



Providence Prophet

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Message from our Pastor

A recent edition of *Christian Century* magazine had two articles about blessings. In the first, an Episcopal priest tells of church members who come forward each Sunday for the Eucharist and instead of receiving communion, ask for a blessing. It is a common practice in Catholic and Episcopal churches to ask for a blessing instead of communion if you have ill feelings toward someone. But when this priest talked with his parishioners, they told him that they just needed to be blessed.

The second author tells the story about how his father blessed him each night at bedtime with the text from Numbers 6.24-26, a tradition that he continues with his own daughter who is now old enough to join her voice to the blessing by the end.

*The Lord bless you and keep you;
the Lord make his face to shine upon you, and be gracious to you;
the Lord lift up his countenance upon you, and give you peace.*

The custom of giving blessings goes back to the earliest of times. In Genesis, God blessed the new creations. Blessings remind us of God's eternal presence and love and all of us need to be reminded of that. How easy would it be for us to speak, text or email blessings regularly to people in our lives?

In these uncertain times we are the conduits for Christ in the world, we are his face and voice. The people in our lives need God's blessing. Please join me in giving blessings.

May the God of mystery take you to unexpected places, may the God of humility teach you to serve without pride, may the God of wisdom inspire your work in the kingdom; and the blessing of God, Creator, Redeemer, and Sanctifier be with you now and always. Amen

Carol



In these days of chaos and confusion with violence and suffering all around, the world needs US. The first 8 days of August, Christians all over are committing to listening to God through Scripture for one hour each day for a total of 8 hours in 8 days in the 8th month. Sign up and receive a link every day in your inbox for two 30-minute audio segments of readings from the Bible. Join me and sign up today! Rev. Carol
<http://www.godspeaking.com/#sign-up>

Youth Group Mission Trip 2016

Thank you to all who participated in our fund raising project to make our 2016 mission trip possible. With leaders, Velma Tim and Jennifer Sumeracki, we worked on economic disaster recovery projects in home repair, feeding and greening ministries at Motown Mission, a United Methodist affiliated organization in Detroit, Michigan.



Welcome new Member



Caron Tandy joined Providence on July 31.

Community Rewards Re-enrollment

Let's keep the rewards coming ...



Re-Enrollment Period is August 1 to August 31, 2016:

- Supporters currently enrolled must re-enroll in August.
- Starting August 1 through August 31, supporters can log into your Kroger.com account to re-enroll.
- Kroger will send an email reminder to enrolled supporters in August with a link to re-enroll for same group.
- Continued participation requires re-enrollment by all supporters.
- Supporters that do not re-enroll by end of day August 31 will drop from the program and purchases will no longer benefit Providence.
- Our new year of giving through Kroger Community Rewards starts September 1, 2016.
- If supporters drop from the program, there is no deadline for joining again, but Providence will miss out on earning rewards on Kroger purchases during this time.
- New members can enroll throughout the whole year, not just in August. The more supporters, and the more you spend, the larger the reward for Providence!
- See instructions on the reverse side.

Need Additional Support? In August, enrolled supporters that need help re-enrolling can call 1-800-KROGERS, (1-800-576-4377) Option #3, for assistance. Also, any new supporters can also call 1-800-KROGERS, Option #3, for assistance in enrolling the first time if needed. If you have any questions, please email KCR24@kroger.com.

Happening at Providence in August

- August 10 Weekly Choir Rehearsal resumes
- August 14 12:00 PM – All-church potluck
- August 14 1:00 PM – Providence Board Meeting
- August 14 2:00 PM – Worship Service at Bridgepointe
- August 14 5:00 PM – Youth Group and Children’s kickoff event. Families are invited to join us. We will grill burgers and hot dogs and everyone is invited to bring a side or dessert to share.
- August 14 5:00 PM – Habitat House dedication
- August 18 6:00 PM – J.O.Y. Group Meeting – location TBD
- August 18 7:00 PM CROP Walk Recruiter’s Rally – 2nd Presbyterian Church
- August 24 9:30 AM – Providence Women’s Service Group
- August 28 4th Sunday – Bring 4 Cans for Christ
- August 29 5:00 PM Providence Book Club meeting at Joseph Beth Booksellers

NOTE: Children’s Worship & Wonder will not meet in August. Children will remain and worship with their families OR those 5 and under may go to the Nursery.

Each Sunday

1:30 PM Slavic Church of Evangelical Faith

5:00 – 7:00 PM Youth Group and Christian Children Children’s Fellowship (resumes August 14th)

Each 2nd Sunday

2:00 PM Worship Service at Bridgepointe

Each Monday, Friday – Summer Schedule

10:00 AM “Bodies in Motion” Exercise Class

Each Tuesday

7:00 PM Slavic Church of Evangelical Faith

Each Wednesday

6:30 PM Choir Rehearsal (resumes August 10th)

7:00 PM Slavic Church of Evangelical Faith

Each Thursday

7:00 PM Slavic Church of Evangelical Faith

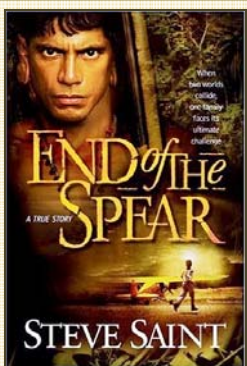
AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

Bob Bellman	9
Miriam Brown	10
Joy Mattingly	10
John-Mark Hack	12
Johnetta Porter	12
Katherine Hagy	18
John Downs	20
Kathryn Deann Draper	20
Linda Grubbs	21
Elijah Hack	22
Terry Bullock	24
Theresa Draper	26
Don Gash	27
Matthew Todd Wells	27
Brenda Coots	28
Sharon Heathman	28
Liam and Zoey Downs	29
Brittany Jones	30
Ali Anderson	31

Providence Book Club

The August 29th meeting will be held at 5:00 PM (*new time*) at the Bronte Bistro at Joseph Beth Booksellers. Our book choice for discussion this month is *End of the Spear* by Steve Saint.

Steve Saint was five years old when his father, missionary pilot Nate Saint, was speared to death by a primitive Ecuadorian tribe. With a successful business career in the United States, Steve never imagined he and his family would return to make the jungle their home. But when the same tribe asks Steve to return, he learns long-buried secrets about his father’s murder, confronts difficult choices and finds himself caught between two worlds.



Mission First Gatherings

YOU ARE INVITED!



- Aug 7th - FCC, Danville - 3-5pm (EDT)
Mickey Anders, Site Host (mickeyanders@gmail.com)
- Aug 10th - FCC, Mt. Sterling 6-8pm (EDT)
Scott Holley, Site Host (revscottholley@yahoo.com)
- Aug 14th - FCC, Lawrenceburg 3-5pm (EDT)
Jim Wheeler, Site Host (jwheel@bellsouth.net)
- Aug 17th - Central CC, Lexington 6:30 - 8:30p
Bennie Braddick and David Holden, Site Hosts
(bennie@twinpines.church, djholden3961@gmail.com)
- Aug 21st - Jeffersontown CC, 3-5pm (EDT)
Doug Meister, Site Host
(douglas.meister@jeffersontownchristian.org)

Women’s Service Group News

Our current project runs through the end of August as we collect new, unopened, personal-size toiletries for the Hope Center. When you travel during the summer and stay at a hotel, save those unused toiletry items – soaps, shampoos, toothpaste, etc. – and bring them to place in the donation box in the church narthex.



200th Anniversary Providence Cookbook

Our cookbook project is wrapping up but there is still time to get your recipes in before **our deadline of August 15th**.

Email recipes to carl.waits@twc.com or drop off at the church office. Categories are:

- 1) Appetizers/Beverages
- 2) Soups & Salads
- 3) Vegetables/Sides
- 4) Main Dishes
- 5) Breads & Rolls
- 6) Desserts
- 7) This & That



Save the Date!
September 22-24
Christian Church in Kentucky
2016 BIENNIAL ASSEMBLY
Crestwood Christian Church, Lexington, KY

An Opportunity to Pray and Dialogue about our Common Unity

August 7, 2016 – 7:30 to 9:15 PM
Central Christian Church
205 East Short Street, Lexington, KY

Working together to overcome racial bias and harmful barriers that reduce our common humanity so we may arrive at a place of unity.

Hosted by Central Christian Church and Sponsored by NAACP,



Institute for Compassion in Justice, Juvenile Restorative Justice, St. Peter Claver Catholic Church, Wesley United Methodist Church, Imani Missionary Baptist Church and Catholic Action Center.

Prayer Concerns

PRAYERS FOR THOSE SERVING OUR NATION:

Let us pray for peace, guidance for our country’s leaders, our military and all who serve our nation: Jacob Durbin, Ricky Highnote, Donnie Thornton, Jason Rutherford, Randy Coy, Trip Browning, Bobby McNeil, Ken Harney, Steven Russell, Bradley Clark, Stephen Rawlings and First Responders.

MEMBERS, FAMILY AND FRIENDS

Kevin Boschert (McDonald), Vicky Clark (Burger), Norman and Barbara Flynn, Joyce Hack, Johnnie Durbin, Cindy Clifton Watts (Fielder), Megan Mattingly-Arthur (Joy and Jayne Mattingly), Kamrie Deanne Neal (Paisli and Presli Neal), Richard Lansaw (Lynch), Pierre Michon, Rodney Napier (Payne), Jean Christian (Hufford), Jayne Mattingly, Graham Blodgett (Hagy), Cora Potter, Peggy Bobbies (Eddie Cox), Margaret Barriger (Doane), Allen Fielder, Mike Hanley (Draper), Joyce Hack, Evan Wayne (Coy), Barbara Bobblitt (Martha Morrow), Laura Crawford, Mary Betts Hodson (Flynn), Lloyd Crockett (Sarah Walker), Bill Turner, baby Anna Grace Yanantuono, John Fitzhugh and Sarah Fitzhugh (Krupski), Roberta DeHaven (Sharon Heathman’s mother.)