

PPBC Services

- The Nursery: see the Ushers for assistance and directions.
- The Tape Ministry: See one of our Deacons for assistance [DVDs for \$5].
- The Use of the Church Facility: contact the Office for availability.

Safety Numbers & Contacts for Notices of Cancellation of Services

- Dominion Virginia Power at 1-866-DOM-HELP
- Richmond Police Gang Hotline—646-5387
- See the Local Channels [CBS, ABC, NBC] for notices of cancellation

Prayerfully remember the PPBC Members in Military

Harrison Jones, Wayne Mathis, Mansfield C. Murph, Chateece Chappelle

Volunteers Needed! Serve once a month!

The PPBC Health Ministry, The PPBC Nursery, The PPBC Video Tape Ministry, The Tutorial Program with the PP Boys & Girls' Club, The PPBC Kitchen Kaptains, The Cub Scouts. PPBC Transportation Ministry is seeking individuals to drive the Shuttle Bus. All personnel are required to have a valid driver's license and to undergo a criminal background check. The church will pay the fees for those certifying for a chauffeur's license.

Sunday School Lesson for February 25, 2018

Title: "The Good Fight of Faith" Text: 1 Timothy 6:11-21

The ICR Charge

1. Heart-search by the Spirit!
2. Sacrifice self!
3. Abide in Christ!
4. Learn wisdom!
5. Grow by the Word!
6. Preach the Truth!
7. Have mercy!
8. Forgive seventy times seven!
9. Stand with hope!
10. Travel by prayer!
11. Walk by faith!
12. Live by Grace!

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Call-In Prayer with Pastor Wednesdays 6:30-6:45 p.m.

1. Dial 1-712-770-8022.
2. Enter the Access Code: 608751

Office Hours

Monday-Wednesday
10:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Pastor's Office Hours

Monday-Wednesday 5:00-8:00
p.m.
or By Appointment

Times for Worship

Sunday School - 8:45 a.m.
Sunday Service - 10:00 a.m.
Prayer Meeting - Tuesday 6:00 p.m.
Bible Study - Wednesday: 12:00 noon
<http://www.providencelpark.org>
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Providence Park Baptist Church

**Where the Gospel is Preached and
Practiced—**

**a congregation of saved sinners who
endeavor to preach the Gospel of God
through Jesus of Nazareth by personal
proclamation and practice.**



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**Jerome Clayton Ross, Ph.D.
Pastor**

Sunday, February 18, 2018

Theme for 2018

**The Order of Worship
Sunday, February 18, 2018**

The Prelude.....	The Musicians
†The Call to Worship.....	John 10:16.....The Deacon
†The Invocation.....	Diamond Smith
†The Chant.....	<i>Shine On Me</i>
†The Hymn of Praise.....	<i>Lift Him Up</i>
†The Responsive Reading.....	<i>Prayer for Black History Observance</i>MeShaun Hill
†The Response.....	<i>We Shall Overcome</i>
The Interlude.....	The Musicians
The Welcome*.....	The PPBC Messenger

Moments in Black History

Chamon Marable
Douglas Bland

The Spiritual.....	<i>Somebody's Knockin'</i>Traditional
The Prayer.....	The Pastor
The Response.....	<i>Order My Steps</i>
The Offertory.....	The Deacons & The Ushers
†The Chant.....	<i>Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow #253</i>
The Spiritual.....	<i>Hush, Hush, Somebody's Callin' My Name</i>Traditional
The Sermon.....	The Pastor

**Other Sheep
John 10:7-18**

†The Hymn of Dedication.....	<i>Lift Ev'ry Voice and Sing #627</i>
†The Benediction.....	The Pastor
The Postlude.....	<i>Jesus Christ Is the Way</i>W. Hawkins

† **Please Stand**

*Please, review the announcements and schedule PPBC on your calendar!

Deacons Serving:
Anthony Robinson—Worship Leader
Raymond Lee—Offertory

Prayer for Black History Observance

O LORD, You have heard the anguished cries of our ancestors. Their sounds echo and penetrate time to remind us that they were brutally captured and forcibly enslaved, as they left the peaceful womb of their African homeland.

“Stony the road we trod.”

O Sovereign LORD, You have seen the millions of dark bodies buried beneath the tumultuous waves of the deep—bodies of African men and women who held the seeds of blessings. You have seen women’s dreams for united families vanish, as they were sold at auction blocks. You have seen the legacy of African American families decimated and demeaned by those who have attempted to control our destiny.

“Bitter the chastening rod, felt in the days when hope unborn had died.”

O Gracious God, You have ever ignited the sparks within us into a blazing demand for freedom, equality, and justice. For freedom Harriet Tubman risked her life in sleepless nights, as she led her people to freedom. For equality Rosa Parks and civil rights activists fought and gave their lives. For justice, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and countless thousands stood at the Lincoln Memorial and have marched to the beat of Thy truth.

“Yet with a steady beat, have not our weary feet, come to the place for which our fathers sighed?”

O Merciful God, You have seen our tears, have been pained by the evil of human hearts, yet have loved humanity enough that You sent Your only Son to identify with the outcasts, the marginalized, and the rejected—to walk where we walk, to feel what we feel, to die that we might live. As the cries of Jesus pierced Your heart, so have the cries of Your people—cries from different cultures and in different languages.

“God of our weary years, God of our silent tears.”

O God of our Salvation, You have answered us during our exodus from Africa and have wiped every tear from our eyes during our exile in captivity. By the anointing of Thy Spirit, our foreparents and elders have dared to dream that one day, on these shores, we would become politicians, preachers, educators, doctors, writers, scientists, artists, and so much more.

“Lest our feet stray from the places, our God, where we met Thee.”

Our ancestors and elders’ hard work, courage, convictions, and belief in You have paved the way for our emancipation and education. Yet we give You all the praise—it is You and You alone who have liberated us! You have set us free! “Free at last, free at last, thank You, God Almighty, that we are free at last!”

“Lest our hearts drunk with the wine of the world we forget Thee. Shadowed beneath Thy hand, may we forever stand true to Thee, our God, and true to our native land.”