

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
Connie McWilliams, Cantata Reception
Jennifer Rohrbach, Spiritual Growth, PW Retreat

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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*

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***

*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.*



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Welcome

December 26, 202111:00am

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351 Morrow Road, Forest Park, Georgia 30297

The Service for the Lord’s Day
First Sunday in Christmastide

Chiming of the Hour

PreludeThanks Be to Thee, O LordG.F.Handel/Arr. Rick Parks

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

A child has been born for us,
A Son given to us;
Authority rests upon his shoulders;
And he is named Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.
Christ is born in Bethlehem.
Come, let us adore him.

Let us worship the Lord.

* Opening HymnO Come, All Ye FaithfulNo. 249

Call to ConfessionJim Simpson, Liturgist

As we celebrate the birth of Christ our Savior, let us acknowledge our failure to receive him fully into our world, trusting in the mercy of God.

Prayer of Confession

God of wonder, you surround us with signs of your glory and surprise us with your presence, yet we often miss the marvels you place before us. Forgive our dullness and make us alert to the ways you make yourself known, that we might be witnesses to your good news and proclaim your extravagant love in sending us your Son, Jesus to dwell among us. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

In Jesus Christ, God saved us, not because of any good works that we have done, but according to God’s mercy. People of God, rejoice in the birth of our Savior! In Jesus Christ, our sin is forgiven.

Call for the Offering

With grateful hearts, let us offer ourselves and our gifts to God, giving thanks to God for his blessings.

OfferingThe Lord’s PrayerAlbert Hay Malotte

* 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 ReadingIsaiah 52:7-10

Second ReadingJohn 1:1-14

SermonThe Light of the WorldRev. Jeanne Simpson

AnthemThe Infant JesusPietro A. Yon/Arr. Roy Ringwald

* 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 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 PatriGlorify Thy Name (v.1)No. 9

Pastoral Prayer and Lord’s Prayer

* Benediction HymnAngels, From the Realms of Glory, vs. 1, 2, 5No. 259

* Benediction

* Choral ResponseSing We Now of Christmas, vs.1No. 275

*As you are able, please stand

PHILADELPHIA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH SUNDAY, December 26, 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.

THIS WEEK AT PHILADELPHIA

TODAY 09:45am - Sunday School
 11:00am – Worship Service
 01:00pm – Service available on Facebook
Next Sunday 11:00am – Communion Service
 12:15pm – PWCT

PLEASE NOTE: Cindy is out of the office this week. The January Crossroads will go out the first week of January. Please send your articles and information to the office as soon as possible.

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!

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 Jim Phillips and family in the passing of his brother, Richard, on December 16.

- 11/30 Phyliss Allen (Randolph's friend) –heart surgery on Dec 21
- 11/07 Rick Burchette (Durdens daughter-in-law's dad) – emergency heart surgery w/kidney dialysis
- 11/21 Todd Long (Nancy's nephew) – stroke recovery at home
- 12/19 Ray Morgan – recovering from emergency surgery, removed mass from intestines, awaiting tests**
- 11/15 Barbara Sutton (Joyce's niece) spine cancer, chemo treatment
- 11/15 Sarah Trotter (Joyce's niece) breast cancer, taking chemo
- 11/28 ByeonSoon Yoon (Heawoon's mom) – diagnosed with cancer, Heawoon going to visit in Korea**

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.

