

April 9, 2017

**PHILADELPHIA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, PC (USA)**

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**MISSION OUTREACH**

Calvary Refuge Center\*  
Child's Fund (PW)\*  
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Columbia Friendship Circle (PW)\*\*  
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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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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



**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 9, 2017

11:00 AM

**PALM/PASSION SUNDAY**  
**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

\***Processional Hymn #297** .....“**Hosanna, Loud Hosanna**”

*Grief and joy are about to be mixed. Today we commemorate Palm Sunday and Passion Sunday which ushers in Holy Week the most solemn week in the church calendar. It begins with shouts of praise as Jesus of Nazareth, hero of the common people, enters the Holy City, yet in so doing, he marches inevitably towards a gory death.*

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

Rick Pierce  
*Pulpit Assistant*

**Invocation**

L: The stone which the builders rejected,  
**P: has become the keystone of the corner.**  
L: Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!  
**P: Hosanna in the highest!**  
L: This is the day which the Lord has made.  
**ALL: We will rejoice and be glad in it.**

**Opening Words of Scripture** *Matthew 21:1-11*

\***Opening Hymn of Praise #300** ..... “**All Glory, Laud and Honor**”

**\*Responsive Prayer of Confession**

L: If our songs of praise are a habit that has lost the enthusiasm of its first love; Lord have mercy.  
**P: Lord have mercy.**  
L: If our songs of praise are hampered by a multitude of small doubts and fears; Christ have mercy.  
**P: Christ have mercy.**  
L: If our songs of praise have become the hollow shells of a faith that has withered; Lord have mercy.  
**P: Lord have mercy.**

L: God of stringent light and relentless mercy, please reveal to us the condition of our true selves. Expose the ugliness we have ignored, affirm the beauty that has not been surrendered, forgive the sins for which we have made pathetic excuses, and heal the faith which, although lame, has not surrendered to the world’s pessimism.

**P: Encourage us to bear the pain of complete self-honesty, and to embrace the joy of rehabilitation which comes to us through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit. Then let us live boldly to the praise of your Holy Name. Amen!**

**\*Assurance of Pardon**

L: Sisters and brothers in the faith, the sufferings and death of the true Son of God are indeed the ultimate condemnation of evil, but they are also the ultimate witness to the salvation of the world. Through Christ who comes to us, we are a people who have nothing to fear and everything to hope for.  
**P: Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest!**

**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**

**Anthem**

**Scripture** ..... *Matthew 26:14-27* (NT-28)

**Sermon** ..... **GIVE WHATEVER YOU HAVE**..... **Pastor Wilson**

**\*Unison Response to the Word** **The Apostle’s 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 hell<sup>1</sup>; 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 quick<sup>2</sup> and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic<sup>3</sup> church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

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

**Following the Word Into the World**

**Special Choral Selection**  
**Benediction & Postlude**

*(During the Benediction the congregation prepares to enter Holy Week as the Pastor drapes the picture of the Triumphant Entry and Ushers distribute booklets for the Stations of the Cross. You are welcome to tour the Stations and meditate on their significance after worship or from 8 a.m. – 4 p.m. during Holy Week.)*

**PHILADELPHIA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

**SUNDAY, April 9, 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	08:30am – SESSION 09:30am – Prayer Time 09:45am - Sunday School 11:00am – Service of the Palms
Tuesday	11:30am – Craft Group @ Italian Oven, Stockbridge
Thursday	10:30am – Mary & Martha Circle
Friday	12:00pm – Good Friday Service
Saturday	01:00pm – Easter Egg Hunt
Next Sunday	07:00am – Sunrise Service and breakfast 11:00am – Easter Service

**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!*

- 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
- 02/22 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
- 04/05 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) – recovering from 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](mailto:secyppc@bellsouth.net) or fill in the I WISH card and drop in the offering plate.

### 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 a 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.





*Words to Remember During Holy Week*  
*(Philippians 2:5-11)*

*Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death-- even death on a cross. Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.*

**Lent/Easter Week Activities**

- ▶ **April 9 @11 a.m.** – Service of the Palms and Passion
- ▶ **April 9 to April 15** - Stations of the Cross  
*Reflect on the events of Holy Week during this free self-guided tour on the church grounds each day 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.*
- ▶ **April 14 @ 12 N - 1 p.m.** – Good Friday Service
- ▶ **April 15 @ 1 p.m.** – Easter Egg Hunt
- ▶ **April 16 @ 7 a.m.** – Sunrise Service and Breakfast
- ▶ **April 16 @ 11 a.m.** – Easter Service

*Let mutual love continue. Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it. Hebrews 13: 1(NRSV)*

