

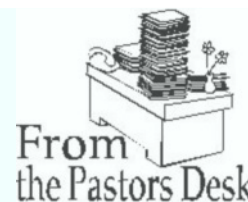
THE PROVIDENCE POST

*Providence Church - an Evangelical Presbyterian Church congregation
Located at 1400 Old Clyde Road, Clyde*



July 2021

...and to secure the blessings of liberty to ourselves and posterity.... these words appear in the preamble to the USA Constitution, and this month we celebrate the blessing of living in our nation. Yes, we are citizens of this great nation, and beyond that, we are citizens of the Greater Kingdom, and as such we are "aliens and strangers" who are passing through, who are looking to (as Hebrew 11:16 explains) and longing for a better country--a heavenly one...therefore God prepared a heavenly city for them... When Israel was exiled in Babylon for those 70 years, Jeremiah encouraged them to pray for the peace of the city, "for your peace is tied to her peace". The prosperity and freedom of the people of God were tied to the prosperity and the peace of the city that represented the nation of Babylon. And so it is altogether fitting that we should honor Independence Day, and pray for our city and nation. Let us pray that "justice will roll down like a river and righteousness like a never-ending stream". So let us make a difference as teachers and veterinarians, as artists and musicians, as retirees and parents (and grandparents), as students and bankers, accountants, and craftsmen. Whatever you do, do it with passion and conviction and let us all leave this place a little better than we found it...all the while keeping our eyes on Christ Who is the Author and Finisher of our faith. Let us remember that the blessings of liberty are tangible and intangible, here and now but also future. Thanks be to God Who has attained for us true liberty, true freedom, indeed a lasting inheritance and eternal home.



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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 105, right on Jones Cove Road, then as above.

Worship and Church Activities

Sunday

9:45 am - Morning Worship

11:15 - Sunday School

Tuesday

10:15 - Women's Prayer Group

12:00 Pastor's Bible study

Thursday

6:45 am - Men's Prayer Group

Pastor Edward

Providence Happenings



Session Roundup

Our elders met Tuesday, June 15 in the evening and we prayed for our congregation that God would strengthen and revitalize us as individuals, families, and a church body. We are praying that the Lord would bless our fellowship with new members--specifically, we are praying that He would add 5 families to our church.

We will return to regular Communion with the passing of the elements by our elders.

We discussed what moving forward as a church plant might look like with regard to Mission, Prayer, Gospel Outreach, Leadership Development, and Community.

We will reinstate the Passing of the Peace at the beginning of each worship service.

We plan to offer an additional adult SS class led by Will and Christina Roberts.

We want to implement greater fellowship opportunities that include a regular "potluck" after church as well as Acts 2 Fellowship Dinners (small groups meeting for dinner and sharing our faith in each other's homes--Dinner for 8)

We will move the Nursery/Children's SS class back downstairs in the education wing.

We decided to hold off on maintenance of the heat pump/air conditioning unit for the upstairs of the education wing since we have no plans to use that space.

We discussed and re-evaluated our Service times. We will continue with 9:45 Morning worship, and SS for all ages at 11:15 with a brief fellowship time in between.

We received the finance report and are grateful for the healthy giving of our people such that we are able to do ministry and keep within our budget.

Dear Providence Family, *Thank you*

Thanks so much for showering this year's high school graduates with kindness (and a delicious BBQ meal!) back in May. It was so fun to have a party to celebrate graduation, and I am so grateful for all of your encouragement and gifts as I prepare to head to school in August. Thanks for your prayers for me this fall. You are all the best.

With love, Charlotte Allsbrook

Pastor's Bible Study

meets each Tuesday at noon in the fellowship hall to discuss the previous week's sermon, as well as the upcoming sermon. Bring your Bible and a bagged lunch if you would like.



Open Door Soup Kitchen

This is an ongoing commitment of Providence Church to the least, the last, the lost and the lonely of our community. While Open Door is no longer able to serve meals, we are still volunteering to cook the meals on the first Friday of each month. If you can serve in this way, please let Linda Wilson know at 901-230-7178.

Thanks for your faithfulness. **Please join us this Friday, July 2nd to bless and be blessed.**



Mission News



Mideast Update

Medical/ Nutrition Help for Refugees

We are grateful for the opportunity to continue providing medical and nutritional care for needy refugees. Also, God has confirmed the need to continue our nutritional fruit and vegetable program for the next year as donations continue to come. Currently, we have \$22,500 donated and looking to raise another \$17,500 for special medical cases as well. Click [here](#) to donate.

Coming Your Way

In a few days, we will be flying back to the US for a whirlwind of 2.5 months. It's been 3 years since we've been back and able to see many of you. We'd love to connect but will have limited time for lots of personal visits. Here are some of the places we'll be sharing and love to connect with you:

Renton, WA	June 3	Arabic Dinner & Coffee
Greenville, SC	June 11	North Hills Community Church
Wilmington, NC	June 20	Christ Community Church AM & PM
Wilmington, NC	June 27	Myrtle Grove Baptist AM/ Myrtle Grove EPC PM
Wilmington, NC	June 30	Moore's Creek Baptist PM
Winston-Salem, NC	July 11	River Oaks EPC
Topsail, NC	July 18	Emma Anderson Memorial Chapel
Hampstead, NC	July 21	Hampstead Baptist Church PM
Charlotte, NC	July 24	Open House Drop-In (see RSVP below)
Huntersville, NC	July 25	Lake Forest EPC AM
Zebulon, NC	July 28	Church of the Cross PM
Charlotte, NC	August 1	Banks EPC AM
Charlotte, NC	August 4	Forest Hill Church PM
Chattanooga, TN	August 8	Brainerd EPC AM/ Valleybrook EPC PM

Hope to see you soon!

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Want Ads

Items you wish to buy, sell, trade, or give away may be submitted to Bill White or Linda Wilson.

Providence Church Divisions

Edward William Brouwer, Pastor & Worship

Our Session

Class of 2021

Bob Dresdow

Phil Inglis

Class of 2022

Luke Allsbrook

Bruce Kingshill

Class of 2023

Jason Edwards - Building & Grounds

Will Roberts - Clerk

Elder Emeritus

Kent Roberts

Music Director & Worship - Renee Allsbrook

Administrative Assistant - Linda Wilson

Nursery: Mandy Mills

July Volunteers

Snacks

July 4	Potluck luncheon
July 11	Toni Cook Jennifer Dale
July 18	Paula Rhodarmer Glenda Brouwer
July 25	Renee Allsbrook Linda Wilson

Sunday School/Nursery/ Children's Church

July 4	Calvin Allsbrook
July 11	LuAnn Davis
July 18	Glenda Brouwer
July 25	Renee Mitchell

Counters

July 4	Luke Allsbrook LuAnn Davis
July 11	Bill Allsbrook TBD
July 18	Will Roberts TBD
July 25	Bob Dresdow Bruce Kingshill

Providence Church Summarized Financial Information As of June 28th, 2021

Tithes and Offerings	\$87,362.98
Expenditures	(68,407.23)
Collections over expenditures	18,955.75
Mission Income	5,850.92
Mission Expenditures	1,100.00
Checking account	27,332.13
Savings account	75,056
CD	12,000



Open/Close/Usher

July 4	Luke Allsbrook
July 11	TBD
July 18	Will Roberts
July 25	Bruce Kingshill

Cleaning (week of)

July 5	Mitchells
July 12	Tom/Barb
July 19	Edward/Jason
July 26	Edward/Jeffery

July 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
4  9:45 AM Holy Communion 11:00 AM Potluck  Independence Day	5	6 10:15 AM Women's Prayer Group <div style="background-color: #f0f0f0; width: 100px; height: 20px; margin-top: 5px;"></div>	7 Glenda Brouwer	8 6:45 AM Men's Prayer Group	9 Phil Inglis	10
11 Jerry Allsbrook	12	13 10:15 AM Women's Prayer Group 12:00 PM Pastor's circle	14	15 6:45 AM Men's Prayer Group	16	17
18	19 Torpy Skinner	20 10:15 AM Women's Prayer Group 12:00 PM Pastor's circle	21 Bill White	22 6:45 AM Men's Prayer Group Luke & Renee Allsbrook	23	24
25	26	27 10:15 AM Women's Prayer Group 12:00 PM Pastor's circle	28	29 6:45 AM Men's Prayer Group Carson Alt	30 Barb Dresdow Lisa Rhodarmer	31
						Anniversaries
						Birthdays