

THE PROVIDENCE HERALD

ISAIAH 40:9 ...LIFT UP YOUR VOICE WITH STRENGTH, O JERUSALEM, HERALD OF GOOD NEWS...

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From the Desk of John Reeves

The Pastor's Post



Paul wrote to the Philippian church, "for me to live is Christ. . ." What did he mean by that? Let me suggest that part of what he meant is that Christ was his standard, his motive, his goal in life. If you tune your violin or guitar to the wrong notes, it will be out of tune with other instru-

ments. It is possible that the string can be wound so tightly to obtain the wrong pitch, that damage is done to the instrument.

What tunes your life? Is it societal standards or whatever whim pleases you at the moment? You need a standard, a motive, and integrating power

in your life, something that is beyond yourself. Can you think of any thing or anyone better than Christ as the touchstone and power source for your life? Even if you acknowledge that Christ is that "tuning note" for life, are there areas in your life that need "re-tuning" to Christ?

Good Friday Service

There will be a Good Friday Communion service on April 2, at 7:00 p. m.



In Sympathy

Christian sympathy is extended to the family of John McArthur who passed away on March 24, 2010.

Romans 8:38-39 – "For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers (39) nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord."

Sermon Sidebar

During his morning sermon on missions on March 28, Dr. Paul Kooistra, coordinator of MTW, mentioned that a ministry must stress deeds as well as the Word. The PCA magazine *ByFaith* recently published an article making that connection in an area of current concern – health care. The article describes the efforts of Dr. Wiley Smith of Grace Presbyterian Church of Dalton, GA to provide health care to the uninsured and under insured. See <http://byfaithonline.com/page/in-the-world/while-congress-talks-grace-pres-tackles-health-care> for the article. Through our missions giving, we at Providence participate in this ministry of deeds.



He is Risen

He is Risen Indeed

Preschool Registration

Our preschool is registering students for the 3 and 4 year old classes for next school year. Please pass this news along to friends and family that might be interested. For more information call the church office (601-924-4747) or Jenny Sanders (601-951-2758).





Windows Into WIC

For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not be quiet, until her righteousness goes forth as brightness, and her salvation as a burning torch. *Is. 62:1.*

The WIC of Providence Church has seen a busy March, with April and May showing no signs of let up. Many groups in the church filled bags with personal hygiene supplies, pencils, crayons and writing paper for the Liberia campus of African Bible College. Betty Mosal gratefully reported 117 bags were collected. A new Bereavement Committee has been named and we will have more on that in May. The College Card Ministry is up and running with many positive responses. WIC Cookbooks are now being sold at Clinton Visitor Center.

APRIL HAPPENINGS

Various Groups will provide refreshments for Hinds RUF during April, as follows:
5th - Circle 2; 12th - The Group; 19th - Circle 1; 26th - Fellowship/Circle 3.

April 10 - Bridal shower for Suzanne Rice, bride-elect of David Reeves, 10-11:30 a.m.

at PPC; Suzanne is registered at Belk, Bed, Bath and Beyond, and Wal-Mart.

April 17 - PresWIC Spring Meeting at Raymond Presbyterian. Reservations need to be made by April 5th and nursery is available upon request. Registration begins at 9:30 and lunch is \$10. For further information, contact Robin Elliott, (601)573-4520 or h_robin_anderson@yahoo.com

April 17 - Baby Shower for Susan Inman, 2-4 p.m. at Robin Elliott's, 109 Spanish Moss Drive, Clinton. Susan is registered at Target and Babies R Us.

April 21 - Family Night Supper - The Men's Saturday Breakfast Group will be in charge, cooking, serving, etc. (Yay!) There will be a sign-up sheet for you to indicate if you will attend, as the men will be buying the meat.

GET READY FOR MAY

May 1 - WIC's annual brunch at Joanne Harrison's home, 5919 Seven Springs Road, Raymond; the program has not been finalized, yet it promises to be fantastic as usual, crammed with worship, fellowship, funship - and yes, you guessed it, a very plentiful supply of good food.

May 9 - Preschool Reception, after the evening service. WIC is not in charge of this event, so if you have questions, contact Jenny Sanders at 951-2758.

May 16 - Graduation Reception, after the evening service. If you have a graduating senior in high school or college, please call the church office at 924-4747 and let Bess know.

TLC Ministry

On the board in the narthex is a list of current TLC members. If you would like to add your name, change the month, or become a co-coordinator, please make a note on the list or call Ann Kelly at home (601-981-8304). Please inform the monthly coordinators if you know of a need for a meal. This is an important ministry at PPC; we appreciate your help. - *Ann Kelly, 2010 Coordinator.*

Pro's Luncheon

The Pros will meet April 6, at 11:30, for a covered dish luncheon. The program will be Medical Memories: Dr. Kermit Till of Jackson, author of "The Romance of Medicine." He will reflect on his 43 years as a family doctor.

Easter Traditions

Easter is a time of many family and religious traditions, some of which like the Easter bunny and colored eggs, seemingly have no relation to the real meaning of the day. One tradition which expresses the core of Christian faith is the declaration, "He is risen," followed by the response, "He is risen indeed."

Based on a search of the internet, the origin of this tradition is unknown. The references I checked focused more on the importance of the Resurrection. There are collections of the statements in different languages, which testify to how widespread this tradition is. See <http://www.americancatholictruthsociety.com/articles/heisrisen.htm> for fifty sayings arranged alphabetically from Arabic to Zulu. (The Klingon version is at the end of the list.) But I still wonder which congregation(s) first began this ritual.



Baby Watch

Susan Inman 5/23/10
Jennie Yount Sanders
6/8/10



There will be a Rummage Sale on **April 10** in the Mt. Salus Elementary Gym to benefit the Junior and Senior High youth groups. Please save any items you have to donate and bring them to the school after **3 p. m. Friday, April 9**. As time will be limited for those setting up, have your items **tagged with a price**.



Providence Preschool

The Preschool Committee is looking for a preschool teacher for next school year. Because the preschool is licensed through the Health Department, our teacher must be Director qualified and have a Bachelor's Degree in Education, Early Childhood Education, Child Development or Human Development. If you might be interested in serving in this ministry please contact Jenny Sanders (601-951-2758).

Newsletter Info

Submit info to Bess Malin: 924-4747, bess@ppcpc.com. or danielvogt@bellsouth.net
Submittal deadline: the 20th of each month

General editor: Dan Vogt.
 The Herald staff welcomes your input, opinions, and articles!

Birthdays

- 3 - William Cole, David Reed
- 4 - Steve Craven, Connell Gathers, Hannah Miller
- 5 - David Reeves
- 6 - Jonah Zetterholm
- 8 - Ann Kelly
- 9 - Linda Elliott, Emily Prince, John Spears
- 11 - Brian Gault, Ben Kelly, Eloise Turbeville, Owen Wright
- 12 - Tara Mills, Caleb McNair, Randy Reed
- 13 - Pat Freeman, May Nell Pleasant
- 14 - Jack East
- 16 - Rebecca Johnson
- 17 - Kali Lee, Cathy Palmer
- 19 - D. L. Upton III, Kathy Valadie
- 20 - Emily Reeves
- 21 - Emily Martin, John Reeves
- 22 - Cheryl Byrd, Wendy Hammond
- 23 - Leanne Brown, Dixie Keyes, Martha Lavallee
- 25 - Beth Raney
- 27 - Nancy Benson, Jackie Stuckey
- 30 - Kirsten Branch

TLC April

Mary Lewis Govero
601-924-8292
Opal Hall
601-924-6715



TLC— *noun*: A Providence ministry which provides meals to those grieving, giving birth, hospitalized, or in need.



Providence Gatherings

Art Group – Mondays @9:00 a.m.

Circle 1 – 2nd Wed @9:30 a.m.

Circle 2 – 2nd Tues @7:00 p.m.

Circle 3/Ladies Bible Study -

Thursdays @ 6:30 p.m. (Paula Rodriguez's home)

Clinton Healthcare Center Ministry - 3rd Wed. @2:30 p.m.

Pro's Luncheon - 1st Tues. @ 11:30 a.m.

Scrapbooking Group - 4th Tues @ 6:30 p.m.

Thursday Bible Studies - @9:00 a.m.

Wednesday Nights

Family Night Supper - 3rd Wed @ 6:00 p.m.

Small Groups - @6:30 p.m.

Youth Groups - @6:30 p.m.

English Conversations - @6:30 p.m.

Harrison's Small Group - @7:00 p.m.

Prayer Groups

Japan I – 1st Sun @5:00 p.m.

Japan II – 3rd Sun @5:00 p.m.

Men's – Tuesdays @6:45 a.m.

Men's Prayer Breakfast – 2nd Sat @8:00 a.m.

Preschool and Enrichment School - 1st Friday @8:30 a.m.

Scott's – 1st Sun @5:00 p.m.

West Virginia – 2nd Sun @7:05 p.m..

Women's – Thurs @8:00 a.m.

Administration

Christian Education Committee – 3rd Sun @5:00 p.m.

Deacons – 2nd Mon @7:00 p.m.

Missions Committee – 4th Sun @4:45 p.m.

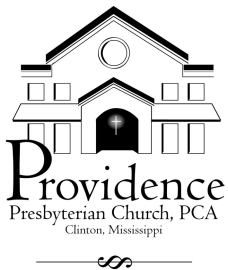
Nursery Committee - 3rd Friday @ 12:00 p.m.

Outreach Committee – 1st Sun @5:00 p.m.

Preschool Committee – 1st Sun @5:00 p.m.

Session – 3rd Tues @7:00 p.m.

WIC Council – 4th Sun @4:30 p.m.



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