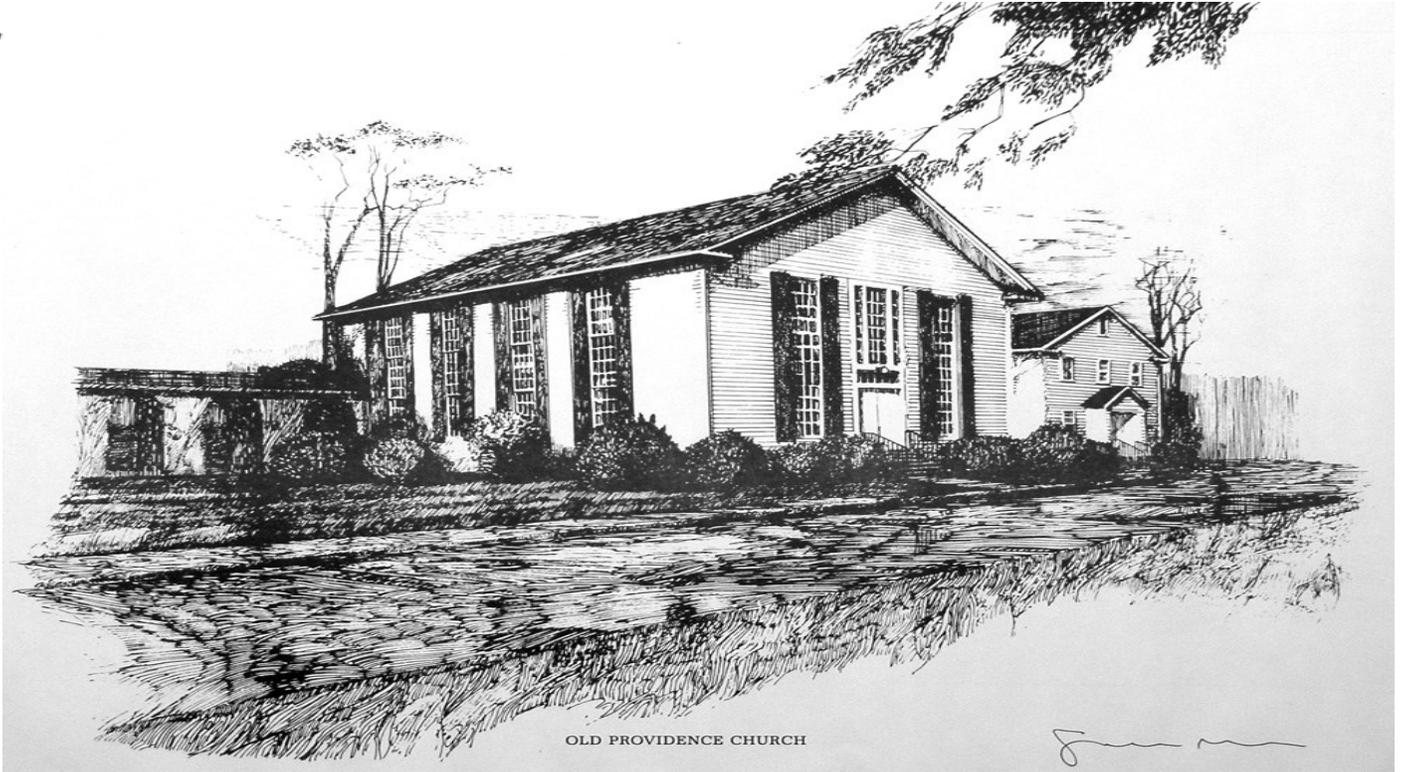


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Our Vision

As we boldly proclaim the transformative power of God's word, we will inspire with our past, care for all in our present, and nurture disciples for our future.

The Church at Worship Third Sunday in Lent

March 8, 2026

10:30 am

The Rev. Dr. Jody Moore, Pastor
The Rev. Dr. Lal Rodawla, Associate Pastor
Genie Richards, Youth & Communications Director
Sarah Clark, Children's Ministry Director
Alex Sims, Director of Music
Ron Nice, Pianist/Organist
Roy Phillips, Finance Administrator
Ruth Welch, Office Administrator

Officers of the Week

Alan Sumrell
Jackson Clark
Cindy Howard

Welcome & Announcements

Moment for Mission

Tamera Green

Prelude

“Lacrymosa (Requiem)”

W.A. Mozart

Gathering as God’s People

Call to Worship

(From *Call to Worship* resource, Mar. 8, 2026)

One: O come, let us sing to the Lord: let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation.

All: We have come to give thanks and to sing songs of praise!

One: We are the people of God’s pasture; we trust that God will bring us through the wilderness.

All: We seek God’s living water and praise God’s holy name!

*Sharing the Peace of Christ

One: During Lent, we follow in Christ’s footsteps on a spiritual journey.

All: During this holy season, we long to be closer to you, O God.

One: Help us, Lord, also to deepen our connections with our siblings in Christ.

All: Lord, please strengthen the bonds of compassion, joy, and friendship that we share with one another as we express Christ’s peace.

*Opening Hymn

“Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah”

#65

*Opening Prayer

(From *Call to Worship* resource, Mar. 8, 2026)

God of living water, amid all that parches our souls and drains our hearts of joy, we pray for refreshment and renewal. Fill us with your Holy Spirit until our delight overflows with praise and we cannot contain ourselves running to tell your good news, alive with the presence of Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray, Amen.

Act of Confession

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

(From *The Presbyterian Outlook*, Mar. 8, 2026)

God of endless renewal, God who calls us to lives restored, God who rescues the lost and saves the afflicted, there are times when our way grows confused. We struggle to know what to do. Or worse, we know what needs to be done and find it easier to stay on the wrong path. Forgive us for failing to heed opportunities to follow a better way. Remind us that you stand more ready to forgive than we are to confess those aspects of our lives that stand in need of your grace. And thus forgiven, help us to lean in to what you would teach us about how we are to be. Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of God’s Forgiveness

*Gloria

“Great Is Thy Faithfulness ”

#39(verses 1 & 3)

Hearing God's Word

Prayer of Illumination

First Scripture Lesson

John 4:4-15

One: This is the Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God!

Anthem

"Healer of Our Every Ill"

Marty Haugen

Time with Children

John Garver

Second Scripture Lesson

John 4:16-19,25-30,39 -42

One: This is the Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God!

Sermon

"Living Water"

Rev. Dr. Jody Moore

Responding to God's Word

*Hymn of Response

"Open My Eyes that I May See"

#451

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Invitation to Giving

Offertory

"Jesu, Word of God Incarnate"

W. A. Mozart

*Doxology

#606

Prayer of Dedication

(From *the Presbyterian Outlook*, Mar. 8, 2026)

Holy God, from abundance upon abundance, you have said that we may freely take, and freely share. As we return to you what is already your own, we ask that you would bless these gifts and multiply them. May we, in turn, be blessed, as we see your reign unfolding before us, through Christ our Lord, Amen.

Being Sent Out in God's Name

*Affirmation of Faith:

A Brief Statement of Faith, Sect.3 (p.37-38, Glory to God hymnal)

We trust in God, whom Jesus called Abba, Father. In sovereign love God created the world good and makes everyone equally in God's image, male and female, of every race and people, to live as one community. But we rebel against God; we hide from our Creator. Ignoring God's commandments, we violate the image of God in others and ourselves, accept lies as truth, exploit neighbor and nature, and threaten death to the planet entrusted to our care. We deserve God's condemnation. Yet God acts with justice and mercy to redeem creation. In everlasting love, the God of Abraham and Sarah chose a covenant people to bless all families of the earth. Hearing their cry, God delivered the children of Israel from the house of bondage. Loving us still, God makes us heirs with Christ of the covenant. Like a mother who will not forsake her nursing child, like a father who runs to welcome the prodigal home, God is faithful still. Amen.

*Closing Hymn

"God Be with You Till We Meet Again"

#541

*Charge and Benediction

*Postlude

"My Soul Is Filled With Longing"

Johannes Brahms

The Ushers today are Wendy Felker and Bret Myers.

Providence in Prayer

Acute Concerns

William Dixon, Bruce Robinson, Darwin Collins, Roger Nussman, Judith Arey, Barbara Conner, Julie Brock, Sharon Starks, Kathy Cathey, Bob and Yasmin Craig, Willie Rea, Betsy Peace, Jaiden Dean, Morgan Jeffares, Charlie Starks, Everette, Richard Dickey, Jenny Gidaro, John Gidaro, Joyce Pate, Tim Good's friend, Sean Byrd.

Chronic Concerns

Nell Kilpatrick's daughter, Isabel Kilpatrick, Bo Hardee, Kim Hintz's mother, Sandy, Zachary Coger, Yo Yee Chacko, Martha Gilbert's mother,

Grieving

Friends & family of Frank Archer on his passing on February 16, 2026
Friends and family of Lois Willets (Phyllis Long's mother) on her passing January 15, 2026
Friends & family of Brian Tye, on his father's passing on January 5, 2026.

Please don't forget to mention the availability of Stephen Ministers to those who are hurting. To request a Stephen Minister, contact E. Lynn Finlon, elynnfinlon@gmail.com or Lal Rodawla, lal@ppc1767.org

Help Support the Youth Attic Sale - A Note from our Youth Director

Save the Date! PPC's Attic Sale is coming up on Saturday, March 14, with donation drop off taking place throughout the week of March 7-13.

This is **our biggest fundraiser of the year**, and proceeds allow us to **lower the cost of trips and retreats** for our youth families. That is a big deal! The Attic Sale makes our programs more accessible and ensures that cost is never a barrier to participation.

The Attic Sale is a **big lift, but it brings a great return**. It takes many hands to make it the success it is, and **it is my hope that every family involved in our youth program will volunteer for at least one or two shifts**. We all benefit, so we all contribute.

Update on Moment for Missions

Many of us recognize that Providence Presbyterian Church is very active reaching out to the community and sharing our blessings with those in need. We regularly have Moments for Mission in worship so that the congregation can hear about the opportunities we have to serve. **We ask those who are providing a Moment for Mission to speak for three minutes or less.** We schedule those Moment for Missions in advance. **If you are interested in scheduling a Moment for Mission, please contact one of the pastors.** Here is the schedule of the upcoming Moments for Mission that have been planned.

Moment for Missions at Providence Presbyterian Church

Mar. 22 —Peru Mission Trip

Mar. 29 —Rise Against Hunger

Apr. 12 —Peru Mission Trip

Winter/Spring 2026 Tuesday Pastor's Bible Study

Beginning on February 3rd, we will have a Bible Study for nine consecutive Tuesdays from February 3rd until March 31st.

We will gather at 11:00 am and plan to meet for an hour. We will meet in person in the conference room in the Administration Building and also provide a Zoom link for those who want to join on-line. We will be studying the same passage on Tuesday that we will hear in worship the following Sunday.

Here is the schedule of classes for the winter and spring of 2026:

Date Bible Passage We Are Studying

Mar 10 John 9:1-41

Mar 17 John 11:1-45

Mar 24 Philippians 2:1-13

Mar 31 John 20:1-18

Here's the Zoom link if you want to join these Bible studies on-line:

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://uso2web.zoom.us/j/81751629176?pwd=Cp6lqWfJILMrzMuLS8OxosZoflzXrz.1>

Meeting ID: 817 5162 9176

Passcode: 846356

Just a reminder about the Lenten Devotionals We are using the Pittsburgh Theological Seminary Lenten devotionals again this year. It's easy to access these Lenten devotionals. All you have to do is just go to pts.edu/devotional_1 and it will take you right to the devotionals. You will also see directions for subscribing to the Pittsburgh Theological Seminary if you are interested in receiving the daily devotionals in your email.

FUNERAL SERVICE FOR FRANK ARCHER

Sunday, March 22, 2026 at 1:30pm

There will be a Reception in the CLC following the service



Please remember that our **renovation of the Fellowship Hall bathrooms has begun and will continue until May 1st.** During this important work, we ask for your patience and understanding. Bathrooms are available in the CLC ,the Administration building and the Adult Ministry building.

Thank you for your support of this necessary work.

Gilchrist Lecture

Saturday, March 28

Trinity Presbyterian Church

Dr. Heath W. Carter

Associate Professor of American Christianity and
Director of PhD Studies, Princeton Theological Seminary



Blest Be The Tie That Binds?

Faithful Witness in
Dangerous & Deeply
Divided Times

5 - 7 p.m. (Including Q&A)
Fellowship Hall

*Refreshments and hors
d'oeuvres will be served*



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SAVE THE DATE

SATURDAY, MARCH 21, 2026
8am-1:30pm

- ✓ Meeting Location: CN Jenkins
- ✓ Various service project sites near
by and on site



QUESTIONS?
**WANT TO HELP WITH
PLANNING THE EVENT?**

Contact:

- Donna Fair, First United
- Rev. Dr. John Magnuson, Myers Park
- Rev. Dr. Allysen Schaaf, Sardis
- Dr. Ornella Umubyeyi, CN Jenkins Memorial