

PHILADELPHIA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, PC (USA)

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Connie McWilliams, Spiritual Growth, Poinsettias
Debbie Durden, Spiritual Growth, Advent
Connie McWilliams, Cantata Reception
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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**
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

351 Morrow Road, Forest Park, Georgia 30297

11:00am

Choral Introit
Welcome and Announcements
Call to Worship

O come, let us sing to the Lord;
Let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!
 Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving;
Let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!
 For he is our God,
And we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand.
 Let us worship the Lord.

Call to Confession **Debbie Durden, Liturgist**
 God's love has been poured into our hearts through the gift of the Holy Spirit.
 Trusting in God's overflowing grace, let us confess our sin.

Assurance of Pardon
This is the good news of God's grace: though we were sinners, Christ died for us. Though we were enemies of God, God loved us. Once we were lost and dead – now Christ has become our life and salvation. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

Thanks be to God.

Call for the Offering

All that we have is a gift from God. In faith and gratitude, let us return now a portion of what we have so abundantly received.

*** 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	Psalm 27	
Second Reading	Luke 9:18-27	
Sermon	Who Do You Say I Am?	Rev Jeanne Simpson

<p>* Affirmation of Faith</p> <p>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.</p>	<p>The Apostles' Creed</p>
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Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer

*** 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 23, 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

Monday

Tuesday
- 09:30AM – Sunday School
11:00am –Worship Service
01:00pm – Service available on Facebook

deadline for Crossroads articles and information to the church office

11:30am – Craft Group @ Sweet Auburn BBQ, off Jonesboro Rd., McDonough

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 you are beginning to see on some of our members. We are taking orders now for those shirts so we can wear 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
- 03/18 Cathy Morris - double pneumonia, COVID, high A1C, high blood pressure, and sepsis**
- 03/18 Danny Morris – recovering from COVID at home**
- 03/18 Dot & Emory Pearce – still dealing with pain, moving to assisted living soon**
- 02/23 Jim Phillips – treatment for severe hip/back 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
- 03/16 Arlene Wood (Frances’ SIL) – began radiation for 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!



MARY “Pat” SMITH has moved back to Cuthbert, Georgia. You may find her new address on the bulletin board.