

November 29, 2015

PHILADELPHIA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, PC (USA)

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Connie McWilliams, Spiritual Growth, Poinsettias
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MISSION OUTREACH

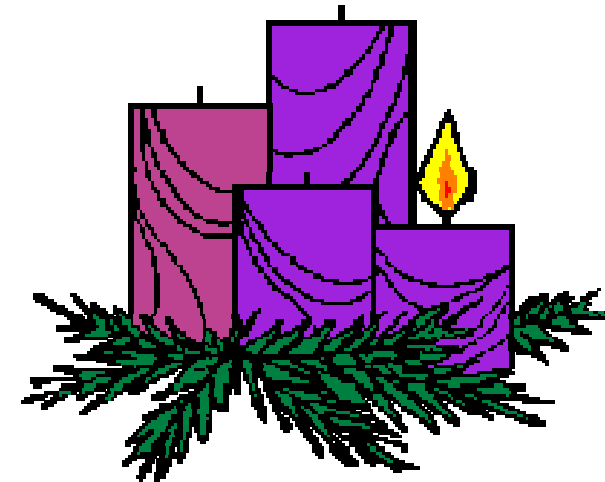
Calvary Refuge Center*
Child's Fund (PW)*
Christmas Joy Offering***
Columbia Friendship Circle (PW)**
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Kinship Care Resource Center**
Local Benevolences (Pastor's Discretion)*

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

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Securus House (PW)***
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Souper Bowl of Caring**
The Gideons International**
Thank Offering (PW)*
Thornwell***

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1st Sunday of Advent

Welcome

Show me your ways, LORD, teach me your paths. Guide me in your truth and teach me, for you are God my Savior, and my hope is in you all day long.

Psalm 25: 4-5

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

November 29, 2015

11:00 AM

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

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

The Chiming of the Hour

Call to Worship

Rick Pierce
Pulpit Assistant

God of grace: We come with all we have; bodies, souls, minds, all here to worship you. We have come for a glimpse of your kingdom of kindness--a world where love rules over all, a world where enemies embrace, distinctions between friend and foe evaporating in the light of your love. We dedicate this hour of worship to you and to your kingdom come. Amen.

The Announcements and Welcome

The Invocation

The Offertory

*The Doxology (#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.**

*The Offertory Prayer

Choir Anthem..... “Glory Hallelu”.....

Introduction to the Greening Ceremony

The Hymn #245..... “O Come, O Come, Emmanuel”

The Lighting of the Candles

The Hymn #256..... “Love Has Come”

The Lighting of the Advent Candle.....Mary Smith & Marie Dossouvi

The Hymn #255.....“Lo, How a Rose E’er Blooming”

Hanging of the Wreaths and Holly

The Hymn #262..... “Away in a Manger”

Placing of the Poinsettias

The Hymn #290..... “As With Gladness Men of Old”

Hanging of the Garlands

The Hymn #270..... “Joy to the World”

Decoration of the Christmas Tree

The Hymn #277..... “Hark! The Herald Angels Sing”

Giving of the Chrismons

Meditation on the Word.....Pastor Wilson

*The Hymn #253 “Silent Night”

*Benediction

*The Postlude

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 09:00am – Answer Session**
09:45am – Sunday School
11:00am –Hanging of the Green Service
- Tuesday 09:00am – The Breakfast Club
- Next Sunday 09:30am – Christmas Breakfast in the fellowship hall, hosted by Session**
11:00am – Communion Service
12:15pm - PWCT

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!

Christian Sympathy is extended to the Karka family in the death of Celestine’s father.
Christian Sympathy is extended to Mary Smith and family in the death of her niece.

- 11/24 Regina Allen (Dot Pearce’s niece) – cancer surgery on 12/1, chemo to follow**
- 11/1 Linda (Buddy Ashmore’s sister-in-law) – recovering from a stroke
- 11/24 Ruby Chapman (Serena Staats’ mother) - in ICU at Piedmont Mountainside, Jasper—heart procedure**
- 11/1 Ed Downey – (Nancy Phillips’ cousin) – battling cancer
- 10/12 Betty & Rowland Downing (Greg’s parents) – are back home and recovering well
- 11/08 Philippe Karka and his extended Togo family dealing with death, an automobile accident
- 10/01 David Newberry (Pat Randolph’s friend) – radiation & chemo for several advanced stage cancers
- 10/22 Dawn Smith (Frances Youngblood’s daughter-in-law) – continuing chemo
- 11/22 Brandon Wilson (Chris Banke’s co-worker) – injured in bad auto accident**

OUR HOMEBOUND: *Please refer to the Church Directory for contact information*
Tye Bryant Becky Huie Jean Ray JoAnn Tatzel Dot Upchurch

Prayer Request: Call 404-366-1851, Email secyppc@bellsouth.net or fill in the I WISH card and drop in the offering plate.

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)

Poinsettias



Each Christmas we decorate the sanctuary with poinsettias in honor or memory of someone special. We will order red and white plants, with gold sleeves. The cost will be \$11.00 per plant. You may order a plant in honor or memory of someone by filling out the order form and giving it to Connie McWilliams or the Church Office. It is not necessary to purchase more than one plant in order to honor more than one person. Make checks payable to Connie McWilliams and not to the church. *The deadline to order is TODAY.*



POINSETTIAS ORDER FORM



PLACED BY _____ **#OF PLANTS** _____
(YOUR NAME) *(COST PER PLANT: \$11.00)*

COLOR PREFERENCE: ___RED ___WHITE ___NO PREFERENCE

IN HONOR/MEMORY OF: _____
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