

PHILADELPHIA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, PC (USA)

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Connie McWilliams, Spiritual Growth, Poinsettias
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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***

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May 11, 2025

Philadelphia Presbyterian Church

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Welcome

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.*

May 11, 202511:00am

The Service for the Lord’s Day
Fourth Sunday of Easter and Mother’s Day

Prelude	Introductory Voluntary	Lindley (1771-1800)
Choral Introit	For the Beauty of the Earth	

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship*From Luke 24*

The bread of life opens our eyes.
The word of life opens our ears.
The risen one shows us God’s own brokenness,
And by those wounds we are healed.
Peace be with you.
And also with you.
Let us worship the Lord.

* Opening Hymn	Ask Ye What Great Thing I Know	No. 535
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Call to Confession**Jennifer Rohrbach, Liturgist**

If we are honest with ourselves, our hearts condemn us. But God, who knows everything, is greater than our hearts; and God’s deep desire for us is mercy, love, and peace. Therefore, let us confess our sin.

Prayer of Confession

Lord, have mercy on us. We talk about love, but our actions betray us. We talk about love, but we neglect the poor. We talk about love, but we fail to love one another. Lord, have mercy on us. Forgive us and abide in us by the power of your Spirit, so that our lives may show our love for Jesus Christ, in whose body we live and in whose name we pray. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

We seek God’s grace with boldness because we trust in Jesus Christ, the One who loves us and laid down his life for us. This is the good news of the gospel: in Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Alleluia!
Thanks be to God.

Call for the Offering
As Jesus gave himself for us, let us know bring wholeness and healing to others through our offerings.

Offering	Amazing Love	arr. Tornquist
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* **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	The Blessing Riddle	Pepper Choplin
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First Reading	Psalm 31:1-5	
Second Reading	John 21:1-19	
Sermon	Going Fishing	Rev. Jeanne Simpson

* Hymn of Thanksgiving	Blessed Assurance	No. 572
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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 in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

* Gloria Patri		No. 812
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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	Love Divine, All Loves Excelling	No. 648
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* **Benediction**
Benediction Response (All Sing)*No. 428**
In Christ There Is No East or West
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 11, 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 – Worship Service
	01:00pm – Service available on Facebook
Tuesday	11:30am – Craft Group @ 15 th Street Pizza, McDonough
Wednesday	07:00pm – Mary & Martha-virtual
Saturday	09:00am – PW Retreat in fellowship hall – breakfast at 8:15am



ANNUAL PW RETREAT: This coming Saturday 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!

04/15 Tony Bray (Debbie's brother) – much better, home from the hospital, see note below

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, back in the hospital

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 secyppe@bellsouth.net or call a Session member or Shepherd.

Dear Church Family,

Prayers were answered after last Sunday a week ago (4/27), when I asked for special prayers for my brother Tony because he was on a bipap machine following his major surgery and unable to breathe without it. That very afternoon he had a turn for the better and started improving each day. He was able to come home from the hospital today (Monday) and is able to breathe now and is not even on oxygen. Prayers answered! Thanks to all for praying for him! Please keep him in your prayers for continued healing from the surgery. **Debbie Bray**



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 your check payable to PPC and mark it for the Babb Project. For more info, see **Cathy Morris**.

