

PROVIDENCE FORGE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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CHURCH STAFF

Interim Pastor Rev. Nancy Coleman

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THE SESSION 2021

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



SECOND SUNDAY
in
LENT

PROVIDENCE FORGE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

February 28, 2021

UPCOMING

BIRTHDAYS-for the week of March 1-7 Kellie Gray Holmes 1, Marian Davis 3, Sue Anne Martin, Emily Anne Wallace & Nina Wallace 4th, Jamie Gray 6, Janice Thorndike 7th.

**March 7th the Fellowship Team is planning for a "Virtual Game Day" offering Jeopardy, Family Feud and Scavenger Hunt (for the kids) via Zoom. There will be a SignupGenius coming soon.

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 & Calendar- Please email Barbara Lore barbarahlore@outlook.com

ASSISTANCE

ELDER ON DUTY

Nathan Richards

CHURCH FINANCIALS

January 2021

Budgeted Revenue \$11,758
Actual Expense \$7,090

Actual Income \$9,785
Monthly Net Income \$2,695; YTD \$2,695

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

February 21: 11 Sanctuary: 10 & Zoom: 46

CONTACT INFORMATION

Providence Forge Presbyterian Church **Office hours vary with the absence of an Administrative Asst.**

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[Nancy Coleman will continue working from home for the next few weeks.](#)

[Her work hours are Monday-Thursday from 9 am-3:30 pm. You can contact her at \[revnancy2020@gmail.com\]\(mailto:revnancy2020@gmail.com\)](#)

FAMILY & FRIENDS IN THE MILITARY

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

PRAYER CONCERNS

Pauline Wright (friend of the Lores), Nancy Wilder, John Brammer, The family of Joe Theimer (Cathy Davis' father), The family of Myrtle Bailey (mother of Nancy Wilder), Louis and Barbara Bell, The family of Judy Lewis (cousin of Laura Richards), Christopher Smith, Leighann Bowery (Cathy Davis' sister), Nicholas Brucker, Michael Minter, Henry Nicholas (Lores' great nephew)

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT February 28, 2021

LENTEN READING

Pete & Margaret Adamson

CALL TO WORSHIP (based on Psalm 95)

One: Come, let us sing for joy to the LORD; let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation.

All: Let us come before God with thanksgiving and extol him with music and song. For the LORD is the great God, the great King above all gods.

One: In God's hand are the depths of the earth, and the mountain peaks belong to him. The sea is God's, for he made it, and God's hands formed the dry land.

All: Come, let us bow down in worship, let us kneel before the LORD our Maker; for he is our God and we are the people of his pasture, the flock under his care.

SONG OF PRAISE #267 All Things Bright and Beautiful

Refrain: All things bright and beautiful, all creatures great and small, All things wise and wonderful, the Lord God made them all.

- 1 Each little flower that opens, each little bird that sings,
God made their glowing colors, God made their tiny wings. *[Refrain]*
- 2 The purple-headed mountain, the river running by,
The sunset, and the morning that brightens up the sky; *[Refrain]*
- 3 The cold wind in the winter, the pleasant summer sun,
The ripe fruits in the garden, God made them, every one. *[Refrain]*
- 4 God gave us eyes to see them, and lips that we might tell
How great is God Almighty, who has made all things well. *[Refrain]*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

One: Listening God,

All: Take what is closed in us and open it. Take what is distracted in us and settle it. Take what is hurting in us and hold it. Take any and all parts of us that create distance from you. For we are like Peter, O God. We argue what we don't know. We fear what we cannot see. And we almost always speak sooner than we listen. So open us, settle us, hold us, and forgive us. We long to hear you more clearly. We long to know you more fully. With hope we pray, And with gratitude we confess. Amen.

WORDS OF FORGIVENESS

One: Siblings in Christ, We confess with gratitude because we know that God already has heard and forgiven us. No matter what we have done or left undone, we are held in God's hand. So rest in this good news:

All: God invites us in. God meets us where we are. God hears our prayers. God forgives us.

One: Thanks be to God for a love like that.

FOR CHILDREN Hebrews 13:16 (Easy to Read Version)

Don't forget to do good and to share what you have with others.

SCRIPTURE

Mark 8:31-38 (NRSV)

31 Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. **32** He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. **33** But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things." **34** He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. **35** For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. **36** For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? **37** Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? **38** Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels."

ANTHEM

SERMON

Rev. Nancy Coleman

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

One: We believe. Sometimes our belief is confident, like a child on a dance floor—unashamed and wildly genuine.

All: We believe. Sometimes our belief is distant, flickering and calling out to us like a lighthouse on the sea.

One: We believe. Sometimes our belief shows up as passion, guiding the way we vote, shop, give, live, trust, and hope.

All: We believe. Sometimes our belief is like a shadow—faith stitched to our heels, unmoveable, unloseable, a gift for winding journeys.

One: We believe. Sometimes our belief exists like growing pains. We step forward. We fall back. But again and again, Jesus invites us to listen, to grow, and to take another step.

All: So we speak these truths out loud: We believe, again and again

One: We believe. Thanks be to God. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Roger Gench, Presbyterian Outlook

O God, our creator and redeemer, we pray that the Spirit of Jesus would be with us as we continue our journey through Lent. Jesus called his disciples to pick up their cross and follow him. Help us to discern what that means for us as the church in this time and place. O God, we pray for those who are isolated and lonely during this pandemic. May we find ways to be a comfort for them. We pray for children and parents who are navigating school and work under such stressful circumstances. We pray for those who have lost loved ones because of the virus and are grieving the loss. We pray for your church in this time of crisis and that we would find new ways to live your mission. We also pray for those hurt by the snow and ice storms that have ravaged large sections of our county—adding to the already stressful realities of life in our current crisis. And, O God, we continue to pray for the global community as it grapples with the pandemic. We pray especially for the those hit hardest by the strains of this menace, and pray for those in leadership in our communities, states and nation as they negotiate ways in which to aid those most afflicted. We pray for a speedy process of vaccination in this country and in countries around the globe. And we pray for fairness in access to the vaccine for countries that heretofore have not received it. May this injustice be

rectified. We pray all these things in the name of Jesus Christ, 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 #510 Jesus Thou Joy of Loving Hearts

1 O Jesus, Thou joy of loving hearts, Thou fount of life, Thou light of all; from the best bliss that earth imparts, we turn, unfilled, to heed Thy call.

2 Thy truth unchanged hath ever stood, Thou savest those that on Thee call; to them that seek Thee, Thou art good, to them that find Thee, all in all.

3 We taste Thee, O Thou living bread, and long to feast upon Thee still; we drink of Thee, the fountainhead, and thirst our souls from Thee to fill.

4 Our restless spirits yearn for Thee, where'er our changeful lot is cast, glad when Thy gracious smile we see, blest when our faith can hold Thee fast.

5 O Jesus, ever with us stay, make all our moments calm and bright; O chase the night of sin away, shed o'er the world thy holy light.

BENEDICTION

As you leave this space, May your mouth speak of God's goodness. May your arms hold those in need. May your feet walk toward justice. May your heart trust its worth. May your soul dance in God's grace. And may this be your rhythm—again and again and again, until God's promised day. In the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Go with courage, go with heart, go in peace. Amen.

People: Peace be with you!

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