

PHILADELPHIA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, PC (USA)

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Connie McWilliams, Spiritual Growth, Poinsettias
Debbie Durden, Spiritual Growth, Advent
Connie McWilliams, Cantata Reception
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MISSION OUTREACH

Calvary Refuge Center*
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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.*



Philadelphia Presbyterian Church
Clayton County, Georgia ~ Organized 1825
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Welcome

PHILADELPHIA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

351 Morrow Road, Forest Park, Georgia 30297

January 1, 2023

11:00am

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

Chiming of the Hour

Choral Introit

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 Hymn O Come, All Ye Faithful No. 249**

Call to Confession Debbie Bray, 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.

Offering

*** 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 Jeremiah 31:10-17

Second Reading Matthew 2:13-23

Sermon A Voice in Ramah Rev. Jeanne Simpson

The Lord’s Supper

Anthem

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

Pastoral Prayer and Lord’s Prayer

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

*** Benediction**

*** Benediction Response Sing We Now of Christmas, vs.1 No. 275**

*Sing we now of Christmas, Noel sing we here! Listen to our praises to the Babe so dear.
Sing we Noel, the King is born, Noel! Sing we now of Christmas, sing we all Noel!*

*Please stand if you are able

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.

- Safety Protocols:**
1. Hand sanitizer is available for use.
 2. If you don't feel well, please don't come to church.
 3. If you feel more comfortable continuing to wear your mask, please do so.

THIS WEEK AT PHILADELPHIA

TODAY	09:30am – Sunday School
	11:00am – Worship Service
	01:00pm – Service available on Facebook
Saturday	09:00am – Elder Retreat
Next Sunday	11:00am – Elder Ordination & Office Installation
	12:15pm – Bridal Shower for Elizabeth Clayton
	<i>See the January Crossroads for details</i>

PLEASE: Start using your 2023 Offering Envelopes this week. The numbers begin a new series beginning today. Thanks!

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!

11/13 Dinah Bingham – dealing with arrhythmia, still some problems, back at church

11/13 Gerri Dean Bradley (Mary Smith's sister) –immunotherapy for lung cancer

10/28 Connie McWilliams – recovering from knee replacement, in therapy

12/11 Nancy Phillips – metastatic cancer – treatments start soon

11/25 Barbara Sutton (Joyce's niece) spine cancer, chemo treatment pills now

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.

MORROW FOOD PANTRY: We are continuing to collect plastic grocery bags for the food bank to use. Place them in the narthex in the bin provided.



PLEASE DO NOT bring in any more clothing items for the Community Missions room at this time. As soon as Connie is able to resume sorting she will let us know. Thanks



Community Outreach - The Babb Project: Each Friday afternoon, the staff at Babb Middle School send home bags of food items with some of the students who are homeless or very low income so that they can eat over the weekend. We have partnered with them to provide some of the needed items for these bags. See the Crossroads for a list of items needed. Monetary gifts are also welcomed. Make you check payable to PPC and mark it for the Babb Project. See Mary Smith or Eliot Lawrence for more information.