

PHILADELPHIA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, PC (USA)

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Philadelphia Presbyterian Church

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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

For the benefit of the congregation, please try to give announcements to Cindy before Wednesday. When that doesn't work, please write them down for the Pulpit Assistant or come to a microphone to speak. Your consideration is appreciated.

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

October 9, 2016

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

Mary Smith
Pulpit Assistant

Call to Worship>

Based on Psalm 23

L: Caring Shepherd, you supply all our needs.
P: We celebrate God’s generous care of us all.

L: Good Shepherd, you take us by the hand and lead us through the dark and fearful times in life.
P: We celebrate God’s compassion and understanding.

L: Gracious Shepherd, your goodness and mercy nurtures and blesses us, and it enriches our soul.
P: As we worship you, we share together in the feast you prepare for us, and it restores and refreshes us. Amen.

Opening Prayer>

Ever Present God, awake us from our slumber so that we might bring our fears and anxieties into your presence. Help us hear the call of our Shepherd and allow his voice to lead us from self-centered pursuits to the feast of grace. Let the light of Christ shine into the shadowy places of our lives and restore us for joyful worship, sacrificial service and faithful obedience. It is in his name that we do pray. Amen.

Special Choral Selection

***Prayer of Confession**

Gentle Shepherd, You guide us in right paths, You lead us in the ways of righteousness, but we have allowed our fear, our anger, our rage, our greed, and at times even our hate, to direct our paths. We have overreacted, we have taken more than our share, we have despised others that seem to have it all. Forgive us, God, for not following Your ways. Forgive us for not remembering that we are Your sheep, and You are our Shepherd. Forgive us when we have not listened for Your voice and instead have acted in the ways of

the world. Guide us back to Your path, to loving You and loving our neighbors. Help us to unclench our fists and lend out our hands in hope and healing, forgiveness and love. In the name of Christ our Shepherd we pray. Amen.

***Assurance of Pardon**

The Good Shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. The Good Shepherd knows the sheep and lays down his life so that the sheep may live. We are part of the flock, we are part of Christ’s body. In Christ we find wholeness and restoration. Go forth and share this Good News. Amen.

***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 Prayers to God

The Contemplation of God through Silence and Prayer
Intercessory Prayer
The Lord’s Prayer.....forgive us our debts, as forgive our debtors

In Stewardship Of All Things

We Worship God with Our Gifts and Offerings
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

***Hymn of Preparation #712 “Be Still, My Soul”**

Scripture Psalm 23 (#205) The Lord Is My Shepherd ... John 10:1-18 (NT-98)

Anthem

Sermon SEEKING GOOD SHEPHERDS Pastor Wilson

Response to the Word

Remembering Tye Bryant

Following the Word Into the World

***Closing Hymn #808 “Eternal Father, Strong to Save”
Benediction & Postlude**

*Those that are able please stand.

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 – Prayer Time**
 09:45am – Sunday School
 11:00am – Worship Service

Tuesday **11:30am – Craft Group @ The Varsity Downtown** (*see announcement*)

Saturday **Huie Reunion**

Next Sunday **08:30am - SESSION**

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.

Our Mission: is to offer spiritual peace in a chaotic world through the stability of traditional Christ-centered teaching, worship and prayer.

Our Core Values: 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 new info and updates. Inquiring minds – and prayerful hearts – want to know!

Christian Sympathy is extended to the family of Penny Hill, former Presbyterian, who passed away on October 4.

10/03 Carolyn Allen (Dot Pearce’s sister) – chemo treatments for leukemia

08/23 Regina Allen (Dot Pearce’s niece) - ovarian cancer treatments

08/22 Bush Family (Jennifer’s friends) - husband having seizures-unable to control

08/22 Susanne Dinan (Jennifer’s friend) - diagnosed with breast cancer

10/06 The Downing Family: Greg is sick, Roland not doing well, Betty Downing worrying about them while trying to recover from surgery to repair fractured femur. Family is caring for them.

10/03 Missy Cruz (Mary Smith’s friend’s niece) – in Arizona being treated for Lou Gehrig’s disease

08/22 William Howard (Mary Smith’s friend) - lung cancer

09/26 Pam Langley – recovering from knee replacement surgery

08/22 Dene Long (Nancy Phillips’ sister) – doing well and will continue maintenance chemo

09/26 Dot Morgan – home recovering from seizure (no visitors please)

08/21 Danny Morris’ nephew and wife—praying for successful pregnancy

10/05 Becky Ramsey (friend of Pat & Debbie Durden) – surgery to remove cancerous kidney

08/22 Mary Scott (Mary Smith’s friend) - surgery to repair hernia

10/05 Dawn Smith (Frances Youngblood’s daughter-in-law) – continuing chemo

PNC: Barbara Barlow, Greg Downing, Marie Dossouvi, Emory Pearce and Mary Smith. **ALTS:** Debbie Bray and Darr Johnson

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

Becky Huie 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.

FREE HEALTH FAIR

Everyone is Welcome!!!

Friday, October 14, 2016

10:00am to 6:00pm

Forest Park Community Center

696 Main St

Forest Park, GA

Free Screenings:

Vision

Blood Pressure

OB Ultrasound

Diabetes Care

Foot and Leg

Flu Shots

Alzheimers

Refreshments

Door Prizes &

Much much more!

Join us in the 100th Birthday Celebrations

In honor of

Anne Dunivin

Event1: *Anne will swim at Washington Park Natatorium, 102 Ollie St. NW Atlanta on October 17 at 10:30am. You are invited to come and watch her swim and have a party!*

Event2: *A Birthday Luncheon is planned at Philadelphia Presbyterian Church*

on Saturday, October 22, at 12:00 noon.

No gifts please. Showers of cards and sharing of your favorite memories would be blessings for Anne.



Presbyterian Women are collecting new or gently used eye glasses and sunglasses. The deadline to donate is Sunday, October 16. Please see Pat Randolph for details.



Plan to attend our Annual PW retreat on Saturday, Oct. 22, 2016 from 8:30am till 3:00pm in the Lake View Room at Calvin Center in Hampton, Ga. We are looking forward to another wonderful retreat this fall. Our speaker is Emily Wilmesherr from Columbia Seminary and Emily is excited to be our speaker! All women are invited and encouraged to attend - and invite a friend! The cost is \$35 and includes both breakfast and lunch. To reserve your space, please give your checks or cash to Debbie Bray or Nancy Phillips by TODAY, **October 9th**. Checks should be made out to Debbie Bray.

The **CRAFT GROUP** will be visiting the Varsity - Downtown on Tuesday. We will carpool from the church at 11:00am. Husbands are invited. Reservations are required, see Barbara Barlow.



Remembering Mrs. Talitha W. Bryant

May 17, 1922 -- July 25, 2016

Tye Bryant was among the first Black women to serve as a WAVE in the United States Navy. After only two years the war ended and she received an honorable discharge. She returned to Ohio and married James Bryant who passed away in 1975. An only child with no husband or children, when she retired from Dayton Power and Light Company in 1987 she made the wise decision to relocate to Jonesboro, GA to be near her only living relative, Karen Eusury.

Tye did not slow down when she arrived in Jonesboro, Georgia. She volunteered with the American Red Cross Disaster Team where she taught classes, worked with blood drives and frequently traveled to areas hit by disaster. She also volunteered with Samaritans Together of Clayton County and undertook other efforts on behalf of the hungry, homeless and jobless. At one point she became director of "Operation Jobs" an organization formed to help find jobs for the poor. Not surprisingly, she received numerous awards for outstanding disaster and community service.

Helen Bell invited Tye to Philadelphia Presbyterian Church and in August 1989 after visiting for more than a year, Tye transferred her membership from Westminster Presbyterian Church in Dayton, Ohio. She said, "The choir was the main drawing card to my joining Philadelphia". In 1992 she was ordained as an elder and she faithfully served the Session as well as the members of the congregation by volunteering whenever she could.

When her health started to fail, she made another wise decision to move to Westbury Health and Rehabilitation Center in McDonough, GA where she lived for a number of years. Her cousin Karen along with members of PPC visited her often and enjoyed stories about her life as well as her wonderful sense of humor.

Even though her memory started to fail a few years ago she always greeted people with the same smile that blessed so many during her 92 years on this side of glory. She once gave an interview where she stated, "After 13 years, I am very pleased that I chose Jonesboro as my retirement home and Philadelphia as my church home." We at Philadelphia are also pleased that God allowed Tye Bryant to be part of our church family.



Favour is deceitful, and beauty is vain: but a woman who fears the Lord shall be praised. Give her of the fruit of her hands; and let her own works praise her in the gates. Proverbs 31:30-31