

GREATER PROVIDENCE BAPTIST CHURCH

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Sunday, January 13, 2019 ORDER OF SACRED WORSHIP Color: Green

Worship Leaders: Deacons/Deaconess—Sacred Music

The Sacred Music Minister of Music

The LED Announcements

The Welcome and Informal Greetings

*THE INVOCATION – Leader

God of the ages, You have blessed us with yet another year. Help us to make room for the blessings that are in store for us in the coming months. Help us to obey, so that we won't have to start over. Enable us to be a blessing so much so that You will recognize us as the ones who gave you bread when you were hungry, drink when you were thirsty, and clothes when you were naked. Amen.

*THE CALL TO WORSHIP/LITANY FOR THE NEW YEAR

Choir & Congregation: Sing Hymn #527 “The Doxology”

Leader: Are you ready to give God praise?

People: We are ready!

Leader: Are you ready to leave behind the baggage?

People: We are ready!

Leader: Are you ready to step out in faith?

People: We are ready!

Leader: Are you ready to forgive?

People: We are ready!

Leader: Are you ready to release your doubts and fears?

People: We are ready!

*All: O Lord, how majestic is Your name in all the earth! We are Yours and we are ready!
Amen.*

*THE CALL TO CONFESSION – Leader

Lord our God, You know the ways this past year in which our lives have not represented truth and knowledge. You know the times in which we struggled to be warm and caring and the times when we did not choose goodness.

*THE CONFESSION – Leader and Congregation

Forgive us Lord, for those times when our lives did not reflect Your love. Give us Your help and healing in our lives that we may begin this New Year with hope and joy. Amen.

The Hymn of Assurance

#10 “O How I Love Jesus”

*THE HOLY SCRIPTURE

Ephesians 5:15-21

*The Prayer of Thanksgiving and Confession

*The Prayer Response

The Musical Rendition

The Musical Selection

*The Litany of Remembrance for 2018 Deceased Members of Greater Providence

Leader: We pause today as members of Greater Providence Baptist Church to honour the memory of our members, who have gone from this life to their eternal rest in Christ. We welcome the family members who are with us to join in the memorial for our departed sisters and brothers: Charles Hooper, Jasper Lewis & William Waller.

People: We recall now their service to others, and we pray that the God of all has joyously welcomed them into the fullness of life, where they rest in peace and love. Amen.

(Recognition of all other members who lost family members)

Leader: Gracious God, to whom mercy and forgiveness belong, hear our prayers on behalf of Your faithful servants whom You have called into the light of Your presence. May they be welcomed joyously into heaven. We ask this through Christ, our Redeemer. Amen.

Musical Selection

#228 “Come, Ye Disconsolate”

*THE STEWARDSHIP PLEDGE – Leader

All good gifts come from You, dear Lord, and from these riches we bring this offering. Help us to use it for the furtherance of Your purpose in this church, and for the benefit of those in need.

*THE STEWARDSHIP PRAYER – Leader and Congregation

We bring You only what is Yours, Creator God, that You might use this offering and the giver for the building up of Your kingdom and the glory of Your name. Amen.

*The Offertory Music and Prayer

Hymn Choir

The Music of Inspiration

*THE SPOKEN WORD

*The Music of Invitation/Altar Call

The Formal Greeting of Visitors/Pastoral Comments

*The Closing Selection

Hymn Choir


**Ushers and Worshipers please DO NOT walk during this time. Close the doors*



WEEKLY / SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

January	✠ 20 th ~ Youth/Teens ✦ 27 th ~ Ministers/Spouses ✦ Leadership Is the Passage to Accomplishment.
14 th	✠ Line Dancing – 7:00 p.m. – Upper Fellowship • Hampshire Hills – 6:00 p.m.
15 th	✠ Yoga Class – 10:00 a.m. – Upper Fellowship • Brotherhood Choir rehearsal – 7:00 p.m.
16 th	✠ Hour of Power – 12:00 p.m. • New Members Class I – 6:30 p.m. • Bible Study – 7:00 p.m. • Youth Bible Study – 7:00 p.m. – Ephesians 4:17-24 (Your Life Can Make A Difference in the New Year)
17 th	✠ Hands in Motion – 11:00 a.m.
18 th	✠ Chair Yoga – 10:00 a.m. • Room In the Inn – 6:00 p.m. • Line Dancing – 7:00 p.m. – Upper Fellowship
19 th	✠ Executive Ministries Meeting (Deacons/Trustees/Deaconess & all officers of auxiliaries) – 11:30 a.m.
20 th	✠ INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS • Martin Luther King Skit
21 st	✠ Church Offices Closed • <i>Martin Luther King Jr. Day</i>

MINISTRY LEADERS! We are certainly looking forward to this new year and the Ministry challenges it will bring! **God is still in charge** and we are believing HIM for the success of the coming year's events. Your leadership is important to God and to the success of our ministry goals. **Please mark your calendars for our first Ministry Leader Meeting which is scheduled for Saturday, January 26th at 11:30 a.m. in the Lower Fellowship Hall. This is a mandatory meeting for all newly elected leaders (Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson).**

 **2019 MARRIAGE RETREAT:** We are planning a Marriage Retreat this year to be held at Ridgecrest Conference Center. This retreat will begin on Thursday afternoon, October 10th and conclude on Saturday, October 12th. The cost per couple is \$500 which will cover your transportation, lodging and meals. We are asking an initial non-refundable deposit of \$100 be paid by January 31st to reserve in your space. You are at liberty to pay more than \$100 if you desire. This deposit can be paid online or to Rev. Arnold Lewis or Sister Deborah Lewis. If you pay online, please document "Marriage Retreat" on the "description" line. MONTHLY INSTALLMENTS OF \$70 will begin in February through June with a final payment of \$50 in July. These monthly installments can also be paid online or to Rev. Arnold Lewis or Sister Deborah Lewis.

INTERCESSORY PRAYER MINISTRY/PRAYER LINE: Every Friday night at 7:00 p.m. – Please call 641-715-0707 and use Access Code 544111#. Please join this ministry in lifting one another up in prayer via telephone. ONE BODY – Many Members

SUNDAY SCHOOL: Join us next Sunday at 8:45 a.m. **Topic: Submit to God in Christ, Philippians 1:12-21.** There are classes for all age groups. Come and be blessed. Contact Gena Hoursey, Deacon Harlan Dula or Lynn Dula for more information.

THE LEADERSHIP FOR WOMEN MINISTRY will host their 1st "Chat & Chew" gathering on Friday, February 1st at 7:00 p.m. in the Upper Fellowship Hall. Come out and enjoy great conversation and food as we get to know each other better and feed our souls through fun-spiritual activities. *If you plan to attend, sign up on the form posted on the table in the hallway by January 30th. For more details, you may see Deborah Lewis, Cheleta Caulton or Jacci Moss.*

A. PASTORAL CARE – MEMBERS IN HEALTHCARE FACILITIES

Jessie Coles @ Willow Grove; Mary Cromedy @ Curis at Charlotte, 4801 Randolph Road; Woodrow Garnett, Rehab in Concord; Dr. Virginia Henderson (Private Group Home)

B. PASTORAL CARE – MEMBERS RECOVERING AT HOME

Sisters: Valerie Boston, Min. Deborah Cuthbertson, Yvonne Leake, Rev. Daisy Perry & Dorothy Reese **★ Brothers:** George Boyd, Fred Fountain, Rev. Wilfred Henderson, Hubert King, Hollis Landrum & Weldon Meeks

C. PASTORAL CONTINUED PRAYER

Sisters: Dorothy Blackmon, Sheryl Best, JoCarol Boyd, Shirley Caldwell, Fannie Cobb, Mary Crowell, Joyce Culbreath, Cassandra Daniels, Earlean Davis, Wanda Doneghy, Lynn Dula, Linda Ferguson, Vera Ferrell, Linda Fersner, Ruth Fisher, Bobbie Floyd, Barbara Forston, Dorothy Garnett, Lillie Garnett, Valentine Harlee, Debra Harris, Lola Harris, Charlene Haywood, Catherine Huntley, Doral James, Shirley Jackson, Emma Pat Jenkins, Beatrice Johnson, Liz Jones, Karen Kendall, Ola Mae McCoy, Evelyn Miles, Lonnie Miller, TaiAsha "Nikki" Milton, Lauracene Murphy, Annie Rickenbacker, Jannie Strong, Denise Summers, Eleanor Tribbett, Teresa Wilson, Theresa Wilson, Linda Wiggins, Barbara Wise & Brenda Wright **★ Brothers:** James Caldwell, TC Cannady, Theodore Faison, Alphonso Fersner, Ricky Garnett, Forest Jones, Kenneth Locke, Vodrey Miller, Lionel Sargent & J. D. Wimbish

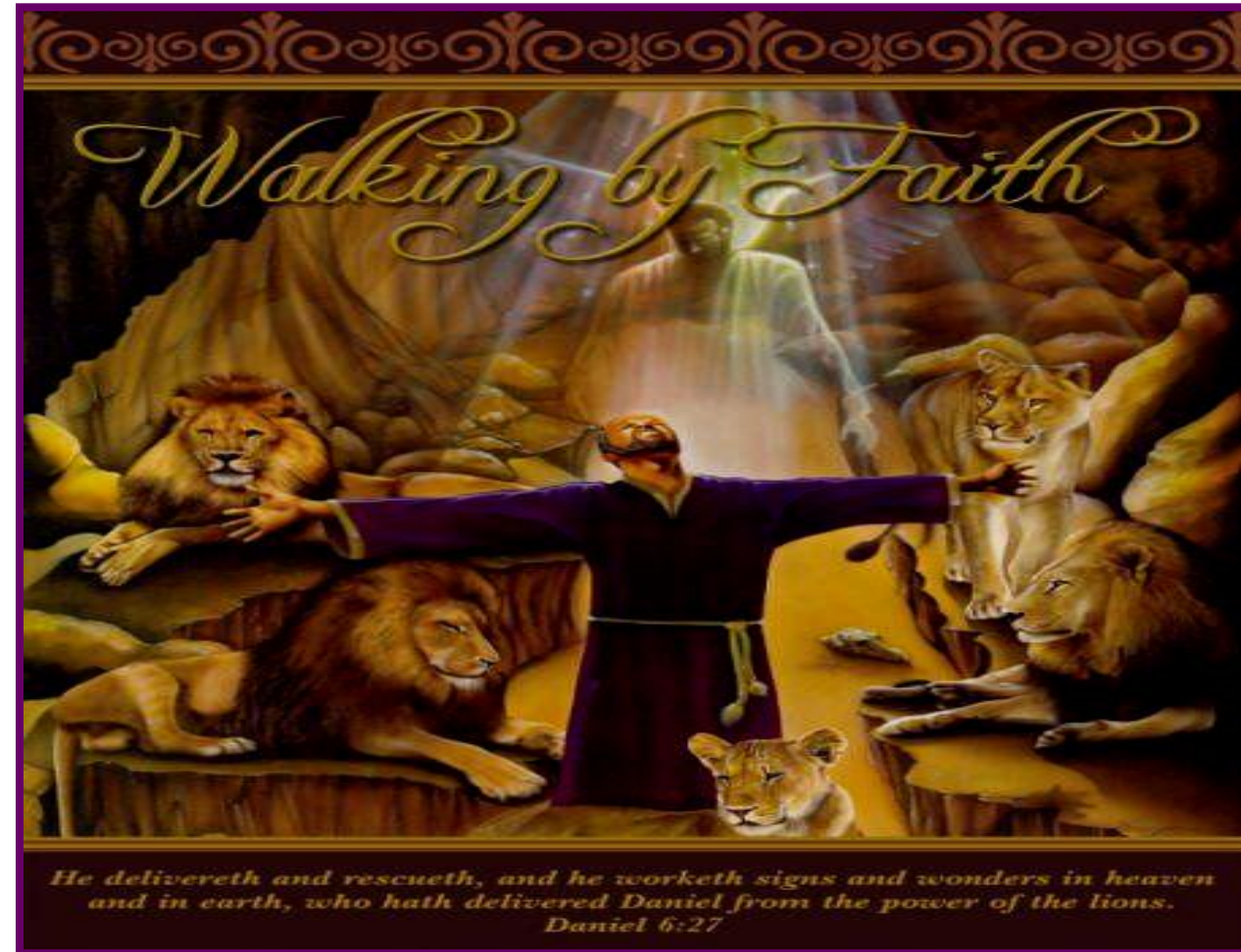


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10:00 A.M. Worship Service



2019 Church Theme: "Making Life Count In These Evil Days"

"Be very careful, then, how you live, not as unwise but as wise, making the most of every opportunity, because the days are evil." **Ephesians 5:15-16 (NIV)**

The GPBC Mission Statement

Affirming the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ, in the Church and Community through preaching, teaching, worship, fellowship, and service.