

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

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*September 8, 2024*

# Philadelphia Presbyterian Church

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**CHURCH STAFF**

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**SESSION COMMITTEES**

**Administrative**

Eliot Lawrence '24, Admin. Chair

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Cathy Morris '25, Outreach Chair

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Rick Pierce '25, Clerk's Comm. Chair

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Kathy Banke, Secretary/Treasurer  
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Kathie Pierce, Worldwide Missions

Debbie Durden, Search  
Connie McWilliams, Spiritual Growth, Poinsettias  
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\*\*\*

\*Budgeted    \*\*Contributions from the Congregation

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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

September 8, 2024

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, our 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**

**Second Reading**

**Sermon**

**Rev. Rob Sparks**

**\* 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*

**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.

**THIS WEEK AT PHILADELPHIA**

- TODAY** 09:30am – Sunday School
- 11:00am – Worship Service
- 01:00pm – Service available on Facebook
- Tuesday 11:30am – The Craft Group @ Gabino’s Mexican Grill, Stbg
- Saturday 10:30am – Circle One
- Next Sunday 12:00am - PW Annual Meeting**

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



**PW ANNUAL MEETING will be Sunday, September 15 following the worship service.**

**Save the date:** Ladies, this year our Women's Fall Retreat will be held on Saturday, October 26th at Calvin Center. We will be in the Geneva Lodge and Reverend Jeanne will once again lead us at the Retreat. Reverend Jeanne will lead us on a discussion about Amazing Grace. It's going to be a wonderful time and I hope you will plan to attend.  
More info to come but for now - Save the Date!!!

**The Babb Project—Community Outreach**

We are in need of **food items** for the bags we give the homeless or near homeless students each week. See the bulletin board for a list of needed products. **Monetary Gifts** are also welcomed. Make you check payable to PPC and mark it for the Babb Project.  
For more info, see **Cathy Morris**.



**TO BE REMEMBERED IN PRAYER AND WITH CARDS** (new info in bold)  
Please **notify the office** concerning new info and updates.

*Christian Sympathy is extended to Jo Nelson in the homecoming of Don Nelson on September 3.*

- 07/16 Chris Banke – liver issues resolved except for ongoing hemochromatosis
- 07/21 Tony Bray (Debbie’s brother) –Long recovery ahead for injuries from fall
- 08/20 Judy Etheridge Dortch (Glenda’s sister) – recovering from heart surgery to implant a defibrillator/pacemaker on 09/5.
- 07/23 Ruth & Erwin Gettys—continuing health problems
- 07/23 Annelle Maxwell—testing & treatment for breathing & heart rate issues
- 09/04 Denise Morgan (Thomas Thigpen’s sister) – hospitalized for dehydration & testing**
- 09/03 Jeanne Simpson – in hospital with C-diff, BP back to normal, kidneys improving**
- 08/14 John Randolph –3 more months of chemo, then biopsy in October
- 09/04 Pat Randolph – recovering from right hip replacement, at home, doing better
- 08/21 Feroze Yusufji—home from hospital, recovering well

**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

**PHILADELPHIA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
MEMBERSHIP PROFILE**

We have recently discovered that some of our membership/regular attenders have changed phone numbers and/or have done away with their home phones. We need to make sure we have all the contact information up to date before we send out a new Church Directory in October. Please take the time to fill out a new Membership Profile and place it in the offering plate, mail it back in, or bring by to the church office so our files can be updated. Forms will be provided in the narthex. Thanks!

**PLEASE NOTE:** *The Mary & Martha Circle’s meeting has been changed to Wednesday, September 18, at 7:00pm.*