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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

*Exalt the Lord our God and worship at his footstool; he is holy.
Psalm 99:5*

*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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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!**” **Philippe Karka**
The Greeting and The Ritual of Friendship including signing of Pew Pads *Pulpit Assistant*
The Gathering Song

Call to Worship> (based on Psalm 99)

L: Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord our God and King! Glorious and powerful is the God of all creation!

P: **In reverent awe, we gather to worship our God.**

L: The Lord our God is King and the Just Judge of all things for all eternity, all people and all places.

P: **In reverent awe, we gather to praise our God.**

L: The Lord our God is King and the Forgiving God! ‘Fairness’ and ‘Justice’ are the names of our God.

ALL: **In reverent awe, we gather to worship God, within the light of God’s holiness, justice, mercy and love. Amen.**

*Opening Hymn # 435 “God of Grace and God of Glory”

*Unison Prayer of Confession> (Based on Psalm 99)

Forgive us, O God, when we stumble in the darkness and turn away from your face.

Strengthen us to walk in your brightness and live in your ways. Enlighten the shadows

that keep us from growing in your love and light. Shower us with your grace, that we

might shine as your people upon this earth.

Assurance of Pardon

*The Gloria Patri (# 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 Stewardship Of All Things

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

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.**

In Proclaiming The Word

Anthem

Scriptures 2 Corinthians 3:12-4:2 (NT 170) . . . Luke 9:28-35 (NT 66)

Sermon DOMINATION OR IMITATION..... Pastor Wilson

*Hymn of Preparation # 428 “In Christ There Is No East or West”

Holy Communion

(You may partake of each element as you receive it.)

Following the Word Into the World

*Closing Hymn # 399 “We Are God’s People”

Charge and Benediction

Postlude

*Those that are able please stand.

> <http://re-worship.blogspot.com/>

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.

L: Hear us now as we proclaim the mystery of our faith:

P: When we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim your death, Lord Jesus, until you come in glory.

P: Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

L: Hear also our prayers for the sick and shut in, the ill and infirmed, the lost and lonely, those trafficked and enslaved, others who are prisoners in body, mind or spirit...

These things we ask in the name of your Son and our Savior, praying together as he taught us...

P: Our Father...

L: Loving God, we pray that you will send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon this bread and this cup that they may be for us the body and the blood of your Son, Christ Jesus our Lord. As we eat and drink, give us the mind of Christ and help us follow his example as we await his return in glory.

DISTRIBUTION OF THE ELEMENTS

(You may partake of each element as you receive it.)

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P: Lord, you have nourished us with the bread from heaven. We thank you and we bless your most holy name. Fill us with your Spirit day by day, and make us one in peace and love. Amen



During worship on Sunday, January 17, the current Session announced their decision to remain with the PC(USA). The decision was reached after a lengthy season of discernment that included results from the CAT Scan, congregational input from several Listen and Learn Luncheons, morning meetings, notes, private conversations and of course fervent prayers on the part of many members. The decision was unanimous and reflects the wishes of the great majority of members.

The Session will be reviewing the current mission/vision/values statements in preparation for writing the Church Information Form. Their goal is to have the congregation elect a Pastor Nomination Committee (PNC) by the end of March. Delaying the decision would have added a month or more to the process.

In the days ahead, Session will provide additional opportunities for congregational involvement. Your concerns and suggestions may also be shared at any time with any member of Session or submitted to them by mail noting that your signature will ensure a response. Please continue to pray for PPC, her members and her leaders.

COMMUNION LITANY

The Invitation

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

L The peace of the Lord be with you.

P And also with you.

L: Lift up your hearts.

P: We lift them up to the Lord.

L: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

P: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

L: Father, all powerful and ever-living God, we will always and everywhere give you thanks and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord, In him you have renewed all things and you have given all who believe in him a share in his riches.

Though his nature was divine, he stripped himself of glory and by shedding his blood on the cross he brought his peace to the world and reconciliation between people. He was exalted above all creation and became the source of eternal life to all who serve him. Therefore, we ask that you hear us now as we lift our voices with all the saints and angels in heaven who praise you, saying:

P: Holy, holy, holy, Lord. God of power and might, Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord, Hosanna in the highest.

L: Blessed indeed, Father, is the one who comes in your name. Blessed is your son, Christ Jesus, and blessed are they who believe in him and call on his name.

P: Dying he destroyed our death, rising he restored our life.

L: Before he was given up to death, a death he freely accepted, he took bread, and after giving you thanks, he broke it, gave it to his disciples, saying: "Take and eat. This is my body given for you."

When the supper was ended, he took the cup and after giving you thanks, he gave it to his disciples, saying: "Take and drink. This is my blood, the blood of the new and everlasting covenant shed for you and for all so that sins may be forgiven. Do this in memory of me."



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** **09:30am – Confirmation Class begins**
09:45am – Sunday School
11:00am – Communion Worship Service
12:15pm – Annual Chili Cook-off
- Tuesday** **11:30am – Craft Group @ Ann & Bill’s, FP**
- Wednesday** **12:30pm & 6:30pm – Ash Wednesday Service**
- Saturday** **10:30am – Mary & Martha Circle @ Lynn Vandiver’s home**
10:30am – Circle One
- Next Sunday** **12:15pm – Secret Pal Reveal Party**

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 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.

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!

- 01/24 Regina Allen (Dot Pearce’s niece) – chemo treatments
- 01/04 Dennis Hermosilla (Tom Smith’s nephew) – pancreatic cancer has returned and spread
- 12/20 Kayre Hines (Kathie Pierce’s mom) – recovering from fall, fractured both wrists and jaw and Kathy for safe travels to care for her
- 02/01 Dene Long (Nancy Phillips’ sister) – facing surgery & treatment for breast cancer**
- 02/01 Betty Mullins (former member) – under hospice care for congestive heart failure & dementia**
- 02/01 Charies NeSmith – recovering from fall and facial fracture, not ready for visitors but improving**
- 02/01 Niki (Kiere Coan’s friend) – grandparents recently lost everything in a house fire**
- 01/22 Dawn Smith (Frances Youngblood’s daughter-in-law) – continuing chemo
- 02/01 Ruby Chapman (Serena staats’ mom) – recovering from blood clot in heart and Serena for safe travels while she is caring for her
- 01/04 Michael Trotter (Joyce Smith’s brother) – recovering from Pneumonia

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.



Join us TODAY immediately after worship for our 3rd Annual Chili Cook-off. Sign up in the narthex if you would like to be a part of the Cook-off. Bring in soups, canned goods and non-perishables for a local food ministry. Cash donations are accepted.

Confirmation/New Members Classes - 9:30 a.m. February 7, 21, 28
(All are welcome, especially if you are considering joining PPC and/or baptism for yourself or your child.)

Ash Wednesday Services - February 10, 12:30 and 6:30 p.m.



SECRET PAL PARTY



The Secret Pal revealing party will be February 14, at 12:15 in the church Fellowship Hall. If you are currently participating in this event, bring a gift for your Secret Pal and a covered dish. If you would like to remain a member and/or join for this coming year, fill out a card to be drawn at the end of the party. There are only two gifts given during the year, on the Secret Pal’s birthday and @ the revealing party.

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)