

April 2, 2017

PHILADELPHIA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, PC (USA)

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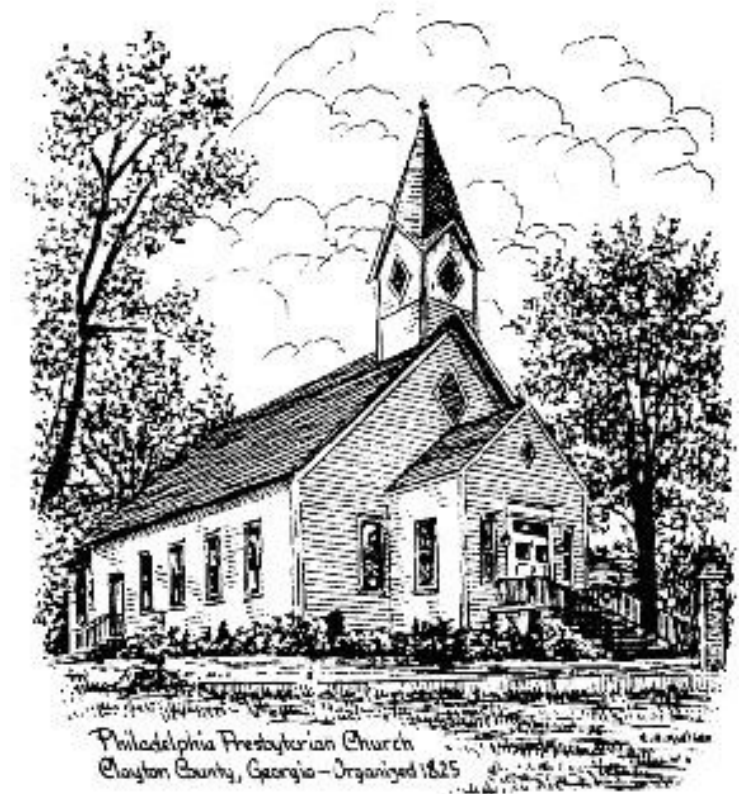
MISSION OUTREACH

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*
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Session & PW Misc. Benevolences*
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Souper Bowl of Caring**
The Gideons International**
Thank Offering (PW)*
Thornwell***

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SUNDAY ANNOUNCEMENTS: 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.

Welcome

PHILADELPHIA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
351 MORROW ROAD, FOREST PARK, GA 30297, 404-366-1851

April 2, 2017

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!**”

Jennifer Rohrbach

The Greeting and The Ritual of Friendship including signing of Pew Pads

Pulpit Assistant

Call to Worship

Psalm 130

L: Out of the depths I cry to you, O LORD.

P: Lord, hear my voice! Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplications!

L: If you, O LORD, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand?

P: But there is forgiveness with you, so that you may be revered.

L: I wait for the LORD, my soul waits, and in his word I hope; my soul waits for the Lord more than those who watch for the morning, more than those who watch for the morning.

ALL: O Israel, hope in the LORD! For with the LORD there is steadfast love, and with him is great power to redeem. It is he who will redeem Israel from all its iniquities.

Opening Prayer>

God of the living, through baptism we pass from the shadow of death to the light of the resurrection. Remain with us and give us hope that, rejoicing in the gift of the Spirit who gives life to our mortal flesh, we may be clothed with the garment of immortality, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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

*** Affirmation of Faith**

The Apostles’ Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty; Maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell¹; the third day He

rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick² and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic³ church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

¹ “hell” means world of departed spirits; ² “quick” means alive; ³ “catholic” means universal

***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

We Worship God with Our Gifts and Offerings

The Offertory Prayer

***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

Scripture Ezekiel 37:1-14 (OT-764) ... Romans 8:6-11 (NT-148)

Anthem

Sermon IN THE VALLEY OF DRY BONES* Pastor Wilson

***Responsive Hymn #393 “Breathe on Me, Breath of God”**

THE LORD’S SUPPER

you may partake of the elements as you receive them

Following the Word Into the World

***Closing Selection**

Benediction & Postlude

** “Although it’s often mistaken for a folksong, “Dem Dry Bones”, a popular spiritual was written by African-American author and composer, James Weldon Johnson. The song has no exact date of composition, however, it was first recorded by the Famous Myers Jubilee Singers in 1928 and some versions of this song also give writing credit the author’s brother, J. Rosamond Johnson. Since that time, it has been rerecorded and made popular by a wildly diverse group of musicians and performers including Rosemary Clooney, Tennessee Ernie Ford, The Mills Brothers, The Kingsmen and even Phish. Although the song has scary overtones, the lyrics are taken from the Biblical Book of Ezekial (Ezekial 37:1-14) where the Prophet Ezekial visits the Valley of Dry Bones and prophesies that the dead will one day rise again at the command of the Lord”*

PHILADELPHIA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SUNDAY, April 2, 2017

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 – Communion Service 12:15pm - PWCT
Tuesday	09:00am – The Breakfast Club
Saturday	10:30am – Circle One 12:30pm – Luncheon for Pastor Wilson
Next Sunday	08:30am – SESSION 11:00am – Service of the Palms

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 Emory Pearce in the death of his sister in law, Martha.

- 03/07 Carolyn Allen (Dot Pearce's sister) – continuing chemo treatments for leukemia – doing well
- 03/07 Regina Allen – (Dot Pearce's niece) starting different cancer treatments
- 02/13 Roland Downing – recovering from pneumonia – doing better
- 02/22 Susan Dunn (Dot Dunn's Daughter) requests prayers for her family
- 03/01 Terry Folsom (Huie's son-in-law) – not doing well with leg paralysis & infection
- 02/27 Marie Foster – recovering from A-fib, recent stroke
- 02/28 Philippe Karka – awaiting testing results
- 03/19 Pat Randolph –chemo for stage 4 Breast Cancer
- 02/05 Dawn, Mike and McLean Smith (Frances Youngblood's daughter-in-law) taking a Parp inhibitor to slow cancer
- 03/28 Mike Trotter (Joyce Smith's brother) – in hospital with pneumonia**
- 02/09 Tim Wallace – (Dot's Upchurch's caregiver/son) – stage 4 prostate cancer

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

Patty Boone Becky Huie 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 NEW PASTOR

After many months of hard work, the PNC has completed the task that they were assigned and has made a recommendation that **Reverend David Omerod** become our next part-time contract called pastor and Session has approved their recommendation. Reverend Omerod will officially start at Philadelphia on April 18, 2017. Many thanks to the PNC for a job well done.

Luncheon to Honor Pastor Wilson

On Saturday, April 8, 2017 we will have a luncheon for **Pastor Wilson** to thank her for her commitment to Philadelphia for the last 2 1/2 years. The luncheon will start at 12:30. We hope that you will plan to join us. If you have any questions please see Jennifer Rohrbach.



Easter Egg Hunt

Philadelphia will host an **Easter Egg Hunt** on April 15, 2017. The hunt will begin at 1:00 p.m. so don't be late. You know it doesn't take children long to find eggs. We hope you will plan to join us and bring your children or grandchildren. The Easter Egg hunt is for ages 0 - 5th grade.

Calvary Refuge Fund Raising Covered Dish Luncheon April 23—12:15pm

During the month of April, we are raising funds to help furnish the new Holland Emergency Shelter at Calvary Refuge. Our goal is \$1906.36, which is the total cost to furnish one Family Room, sleeping four. Please place your donation in an envelope marked for Calvary Refuge. Make checks payable to Philadelphia Presbyterian Church.



On Sunday, April 23, we will have the covered dish luncheon to come together and celebrate this wonderful ministry. If you have any questions or would like to help set up the benefit luncheon, please see Connie McWilliams.

(Communion Litany continued)

Prayer after Communion

M: You have given yourself to us, Oh Lord.

P: Now we give our selves for others.

M: Your love has made us a new people;

P: As a people of love we will serve you with joy.

M: Your glory has filled our hearts;

P: Help us to glorify you in all things. Amen.

Communion Litany



M: The Lord be with you.

P: And also with you.

M: Lift up your hearts!

P: We lift them up to the Lord.

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

P: It is right to give our thanks and praise!

M: Holy and right it is to give you thanks and praise at all times and in all places, O God our Creator. Source of all life and goodness, you created heaven with all its hosts and the earth with all its plenty and preserve us by your providence.

P: When we disobeyed, you sent Jesus to deliver us from sin and death and free us to joyful obedience.

M: With your whole church on earth and with all the company of heaven we proclaim your glory.

**P: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

M: Blessed are you most righteous God. In this meal we remember the perfect sacrifice offered once and for all on the cross by our Lord Jesus Christ for the sin of the whole world.

P: United with Christ in his suffering, strengthened by the Holy Spirit, trusting in the power of God to triumph over evil, we wait in joyful hope for the fullness of God's reign.

M: Send your Holy Spirit upon us, we pray, that the bread which we break and the cup which we bless may be to us the communion of the body and blood of Christ. Grant that, being joined together in him, we may attain to the unity of the faith and grow up in all things into Christ our Lord.

P: As this grain has been gathered from many fields into one loaf, and these grapes from many hills into one cup, grant, O Lord, that your whole Church may soon be gathered from the ends of the earth into your kingdom. Even so, come, Lord Jesus!

M: Gracious God, pour out your Holy Spirit upon us, and upon these your gifts of bread and wine...through Christ and in Christ, the one who came for us, died for us, and rose for us, the one who prays even for us, the one who first taught us to pray these words:

P: Our Father...

M: Blessing and Distribution of the Elements (you may partake of the bread and juice as you receive them)

(continue on back)