

May 3, 2015

**PHILADELPHIA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, PC (USA)**

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# Philadelphia Presbyterian Church

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Kinship Care Resource Center\*\*  
Local Benevolences (Pastor's Discretion)\*

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Shared Mission - PC (USA)\*  
Souper Bowl of Caring\*\*  
The Gideons International\*\*  
Thank Offering (PW)\*  
Thornwell\*\*\*

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*Welcome*

*Our vision is to be a light in the community  
that brings all people to God through Christ-centered worship and ministry  
and nurtures their faith in order to extend His kingdom.*



**PLEASE NOTE: TODAY is the last day to donate paper products.  
Thank you for your generous participation.**

**PHILADELPHIA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
351 MORROW ROAD, FOREST PARK, GA 30297, 404-366-1851**

**May 3, 2015**

**11:00 AM**

**THE WORSHIP OF GOD**

*Enter expectantly. Breathe prayerfully. Worship reverently. Greet others cordially. Leave thoughtfully.*

**In Gathering Around The Word**

The Chiming of the Hour

The Announcements and The Declaration “God is good – **all the time!**” **Jennifer Rohrbach**

The Greeting and The Ritual of Friendship including signing of Pew Pads *Pulpit Assistant*

The Gathering Song

**\*Call to Worship**

*(Psalm 22:25-31)*

The poor shall eat and be satisfied;  
*those who seek the LORD shall praise him.*

All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the LORD God;  
*For dominion belongs to the LORD, embracing all the nations.*

All who sleep in the earth bow down;  
*future generations will serve the LORD.*

God’s mighty saving acts will be proclaimed  
from generation to generation;

*our children’s children will be told what the LORD has done.*

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\*Opening Hymn #45 ..... “Crown Him with Many Crowns”

**\* Affirmation of Faith**

**The Apostles’ Creed**

**I believe in God the Father Almighty; Maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell<sup>1</sup>; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick<sup>2</sup> and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic<sup>3</sup> church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

<sup>1</sup> “hell” means world of departed spirits; <sup>2</sup> “quick” means alive; <sup>3</sup> “catholic” means universal

\*The Gloria Patri (Hymn No. 813)

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;**

**As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

**In Prayers to God**

The Contemplation of God through Silence and Prayer

Prayers of Intercession & The Lord’s Prayer.....forgive us our debts, as forgive our debtors

**In Stewardship Of All Things**

The Worship of God with Our Gifts and Offerings unto the Lord

The Offertory

\*The Doxology (Hymn No. 815)

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise Him all creatures here below; praise Him above, ye heavenly hosts; praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

**In Proclaiming The Word**

**Anthem**

*Scriptures: ... Acts 8:26-40 (NT120) ... 1John 4:7-21 (NT223) ... John 15:1-8 (NT104)*

**Pastor: Holy Wisdom Holy Word. PEOPLE: Thanks be to God.**

**The Sermon ..... WHEN THE SPIRIT SPEAKS .....Pastor Wilson**

\*Hymn of Preparation #443..... “O Zion, Haste”

**THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION**

*(You may prayerfully partake of each element when you receive it.)*

**Following the Word Into the World**

\*Hymn of Dedication #586 ..... “He’s Got the Whole World in His Hands”

**\*Benediction**

**Postlude**

*\*Those that are able please stand.*

*The holiest moment of the worship service is the moment when God’s people – strengthened by preaching, song and sacraments – go out of the door into the world to be The Church.*

**WELCOME!** We at Philadelphia Presbyterian Church hope your worship today will be meaningful. We exist as a fellowship in His name, encourage you to participate in all aspects of our congregational life, and invite you to become part of our Christian family. If you are looking for a church home, we invite you to join with us.

**FRIENDSHIP PAD – Members:** Please remember to pass the ritual of Friendship pad down your pew and back to the center aisle. **Guests:** Please take a moment to sign the Friendship pad and record your address as well so that we may have a record of your visit.

**MEMBERSHIP** – Our elders meet for prayer and to receive new members each Sunday morning prior to the worship hour in the room to the left of the choir loft. If you are interested in membership, you may complete an application form (located in the back of the friendship pad) and speak with the minister, or take a completed form directly to the Session room to meet with the elders. The five questions/vows that you will be asked by the elders are printed on the form. If you would like to join but need further information, please speak with the minister or call the church office at 404-366-1851 for assistance.

**THIS WEEK AT PHILADELPHIA**

**TODAY** 9:45am – Bible Study  
11:00AM – Communion Service  
12:15pm – PWCT  
Tuesday 09:00am – The Breakfast Club  
Thursday National Day of Prayer  
Next Sunday Mother’s Day

**OUR MISSION:** To exhibit the kingdom of God to our community by being a witness to everyone who is within our reach that Jesus Christ is LORD. To proclaim the gospel by telling the good news of Jesus Christ while equipping all who will to be evangelist so the church will grow. To provide for the worship of God through traditional Sunday morning worship and offer alternative times and styles of worship to the community. To promote the ministry of compassion by providing opportunities for ministry and encouraging others to seek God’s call for compassionate service. To preserve the truth of God’s word by defending the faith against any deviation from the bible as objective truth. To educate the members of the body of Christ so they are equipped to live as becomes the followers of Jesus. To maintain the spirit of unity through the fellowship of the children of God. To expand the kingdom of Jesus Christ.

**Core Values of Philadelphia Presbyterian Church**

- Radical Hospitality** (Romans 12:9-21)
- Passionate Worship** (John 4:21-24)
- Intentional Faith Development** (I Corinthians 9:19-24)
- Risk-Taking Mission and Service** ( Matthew 25:14-30)
- Extravagant Generosity** (II Corinthians 9:6-15)

**TO BE REMEMBERED IN PRAYER AND WITH CARDS** (new info in bold)  
*Please notify us concerning updates. Inquiring minds – and prayerful hearts – want to know!*

04/08 Cheryl Ann Bobo (William Rosenberry’s daughter) – chemo for lung cancer to be rescheduled

04/07 Roy Kemper – recovering from serious bicycle accident

04/01 The Shields family – recently relocated to Clayton County and called the church to ask for prayers

**04/07 Dawn Smith –PRAISE: after 8 months of chemo, surgery, and more chemo, my daughter in law is now cancer free. Thank you so much for your prayers and concern during this time. Frances Youngblood**

04/21 Bonnie Ward (Barbara Barlow’s friend) - sick from chemo & radiation treatments

**SPECIAL REQUEST:** Jackie Hill’s son is encouraging friends to visit her during this time of transition and even enjoy a meal with her if they so choose. He is hoping to have her settled into her own apartment by mid-May. She doesn’t have a phone so please call Cindy for contact information.

**OUR HOMEBOUND:** *Please refer to the Church Directory for contact information*

Tye Bryant                      Jean Ray                      JoAnn Tatzel                      Dot Upchurch

**Prayer Request: Call 404-366-1851, Email [secyppc@bellsouth.net](mailto:secyppc@bellsouth.net) or click on [www.ppc-usa.org](http://www.ppc-usa.org).**

**Camp Calvin Senior Adult Ministries Day – May 6**

**SAMs Day Is Back!**

We will begin with registration and a light breakfast at 8:30 a.m. and conclude by 2:00 p.m. The theme for this Spring’s SAMs day is "A Time for Togetherness." We will have all of your favorite activities. The cost for SAM's day is \$15. We encourage you to sign up as a church group. You can register online or by calling Calvin Center at (770) 946-4276. We hope to see you at our spring SAMs day! **Contact Cindy at the church office to sign up as a group.**



## A LOVE OFFERING

TODAY we will be receiving a Love Offering for **Christopher Sparkman**. He is the young man who was shot at the FedEx facility about a year ago. He has had numerous surgeries and still needing more. See the May Crossroads for details.



The 64th annual National Day of Prayer, May 7, 2015, will have profound significance for our country. It is an unprecedented opportunity to see the Lord's healing and renewing power made manifest as we call on citizens to humbly come before His throne.

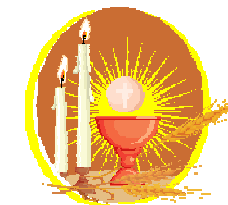
Our theme for 2015 is Lord, Hear Our Cry, emphasizing the need for individuals, corporately and individually, to place their faith in the unfailing character of their Creator, who is sovereign over all governments, authorities, and men. To further highlight our theme, we've chosen I Kings 8:28 as our Scripture for this year: "Hear the cry and the prayer that your servant is praying in your presence this day."

For the May 7th observances, [Dr. Jack Graham](#), the 2015 Honorary Chairman, wrote a [special prayer](#) to be simultaneously read throughout the nation at noon (EDT).

Heavenly Father,  
We come to You in the Name that is above every name—Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior. Our hearts cry out to You.  
Knowing that You are a prayer-answering, faithful God—the One we trust in times like these—we ask that You renew our spirits, revive our churches, and heal our land.  
We repent of our sins and ask for Your grace and power to save us. Hear our cry, oh God, and pour out Your Spirit upon us that we may walk in obedience to Your Word.  
We are desperate for Your tender mercies. We are broken and humbled before You.  
Forgive us, and in the power of Your great love, lift us up to live in Your righteousness.  
We pray for our beloved nation. May we repent and return to You and be a light to the nations. And we pray for our leaders and ask that You give them wisdom and faith to follow You.  
Preserve and protect us, for You are our refuge and only hope.  
Deliver us from all fears except to fear You, and may we courageously stand in the Truth that sets us free.  
We pray with expectant faith and grateful hearts.  
In Jesus' name, our Savior.  
Amen.

## Invitation to the Table

Come to the Lord's Table, all you who love him. Come to the Lord's Table, confess your sin. Come to the Lord's Table, be at peace.



### Prayer of Adoration and Confession

Creating God, we praise you for your word *which called the universe into being;*  
**and for your spirit which breathed life into your human creation, made in your image.**  
*We praise you that in your love you seek to embrace us in our brokenness;*  
**that while your only Son was handed over to death, you raised him to life,**  
*a new creation by which you recreate each of us as we believe in hope, and accept in faith.*  
**Source of life, Word of life, Breath of life, we worship you. Amen**

*(A moment for silent Confession)*

### Assurance of Forgiveness

Believe Christ's word of grace to us: Your sins are forgiven.  
**Thanks be to God.**

### The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**For it is holy and right to do so.**

**Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of hosts! Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest!**

...Most righteous God, we remember in this supper the perfect sacrifice offered once by our Lord Jesus Christ for the sin of the whole world.

**Your death, Lord Jesus, we proclaim! Your resurrection we celebrate! Your coming in glory we await!**

Send your Holy Spirit upon us, we pray that the bread that we break and the cup that we bless may be to us the communion of the body and blood of Christ. Grant that, being joined to Christ in communion, we may be joined to each other in the unity of faith.

**Come, Holy Spirit!**

As this grain has been gathered from many fields into one loaf, and these grapes from many hills into one cup, grant, O Lord, that your whole church may soon be gathered from the ends of the earth into your kingdom.

**Come quickly, Lord Jesus!**