

PROVIDENCE FORGE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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CHURCH STAFF

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| Interim Pastor | Rev. Nancy Coleman |
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| Sunshine Nursery School Director | Cathy Davis |
| Church Treasurer | Paul Robinson |

THE SESSION 2021

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| Ginny Adamson (Worship) T1 | 2021-2023 |
| Tom Ballou (Outreach) T1 | 2020-2021 |
| Allison Christian (Fellowship) T1 | 2019-2021 |
| Johanna Davis (Youth & Young Adult) T2 | 2020-2022 |
| Davis Gammon (Stewardship) T1 | 2021-2023 |
| Jamie Gray (Good Sam) T1 | 2019-2021 |
| Ruth Hopke (Policy & Personnel) T2 | 2020-2022 |
| Ayars Lore (Buildings & Grounds, PTP) T1 | 2019-2021 |
| Leigh Quick (Clerk of Session) T2 | 2021-2023 |
| Nathan Richards (Planning & Finance) T1 | 2020-2022 |
| Patricia Robinson (Christian Ed.) T1 | 2021-2023 |
| Jim Wallace (Nominating) T1 | 2020-2022 |



Providence Forge
Presbyterian Church

To further God's Kingdom on Earth, one soul at a time.

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May 23, 2021

UPCOMING

BIRTHDAYS-for the week of May 24-30th Maria Bates 27th.

INVITATIONS

WHAT'S GOING ON-If you would like to be on the e-mail list for "What's going on at PFPC?" please send a request to Cathy Davis at Cathcakes@aol.com with PFPC in the subject line.

CARES AND CONCERNS-Please email Pastor Nancy at revnancy2020@gmail.com with any prayer requests or other concerns you would like to share with the congregation.

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR INSERT- Please email Barbara Lore barbarahlore@outlook.com

PROCLAIMING GRACE OUTREACH in Barhamsville gladly accept medical equipment donations for their thrift store, however if someone comes by and needs it they always give it to them and often people who can afford it are happy to get a good deal. Call (757) 741-5070 if you need further information.

ASSISTANCE

ELDER ON DUTY

Ruth Hopke

CHURCH FINANCIAL

April 2021

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| Budgeted Revenue \$11,758 | Actual Revenue \$11,415 |
| Actual Expense \$10,512 | Monthly Net Income \$903 |
| | YTD \$1,598 |

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

May 15 11AM Zoom 17 in Sanctuary 22

CONTACT INFORMATION

Providence Forge Presbyterian Church Office hours vary with the absence of an Administrative Asst. PO Box 239, 9310 Townsend Road, Providence Forge, VA 23140 Office hours-8:30-12:30 Phone Number – 804-966-2079, Email – pforgepc@gmail.com

****Nancy Coleman's new in-office work hours are Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday from 9 am-2:30 pm. You can contact her at: revnancy2020@gmail.com**

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL – will resume June 6th in the large fellowship room, socially distanced and with masks. Meet from 10-10:45 and begin a new quarter of studies from both the Old and New Testaments. New members are WELCOME. Please call Jane VanDyke (804 366 4088) if there are any questions.

Each year, the Christian Education Committee presents bibles to graduating high school seniors. Due to Covid, we were unable to present bibles to the 2020 graduating high school senior last year. We are doing this for them this year along with our 2021 graduating seniors. In the past, church members and friends have signed personal notes in the bibles. There are 8 bibles with the recipients' names located on tables in the parlor and across from the kitchen. There is a pen with each bible or you can use your own. There will be hand sanitizer and Clorox wipes to use. The bibles will be presented on Sunday, June 20, so between now and Sunday, June 13, you may go by and sign them.

A week ago, Edward Darlington, who has cut the church's grass for at least 30 years had a stroke and is currently at MCV undergoing tests and recuperating. He is 81 years young. At Mr. Darlington's request his son, Nicholas is filling in for him and will be taking over the grass responsibilities of our church for the near future. Neither of these men are members of PFPC but have a very strong dedication to us and to Christ.

When asking what the church can do for Mr. Darlington, Nicholas suggested that we pray for him and their family and send cards and letters to him wishing him a speedy recovery and thanking him for his dedication to our church all those years. Either drop the cards and letters off at the church office and they will be forwarded to him or call Ayars Lore and he will give you Mr. Darlington's Providence Forge P O address.

FAMILY & FRIENDS IN THE MILITARY

Christopher Arkin, Evin Stovall, Jacob Allen, Criszon Courtney, Charles & Mary Ann Bowery, Dee Dee Daniels, John Goodell

PRAYER CONCERNS

Edward W. Darlington, Jr (PFPC's Lawn Care), The family of Shannon O'Leary (wife of Andy Meyers our Session Moderator before Nancy arrived and was ordained), Shirley Wallof Looper (Hal Wallof's sister), Declan Burke (friend of the Lores), Steve Buis (friend of the Lores), Nancy Wilder, John Brammer, Louis and Barbara Bell, Christopher Smith, Leighann Bowery (Cathy Davis' sister), Nicholas Brucker, Michael Minter, Henry Nicholas (Lores' great nephew)



**PROVIDENCE FORGE
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**
Pentecost Sunday
May 23, 2021

CALL TO WORSHIP from Psalm 104

Leader: O Lord, how manifold are your works! In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.

People: When you send forth your spirit, they are created; and you renew the face of the ground.

Leader: May the glory of the Lord endure forever; may God rejoice in all God has made—who looks on the earth and it trembles, who touches the mountains and they smoke.

People: I will sing to the Lord as long as I live; I will sing praise to my God while I have being.

Leader: May my meditation be pleasing, for I rejoice in the Lord.

All: Bless the Lord, O my soul. Praise the Lord!

SONG OF PRAISE #341 Blessed Assurance, Jesus is Mine!

1 Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine! Oh, what a foretaste of glory divine! Heir of salvation, purchase of God, Born of his Spirit, washed in His blood.

Refrain: This is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long; This is my story, this is my song, Praising my Savior all the day long.

2 Perfect submission, perfect delight, Visions of rapture now burst on my sight; Angels, descending, bring from above Echoes of mercy, whispers of love. [Refrain]

3 Perfect submission, all is at rest, I in my Savior am happy and blest, Watching and waiting, looking above, Filled with His goodness, lost in His love.

[Refrain]

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PRAYER OF CONFESSION (from *The Book of Common Worship*)

Merciful God, You poured your Spirit upon gathered disciples creating bold tongues and ready ears. We confess that we ignore your Spirit among us; we are silent about you when we should speak, and listen to almost any voice but your own. We do not listen for your word of grace which invites us; We do not speak the good news of your love which invites others. Have mercy on us, O God.

(silence for individual prayers of confession)

Gracious God, Transform our timid lives by the power of your Spirit. Fill us with a flaming desire to be a believing and witnessing people, doing your will for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

WORDS OF FORGIVENESS

Scripture announces that this is a true saying and is to be universally accepted: Christ came into the world to save sinners. While we were yet sinners Christ died for us. Friends, in Christ you are forgiven. Know this and be at peace.

FOR CHILDREN Acts 2:2 (International Children's Bible)

Suddenly a noise came from heaven. It sounded like a strong wind blowing. This noise filled the whole house where they were sitting.

SCRIPTURE Acts 2:1-21 (NRSV)

1 When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. 2 And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. 3 Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. 4 All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. 5 Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. 6 And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. 7 Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans?" 8 And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? 9 Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, 10 Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, 11 Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." 12 All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" 13 But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine." 14 But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. 15 Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. 16 No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: 17 'In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams. 18 Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. 19 And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. 20 The sun shall be

turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day. 21 Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'

ANTHEM

SERMON

Rev. Nancy Coleman

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *(The Apostles' Creed Traditional)*

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE *(Christina Rossetti)*

O God the Holy Ghost who art light unto thine elect, Evermore enlighten us. Thou who art fire of love, Evermore enkindle us. Thou who art Lord and giver of life, Evermore live in us. Thou who bestowest seven fold grace, Evermore replenish us. As the wind is thy symbol, So forward our goings. As the dove, So launch us heavenwards. As water, So purify our spirits. As a cloud, So abate our temptations. As dew, So revive our languor. As fire, So purge out our dross. We pray in the name of Jesus, who taught us to pray, saying...

THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERING

Opportunities are Easytithe <https://app.easytithe.com/App/Giving/pfpc>
C&F Bank for PFPC and mail to P.O. Box 239

**5¢ a Meal can be offered both using Easy Tithe or a separate check sent to the church.*

SONG OF RESPONSE #467 How Great Thou Art

1 O Lord, my God, when I in awesome wonder Consider all the works Thy hands hath made, I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder, Thy power throughout the universe displayed;
[Refrain: Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee: How great Thou art, how great Thou art! Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee: How great Thou art, how great Thou art!]

2 When through the woods and forest glades I wander And hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees; When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur And hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze;

[Refrain]

4 When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation, And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart! Then I shall bow in humble adoration And there proclaim, "My God, how great Thou art!

[Refrain]

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BENEDICTION

Go out into the world in peace. Have courage. Hold on to what is good. Repay no one evil for evil. Strengthen the faint-hearted. Support the weak. Help the suffering. Honor all people. Love and serve the Lord, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit. May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all, now and forever. Amen.

People: Peace be with you!

Liturgy is by Jerry Andrews, Presbyterian Outlook.

