

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

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# Philadelphia Presbyterian Church

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**MISSION OUTREACH**

Calvary Refuge Center\*  
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Good Shepherd Clinic\*  
Kinship Care Resource Center\*\*  
Para Cristo Presbyterian\*\*

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*

**PHILADELPHIA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

351 Morrow Road, Forest Park, Georgia 30297

April 16, 2023

11:00am

**The Service for the Lord’s Day**

**Chiming of the Hour**

**Choral Introit**                      **Response number 1**                      *from twelve choral responses and sentences*

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Call to Worship**

I will praise the Lord, who counsels me;

**Even at night my heart instructs me.**

I keep my eyes always on the Lord.

**With him at my right hand, I will not be shaken.**

Therefore, my heart is glad and my tongue rejoices;

**You make known to me the path of life;**

You will fill me with joy in your presence,

**With eternal pleasures at your right hand.**

*From Psalm 16*

Let us worship the Lord.

**\* Opening Hymn**                      **And Can It Be?**                      **No. 347**  
**Call to Confession**                      **Greg Durden, Liturgist**

God has been made known to us in deeds of power and the resurrection of his Son.

He will not abandon us if we confess the truth about our lives. Confident in God’s

love, let us confess our sin.

**Prayer of Confession**

**God, you have made known to us the ways of life. Yet, too often, we put other things above you and turn away from the ways of life and toward the ways of death. Forgive us and guide us back into your presence, that we may know the fullness of joy. Through Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.**

**Assurance of Pardon**

My friends, God is our refuge and will not abandon us. In Jesus Christ, we are reconciled to God. That is a promise of peace and joy. In this glorious Eastertide, hear the good news: in Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Alleluia!

**Thanks be to God.**

**Call for the Offering**

God has given us abundant life and blessings. In gratitude, let us offer our hearts and the fruit of our labor to God’s service.

**Offering**                      **Only Jesus/Calvary’s Love**

**\* Doxology**                      **No. 815**

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him, all creatures here below.**

**Praise Him above, ye heav’nly host. Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

**First Reading**                      **1 Peter 2:2-10**

**Second Reading**                      **John 14:1-14**

**Sermon**                      **The Way To The Father**                      **Rev. Jeanne Simpson**

**Anthem**                      **Immortal Invisible**                      *from CELEBRATION HYMNAL*

**\* 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 hell; 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 and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

**\* Gloria Patri**                      **Glory Be to the Father**                      **No. 812**

**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, Amen.**

**Pastoral Prayer and Lord’s Prayer**

**\* Benediction Hymn**                      **Victory in Jesus**                      **No. 353**

**\* Benediction**

**\*Benediction Response (All Sing)**                      **In Christ There Is No East or West**                      **No. 428**

**In Christ there is no East or West, In Him no South or North;  
But one great fellowship of love Thro’out the whole wide earth.**

\*Please stand if you are able

**PHILADELPHIA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

**SUNDAY, April 16, 2023**

**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**

<b>TODAY</b>	09:30am – Sunday School 11:00am –Worship Service 01:00pm – Service available on Facebook
Tuesday	10:30am – Busy Bees Circle 07:00pm – SESSION
Thursday	09:30am – Come See Columbia Day

We are forming the Homecoming Committee for the 2025 bicentennial celebration of our church. We are looking for co-chairs and committee members. Please consider volunteering!

**CONTINUING COLLECTIONS:** 1- Grocery Bags for Morrow Food Pantry  
2- Food items for Babb Project (see *Crossroads* or *bulletin board* for details)



**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 Cathy & Danny Morris and family on the passing of his brother in law, Stan Meers on April 7.*

03/05 Carole Cabe (Fred's sister) – chemo for stage 4 lung cancer

**04/09 Bill Hines – recovering from a fall**

02/19 Becky Huie - recovering from stroke

02/21 Dan Kadel (Joyce Smith's brother-in-law) –Lymphoma & liver failure – in & out of hospital

02/26 Cleveland Lamont (Mary's bro-in-law) – tests for medical issues

02/21 Mark McWilliams (Connie's son) –recovering from prostate cancer surgery

**04/09 David & Barbara Omerod – both had recent falls. David having cataract surgery soon**

02/22 Nancy Phillips –treatments for metastatic cancer, recovering from surgery on 04/07

03/12 Donna Randolph – additional surgery on knee

02/21 John Randolph—additional surgery on 04/17

03/19 Ron Suchalla (Tom Smith's son-in-law) –heart attack, has new pacemaker, doing better

03/21 Angie Tharp – having back issues

02/25 Barbara Sutton (Joyce's niece) spine cancer, beginning chemo infusions @ Emory

**04/09 Ginger Westlund - recovering from recent surgery**

**04/09 Parveen & Feroze Yusufji - back from India but have COVID.**

**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](mailto:secyppc@bellsouth.net) or call a Session member or Shepherd.



**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 or bulletin board 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 if you have questions. **Community Outreach**