

PHILADELPHIA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, PC (USA)

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Calvary Refuge Center*
Child’s Fund (PW)*
Christmas Joy Offering***
Columbia Friendship Circle (PW)**
Good Shepherd Clinic*
Kinship Care Resource Center**
Cristo Iglesia 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

March 16, 2025

11:00am

The Service for the Lord’s Day
Second Sunday in Lent

Choral Introit

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

From Psalm 130

I wait for the Lord;
My soul waits, and in his word I hope;
My soul waits for the Lord more than those who watch for the morning.
O Israel, hope in the Lord!
For with the Lord there is steadfast love,
And with him is great power to redeem.
Let us worship the Lord.

* Opening Hymn Jesus Loves Even Me No. 495

Call to Confession Debbie Durden, Liturgist

Paul tells us that the only one who stands in judgment over us is God. God brings hidden things to light and makes public our true hearts. Let us confess our sin before God and one another, trusting in God’s mercy to forgive and to restore.

Prayer of Confession

O Lord, if you held our sin against us, who could live? Who could stand? We seem to have more faith in things that destroy us than those that give us hope in your promise of life. We refuse to resolve conflict and instead, hold grudges. We forget about the hungry, sick, and dying, and instead pursue our own needs. And even so, you love us; you continue to forgive us. You alone, O Lord, can redeem us from our sin. Help us, we pray, in the name of Christ our Lord. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Friends, the God who judges us has been made known in Jesus Christ, who died for our sake. The good news of the gospel is this: in Jesus Christ we are forgiven and made new. We are held with love in God’s hands.
Thanks be to God.

Call for the Offering

Our lives overflow with the goodness of God. Sharing what we have so abundantly received, let us bring now our tithes and offerings to God, with gladness and gratitude.

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 Psalm 91:1-6, 9-12
Second Reading Luke 4:1-13
Sermon Temptation Rev. Jeanne Simpson

* Hymn of Thanksgiving Nearer, My God, to Thee No. 553

* 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 Spirit Song No. 384

* Benediction
*Benediction Response (All Sing) God Be With You No. 232
**God be with you till we meet again; by his counsels guide, uphold you,
With His sheep securely fold you; God be with you till we meet again.**

*Please stand if you are able.

PHILADELPHIA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SUNDAY, March 16, 2025

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

Tuesday

09:30AM – Sunday School
11:00am –Worship Service
12:00pm – Homecoming Committee Meeting
01:00pm – Service available on Facebook

10:30am – Busy Bees Circle
07:00pm – SESSION

CONTINUING COLLECTIONS:

- 1- Grocery Bags for Morrow Food Pantry *(place in bin in narthex)*
- 2- Food items for Babb Project *(see bulletin board for details)*
- 3- Campbell's soup labels and stamps – for Thornwell Home
- 4- Pull tabs from beverage cans - for Ronald McDonald House
(you may place 3 & 4 in the little box under the bulletin board)



The Babb Project: 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**.*

HOMECOMING 2025: As we begin the year of our 200th anniversary as a church, we are setting up a website page focusing on the celebration, and working on activities for October 12, 2025, when we will have a catered luncheon after worship. As part of those activities, the website will contain commemorative items that can be ordered, including 200th anniversary shirts in blue (the blue of our sanctuary door). We are taking orders now for those shirts so we can begin wearing them throughout our anniversary year. If you are interested, please let Jeanne know so that we can get the order in.

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!

- 02/13 Erwin Gettys – has had a hard time for the last few years
- 02/28 Eliot Lawrence – home recovering from heart ablation, change in meds for swelling in leg
- 02/04 Dot Pearce – testing for cause or severe hip pain
- 02/28 Emory Pearce – back pain, working with doctor, treatments
- 02/23 Jim Phillips – treatment for severe hip pain
- 02/28 John Randolph –metastasized bladder cancer, biopsy soon
- 03/11 Pam Rountree – surgery on 4/3, at Piedmont Atlanta to repair torn meniscus on right knee**
- 02/09 Ginger Westlund – homebound with lymphedema in both legs after hip replacement
- 02/16 Arlene Wood (Frances’ SIL) – diagnosed with lung cancer

Please pray for the AA Participants meeting at our church

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.



SAVE THE DATE: May 17 we will have the PW Retreat in the church fellowship hall, beginning at 9:00 with a light breakfast. Rev. Jeanne will lead us in a study of "grace."

SECURUS HOUSE – CALL FOR EMERGENCY NEED: Help us collect Bath Towels & Wash Cloths (new or slightly used) of **any color** for the women’s shelter. Bring them in and leave in the narthex as you are able. We will take them to Securus House as we receive them until May 31. Thank You!

