

PHILADELPHIA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, PC (USA)

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Calvary Refuge Center*
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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***

*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.*



Welcome

PHILADELPHIA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

351 Morrow Road, Forest Park, Georgia 30297

September 10, 2023

11:00am

The Service for the Lord’s Day

Chiming of the Hour

Choral Introit

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

We give thanks to God with our whole heart.

We give thanks for God’s steadfast love and faithfulness!

Though high above all things, God sees the lowly.

Even when we are in trouble, God makes us live again.

The love of God lasts forever!

Let us worship the Lord.

from Psalm 138

*** Opening Hymn**

Come, Christians, Join to Sing

No. 225

Call to Confession

Debbie Durden, Liturgist

Brothers and sisters, with hope in the mercy of God, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, we confess that we have conformed our lives to the ways of the world and not the ways of your kingdom. We think of ourselves too highly and regard others as lowly. We exalt possessions and power, when you alone are to be exalted. We let conflicts prevail over grace and divisions over harmony. Have mercy upon us, we pray. Forgive and transform us, that we may be holy and acceptable to you, discerning and doing your will. We pray in Jesus’ name, Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

The steadfast love of the Lord never ends. When we call out to God, God answers. In Jesus Christ, are sin is forgiven and we are able to live in His grace.

Thanks be to God.

Call for the Offering

God has given us gifts to share: gifts to share without strings attached. Let us freely, then, open our hearts, hands and resources to a world in need.

Offering

*** 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.

Anthem

First Reading

1 Samuel 4:1-11

Second Reading

1 Samuel 5:1-12, 6:1-3, 8-13

Sermon

The Loss of the Ark

Rev. Jeanne Simpson

*** Hymn of Thanksgiving**

I Need Thee Every Hour

No. 638

*** 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**

Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken

No. 400

*** Benediction**

***Benediction Response (All Sing)**

Into My Heart

No. 485

**Into my heart, into my heart,
Come into my heart, Lord Jesus;
Come in today, come in to stay,
Come into my heart, Lord Jesus.**

**Please stand if you are able*

PHILADELPHIA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH SUNDAY, September 10, 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

TODAY	09:30am – Sunday School 11:00am – Worship Service 12:00pm – Annual PW Meeting 01:00pm – Service available on Facebook
Tuesday	11:30am – Craft Group @ Tim’s Buffet, Fyv
Thursday	07:00pm – Mary & Martha Circle – virtual
Saturday	09:00am - Workday

Homecoming 2025 - The 2025 bicentennial celebration of our church is coming soon. We are making plans now to make the building and grounds welcoming. If you have any suggestions please write them on the note provided and the Property Committee will look into it.
Thanks

CONTINUING COLLECTIONS: 1- Grocery Bags for Morrow Food Pantry
2- Food items for Babb Project (see 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!

- 08/23 Mallory Banke – recovering from surgery, biopsy was negative**
- 08/25 Carole Cabe (Fred's sister) –hospice care for lung cancer
- 08/30 Gerri Bradley (Mary Smith's sister) – taking oral meds for lung cancer
- 08/30 Helen Carter (Pat & John's daughter) – unsuccessful surgery to repair elbow, therapy now
- 08/26 Sidney Cooper (Angie Tharpe's brother) - acute myeloid leukemia, still in hospital**
- 09/01 Carol Hinkle (Nell Cates Sister) – lost her husband
- 08/01 Becky Huie – suffering with severe vertigo
- 08/21 John Lovern – (former member, Tom & Joan Murphy's BIL) – hospice care for heart failure
- 08/21 Mark McWilliams (Connie's son) – seeking treatment for kidney and spot on lung
- 08/30 Don Nelson – fell and has injury to head, home from hospital, getting better**
- 08/08 Randy Randolph – recovering from knee repair surgery
- 09/03 Bill Stanton (Cathy Morris' brother) – advanced COPD, pneumonia, blood infection, & mild stroke**
- 08/21 Barbara Sutton (Joyce's niece) spine cancer, doctors are looking for new treatment
- 08/21 Charles Trotter (Joyce's brother) – recovering from heart procedure and spot on lung, improving

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

The Babb Project—Community Outreach

We have 22 students in the Babb project this year, among the most impoverished in our community, and we want to help them have success at school.

Current needed items: Ramen Noodles in cups, Vienna Sausages, Mac & Cheese, Cereal, Pop Tarts, shelf stable Milk & Juice Boxes.

School Uniforms: The school staff are having to wash shirts at school to keep them outfitted.

Keep in mind that the food items we give the students need to be in cups or containers that can be eaten out of and be individually wrapped when purchased. It is better if the milk is in bottles that are easily poured from. Monetary gifts are also welcomed. Make you check payable to PPC and mark it for the Babb Project. For more info, see Mary Smith or Eliot Lawrence. Community Outreach



The Peace and Global Witness offering we are taking up this month enables the church to help in various ways with peace efforts. Our church keeps 25% of the money for local efforts to promote peace and justice. Please give generously to this special Presbyterian offering.