

**PROVIDENCE FORGE PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH**

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CHURCH STAFF

Interim Pastor	Rev. Nancy Coleman
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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



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Palm Sunday, March 28, 2021

Congratulations to Tristan and Bethany Roehrbein on the birth of their first child, Rhett Roehrbein, on March 21, 2021.

UPCOMING

BIRTHDAYS-for the week of March 22-April 4: Dave Gardy 30, Megan Mephram Stanfill 31, Carter Minter April 1, Charlie Storey 4.

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.

A MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICE WILL BE HELD IN THE SANCTUARY AT 7PM ON THURSDAY, APRIL 1ST. THE SERVICE WILL BE IN-PERSON ONLY; THE SIGNUP LINK WILL BE COMING VIA EMAIL OR CALL CATHY DAVIS TO RSVP.

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

Ayars Lore

CHURCH FINANCIAL

February 2021

Budgeted Revenue \$11,758 Actual Revenue \$10,686
Expense \$10,385 Monthly Net Income \$301; YTD \$1,966

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

March 21: 11:00 am Sanctuary: 33 & Zoom: 24

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 & Friday from 9 am-2:30 pm and working from home Tuesdays & Thursdays. Appointments for visits can be made beginning the 4th week of March – according to CDC guidelines that will be the two-week point past vaccination date. 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

The Family of Margaret Ice, 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)



PFPC Palm Sunday March 28, 2021

LENTEN READING

Ayars & Barbara Lore

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: The story of faith is a story of courage.

All: It took courage for John the Baptist to prepare the way.

One: It took courage for Mary to say, "Here I am. Use me."

All: It took courage for the disciples to drop their nets and follow Jesus.

One: It took courage for the paralyzed man's friends to lower him through the roof.

All: It took courage for Peter to walk on water.

One: It took courage for Zacchaeus to give half of his possessions to the poor.

All: It took courage for Jesus to enter Jerusalem on a donkey.

One: Faith has never been easy. It is a journey of courage.

All: Again and again, God, show us the way.

One: Let us worship our God of courage and strength.

SONG OF PRAISE #88 All Glory Laud and Honor

[Chorus: All glory, laud, and honor to Thee, Redeemer, King, to whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring.]

1 Thou art the King of Israel, Thou David's royal Son, who in the Lord's name comest, the King and blessed One.

2 The people of the Hebrews with palms before Thee went; our praise and prayer and anthems before Thee we present.

3 To Thee before Thy passion, they sang their hymns of praise; to Thee, now high exalted, our melody we raise.

4 Thou didst accept their praises, accept the prayers we bring, who in all good delightest, Thou good and gracious King!

PRAYER OF CONFESSION Roger Gench, Presbyterian Outlook

Holy God, we come waving palms and shouting "Hosanna" for the Messiah we expect, but the Messiah we get may not be the Messiah we expect. The Messiah we get calls us to acknowledge and name the violence in our world and in our lives, but so

often we accept this violence as the normal way of the world. We have learned to live with the homelessness, poverty, racism, sexism and other injustices of our world. And when we fail to see and name the evils of our world, we allow them to flourish. Forgive us, O God, and open our eyes to see and participate in the places where your resurrected love is bringing liberation and life. Amen.

WORDS OF FORGIVENESS

Friends, the good news of the gospel assures us that God in Christ meets us in the broken places in order to redeem, liberate and heal us. In Christ, we are forgiven and our eyes are opened. In Christ we are empowered to partake in God's liberating and justice-seeking work in our world. Thanks be to God. Amen.

FOR CHILDREN John 12:13 (International Children's Version)

They took branches of palm trees and went out to meet Jesus.

SCRIPTURE

John 12:12-16 (NIV)

12 The next day the great crowd that had come for the festival heard that Jesus was on his way to Jerusalem. **13** They took palm branches and went out to meet him, shouting, "Hosanna!" "Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!" "Blessed is the king of Israel!" **14** Jesus found a young donkey and sat on it, as it is written: **15** "Do not be afraid, Daughter Zion; see, your king is coming, seated on a donkey's colt." **16** At first his disciples did not understand all this. Only after Jesus was glorified did they realize that these things had been written about him and that these things had been done to him.

ANTHEM

SERMON

Rev. Nancy Coleman

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

I refuse to believe that I am powerless.

I refuse to believe that injustice and hatred are simply the way it has to be.

I refuse to believe that I am better or more deserving than my neighbor.

I refuse to believe that my self-worth is rooted in my accomplishments or appearance.

I refuse to believe that the Church is dying, because I see God all around me.

I refuse to believe that the traditions of old are the only path for moving forward.

I refuse to believe that I cannot make a difference.

So with hope in my heart, I will strive to live a life of courage, conviction, and compassion, just as Jesus taught us. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Roger Gench, Presbyterian Outlook

Let us pray for the church, our neighbors in need and the whole world, saying: **Hear our prayer.**

Help us, O God, to be ever attentive to your presence in our midst during Holy Week. Help us to see that the crucifixion we remember on Good Friday is present in small and large ways throughout our communities and world. And enable us to stand with the crucified among us, we pray to you, O God: **Hear our prayer.**

O God, we see so much bloodshed in our world. Senseless violence, racialized violence, violence against women, violence against blacks, Asians and immigrants. Help us to be nonviolent resisters of hate and malice and prejudice. And enable us to be agents of your love in all that we do, we pray to you, O God: **Hear our prayer.**

O God, we pray for the elected leadership in our local governments, state legislatures, Congress and our president. We pray that they would have the courage to work for the common good for all the people of this country, and that they would put aside differences in order to serve the greater good, we pray to you, O God: **Hear our prayer.**

O God, we continue to pray for those struggling during this pandemic. Help us support those delivering needed aid and

vaccines, and let us be witnesses to the benefits of receiving the vaccine ourselves. And help us all take responsibility for every measure that protects us, we pray to you, O God: **Hear our prayer.**

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 #89 Hosanna Loud Hosanna

**1 Hosanna, loud hosanna the little children sang;
through pillared court and temple the joyful anthem rang.
To Jesus, who had blessed them, close folded to His breast,
the children sang their praises, the simplest and the best.**
**2 From Olivet they followed mid an exultant crowd,
the victor palm branch waving, and chanting clear and loud.
The Lord of earth and heaven rode on in lowly state, nor
scorned that little children should on His bidding wait.**
**3 "Hosanna in the highest!" That ancient song we sing,
for Christ is our Redeemer, the Lord of heaven, our King.
O may we ever praise Him with heart and life and voice,
and in His blissful presence eternally rejoice.**

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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