

PROVIDENCE FORGE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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CHURCH STAFF

Interim Pastor	Rev. Nancy Coleman
Organist & Choir Director	Melody Raef
Sunshine Nursery School Director	Cathy Davis
Church Treasurer	Paul Robinson

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



THIRD SUNDAY
in
LENT

PROVIDENCE FORGE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Communion Sunday - March 7, 2021
Third Sunday in Lent

UPCOMING

BIRTHDAYS-for the week of March 8-14 Mac Mountcastle & Trudy Van Dyke 11, Kristy Geiger 12, Ed Batkins 14.

**This afternoon - 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 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.

THANK YOU

***Many thanks to my team for their effort over these past two months to reach out to the congregation with their care and love; to Margaret and Donna for putting together Exam Week care packages for middle and high school students, to Trudy and Donna for filling and distributing Valentine's Day bags, to Cathy for her effort to coordinate the Souper Bowl of Caring, and to Marian, Paul, Lisa, Jo, Chris and Wendy for their supporting role in the Souper Bowl of Caring. It takes a team pulling together to get the work done and I appreciate all that you do! Allison Christian, Fellowship Elder*

ASSISTANCE

ELDER ON DUTY

Johanna Davis

CHURCH FINANCIALS

January 2021

Budgeted Revenue \$11,758
Actual Expense \$7,090
\$2,695

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

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

February 28: 11:00 am Sanctuary: 26 & Zoom: 42

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 – pforgepres@gmail.com

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

FAMILY & FRIENDS IN THE MILITARY

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

PRAYER CONCERNS

Steve Buis (friend of the Lores) 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)

PROVIDENCE FORGE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
COMMUNION SUNDAY – MARCH 7TH
THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

LENTEN READING Martha Martin & John Daugherty

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Once again we come to this space.

All: Once again we gather as a community.

One: Once again we move closer to God.

All: And once again God is here.

One: We are met. We are heard. We are shown the way.

All: So once again let us worship the holy God.

SONG OF PRAISE #417 Christ is Made the Sure Foundation

1 Christ is made the sure foundation, Christ the head and cornerstone, chosen of the Lord and precious, binding all the church in one; holy Zion's help forever, and her confidence alone.

2 To this temple, where we call You, come, O Lord of hosts, today: with Your wonted loving-kindness hear Your people as they pray; and Your fullest benediction shed within its walls alway.

3 Here bestow on all Your servants what they ask of You to gain, what they gain from You forever with the blessed to retain, and hereafter in Your glory evermore with You to reign.

4 Laud and honor to the Father, laud and honor to the Son, laud and honor to the Spirit, ever three and ever one, One in might, and one in glory, while unending ages run.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

One: God of Justice, We are guilty of building tables.

All: We have built tables that injustice dines on.

One: God of Justice, We are guilty of forgetting where we are,

All: Of turning faith into a negotiation tool and the church into a place for insiders.

One: God of Justice, We are guilty of ignoring the point;

All: For you taught that the temple was for worship and your message was for all.

One: God of our hearts, be in our decision making.

All: Draw near to our choices. Forgive our mistakes.

One: And as you do, flip every table, habit, belief, or point of view that needs adjusting.

All: With hope we pray for a better day. Amen.

WORDS OF FORGIVENESS

FOR CHILDREN John 2:16 (Easy to Read Version)

Don't make my Father's house a place for buying and selling!"

SCRIPTURE

John 2:13-22 (NRSV)

13 The Passover of the Jews was near, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. **14** In the temple he found people selling cattle, sheep, and doves, and the money changers seated at their tables. **15** Making a whip of cords, he drove all of them out of the temple, both the sheep and the cattle. He also poured out the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables. **16** He told those who were selling the doves, "Take these things out of here! Stop making my Father's house a marketplace!" **17** His disciples remembered that it was written, "Zeal for your house will consume me." **18** The Jews then said to him, "What sign can you show us for doing this?" **19** Jesus answered them, "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up." **20** The Jews then said, "This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and will you raise it up in three days?" **21** But he was speaking of the temple of his body. **22** After he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this; and they believed the scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

ANTHEM

SERMON

Rev. Nancy Coleman

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We believe in a God who knows holy rage—a God who stands with the underdog, who passionately protects the suffering, And who overturns systems of corruption. We believe in a God who leads by example—feeding the hungry, welcoming the children, offering water to the Samaritan, eating with the tax collector, healing the sick, preaching from the mountaintop, and offering second chances. We believe in a God who knew that we would lose

our way, and still said, “This is my body broken for you.” We believe in a God who knew our capacity for mistakes, and still said, “I’m going to prepare a place for you.” And because of this love, we believe that God shows us the way, again and again and again. Thanks be to God. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Roger Gench, Presbyterian Outlook

Holy one, help us to be an embodiment of the peace that we pass to one another, and by so doing may we be your peace in the world. We know too well our divisions, but help us bear witness to a different reality. Help us begin the process of healing and deliverance. Help us form new ways of being in mutuality, love and justice with and through one another. Empower us to live out of your love in all that we do, healing divisions, addressing enmity and reaching out to those we perceive as enemies. God of all nations, we pray for all countries around the globe — for those who have been charged to exercise leadership on behalf of the common good. Help them to discern the wise use of resources, including vaccines, to address the needs of citizens suffering from the pandemic and its grave economic strains. And move us all to attend to the cries of the marginal in our midst. 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 PREPARATION #319 Spirit

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

Invitation

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Lord’s Prayer

Words of Institution

Sharing the Elements

Prayer

SONG OF RESPONSE #443 O Christ the Great Foundation

**1 O Christ, the great foundation on which Your people stand
To preach Your true salvation in every age and land:
Pour out Your Holy Spirit to make us strong and pure,
To keep the faith unbroken as long as worlds endure.
2 Baptized in one confession, one church in all the earth,
We bear our Lord’s impression, the sign of second birth:
One holy people gathered in love beyond our own,
By grace we were invited, by grace we make You known.
3 Where tyrants’ hold is tightened, where strong devour the weak,
Where innocents are frightened, the righteous fear to speak,
There let Your church awaking attack the powers of sin
And, all their ramparts breaking, with You the victory win.
4 This is the moment glorious when He who once was dead
Shall lead His church victorious, their champion and their head.
The Lord of all creation His heavenly kingdom brings,
The final consummation, the glory of all things.
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Chinese Christian Literature Council Ltd., Hong Kong.**

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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