

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

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# Philadelphia Presbyterian Church

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Debbie Durden, Spiritual Growth, Advent  
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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\*\*  
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

May 7, 2023

11:00am

**The Service for the Lord’s Day**

**Chiming of the Hour**

**Choral Introit**

**We Gather Together**

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Call to Worship**

In you, O Lord, I seek refuge;

**Do not let me ever be put to shame;**

In your righteousness deliver me.

**Incline your ear to me; rescue me speedily.**

Be a rock of refuge for me, a strong fortress to save me.

*From Psalm 31*

Let us worship the Lord.

**\* Opening Hymn**

**More About Jesus**

**No. 560**

**Call to Confession**

**Jennifer Rohrbach, Liturgist**

As believers in Christ, we are free to go to God with our failings, knowing that God hears us. Confident in the promise of forgiveness, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

**Prayer of Confession**

**Almighty God, your word offers freedom from sin, but we confess that we have not obeyed your word. We have harbored malice toward our enemies; we have been deceitful in our relationships; we have been insincere in our commitments; we have gossiped instead of speaking in love. Forgive us our sin and lead us to genuine repentance. Help us grow into the joy of salvation through Jesus Christ. Amen.**

**Assurance of Pardon**

My friends, once we were not a people, but now we are God’s people; once we had not received mercy, but now we have received mercy. Know that in the name of Jesus Christ, our sin is forgiven. Alleluia!

**Thanks be to God.**

**Call for the Offering**

God’s gifts to us are bountiful. In gratitude, let us offer our hearts and the fruit of our labor to God’s service.

**Offering**

**Great Is Thy Faithfulness**

**\* 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 4:8-11**

**Second Reading**

**John 15:1-17**

**Sermon**

**The True Vine**

**Rev. Jeanne Simpson**

**Anthem**

**I Believe In the Sun**

*by Thomas Juneau*

**The Lord’s Supper**

**\* 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**

**Soon And Very Soon**

**No. 757**

**\* Benediction**

**\*Benediction Response (All Sing)**

**Wherever He Leads I’ll Go (chorus)**

**No. 428**

**Wherever He leads I’ll go, Wherever He Leads I’ll go;**

**I’ll follow my Christ who loves me so, Wherever He leads I’ll go.**

\*Please stand if you are able

**PHILADELPHIA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

**SUNDAY, May 7, 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 – Communion Service 01:00pm – Service available on Facebook
Tuesday	11:30am – Craft Group @ Applebee’s, Stockbridge
Saturday	10:30am – Circle One
Next Sunday	Mother’s 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!*

- 04/05 Carole Cabe (Fred's sister) – chemo for stage 4 lung cancer
- 04/09 Bill Hines – recovering from a fall
- 04/21 Dan Kadel (Joyce Smith's brother-in-law) –Lymphoma – hospice care at home
- 04/16 Chuck Kovach – Kathy & Hal's friend) – collapsed at home, receiving permanent pacemaker
- 04/25 Connie McWilliams – cataract surgery on 05/31.
- 04/23 Cheri Moore – (former member) – in rehab from seizures and Alzheimers -bulletin board has address
- 04/09 David & Barbara Omerod – both had recent falls. David having cataract surgery soon
- 04/22 Nancy Phillips –metastatic cancer, ongoing treatments
- 04/21 John Randolph—second biopsy looks good, full results ahead
- 04/25 Barbara Sutton (Joyce’s niece) spine cancer, in hospital with leg infection

**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**