



I was glad when they said unto me, Let us go into the house of the Lord



*Providence Presbyterian Church
of Bustleton
Old York and Bustleton Road Florence Township
Reverend Diane Curtis Interim Pastor*

The Morning Celebration!

8:30 A.M. & 11:00 A.M.

Staffed Nursery available in C.E. Bldg., lower level.

**Please stand if you are able.*

Sunday, April 15, 2018

Third Sunday of Easter

He is not here for he has been raised, as he said.

- *Matthew 28:6*

Assisting in Worship

8:30 Janet Newell

11:00 Jeffrey Caron

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

GREETING ONE ANOTHER IN CHRIST

CARRYING CHRIST'S LIGHT IN (LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES)

PRELUDE "He Leadeth Me" - *Bradbury*

RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

LEADER: Sing joyful songs to God, our Savior.

PEOPLE: **Remember the Lord, who set us free.**

LEADER: Blow the trumpet; sound the tambourine!

PEOPLE: **Remember the Lord, the God of life.**

***HYMN #487 When Morning Gilds the Skies**

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

God of all who doubt and believe, by the gift of your Spirit enable us to hear with our ears, to see with our eyes, and to touch with our hands your Word of life – Jesus Christ – our Lord and our God. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

LEADER: This is God's promise, the sign and seal of our redemption: You have been called by God, claimed in Christ, set free through the Spirit.

LEADER: Friends, believe the good news of the gospel.

PEOPLE: **In Jesus Christ we are – I am – forgiven.
Thanks be to God! Amen.**

CHORUS OF PRAISE

Open our eyes, Lord,

We want to see Jesus,

To reach out and touch Him,

And say that we love Him.

Open our ears, Lord,

And help us to listen,

Open our eyes, Lord,

We want to see Jesus.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST LESSON: 1 John 3:1-7 (NT P 240)

SPECIAL MUSIC (8:30) Hymn #339 Be Thou My Vision

CHOIR: (11:00) Somebody's Knocking at Your Door

TIME FOR CHILDREN

Prayer Concerns

Hospitalized, Nursing Home Care, Senior Living, and Rehabilitation:

Edith Csik, Betty Jenkins, Jean Prettyman, Charles Hudak, Delores Stavish, Carson, Sara Stottleman, Nancy Hartman, Mary Gilmore. Gary, Tim, Jerry, Steve, Mark, Jennifer Poole's Grandfather, and David Clark

Healing:

Scott Freck, Carol Hess, Sandra, Carrie Dare, Charles Hathaway 2nd, Eleanor Hathaway, Teresa and Joanne Dimaio, Erica and son David, Kristin, Ray Stavish, Larry Crompier, Fran, John, Linda Breck, Lenton Studdaford, Maria Simon, Carol & Ed Merten, Jane Nugent, Jennifer Cox, Dave DiRazzio & Family, Randy Hunt, Tara, Charles Kasper, Ken Hunt, Warren, Jan, Polly's daughter Ava, Mary Ann Lebeau, Tracy, Sophia, Brian, Cindy Truet, Ben Shivers, Joe Gamche, Aunt Betty, Zach Talarit, Cooper Smith, Alan Goodrich, Gus Bindewald, Doris Kreiger, Millie Lincoln, Heal's nephew Patrick, Hannah, Jack O'Brian, Joe Dixon, Newell's granddaughter Haley.

God's presence/peace: Barbara York & Family on passing of her Mother Dolores Stavish.

Because we love you our prayers are with you this week:

David & Meredith Gillespie & Family, Richard & Jerrie Glass, and Rebecca Jenson & Sons.

THIS WEEK AT PROVIDENCE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

April 16– April 22

Monday, April 16th

7:00 PM – Confirmation class

Tuesday, April 17th

12:30 PM – PW Bible Study, CE building

Thursday, April 19th

7:00 PM Choir practice

Saturday, April 21st

8:00 Spring Clean-UP. Bring your gloves and rakes.

Sunday, April 22th

9:45 am – in the Sanctuary - The film *AD: KINGDOM AND EMPIRE*

WELCOME

Welcome to the worship and fellowship of our church family. We hope that you will be both comforted and challenged by the Word of God today. If you are new to our community of faith, we hope you will consider making this your church home. Any of our worship leaders will be able to help you with any questions. If you are already part of our family of faith, be sure to extend a friendly greeting to those around you, starting with someone you don't know ... yet.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **HOAGIE SALE** – April 20, 21 & 22 at the CE building. [Come out and support the church and enjoy a good hoagie!](#) Times:
Friday & Saturday: 10-3
Sunday: 9:30-1
- Confirmation Classes April 16, 23rd, 30th and May 7th 7:00 – 8:30 PM.
- Confirmation is Sunday, May 20th. Students will need to attend both services
- Our church picnic this year is June 24th at the Heal's house. Always a great time and good food, so put that date on your calendar!
- Vacation Bible School is June 25th thru June 29th. Please mark your calendars.
- **Check out our NEW FACEBOOK PAGE!**
www.facebook.com/provpresch.org/
Be sure to like our page and to check daily for new posts to like and share.

2018 PPCH FINANCIAL REPORT

Giving Last Week	Weekly Giving Goal
\$3,162	\$3,004
Giving Last Month	Monthly Giving Goal
\$13,936	\$13,015
Year to Date	2018 Budget Total
\$43,108	\$156,185

Providence Presbyterian Church Mission Study

Ushers for:

April 11:00 – Jen Caron, Wendy Varga
May 11:00 – Dick Glass, Ed Merten

Greeters for:

April 11:00 - Jen Caron
May 11:00 - Jack Harkins

Assisting in worship for month of April

	8:30	11:00
April 22	Randy York	Burgess Goff & Mackenzie Stein
April 29	Jennifer Poole	Chuck Kroh

Assisting in worship for month of May

	8:30	11:00
May 6	Donna Custard	Wendy Varga
May 13	Maritza Chambers	Jen Caron
May 20	Bill Buckley	Annette Slaney
May 27	Mitchell Wildonger	Jack Harkins

Communion Assistants for May

	8:30	11:00
Neil Wildonger		Chuck Kroh, Phil Leifels, Wendy & Don Kasper

One of the most important steps our church does during the transition between pastors is to do a mission study. The intent of the study is to provide a picture of who we are as a church in 2018 and to prayerfully paint a picture of our church in the future. The outcome of the study will guide us as we seek to grow into God's church and will be used by the Pastor Nominating Committee during their search for a new pastor.

Process:

- 1) provide a picture of who the church is today:
 - complete a demographic study of our community
 - determine who we are as a church – people, leadership, staff, programs and ministries, outreach and missions, buildings and property, finances
 - collect information from the congregation through a survey and small group discussions
 - analyze the information collected to see what it tells us about who we are
 - paint a picture of God's future for our church including short-term and long-term goals
- 2) along the way give progress reports to the Session and congregation
- 3) prepare a report that will be utilized by the Pastor Nominating Committee (PNC) to complete the necessary forms to begin the search for the new pastor
- 4) begin working on our short-term goals to help us grow into the future God has for us

Next Steps:

- Mission study is approved by Session and the Commission on Ministry of the Presbytery
- Upon Presbytery approval, the congregation elects a PNC
- PNC begins its work to search for a new pastor

Mission Study Team: Jen Caron, Donna Custard, Jennifer Poole, Pam Solymosi, Randy York and Pastor Diane.

SECOND LESSON: Luke 24:36-48 (NT P 91)

Gloria Patri

SERMON: Opening Our Eyes

- Pastor Diane Curtis

Hymn #324 Open My Eyes That I May See

PRESENTATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory: "All the Way My Savior Leads Me"

Doxology (#592 Blue) OLD HUNDREDTH

Prayer of Dedication

OPEN TIME OF SHARING/TESTIMONY/PRAYER CONCERNS

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

HYMN #371 Lift High the Cross

*CHARGE AND BLESSING

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #586 Threefold Amen DANISH

POSTLUDE "All Hail the Power of Jesus Name"

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