



Providence
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
"Where Life and Faith Connect"

Sunday, May 3, 2026

WELCOME!

Please silence your phone before worship.

WORSHIP AT PROVIDENCE*

The Wiggle Room is located just outside the Sanctuary if you would like a more private space for you and your child. You can view a live stream of both worship services from the Wiggle Room.

10:00 am: Traditional Worship with Choir, Sanctuary

A fully staffed nursery for infants and toddlers up to 4 years old is available in Room 200.

Breakfast & Bible Study, Youth Lounge Café

For youth in 7th grade and above.

Godly Play, Room 202

For children 4 years old to 3rd grade.

Grades 4-6 Sunday School, Room 205

For children in grades 4th-6th.

11:00 am: Children's Choir, Room 202

For children up to 6th grade (every Sunday).

11:15 am: Contemporary Worship with Band, Taylor Hall

A Playground is available at the back of Taylor Hall for young families.

***On the first Sunday of each month there is no Christian Education. Families worship together!**

Worship is live streamed and recorded for future viewing. See the "Watch" page at providencechurch.org.

The Sanctuary is equipped with Assistive Hearing Technology.



May 3, 2026

Fifth Sunday of Easter

Gathering

PRELUDE

“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”
Jane Kaye, piano

–Arr. Joel Raney

CHIMES

WELCOME

A Moment for the Mission of the Church

Rev. Matt Baker
Paul Krumhaus

INTROIT

“O Sing to the Lord”
The Sanctuary Choir

–Eleanor Daley

CALL TO WORSHIP

Jane Prosperi

One: Enter this space, Holy One, and reveal yourself to us.

All: God is already in our midst, and we rejoice.

One: Hear our prayers, O Lord, and have mercy on your children.

All: The Spirit within us is sighing a prayer before we open our mouths.

One: Receive our praise, God, that we might know your love.

All: God’s love meets us before we have the strength to ask, and we are grateful. Thanks be to the God who goes before us.

***HYMN #435** (Purple)

“There’s a Wideness
in God’s Mercy”
(Lyrics on page 6.)

IN BABILONE

CALL TO CONFESSION

Jane Prosperi

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name.

(Time for silent and personal confession.)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Friends, believe the good news of the gospel:

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Amen.

***RESPONSE** (Purple #606)

OLD HUNDREDTH

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
 praise God, all creatures here below;
 praise God above, ye heavenly host;
 praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

Word

FIRST READING

Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16
 (Text on page 8.)

Jane Prosperie

ANTHEM

“Take Up Your Cross”
 The Sanctuary Choir
 (Lyrics on page 14.)

–Howard Helvey

A TIME FOR CHILDREN

Paige Bach

SECOND READING

John 14:1-14
 (Text on page 9.)

Rev. Baker

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

“Lost and Looking for God”

Rev. Baker

***HYMN #475** (Purple)

“Come, Thou Fount
 of Every Blessing”
 (Lyrics on page 6.)

NETTLETON

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Rev. Baker

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

(Place your tithes and offerings in the basket at the back of the Sanctuary.)

Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper

INVITATION TO THE LORD’S TABLE

Rev. Baker

THE GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up unto the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

(Pause for prayer)

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of Power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

The Lord's Prayer (debts)

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

THE COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

COMMUNION MEDITATION

Jane Kaye

COMMUNION PRAYER (in unison)

O God, you have so greatly loved us, long sought us, and mercifully redeemed us. Give us grace that in everything we may yield ourselves, our wills and our works, a continual thank-offering to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

COMMUNION CARE

Sending

***HYMN #248** (Purple)

"Christ Is Risen!
Shout Hosanna!"
(Lyrics on page 7.)

HYMN TO JOY

***BENEDICTION**

Rev. Baker

(Please remain standing unless otherwise directed.)

***RESPONSE**

"O God Who Has Called Us"
The Sanctuary Choir

–Eleanor Daley

POSTLUDE

"Allegro Maestoso" by Handel
with NETTLETON
Jane Kaye, organ

–Arr. Jeff Perks

**Please stand*

HYMN #435**There's a Wideness in God's Mercy****IN BABILONE**

1 There's a wideness in God's mercy,
like the wideness of the sea.
There's a kindness in God's justice,
which is more than liberty.
There is no place where earth's sorrows
are more felt than up in heaven.
There is no place where earth's failings
have such kindly judgment given.

2 For the love of God is broader
than the measures of the mind.
And the heart of the Eternal
is most wonderfully kind.
If our love were but more faithful,
we would gladly trust God's Word,
and our lives reflect thanksgiving
for the goodness of our Lord.

HYMN #475**Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing****NETTLETON**

1 Come, thou Fount of every blessing;
tune my heart to sing thy grace;
streams of mercy, never ceasing,
call for songs of loudest praise.
Teach me some melodious sonnet,
sung by flaming tongues above;
praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it,
mount of God's unchanging love!

2 Here I raise my Ebenezer;
hither by thy help I'm come;
and I hope, by thy good pleasure,
safely to arrive at home.
Jesus sought me when a stranger,
wandering from the fold of God;
he, to rescue me from danger,
interposed his precious blood.

3 O to grace how great a debtor
daily I'm constrained to be!
Let that grace now, like a fetter,
bind my wandering heart to thee.
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it,
prone to leave the God I love;
here's my heart; O take and seal it;
seal it for thy courts above.

HYMN #248

Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna!

HYMN TO JOY

1 Christ is risen! Shout Hosanna!
Celebrate this day of days!
Christ is risen! Hush in wonder:
all creation is amazed.
In the desert all-surrounding,
see, a spreading tree has grown.
Healing leaves of grace abounding
bring a taste of love unknown.

2 Christ is risen! Raise your spirits
from the caverns of despair.
Walk with gladness in the morning.
See what love can do and dare.
Drink the wine of resurrection,
not a servant, but a friend.
Jesus is our strong companion.
Joy and peace shall never end.

3 Christ is risen! Earth and heaven
nevermore shall be the same.
Break the bread of new creation
where the world is still in pain.
Tell its grim, demonic chorus:
"Christ is risen! Get you gone!"
God the First and Last is with us.
Sing Hosanna everyone!

Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16

Prayer and Praise for Deliverance from Enemies

To the leader. A Psalm of David.

- ¹ In you, O Lord, I seek refuge;
do not let me ever be put to shame;
in your righteousness deliver me.
- ² Incline your ear to me;
rescue me speedily.
Be a rock of refuge for me,
a strong fortress to save me.
- ³ You are indeed my rock and my fortress;
for your name's sake lead me and guide me;
- ⁴ take me out of the net that is hidden for me,
for you are my refuge.
- ⁵ Into your hand I commit my spirit;
you have redeemed me, O Lord, faithful God.
- ¹⁵ My times are in your hand;
deliver me from the hand of my enemies and persecutors.
- ¹⁶ Let your face shine upon your servant;
save me in your steadfast love.

John 14:1-14**Jesus the Way to the Father**

14 "Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe^[a] in God; believe also in me. **2** In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you?^[b] **3** And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. **4** And you know the way to the place where I am going."^[c] **5** Thomas said to him, "Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?" **6** Jesus said to him, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. **7** If you know me, you will know^[d] my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him."

8 Philip said to him, "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied." **9** Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? **10** Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own, but the Father who dwells in me does his works. **11** Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me, but if you do not, then believe^[e] because of the works themselves. **12** Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. **13** I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. **14** If in my name you ask me^[f] for anything, I will do it.

May 3, 2026

GATHERING

*Magnify

–Mack Brock

WELCOME

Announcements

Rev. Matt Baker

A Moment for the Mission of the Church

Paul Krumhaus

*Abundantly More

–North Point Worship

*Goodness of God

–Cece Winans

GRACE

Prayer of Confession

Rev. Baker

Assurance of Pardon

A Time for Children

Paige Bach

THE WORD

Scripture

Psalms 31:1-5, 15-16

Rev. Baker

John 14:1-14

Message

“Lost and Looking for God”

*That Where I Am, There You

–Smith & Mullins

OFFERING

Prayer of Dedication

Rev. Baker

(Please place your tithes & offerings in the basket at the rear of Taylor Hall.)

COMMUNION

Invitation

Rev. Baker

The Breaking of the Bread

The Communion of the People

Communion Care

*My Beloved

–David Crowder

SENDING

*Benediction

Rev. Baker

**Please stand.*

Announcements

LAY READER(S): Jane Prosperi

WELCOMING DEACON(S):

Ann Roman (10:00 am) & David Nebhut (11:15 am)

AV OPERATOR: Charlie Brewer

THE FLOWERS IN THE CHANCEL are to the glory of God.



Celtic Evensong Service

Sunday, May 3,
7:30 pm

In the Sanctuary

Providence Field Trip Today!

Learn about the Native Americans of Northern Virginia

Sunday, May 3, 3:30-5:00 pm

The Adult Ministry Committee invites you and your family to Riverbend Park to learn about the customs and values of the indigenous tribes that historically lived in the Potomac region.

Our guided field trip will explore the exhibit inside the visitor center and interpret a warrior model, real artifacts, and tool replicas. Then we will take a short hike along the river in search of food and herbal medicine traditionally hunted and gathered by the native peoples. The goal of this program is to help us appreciate, connect with, and care for the plants, animals, and earth as indigenous people do and to leave with resources to learn how to support the tribes who are still here today.

Register for this event by emailing David Kepley at kepley.david@gmail.com.

Webster Springs Mission Trip

June 20-27



Registration now open!

Questions?

Contact Kate Zander at 703-887-8103 or Kathryn.e.zander@gmail.com



Monday, May 4
5:00-7:00 pm

Roaming
Coyote

Rain or Shine.



What we believe

A class exploring *A Brief Statement of Faith*.
May 4, 11, and 18 at 7:30 pm.



What Do We Believe— and Why Does It Matter?

The Adult Ministry Committee invites you to a three-week class exploring the PC(USA) *Brief Statement of Faith*—a powerful, modern expression of what we believe about God, Jesus Christ, and the Spirit at work in the world today. Whether you're new to Presbyterian theology or looking to deepen your faith, this class will connect timeless truths to real life in thoughtful, accessible ways. David Kepley will lead the study.

Dates: May 4, 11, 18

Time: 7:30 pm

Location: The Parlor

Come for engaging conversation, fresh insight, and a chance to reflect on the faith we share. All are welcome.

ANTHEM

Take Up Your Cross

Take up your cross, the Savior said, if you would my disciple be; take up your cross with willing heart, and humbly follow after me.

Take up your cross, let not its weight fill your weak spirit with alarm; Christ's strength shall bear your spirit up and brace your heart and nerve your arm.

Take up your cross, heed not the shame, and let your foolish heart be still; the Lord for you accepted death upon a cross, on Cal-v'ry's hill.

Take up your cross, then, in his strength, and calmly ev'ry danger brave: it guides you to abundant life and leads to vict'ry o'er the grave.

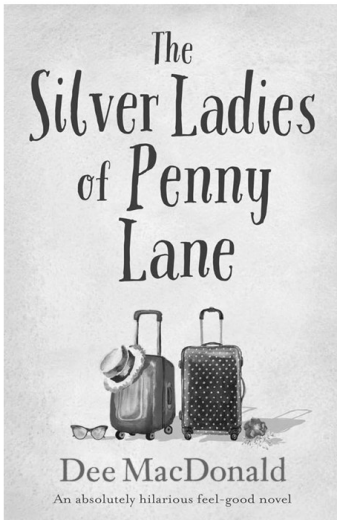
Take up your cross, and follow Christ, nor think till death to lay it down; for only those who bear the cross may hope to wear the glorious crown.



A coalition of churches serving those in need

Providence Presbyterian Church
John Calvin Presbyterian Church

Furniture Day
Saturday, May 9, 8-11 am
Contact Ed Burke: eburke11@cox.net



Providence Readers

The Silver Ladies of Penny Lane

By Dee MacDonald

May 17, 3:00 pm

In the Parlor

Providence Readers will gather on May 17 from 3:00 to 4:30 pm in the Parlor to discuss *The Silver Ladies of Penny Lane* by Dee MacDonald. The story focuses on friendship, rediscovering oneself, enjoying life, and seizing the moment after retirement.

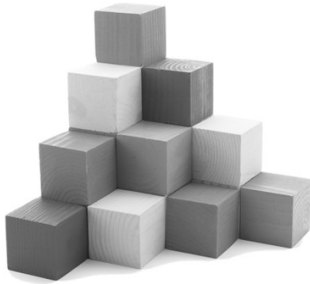
Feel free to join us if this book interests you. For more information, contact Paula Rogers at par9144@msn.com. Providence Readers will take a break over the summer and will resume in September 2026.



Providence Singers
May 17, 2:00 pm
Sunrise, Oakton

Building Blocks

A Partnership with
Annandale High School



Donate items for

Hygiene Kits

April 19 - May 17

Building Blocks Hygiene Kits

Spring means that summer is just around the corner. It is time to collect hygiene kit items for at-risk students at Annandale High School as part of our church's partnership with Fairfax County Public Schools. Students will receive their kits before the end of the school year so they can use them during summer vacation. Please leave your donations in the common area in the marked box.

Thank you for your donation of medium-sized items.

Any brand is fine!

- **Body wash**
- **Shampoo and conditioner**
- **Disposable razors**
- **Deodorant**
- **Toothpaste and toothbrushes**

Questions? Contact :

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LUNCH N' LIFE LUNCHEON

MAY 21, 2026
12:00 PM -2:00 PM
PROVIDENCE
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
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FAIRFAX, VA. 22031
(ENTER VIA REAR DOOR 8)

Virginia Task Force 1



Cost: \$15 per person (lunch & program)

To reserve, call 703-323-4788 and
leave your name.

Mail checks to 4019 Olley Lane, Fairfax, VA
22032.or pay by credit card at this link.

Reservation deadline: May 19, 2026.

SCFB transportation clients who need a ride
should call one week in advance. Non-clients may
register and then request a ride.

*If Fairfax County Public Schools are closed or delayed due to
weather, the event will be canceled.*

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This Week at Providence

Sunday, May 3

- Communion Care
- The Native Americans of Northern Virginia–3:30 pm, Riverbend Park
- Providence Youth Fellowship–5:30 pm, Youth Lounge
- Celtic Evensong Service–7:30 pm, Sanctuary

Monday, May 4

- Create, Craft and Connect–10:00 am, Parlor
- Food Truck Hangout–5:00 pm, Parking Lot
- “What We Believe” Adult Ministry Class–7:30 pm, Parlor

Tuesday, May 5

- Yoga Level One–10:30 am, Mission Hall
- Yoga Level Three–3:30 pm, Mission Hall
- Adult Ministry Committee Meeting–7:00 pm, Virtual
- Congregational Life & Fellowship Meeting–7:30 pm, Virtual

Wednesday, May 6

- Food Pantry is open–12:00-2:00 pm
- Yoga Level Two–4:30 pm, Mission Hall

Thursday, May 7

- Providence Singers Rehearsal–6:45 pm, Parlor
- Worship Band Rehearsal–7:00 pm, Taylor Hall
- Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal–7:45 pm, Sanctuary

Saturday, May 9

- ACCA Furniture Day–8:00 am, Offsite

Sunday, May 10

- Board Game Meetup–3:00 pm, Parlor

HOW TO GET ANNOUNCEMENTS INTO THE BULLETIN: Announcements submitted to the office **by Monday** will appear in Providence communications for the Sunday immediately following. Items received after Monday will run the following Sunday.

HOW TO GET PRAYER REQUESTS INTO THE BULLETIN: Prayer requests and updates can be submitted to office@providencechurch.org at any time and will be included as soon as possible.

EVENTS are subject to change. For the latest go to <https://www.providencechurch.org/events/calander/>



Prayer List ~ May 3, 2026

Bereavement

***Bill and Susan Flood**, on the death of their friend, Marge Barbee

The Roellke Family, on the death of Trisha Roellke

Cathryn Krebs, on the death of her brother, Philip Evans Stanley

In Hospice Care

Eleanor Branch, aunt of Mark Miller

Undergoing Treatment

Jackson McClellan, nephew of Jane Proseri

Mary Burke, friend of Cecelia Porter

Ed Whiting, friend of Bill and Susan Flood

Darlene Lane

Lily, age two, student at Providence Nursery School

Jennifer Dirscherl, daughter of Martie McDowall

Esa and Lauren, friends of Kathy Dutke

Carol Kaiserian, sister-in-law of Mary Jo Kavjian

Clint K., Linda L. & Pam B., friends of Susan McCannell

Doug Martin, son of Martie McDowall

Caroline Wheatley, young friend of Rhoda Waters

Terrie McClure, sister of Maribeth Luftglass

Mary Wire, sister of Jennifer Lewis-Cooper's sister-in-law

Richard Mudd

Chuck Rivenbark & Faith Perkins, friends of Kate Zander

Kara Owen, family friend of Rhoda Waters

Continuing Care

***Nancy Evans & Bob Arnold**, sister and brother-in-law of Sara Bennett

Janice Barrett Evans, mother of Sara Bennett

Virginia Holian, friend of David & Brenda Kepley

Pete, friend of Jim Durbin

Nancy Jones

Bill & Elsie Hamilton, father & mother of Chloe Hamilton

Martyn Cusworth, brother-in-law of Lesley McKeever

Zachary Hasley, friend of Toni Medwedeff

Lucille Daly, cousin of Paul Krumhaus

Jim Saros, brother of Niki Gamble

An asterisk () indicates that someone is new to the prayer list or that their listing has changed.*



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CHURCH HOURS

Sunday: 9:30 am to 12:30 pm
Monday - Friday: 10:00 am to 2:00 pm
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