

THE PROVIDENCE POST

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



July 2022



For 50 years we as Christians in America have grieved the 1973 US Supreme Court decision to grant federal uncton to a woman's right to privacy with abortion. This egregious trampling of the rights of the unborn as a federally protected "right" has pained our hearts for a generation. Now, with the recent overturning of Roe vs. Wade, the decision has shifted to the state level--where many states have restricted access to abortion. Let me be clear, the Christian Church has been pro-life since the beginning. From Jesus' words: I have come that ye may have life and that abundantly, to the early view of the Apostolic Father's writing in the Didache expressly forbidding abortion or infanticide--the church has been pro-life. The gospel truth is that our God has created all human life in His image and that we are to vigorously protect human lives, especially of the voiceless and vulnerable. But in addition to celebrating this as a win for what is right, let us also acknowledge that there is a "culture war", (that threatens to tear us apart) so let us live in contriteness of heart and humility before God and His people--and as salt and light in the nation which God has given to us to live in. For we have yet a long way to go. Further protection for the unborn should be prayed for, advocated for, and enacted. We must compassionately help those who find themselves in an unplanned pregnancy. Let us support pregnancy crisis centers (both local and national) like MAPS with our prayers, finances, and volunteering. Let us work toward a streamlining of the fostering and adoption system. Let us make adopting more affordable for families. Let us help moms who choose life (or not), to be welcomed and supported in our church family and in society in general. Let us be compassionate toward those who have experienced abortion. Let us always share the love of Christ as His ambassadors.

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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

Thursday

6:45 am - Men's Prayer Group

Providence Happenings



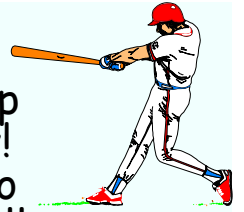
Church Work Day



Come join us on our work day--we need a team of volunteers to spruce up our campus. Please come to help clean, weed, sweep, spread mulch, or whatever on Saturday, July 9 from 8:30-noon. Lunch will be provided.

Mark your Calendars!

Baseball, hot dogs, fellowship and fun for the whole family! Providence Church is going to an Asheville Tourists baseball game August 12th at 6:30 pm. Tickets are \$9 if we get at least 20 fans to join us. There will be a sign-up sheet in the Narthex for RSVP so we can get a head count. Please be sure to let us know who can go and how many.



VOLUNTEER

We'd love to have you be a part of our team!

Volunteer Positions:

- Children's Sunday School Assistant (no prep required)
- Clean church
- Grounds
- Sunday morning PowerPoint
- Sunday morning snacks
- Mission committee

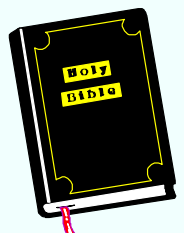
Nursery Worker Needed

Providence is looking to hire a part time nursery worker for each Sunday from 9:45 to 12 noon. Please contact Edward Brouwer, 828-550-4615, or Linda Wilson, 901-230-7178 (providencechurchassistant@gmail.com), if you are interested or know of anyone that might be. Also, please be in prayer that God will guide this process.

NO Open Door this Friday, July 1. New changes will be announced in the future.

Bible Studies

Pastor's Tuesday Bible Study and the Wednesday night Bible Study will **not** meet during the summer months.





Mission News



From the McKays

One of 'our' families from Afghanistan invited us over with a friend recently for a meal. It was, as usual a great generous spread and a wonderful time of laughter and discussion. Because our friend is a former 'cousin', he was able to share some of his testimony and give the family some pause for thought. However, the real shocker came as we arrived at the house when the oldest daughter casually announced that in a couple of years, she planned to "convert" out of her current belief system...



The background here is key... a couple of years ago, we prayerfully decided to pass this girl a Farsi Bible, which Sandra delivered to her on a visit while I provided a distraction for the rest of the family. When she gave it to her in her room, the girl (A.) said thank you, but then her older brother came charging in and she deftly slipped it under her bedcovers.... we never knew if he saw it....or she read it. During the aforementioned visit, when we spoke about the resurrection of Jesus, she replied, "oh, I read that in that book you gave me." Please pray for A. and for her family to come to the true knowledge of Jesus.... there were likely fireworks, especially from her father, after our visit.

It is wonderful, with the easing of restrictions to be able to meet together with our International Gathering and enjoy some worship, study and (not surprisingly) food! Five family units and six nationalities!

One new refugee the Lord has brought into our lives is V. from Cameroon... he has one of the most harrowing stories of a two-year nightmare of a journey to Europe.... during which he came to know the Lord (blame the usual suspect... a praying mother!!). He is currently working two full-time jobs to help his family back in Cameroon.

As a side note, I have had a number of people request that I do some video teaching, so believing that the Lord speaks through you all.... I plan to begin attaching short video messages to these updates... feel free to check them out, they are usually 4 to 8 minutes long. See link below... if you do not have vimeo, some phones will let you temporarily use the app to watch without downloading it. If not, please let us know and we will get it to you another way.

<https://vimeo.com/715959928/ed1c4d1fd3>

Thank you for sharing in the mission with us! May His peace prevail,

Adger, Sandra, Sam and Ian McKay

Prayer/Praise:

- Just looking at this world... and struck by gratitude that we can be here loving the displaced in His name!
- We still have a monthly deficit on our account of approximately \$1,000//month
- We do need to find a car to drive in the U.S., in the hope that we will be able to come in August. Rentals are astronomical.
- Wisdom/favor re Sam's university and housing

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 2022

Luke Allsbrook

Bruce Kingshill

Class of 2023

Jason Edwards - Building & Grounds

Will Roberts - Clerk

Class of 2024

Derek Rhodarmer

Elder Emeritus

Kent Roberts

Music Director & Worship - Renee Allsbrook

Administrative Assistant - Linda Wilson

Providence Church

Summarized Financial Information

As of May 31, 2022

Tithes and Offerings	\$72,615
Other Income	8,156
Mission giving	4,618
Carryover funds - Missions	(1,773)
Expenditures other than Missions	(78,454)
Mission Expenditures	<u>(11,595)</u>
Expenditures over collections	(\$6,433)

Cash Balance

Checking account	\$18,556
Savings account	<u>75,101</u>
Total	\$93,657

July Volunteers

Snacks

July 3	Renee Mitchell Jennifer Dale
July 10	Renee Allsbrook Paula Rhodarmer
July 17	LuAnn Davis Carolyn Ramsey
July 24	Linda Wilson Glenda Brouwer
July 31	Renee Mitchell Jennifer Dale

Sunday School/Nursery

July 3	LuAnn Davis Kim Cort
July 10	Renee Mitchell Natalie Brouwer
July 17	Christina Roberts Calvin Allsbrook
July 24	Glenda Brouwer Jenna Dale
July 31	Jenny Alt Natalie Brouwer

Counters

July 3	Luke Allsbrook
July 10	Will Roberts
July 17	Derek Rhodarmer
July 24	Bruce Kingshill
July 31	TBD



Open/Close/Usher

July 3	Luke Allsbrook
July 10	Will Roberts
July 17	Derek Rhodarmer
July 24	Bruce Kingshill
July 31	TBD

Cleaning (week of)

July 4	Edward/Jeffery
July 11	Linda R/Susan K
July 18	Mitchells
July 25	Edward/Jason
Aug 1	TBD

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
3 	4  Independence Day	5 10:15 AM Women's Prayer Group	6	7 6:45 AM Men's Prayer Group Glenda Brouwer	8	9 Church work day
10	11 Jerry Allsbrook	12 10:15 AM Women's Prayer Grp	13	14 6:45 AM Men's Prayer Group	15	16
17	18	19 10:15 AM Women's Prayer Group	20	21 6:45 AM Men's Prayer Group Bill White	22 Luke & Renee Allsbrook	23
24	25	26 10:15 AM Women's Prayer Group	27	28 6:45 AM Men's Prayer Group	29 Doug & Carolyn Ramsey Carson Alt	30 Lisa Rhodarmer
31	<p>If your birthday or anniversary is missing please give it to Linda Wilson</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; width: 100%;"> Anniversaries Birthdays </div>					