

Old Providence ARP Church

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Dear Old Providence Family,

Happy New Year! It's hard to believe that 2018 is upon us. What was 2017 like for you? As you think back on this time a year ago, what were your thoughts then? Were you filled with hope and excitement at the prospect of new opportunities? Perhaps you were on the other end of the spectrum and looked at the year ahead with less optimism. Or maybe you started 2017 with the simple notion of taking things one day at a time. No matter what your outlook was last year, 2017 has come and gone and 2018 stretches before us.

With the New Year in mind, let me encourage you to embrace the Biblical mindset of moving forward into the future. God's people are warned against the arrogance of proceeding boldly into the future with no regard for God and His will in James 4:13-17. James wrote that the correct way to proceed into the future is by seeking God's Will. The question we all face, then, is one of discerning God's Will for our lives.

Thankfully, God's Word does not leave us without an answer to this question. In Romans 12 God's people are commanded to not be conformed to the pattern of the world around us, but instead, to be transformed by the renewing of our minds. The only way this renewal is achieved is through studying God's Word, spending time with God in prayer, participating in the life of the Church, and continually evaluating your relationship with the Lord. If you will do these things God's Will for your life will become apparent and His direction for 2018 will become abundantly clear. Let us proceed forward together with hope for the future!

Because of Christ,

Rev. Patrick Malphrus

January 2018 Announcements

Yearly Reports

All organizational Treasurers are reminded to submit your yearly reports to the church office by Monday, January 15th. Please leave them in the top tray on the desk. Any questions, contact Matt, Glenn or Bob.

Little Lambs and Youth Group



Little Lambs and Youth Group will meet on Sundays, January 7th and January 21st, 2018, at 4:30 p.m. with dinner at 5:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome!

Women's Ministry

Women's Ministries will meet Thursday, January 4th, 2018, at the Church for the business meeting beginning at 7:00 p.m. Bible study begins at about 7:30 p.m. We would love to have you join us.

Young Life Breakfast

There will be a Breakfast for Young Life on Sunday, January 28th, 2018, at 9:00 a.m. sponsored by the Open Door Class.

Upcoming Events

February 1st – Women's Ministries and Bible Study

February 4th – No Children's Fellowship/Youth Group

February 11th – Deacons Meeting

February 18th – Children's Fellowship/Youth Group

February 25th – Communion

Bad Weather Closings

We make our decisions on cancellation of service based on safety concerns. We evaluate conditions at the church and in the immediate area around the church as well as on the weather forecasts available to us. When we cancel Sunday morning services or other major events, we will announce these closings by:

One Call System (phone, text and email) on the
Web Page: oldprovidencechurch.org, or
TV: Channel 3 (Sunday Service or major events only)

To update notifications you receive through the One Call System, please contact John.

January 2018 Calendar of Events

Monday, January 1 – Tuesday, January 2

Church Office Closed

Wednesday, January 3

6:45 p.m. - Bible Study

Thursday, January 4

7:00 p.m. – Women’s Ministries

7:30 p.m. – Women’s Bible Study

Sunday, January 7

10:00 a.m. – Sabbath School

10:45 a.m. – Nursery Helpers: Connie and Scott

11:00 a.m. – Worship



Sunday, January 14

10:00 a.m. – Sabbath School

10:45 a.m. – Nursery Helpers: Joy and Tina

11:00 a.m. – Worship

Children's Church Leader: Karen

Noon – Deacons Meeting

Wednesday, January 17

6:45 p.m. – Bible Study

Sunday, January 21

WRE Special Offering

10:00 a.m. – Sabbath School

10:45 a.m. – Nursery Helpers: Lauren and Adam

11:00 a.m. – Worship

Children's Church Leader: Dana

4:30 p.m. – Children's Fellowship and Youth Group

Wednesday, January 24

6:45 p.m. – Bible Study

Sunday, January 28

9:00 a.m. – Breakfast for Young Life

10:00 a.m. – Sabbath School

10:45 a.m. – Nursery Helpers: Vicki and Kayla

11:00 a.m. – Worship

Children's Church Leader: Karleen and Kristin

Wednesday, January 31

6:45 p.m. - Bible Study

