

THE PROVIDENCE POST

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Located at 1400 Old Clyde Road, Clyde*



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Directions to Providence 1400 Old Clyde Road

From Waynesville: 19/23 to exit 105, right on Hospital Drive for 0.1 miles, right on Jones Cove Road to end (0.3 miles), right on Old Clyde Road for 0.1 miles, church is on the right.

From Clyde: 19/23 to exit 106, right on Jones Cove Road, then as above.

Worship and Church Activities

Sunday

10:00 am - Sunday School for all ages

10:45 am - Morning Worship with
Nursery & Children's Church

Tuesday

12:00 pm - Pastor's Circle

Wednesday

10:30 - Women's Prayer Group

Thursday

6:30 am - Men's Prayer Group
and breakfast

Every Other Thursday

7:00 pm Men's Group Study

7:00 pm Women's Group Study

April 2019

Give thanks to the Lord, Our God and King, His love endures forever! So indeed, the Psalmist declares. Let's think on these words, about gratitude, for a moment. Gratitude is a quality that should define our lives in Christ. We've been saved by grace through faith and it's all a gift! Our appropriate response is thanks! We have so much to be thankful for, as we move through Lent and toward the drama of Holy Week--and ultimately Resurrection Sunday. Christ rescued us from so great a peril! He crushed death to death, He put an end to our shame! How can we ever repay Him?! By living for Him, daily thankful for our salvation. But gratitude is not simply a general ethos of the heart. It is specific in its praise. It is articulated in words directed to our loving God. During Lent (and indeed at all times) we lift up the name of Jesus, and we proclaim, "thank you for your sacrifice--for you gave us true life in you." This month also, we express words of gratitude and thanks for the life of Gaby Lowell--faithful mother to her children and to many children whom she loved so dearly through her 95 years. We also say thank you Lord for the nearly \$7000 raised for missions recently. God we declare that you are faithful, loving and kind. To God be the Glory, great things He has done. Thank you God

Pastor Edward.



Easter Schedule

Good Friday Communion service 6:30 pm

Easter Sunrise service 6:30 at Lake Junaluska, Kern Porch.

8 am: Pancake and egg breakfast at church.

No Sunday School

10:45 worship service

The Well

The Well will not meet in April.

Providence Happenings



Yard Sale

First Chronicles 29 tells us of a time when King David prepared for Solomon's construction of the temple. After an outpouring from the King and their leaders, the people rejoiced " for they had given freely and wholeheartedly to the Lord"

Then David praises the Lord saying, " But who am I, and who are my people ,that we should be able to give as generously as this? Everything comes from you, and we have given to you only what comes from your hand".

After the enormous outpouring of donations and sacrificial work for the yard sale for missions by the body of Christ, what can one say about the nearly \$7000 raised but " To God be the glory and all this comes from Your hand. "

To the donators, dusters, drivers, the bakers, Bible teachers, baggers, the mowers, movers, money handlers, the internet sellers, entertainers, inventory arrangers, the pup grillers, prayers and purchasers: **THANK YOU!!!**



Free Hot Dog Lunch



Checking out

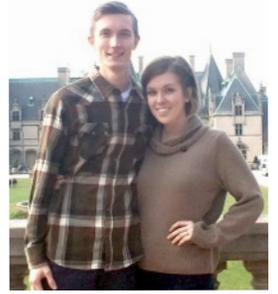


Magic show

Update from Harrison Northey

Dear Partnership Program supporters,

A couple weeks ago I was at a wedding and talked to a friend. He said that these written updates were nice, but that he was also interested in knowing how Sam and I are doing beyond my seminary classes. That got me thinking, and I've decided to write a school update here first, with a short personal update down below.



So, as always, first things first. Thank you all for you Providence for your generosity and support through the \$750 financial donation, through prayers, and through words of affirmation you speak to me. I do not forget them or take them for granted, and I'm always appreciative of the support you show us. You're helping me work through my schooling and reach my goal. Sam and I are very thankful for you all.

The end of my spring semester is approaching, which always brings a rush of stress and busyness, regardless of how ahead of the game I think I may be early in the semester. As you know, I preached for the second time this rotation at Providence. You may recall what a random-seeming passage to preach on: II Samuel 3, Joab's murder of Abner. Not exactly the most cheerful passage in the Bible. But, I think it went well and you all at Providence were encouraging and gracious (as always). Hebrew class is, well... it's Hebrew. Oh! But I did learn recently that the name Shlomo (which is a somewhat common Jewish name) is actually just Solomon in Hebrew. So, the next time you meet a guy named Shlomo know that it means shalom.

I'm reading C.S. Lewis and will be writing a paper on an aspect of his writing/thought. My theme is still a little unfocused at the moment, but I'm trying to get a hold on two of his ideas. First, he describes how a person's experience of and/or their desire for the experience of feeling sensationally and fantastically alive (what Lewis calls "Joy") can be an evidence for the existence of God. And second, he understands the universal reality of religion and mythology as pointing towards the truth of Christianity. Now to be clear, he doesn't seem to say that all religion and mythology is true like Christianity, but that they can contain pieces of truth in common with Christianity which, when taken altogether through human history, point to the ultimately true religion of Christ. Very... interesting... as a former professor of mine would say.

On to a personal update:

This week I experienced stitches for the first time in my 25 years of life. Last Monday I was being a silly goose and tripped, whilst carrying a heavy piece of an elevator, and hit my head on said heavy piece, resulting in the cutting of the cartilage of my left ear. Three stitches and seven days later, and I'm rocking what looks to be a pretty sweet little scar. (But it's not lightning shaped, unfortunately--sorry Harry!) Besides injuries, working on elevators continues to be a suitable job for this time in my life. I did send out some resumes to some local Christian schools a few months ago, but to no avail. But when I really think about it though, I don't think I could successfully manage switching into a teaching role and continuing to do two classes per semester at Gordon-Conwell. So, it looks like elevator is the word for the foreseeable future, and that's my ticket to the next floor for now.

Sometimes after visiting with someone for the first time in a while, they ask if I still play the banjo. The answer is yes, but not as much as I should and not as much as I would like to. For me, music continues to be a great love, but I don't really have the time and mental capacity to really start playing and improving again like I wish I could. But I do play guitar at church occasionally, and I also like to play some Irish music on mandolin when I get the urge. Banjo and mandolin are good stress relievers and tools (or should I say, instruments) of rest and relaxation these days.

My penchant for partaking of coffee remains strong.

Samantha is still working at the dentist office and is killin' it there. She's also doing a great job helping with worship and organization at our church. Oh and she's also still a babe.

Well, that'll be it for now friends. Thanks to anyone who takes the time to read my updates. And thanks again for your generosity and support.

Til next time, *Harrison*

Summer Camp

Vine of the Mountains Church will be presenting "Created for a Purpose" summer camp for our community this summer, August 5-9. We are partnering with them by offering them use of our building during that week.

It is a creativity camp for rising 3rd graders to 8th graders. The students will be divided by age groups and enjoy learning that they are created by God, in his image, for a purpose. The campers' week will be filled with awesome projects: sewing, cooking/baking, paper crafting, painting, and building/sculpture; talks; devotionals; and worship. Opportunities to volunteer will be presented in the near future.



Mission News



From the Roes March Update

Family Update

Alex has decided to attend Gardner-Webb University in Boiling Springs, NC in the fall of 2019. This is only 1 hour from Courtney's family. We're excited about this opportunity for him.



This means that we're coming to the United States!! We'll all be back in early August to prepare Alex for the start of college. Then Krista & Courtney will stay around for August and September to take the opportunity to see many of you

Prayer Requests:

- We have an important prayer request for our car. It BARELY passed inspection and our friendly neighborhood mechanic told us it could die at anytime. It's not worth fixing anything wrong with it so we would like for it to last us until our time in the US (August) so then we can make a better decision about our future vehicle needs.
- In the next few months, another family will be emerging from language school to join our office full time. Pray for Ben and Christina as we make that adjustment.
- Continue to pray for Alex as he finished up his Senior year and for sweet times together as a family.

Do you have some tech skills or know someone who does (coding, UI/UX Design, graphic design, testers, researchers, security enthusiasts, etc)? Join the conversation at <https://GEMKITT.org>. Even if you can't commit to anything initially we want you as part of the community.



Providence Church Divisions

Edward William Brouwer, Pastor & Worship

Our Session

Class of 2019

Wally Cook - Congregational Care

Thom Morgan - Finance

Class of 2020

Sam Mitchell - Clerk

Class of 2021

Bob Dresdow

Phil Inglis

Our Diaconate

Will Roberts - Class of 2019

Bill Allsbrook - Class of 2021

Music Director & Worship - Renee Allsbrook

Administrative Assistant - Barb Dresdow

Providence Church Summarized Financial Information December 31, 2018

Tithes/Offering collections	177,982
Miscellaneous income	<u>190</u>
Total Revenue	178,172
Missions	25,651
Purchase of HCA	151,760
Church Operating Expenses	<u>168,266</u>
Total Expenditures	345,677
Increase (Decrease) in Cash	(167,505)
Designated Givings	50
Cash in Bank Beginning of Year	<u>232,330</u>
Cash in Bank End of Month	64,875
<u>Breakdown of Cash</u>	
Checking Account	64,875
Savings Account	<u>0</u>
Total	64,875

March 31 Update

Total Income	\$45,257
Expenditures	<u>41,096</u>
Increase	4,161

April Volunteers

Snacks

Apr 7	Paula Rhodarmer team
Apr 14	Glenda White team
Apr 21	Easter Brunch
Apr 28	Carole Spink team

Sunday School/Children's Worship

Apr 7	Renee Mitchell
Apr 14	Glenda Brouwer
Apr 21	Jenny Alt
Apr 28	LuAnn Davis

Counters

Apr 7	Bob Dresdow Bill White
Apr 14	Phil Inglis Pat Inglis
Apr 21	Thom Morgan Bruce Kingshill
Apr 28	Bill Allsbrook LuAnn Davis

Power Point

Apr 7	Derek Rhodarmer
Apr 14	Linda Roberts
Apr 21	Barb Dresdow
Apr 28	Derek Rhodarmer

Open/Close/Usher

Apr 7	Bob Dresdow
Apr 14	Phil Inglis
Apr 21	Sam Mitchell
Apr 28	Thom Morgan

Cleaning Team

Will Roberts

April 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Will Roberts	2 12:00 PM Pastor's circle Sidney Indgin	3 10:30 AM Women's Prayer Group Lisa Lawrence Ian McKay	4 6:30 AM Men's Prayer Group	5 Cook & serve at Open Door Art Altman	6
7  10:45 AM Holy Communion	8	9 12:00 PM Pastor's circle Eric Lizarazu	10 10:30 AM Women's Prayer Group	11 6:30 AM Men's Prayer Group Calvin Allsbrook Eric & Emily Lizarazu	12	13
14 Kari Morgan	15	16 12:00 PM Pastor's circle	17 10:30 AM Women's Prayer Group	18 6:30 AM Men's Prayer Group	19 6:30 PM Good Friday service	20
21 6:30 AM Sunrise service 8:00 AM Pancake breakfast 10:45 AM Easter worship	22	23 12:00 PM Pastor's circle	24 10:30 AM Women's Prayer Group	25 6:30 AM Men's Prayer Group	26	27
28	29	30 12:00 PM Pastor's circle				

Anniversaries

Birthdays