

Old Providence ARP Church

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Dear Old Providence Family,

With the seasons changing comes the beginning of various programs at our church. Youth group and Little Lambs are our children's programs here at Old Providence. This year I have the privilege of teaching Little Lambs. I love this age group of kids because they are so inquisitive. They love to ask questions. Even as adults we have questions whose answers are difficult. For example, have you ever wondered if there really were dinosaurs on the earth? What about things like the ice age? What about other mysteries?

I believe the Lord loves for us to ask questions. He loves when we seek to find the truth. So this year we are going to try to answer some of these hard questions and so many more about God's creation. The goal is to help children develop a truly biblical worldview, and provide answers to the questions that children have about the Bible, history, and science. So how will we find these answers? We are going to be diving deep into God's word to find the truth. What an excellent opportunity we have to impact so many young lives.

Though our programs are under way, we are in need of your help. First, we need your prayers. Please pray for our leaders and the children who attend both Youth group and Little Lambs. Pray that the Lord would work in the children's lives for them to see their need for a Savior and come to know Him as Lord of their lives. Second, you can help by volunteering, whether by helping during class time or providing meals to help feed the children. Thank you so much for your service and prayers.

In Christ,

Amanda Malphrus



October 2018 Announcements

Women's Ministry Window

Women's Ministries will meet on Thursday, October 4th, at 7:00 p.m. followed by Bible Study at 7:30 p.m. We will continue our study of *Living in the Gap Between Promise and Reality* by Iain M. Duguid on Chapter 10 "Two Steps Forward, One Step Back" (Genesis 20). Please join us on the first Thursday of every month.

The ARP Women's Ministries Annual Meeting at Bonclarken, which is the annual meeting for all our ARP Churches, will be held on October 13th.

The Women's Ministries Annual Virginia Presbyterial Meeting, which is the meeting of all the ARP Churches in the Virginia Presbyterial, will be held at Ebenezer ARP Church on October 27th. This is a great way to learn more about the Women's Ministries work, and visit with other ladies in our Presbyterial.



PreSchool

The PreSchool classes began on September 4th, and are off to a great start. Currently, there are openings in both classes for the 2018/2019 school year. Please call Barbara Marsh at 886-8685 regarding availability. For details about the preschool, see the church website at www.oldprovidencechurch.org.

Little Lambs and Youth Group



Little Lambs and Youth Group will meet on Sunday, October 7th, at 5:30 p.m. starting with a light supper. Little Lambs will meet every other Sunday until December 2nd. The Youth Group will meet every Sunday until December 9th, except November 25th. Please come out and join us!

Trunk or Treat will be held on October 28th starting at 5:00 p.m. with games, trunk or treat, costume contest, cake walk, and lots of other fun things. We will have dinner in Providence Hall at 6:00 p.m. Volunteers are needed to decorate trunks, bring cake or pie, help with games/activities, and bring cupcakes and side dishes. Sign-up sheets are in Providence Hall. If you have questions, please contact Amanda Malphrus.

Monday Mid-Day

The next Monday Mid-Day program will be on Monday, October 8th. The program begins at 11:00 a.m. with a light lunch following. The program will continue on October 22nd and November 5th. Everyone is welcome.

Election of Elders and Deacons

The Session will submit the names of the nominees for Elder to the congregation on October 28th and the congregation will select three Elders in a congregational meeting on November 4th. The Session will submit the names of the nominees for Deacons to the congregation on November 11th and the congregation will select the necessary number of Deacons in a congregational meeting on November 18th.

Community Events

The Raphine Volunteer Fire Company BBQ Chicken and BBQ Chicken dinners will be available at the McCormick Farm Mill Day on Saturday, October 6th, at 12:00 noon.

WRE Fundraiser: The Faithful Men Concert is scheduled for Sunday, November 4th, at Mount Carmel Church at 6:00 p.m.

November Calendar



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| 1 Women's Ministries 7:00 p.m. | 11 Youth Group 5:30 p.m. |
| Women's Bible Study 7:30 p.m. | 18 Synod Fall Offering |
| 4 Daylight Savings Time ends | Children's' Fellowship and |
| Children's Fellowship and | Youth Group 5:30 p.m. |
| Youth Group 5:30 p.m. | 21 Community Thanksgiving |
| Session and Deacons | Supper 5:00 p.m. |
| Meet separately 6:00 p.m. | 22 Thanksgiving Day |
| Session and Deacons | 22 & 23 Church Office Closed |
| Meet jointly 7:00 p.m. | 29 Women's Ministries visits |
| 5 Monday Mid-Day Program 11:00 a.m. | Beulah Land |

Save the Date

December 12—Christmas Dinner

December 16— Christmas Program/Cantata

October 2018 Calendar of Events

Wednesday, October 3

No Bible Study

Thursday, October 4

7:00 p.m. – Women’s Ministries

7:30 p.m. – Women’s Bible Study

Sunday, October 7

10:00 a.m. – Sabbath School

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

11:00 a.m. – Worship

Children’s Church Leader: Carrie

5:30 p.m. – Children’s Fellowship and Youth Group



Monday, October 8 – Columbus Day

11:00 a.m. - Monday Mid-Day Program

Wednesday, October 10

6:45 p.m. - Bible Study

Saturday, October 13

ARP Women’s Ministries Annual Meeting at Bonclarken

Sunday, October 14

10:00 a.m. – Sabbath School

10:45 a.m. – Nursery Helpers: Karleen and Carrie

11:00 a.m. – Worship

Children’s Church Leader: Karen

5:30 p.m. – Youth Group

6:00 p.m. – Deacons Meet

Wednesday, October 17

6:45 p.m. - Bible Study

Saturday, October 20

Virginia Presbytery at Lebanon ARP Church

Sunday, October 21

10:00 a.m. – Sabbath School

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

11:00 a.m. – Worship

Children's Church Leader: Dana

5:30 p.m. – Children's Fellowship and Youth Group

Monday, October 22

11:00 p.m. – Monday Mid-Day Program

Wednesday, October 24

6:45 p.m. - Bible Study

Saturday, October 27

Women's Ministries Annual Virginia Presbyterial Meeting at Ebenezer

Sunday, October 28 – Reformation Sunday

Session submits nominees for Elder

10:00 a.m. – Sabbath School

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

11:00 a.m. – Worship

Children's Church Leader: Karleen and Kristin

5:00 p.m.—Trunk or Treat

Wednesday, October 31 – Reformation Day

6:45 p.m. – Bible Study