

August 30, 2015

PHILADELPHIA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, PC (USA)

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Calvary Refuge Center*
Child's Fund (PW)*
Christmas Joy Offering***
Columbia Friendship Circle (PW)**
Good Shepherd Clinic*
Kinship Care Resource Center**
Local Benevolences (Pastor's Discretion)*

Mission Haven (PW)***
One Great Hour of Sharing (Easter)***
Presbyterian Homes***
PW Birthday Objective**
PW Blessing Boxes**
PW Least Coin**
PW Presbyterian Mission Pledge*

Samaritans Together for Clayton County*
Securus House (PW)***
Session & PW Misc. Benevolences*
Shared Mission - PC (USA)*
Souper Bowl of Caring**
The Gideons International**
Thank Offering (PW)*
Thornwell***

*Budgeted **Contributions from the Congregation ***Budgeted + Contributions from the Congregation



Welcome

*Every good and perfect gift is from above,
coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights,
who does not change like shifting shadows.*

James 1:17

*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.*

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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 Choral Call to Worship
The Announcements and The Declaration “God is good – **all the time!**”
The Greeting and The Ritual of Friendship including signing of Pew Pads
The Gathering Song

Jim Phillips
Pulpit Assistant

Call to Worship > *(based on Song of Solomon 2:8-13)*

L: Listen! Do you hear the Lord speaking to us?

P: Rise up, dear ones of God! The dark, cold night is over; a fresh, new day is here!

L: It is time to lift our voices in song, joining with the rest of creation!

P: The time for the harvest is near! Rise up, dear ones of God, and join in the song!

*Opening Hymn #748..... “I Am His and He Is Mine”

Affirmation of Faith - *The Apostles’ Creed as Interpreted in the Study Catechism>*

What do you believe when you confess your faith in “God the Father Almighty”?

That God is a God of love, and that God’s love is powerful beyond measure.

What do you affirm when you confess your faith in Jesus Christ as “our Lord”?

That having been raised from the dead he reigns with compassion and justice over all things in heaven and on earth, especially over those who confess him by faith; and that by loving and serving him above all else, we give glory and honor to God.

What do you believe when you confess your faith in the Holy Spirit?

That apart from the Holy Spirit, our Lord can neither be loved, nor known, nor served. The Holy Spirit is the personal bond by which Jesus Christ unites us to himself, the teacher who opens our hearts to Christ, and the comforter who leads us to repentance, empowering us to live in Christ’s service.

What do you affirm when you speak of “the life everlasting”?

That communion with Jesus Christ is eternal life itself. In him we were chosen before the foundation of the world. By him the eternal covenant with Israel was taken up, embodied, and fulfilled. To him we are joined by the Holy Spirit through

faith, and adopted as children, the sons and daughters of God. Through him we are raised from death to new life. For him we shall live to all eternity.

*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
*Hymn of Preparation #612..... “In This Very Room”

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: . . . Song of Solomon 2:8-13 (OT595) . . . Psalm 45:1-2, 6-984 (OT498) . . .
Pastor: Holy Wisdom Holy Word. **PEOPLE: Thanks be to God.**

Song of Solomon 2:8-13

Wives: The voice of my beloved! Look, he comes, leaping upon the mountains, bounding over the hills. My beloved is like a gazelle or a young stag. Look, there he stands behind our wall, gazing in at the windows, looking through the lattice. My beloved speaks and says to me:

Husbands: “Arise, my love, my fair one, and come away; for now the winter is past, the rain is over and gone. The flowers appear on the earth; the time of singing has come, and the voice of the turtledove is heard in our land. The fig tree puts forth its figs, and the vines are in blossom; they give forth fragrance. Arise, my love, my fair one, and come away.”

The Sermon FOR THE LOVE OF GODPastor Wilson

Following the Word Into the World

*Closing Hymn #755 “We Shall Behold Him”
***Benediction & Postlude**

**Those that are able please stand.*

>worshipcloset.com; Eunice T. McGarahan, A Study of the Belhar Confession and its Accompanying Letter (Louisville: Office of Theology and Worship), p. 36.

WELCOME! We hope your worship today will be meaningful. We 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 – Please complete the Friendship Pad and pass it toward the center aisle.

Visitors are asked to provide an address and phone number.

MEMBERSHIP – Please speak with an Elder or the Pastor if you would like to receive Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior or if you would like to become a member of Philadelphia Presbyterian Church.

I WISH CARDS - PPC is a praying church and a caring church. We welcome your thoughts, comments and prayer requests on the blue cards. You may drop them in the offering plate when it is passed. If you provide your contact information the pastor will be happy to visit or pray with you.

THIS WEEK AT PHILADELPHIA

- TODAY** 09:45am – Sunday School
- 11:00am – Worship Service
- Tuesday** 09:00am – The Breakfast Club
- Next Sunday** 11:00am – Communion Service
- 12:15pm - PWCT

PW ANNUAL MEETING
Our Presbyterian Women Annual Meeting will be Sunday Sept 13, following the worship service, to approve the 2016 PW Budget and elect 2016 PW officers. All women of the church are invited and encouraged to attend.

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!

- 08/18 Regina Allen (Dot Pearce's niece) – chemo for ovarian cancer
- 07/28 Van Banke – recovering from knee surgery
- 08/13 Sara Cleveland & husband, Bill (Murphy's friends) – Sara had brain surgery on 8/09 in critical condition
- 08/17 Paul Huddleston Jr. (Martha Smith's great-grandson) – fighting the California wildfires
- 08/18 Kenzlee (Connie McWilliams' great grandbaby) – surgery for digestive obstruction (4 wks old)
- 08/19 Rick Pierce – recovering from carpal tunnel surgery on both wrists
- 07/28 Connie Seidel (PW Presbytery CT member) – major health problems, doctors unable to determine cause
- 08/12 Pat Shelton (Lynn Vandiver's friend) – hand & wrist surgery on 8/25
- 08/17 Dawn Smith (Frances Youngblood's daughter-in-law) – cancer has reoccurred, starts chemo in September
- 08/04 Bud Steele – recovering from emergency room treatment, potassium levels off
- 07/30 Mona Steele – recovering from stay at Southern Regional with internal bleeding
- 07/27 Our Students – going back to school, especially college, going off for the 1st time
- 08/18 Lea Turner (Joyce Smith's sister-in-law) – recovering from heart attack
- 08/17 Dot Upchurch – recovering from gallbladder surgery

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 or fill in the I WISH card and place it in the offering plate when it is passed.

It was so good to see so many at the Listen and Learn Luncheon last Sunday. Important information was shared and critical issues were discussed. Those who were unable to attend are welcome to talk with any member of Session and/or pick up the handouts in the Narthex and/or ask Cindy to mail the handouts to you. God has entrusted the care of PPC to us all so your involvement is wanted and needed.

Pastor Wilson

Dear Philadelphia Family,
I would like to thank all of my friends here at Philadelphia Presbyterian Church for all the prayers, love and support that were given to me while my brother, James, had a two year battle with cancer. Your concerns for my family and I was appreciated more than words can say. We miss having him here with us but he is at peace in his "Heavenly Home." God bless you all.

Your friend in Christ,
Blondell Brown

Dear Sylvia & Session,
Thank you so much for allowing us to use your wonderful fellowship hall to host a party for Thornwell. We appreciate you so much and look forward to working more with all of you in the future.
Thanks again,
Sherri Bozardt