

September 27, 2015

PHILADELPHIA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, PC (USA)

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MISSION OUTREACH

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

*Our help is in the name of the Lord,
the Maker of heaven and earth.
Psalm 124:8*

*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

Jennifer Rohrbach
Pulpit Assistant

Call to Worship

L: It’s a great day to be here.

P: There are so many things we can do to serve the Lord.

L: Just listen for God’s call to you. Let God guide your life.

P: We are willing to open our lives to God’s service.

L: Come, let’s worship and celebrate God’s good news for us.

P: Let us bring our hopes and prayers to God with joy. AMEN

Opening Prayer

Lord of joy and mercy; be with us this day as we seek your voice and your guidance. Remove the obstacles that block our commitment and help us to truly be your disciples; for we ask this in Christ’s Name. AMEN.

*Opening Hymn #11..... “Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”

***Prayer of Confession**

Patient Lord, we know that you call us to service, but we often feel inadequate. We love to make excuses for not doing something or for doing something only half-heartedly. Remind us again of your loving and guiding presence. Forgive us when we stumble and falter. Turn us again to you, serving joyfully and confidently. In Jesus’ Name, we pray. AMEN.

Words of Assurance

Beloved Ones, you are the salty people - those who bring flavor to living. Your spirit of love and confidence gives hope to others. Remember that the Lord is always with you. 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 #640..... “Sweet Hour of Prayer”

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: **James 5:13-20** (NT215) . . . **Mark 9:38-50** (NT43) . . .

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

The Sermon BUILDING BLOCKS AND STUMBLING BLOCKS.....Pastor Wilson

Following the Word Into the World

*Closing Hymn #630 “What a Friend We Have in Jesus”

***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 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
Next Sunday 11:00am - Communion Service
 12:15pm - PWCT

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)

In September we are collecting supplies for **Secur'us House**, a refuge for abused women and their children. A list of items needed is in the September Crossroads. You may leave your donations in the narthex. *Connie McWilliams, Community Missions*



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
- 08/13 Sara Cleveland (Murphy's friend) – in rehab recovering from brain surgery
- 09/16 Roland Downing (Greg's dad) – knee surgery at Piedmont Atlanta on 9/21**
- 08/17 Paul Huddleston Jr. (Martha Smith's great-grandson) – fighting the California wildfires
- 08/18 Kenzlee (Connie McWilliams' newborn great grandbaby) – recovering from surgery for digestive obstruction
- 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) – recovering from hand & wrist surgery
- 08/17 Dawn Smith (Frances Youngblood's daughter-in-law) – cancer has reoccurred, chemo
- 08/30 Bud Steele – dealing with cellulites
- 08/30 Mona Steele – severe digestive issues
- 09/03 Mitchell Trotter (Joyce Smith's brother) – recovering from back surgery
- 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*

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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.

Homecoming 2015 – October 25, 2015
190 Years in the Making!!!

- **"Meet and Greet" muffin breakfast at 9:30a.m.**
- **Worship Service at 11:00 a.m.**
- **Covered Dish Luncheon after service**



We need you to help us get the word out about Homecoming so please contact any former members and let them know the date. If you are planning on attending, please rsvp by October 11. You can call the Church office and leave word, or if you are friends on the Church Facebook page, you can respond to the invite that has been sent out.

ATTENTION PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

The annual **PW Retreat** will be held at **Calvin Center** on **October 31**. The Rev. Betsy Turner will be our inspirational speaker. We are taking reservations in September. This year we will have an **EARLY BIRD** discount. See the September Crossroads for details.



SAM'S DAY at CALVIN CENTER

Announcing your fall 2015 SAM's Day! Wednesday, October 7, 2015. \$15/person price for Wednesday only, and the day begins at 9am. Your theme this fall is Being Together. Come enjoy this time of fellowship & fun especially planned for you. Activities will include horseback riding, pottery, trail hikes, workshops and of course BINGO. The deadline to register is October 5th and we need to know if you are coming.