

PHILADELPHIA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, PC (USA)

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Philadelphia Presbyterian Church

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Connie McWilliams, Spiritual Growth, Poinsettias
Debbie Durden, Spiritual Growth, Advent
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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*

Forest Park Ministers Association*
Securus House (PW)***
Session & PW Misc. Benevolences*
Shared Mission - PC (USA)*
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

December 12, 2021

11:00am

PHILADELPHIA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

351 Morrow Road, Forest Park, Georgia 30297

The Service for the Lord's Day Third Sunday in Advent - Joy

Chiming of the Hour

Prelude

A Joyous Acclamation

Lani Smith

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his holy name.

The Lord is our strength and salvation.

Proclaim the mercy of the One who comes as one of us.

The Lord is our strength and salvation.

Trust and do not be afraid.

The Lord is our strength and salvation.

With joy you will draw water from the wells of peace.

The Lord is our strength and salvation. Hallelujah!

From Isaiah 12

Let us worship the Lord.

*** Opening Hymn**

Joyful, Joyful We Adore You

No. 271

The Lighting of the Advent Wreath

The Durden Family

We are preparing ourselves for the coming days when the nations shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks; when nation shall not lift up sword against nation; neither shall they learn war anymore.

The wolf shall live with the lamb, the leopard shall lie down with the kid, the calf and the lion and the fatling together, and a little child shall lead them.

The wilderness and the dry land shall be glad, the desert shall rejoice and blossom; Like the crocus it shall blossom abundantly, and rejoice with joy and singing.

We light this candle as a sign of joy for the coming light of Christ.

The Lighting of the Candle of Joy

Let us walk in the light of the Lord with joy for all of God's children.

Call to Confession

Jim Simpson, Liturgist

Trusting in the grace of God, let us confess our sin against God and our neighbors.

Prayer of Confession

The Lord is near. In your presence, Holy God, we confess that we need repentance. We have broken your commands against idolatry. We do not live in peace with your creation or your people. We have not trusted your word, and we are afraid. Forgive us, restore us, and turn our shame into praise, for the sake of the One who proclaims the good news and for the sake of all the world. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon (All Sing)

*"O holy Child of Bethlehem, Descend to us, we pray.
Cast out our sin and enter in, Be born in us today."*

Call for the Offering

The Lord has given us so much. Let us praise the Lord through our gifts for the uplifting of God's kingdom.

Offering

Who Would Have Dreamed

Hansen and Bob Kauflin

*** Doxology (All Sing)**

*"O come, let us adore Him, O come, let us adore Him,
O come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord."*

First Reading

Isaiah 7:13-15

Second Reading

Luke 1: 26-38

Sermon

Conception

Rev. Jeanne Simpson

Anthem

O Be Joyful

Warren Angell

*** Affirmation of Faith**

We believe that in the past God spoke to our forefathers through the prophets at many times and in various ways. We believe, as did the Apostles, that God has spoken to us by his Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, and through whom God made the universe. We believe the Son is the radiance of God's glory and the exact representation of his being, sustaining all things by his powerful word. We

THIS WEEK AT PHILADELPHIA

(order of service continued)

TODAY 09:45am - Sunday School
11:00am – Worship Service
01:00pm – Service available on Facebook
Saturday 03:00pm – Christmas Cantata
Next Sunday Deadline for Securus House donations
Christmas Card Exchange

SECUR’US HOUSE: We are collecting gifts and needed items for Securus House. Please see the Crossroads for details. The deadline for donations is **Sunday, December 19.**

SCRIPTURE IN YOUR POCKET: We encourage you to sign up for sharing your favorite scripture on the 3RD Sunday of each month. Just let Cindy know ahead so she can print it so folks can take it home in their pocket!

- The **Christmas Cantata** is **Saturday, December 18, at 3:00pm.**
- Our **annual Christmas Eve service** is on **December 24th, at 7:00pm.**
- Bring in your **Christmas Joy** offering throughout December.
- Bring in your **Christmas Cards** for Church members who attend regularly and we will sort them out and hand deliver them during before/after service on **December 19.**
- This is the last day for **Craft Group** members to RSVP for the **Christmas party.** Please email or text Barbara Barlow to reserve your place (setting) at the table.

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!

- 11/30 Phyliss Allen (Randolph’s friend) – facing heart surgery Dec 6
- 11/07 Rick Burchette (Durdan’s daughter-in-law’s dad) – emergency heart surgery w/kidney dialysis
- 11/21 Todd Long (Nancy’s nephew) – stroke recovery, coming home
- 11/21 Richard Phillips (Jim’s brother) – chemo treatments for liver cancer
- 11/15 Barbara Sutton (Joyce’s niece) spine cancer, finished radiation, now on chemo
- 11/15 Sarah Trotter (Joyce’s niece) breast cancer, had surgery and still taking chemo
- 11/28 ByeonSoon Yoon (Heawoon’s mom) – diagnosed with cancer

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

Nell Cates Patty Boone Becky Huie Ann NeSmith

Prayer Request: Call 404-366-1851, Email secyppc@bellsouth.net or call a Session member or Shepherd.

believe that he has provided purification for sins and that he sits at the right hand of the Majesty in heaven.
(from Hebrews 1-3)

*** Gloria Patri** **Glorify Thy Name (v.1)** **No. 9**

Pastoral Prayer and Lord’s Prayer

*** Benediction Hymn** **Joy To The World!** **No. 270**

*** Benediction**

*** Choral Response**

*O come, Thou Wisdom from on high
And order all things, far and nigh;
To us the path of knowledge show
And cause us in her ways to go..
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.*



PHILADELPHIA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH **SUNDAY, December 12, 2021**

WELCOME! We are so thankful you chose to worship with us. 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.

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.

Protocol adjustments for congregation and visitors for the time being:

1. Bulletins will be placed on a table in the Narthex for individuals to pick up.
2. Hand sanitizer will be available on the pews.
3. Doors will be open whenever/wherever possible.
4. If you are not vaccinated or have been unmasked in the public, please wear a mask.
5. Please keep an empty row between seating.
6. Masks are needed during Sunday School and in the choir.
7. If you don't feel well, please don't come to church.