

PHILADELPHIA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, PC (USA)

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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***

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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

May 4, 2025

11:00am

The Service for the Lord’s Day
Third Sunday of Easter

Chiming of the Hour

Choral Introit

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

From Psalm 16

I will praise the Lord, who counsels me;

Even at night my heart instructs me.

I keep my eyes always on the Lord.

With him at my right hand, I will not be shaken.

Therefore, my heart is glad and my tongue rejoices;

You make known to me the path of life;

You will fill me with joy in your presence,

With eternal pleasures at your right hand.

Let us worship the Lord.

* Opening Hymn

Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks

No. 359

Call to Confession

Jennifer Rohrbach, Liturgist

God has been made known to us in deeds of power and the resurrection of his Son.

He will not abandon us if we confess the truth about our lives. Confident in God’s love, let us confess our sin.

Prayer of Confession

God, you have made known to us the ways of life. Yet, too often, we put other things above you and turn away from the ways of life and toward the ways of death. Forgive us and guide us back into your presence, that we may know the fullness of joy. Through Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

My friends, God is our refuge and will not abandon us. In Jesus Christ, we are reconciled to God. That is a promise of peace and joy. In this glorious Eastertide, hear the good news: in Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Alleluia!

Thanks be to God.

Call for the Offering

God has given us abundant life and blessings. In gratitude, let us offer our hearts and the fruit of our labor to God’s service.

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 150

Second Reading

John 20:19-29

Sermon

Appearances

Rev. Jeanne Simpson

* Hymn of Thanksgiving

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus

No. 377

The Lord’s Supper

* Affirmation of Faith

from A Brief Statement of Faith

In life and death we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve. With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

* Gloria Patri

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

And Can It Be?

No. 347

* Benediction

*Benediction Response (All Sing)

In Christ There Is No East or West

No. 428

In Christ there is no East or West, In Him no South or North;

But one great fellowship of love Thro’out the whole wide earth.

*Please stand if you are able.

PHILADELPHIA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SUNDAY, May 4, 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

09:30am – Sunday School
11:00am – Communion Service
01:00pm – Service available on Facebook

Tuesday

09:30am – The Breakfast Club @ Eggs Up

Saturday

10:30am – Circle One

Next Sunday

Mother’s Day



ANNUAL PW RETREAT: May 17 we will have the PW Retreat in the church fellowship hall, beginning at 9:00am with a light breakfast at 8:15am. Rev. Jeanne will lead us in a study of "grace." For lunch, we’re asking that everyone bring either a salad or sandwiches to share with others. Ladies, please sign-up for salads or sandwiches on the sheet in the Narthex.

HOMECOMING 2025: During 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. For those of you who have already picked up the new logo shirts, the invoice has come - men's shirts are \$35 and women's blouses are \$40 - please pay Jeanne, not the church. More shirts are available. See order envelopes in the narthex.



SECURUS HOUSE – CALL FOR EMERGENCY NEED

Help us collect **NEW Bath Towels & Wash Cloths** 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!

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)



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!

Christian Sympathy is extended to Granger Ricks and family in the passing of his wife Jerrie, a former member, on April 22.

- 04/15 Tony Bray (Debbie’s brother) – trouble with breathing issues after surgery
- 04/20 Jeff Foster (Debbie & Dinah’s brother) – surgery on 5/6 for colon cancer
- 04/20 Nancy Fuentes (Salvatore’s mom) - surgeons removed mass, home and feeling better
- 04/18 Cathy Morris – recovering from shingles
- 04/28 John Randolph –metastasized bladder cancer
- 04/23 Jim Simpson— in a rehab facility with therapy

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.

Dear Church Family,
Thank you once again for all of the prayers, cards, and phone calls you showered me with after my recent knee surgery and recovery. They have been such a great blessing to me!
Pam Rountree



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**.