

# Providence United Methodist Church



6450 Bringle Ferry Road, Salisbury, NC 28146  
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December 29, 2013 10:30 AM  
Pastor: Rev. Dan Gobble Lay Leader: Evelyn Eller  
Organist: Jean Funderburk

## *First Sunday After Christmas Day*

### **Gathering of the People Before God:**

Welcome, Celebrations & Announcements at 10:25 AM

#### **Entrance:**

Call to Worship & Lighting of the Candles: *Providence Praise Band*

\*Opening Songs of Praise: *"The First Noel"* #245

\*Opening Prayer

\*Share the Peace of Christ with One Another

Children's Good News! (*Children are invited to come to the altar for a message*)

### **Offering God Our Time, Our Talents, & Our Treasures:**

Tithes & Offerings: (*Children are invited to bring their offerings forward.*)

Offertory: *Providence Praise Band*

\*Doxology: *"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"* #94

\*Prayer of Dedication:

\*Hymn of Thanksgiving: *"In the Bleak Midwinter"* #221

### **Meeting with God in Prayer**

The *Prayer Book* is located on the altar table. Please write down your prayer concerns & praises in the Prayer Book before the service (as we are gathering or during the Passing of the Peace). These will be shared with the congregation during our time of prayer. Please remember our homebound friends and folks that are in the hospital or nursing homes in your daily prayers! (*If you would like a list of Providence homebound friends, copies are on the table in the Sunday school hallway or the vestibule.*)

Anthem:

*"He Is Born"*

Providence Choir

### **Sharing the Good News of God's Love:**

A Word from God's Word:

Hebrews 2:10-18

Sharing from the Heart: *"Perfected through Sufferings"*

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### **Responding to the Good News & Preparing to Go Out & Share God's Love**

\*Hymn of Invitation: *"O Sing a Song of Bethlehem"*

#179

\*Dismissal & Blessing

\*Postlude

*Remember to bring your March for Missions offerings next Sunday.*

Now, let's Go Out and Serve!

\*Asterisks – Indicate *"Congregation please stand as able"*

## Our Mission Statement:

### **Growing Together In God's Grace/**

Usher for December: Gary & Ann Bell, Steve & Connie Cauble

Usher for January: Wayne, Wanda, Carrie & Katie Nichols

Acolyte for Today: Reese Vestal

Children Church Leaders: Wendy Eller,

Offering Counters for December: Toni Peeler and Susan Eddleman

# Growing Together In God's Grace!

**Gifts:** Offering Sunday, December 22, 2013.....\$3,343.00  
 Needed each week..... \$3,562.00

## Attendance the week of December 22<sup>nd</sup>:

Traditional Service.....152  
 Christmas Eve Service.....58  
 Total Attendance..... 210



### "YIA Fundraiser"

2014 Wall Calendars	\$6.00
Christmas Cards	\$6.00
2014 Pocket Calendars	\$6.00
Magnetic Note Pads	\$4.00

Items are on the table in the Sunday school hallway. Make checks payable to Providence

"YIA." A collection jar is on the table by the items for your convenience.

**LOST & FOUND:** Please check the lost and found box on the table in the Sunday school hallway. New items are added weekly. Items left for a period of time will be donated.

**2014 Flower Calendar:** Be sure to sign up if you would like to place flowers on the altar for a special day or in honor/memory of a loved one. The 2014 Flower Calendar is on the bulletin board in the Sunday School Hallway.

Check us out on the web: <http://www.pumc-salisbury.org/>

Be sure to subscribe to receive updates via email.

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### Providence UMC Weekly Worship Schedule

Sunday:	8:30 a.m.	First Light Worship Service
	9:30 – 10:15 a.m.	Sunday school
	10:30 a.m.	Traditional Worship Service
Wednesday:	6:30 p.m.	Solomon's Porch
Wednesday:	6:00 p.m.	Choir Practice

**A Word from God's Word:**

**Hebrews 2:10-18**

**Sharing from the Heart:** "Perfected through Sufferings"

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*Prayer concerns lifted up the week of December 22, 2013:*

*Judy Troutman, Rachel Wagoner, Barbara Brown Kesler, Hilda Hartley, David Eller, Ryan, Alley, & family, Sherry Sides, Joy Mull, Randy Shumaker, Lloyd Morgan, Archie Morris, Kay Shelnuitt, Len Zimmerman, Carl Satterwhite, Regina Rogers, Kathy Sills, Becky Haynes, Ruth Agner, Merlene Oddie, the family of Ruby Basinger, the family of Tommy Greene, the family of Marco Kaufman*

*Praises for the birth of Jimmie & Barbara Kesler's great-grandson, Lucas James Pope born December 13<sup>th</sup>, 2013.*

Thank you for the participation in the Club 4:12 Christmas card fundraiser. \$212.80 was received. The money was used to support 2 children for One Church One Child and 2 children in our community.



**Rowan Helping Ministries** collection items for **December** are: *peanut butter, rice, pasta, soup and crackers.*

The collection items for **January** are: *toilet tissue and canned foods.*

**Solomon's Porch Worship Service will not be held on Wednesday, January 1<sup>st</sup>, New Year's Day. Services will resume on Wednesday, January 8<sup>th</sup>.**

### **Schedule Change:**

**5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Night Singing schedule has been changed from December 29<sup>th</sup> to 7:00 PM Sunday, January 26<sup>th</sup> at Wyatt's Grove Baptist Church**



**December 30, 2013 – January 3, 2014**  
***Providence delivers Meals-On-Wheels***

**Saturday, January 4<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 A.M.** the church **Christmas decorations will be taken down.** Anyone willing to help, please meet Wendy Eller in the sanctuary.

**The church nursery will be available as needed beginning on Sunday, January 5<sup>th</sup>.** For both, Children's Worship and the nursery, volunteers that have completed the Safe Sanctuary requirements are available to work with children. Please see Wendy Eller for more information about these two programs.

**January 12<sup>th</sup>, Sunday: 4:00 PM – 6:00 PM Club 4:12 will meet in the hut.** Parents are asked to stay at the beginning of the meeting to complete the yearly youth participation permission form. Children will not be able to participate in the Club 4:12 youth activities during the 2014 year without a current participation permission form on file. This will be a movie night for the children.

**Confirmation Classes:** Starting on Sunday, **January 5<sup>th</sup>**, from **3:00 PM until 5:00 PM**, we will begin Confirmation Classes. These classes are for youth ages 12 and up. This is a 12 week adventure of exploring our faith. We will finish up on April 13<sup>th</sup>, Palm Sunday. Anyone who is ready to make their Profession of Faith will be able to do so on Easter Sunday, April 20<sup>th</sup>. **Goals of Confirmation:**

- Get a basic understanding of Christian beliefs, including the doctrine of the Trinity (Father, Son, & Holy Spirit), creation, sin, and grace.
- Learn the story of our faith, as contained in the Old & New Testaments.
- Learn about the rich history of Christianity, including our own Methodist branch of the Christian tree.
- Learn about spiritual disciplines & practices which can build & strengthen our faith, i.e., worship, prayer, service, etc.
- Learn about God's call to serve one another through acts of mercy, kindness, & love.
- Talk about our faith and belief in God and what it means to be in an ongoing relationship with God.

**Sign up ASAP! See the sign-up sheet in the Sunday school hallway.**

**See Pastor Dan if you have any questions.**



If you ordered a poinsettia, please remember to take it home this week.