir Warm Up
- 11:00 am - Worship
- 11:15 am - Enrichment
- 12:00 pm - Fellowship
- 12:00 pm - Youth Group
- 4:00 pm - Children's Chime Choir
- 4:00 pm - Youth Bells

This Week

Monday, November 4

- 7:00pm - Committee Chairs meeting
- 7:30 pm - Committee meetings

Tuesday, November 5

Election Day

- 7:00 pm - Bells of Providence

Wednesday, November 6

- 7:00 pm - Chancel Choir

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Thanksgiving Food Baskets - Providence will provide turkey dinners to 11 families and 5 senior citizens at Thanksgiving. 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 or narthex. All food needs to be brought by **Sunday, November 24. 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 bank's bill pay feature, marking the check for "Baskets." For more information call **Karen, 757-803-7150.**

Joy-Filled Sunday – Sunday, December 8 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 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 our handbell choirs, 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 **Sue Crossland at 757-646-4735 or Connie Salter at 757-288-2072.**

Gotsneakers - The PPC youth invite the congregation to place any used sneakers in the bins in the narthex and back foyer for recycling. We will package and send them to "**gotsneakers.com**" who pays us for them and resells or recycles them to reduce landfill waste. Proceeds go to the Work Camp fund. We already have **65** pairs this year! **PLEASE SNEAKERS ONLY!** We cannot send other types of shoes. Thank you!

Weekly joys and concerns

We lift up in prayer this week

Within our church family

Our Preschool Director, Brooke Vellines
Our homebound and elderly members

We celebrate

Our community and our world

For peace and resolution in the Middle East
International Missionaries
Nations at war
Our servicemen and women, at home and abroad

To add a prayer concern, please email the church office at office@provpres.org or the Pastor at 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 pastor you may use the following addresses.

Pastor@provpres.org

