

PHILADELPHIA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, PC (USA)

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Connie McWilliams, Spiritual Growth, Poinsettias
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MISSION OUTREACH

Calvary Refuge Center*
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Christmas Joy Offering***
Columbia Friendship Circle (PW)**
Good Shepherd Clinic*
Kinship Care Resource Center**

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**
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

September 7, 2025

11:00am

The Service for the Lord’s Day

Choral Introit

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

from Psalm 1

Happy are those who do not follow the advice of the wicked
Or take the path that sinners tread or sit in the seat of scoffers,
But their delight is in the law of the Lord,
And on His law they meditate day and night.
They are like trees planted by streams of water,
Which yield their fruit in its season, and their leaves do not wither.
Let us worship the Lord.

* Opening Hymn

Come Christians, Join to Sing

No. 225

Call to Confession

Debbie Durden, Liturgist

In penitence and in faith, let us confess our sin to the One who waits to pour out
mercy upon us.

Prayer of Confession

**Holy God, we confess that we fail to put our trust in you completely. Instead, we
calculate our gains and losses, hoarding the things that do not lead to abundant
life. Forgive us, and help us to treasure only you, that we may follow you
faithfully and discover the blessings only you can give. We pray in Jesus name,
Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon

Brothers and sisters in Christ, our sin is forgiven. Therefore, be at peace to follow the
good road, for the Lord watches over the way of the righteous.

Thanks be to God.

Call for the Offering

Let us be generous with the fruits of our life and labor as we are called to provide our
offerings for the work of Christ’s church.

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

Deuteronomy 30:15-20

Second Reading

Luke 14:15-24

Sermon

Invitation

Rev. Jeanne Simpson

* Hymn of Thanksgiving

I Need Thee Every Hour

No. 638

The Lord’s Supper

* 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

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

Love Lifted Me

No. 508

* 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 into stay,
Come into my heart, Lord Jesus.**

**Please stand if you are able.*

PHILADELPHIA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SUNDAY, September 7, 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
	12:00pm – Homecoming Committee meeting
	01:00pm – Service available on Facebook
Tuesday	11:30am – Craft Group @ Cheddar’s, McDonough
Wednesday	07:00pm – Mary & Martha – virtual
Saturday	10:30am – Circle One
Next Sunday	12:00pm – Annual PW Meeting

On September 14, we are having the **Annual PW Meeting** following the Worship service. All women in the church are invited and encouraged to attend as we approve the 2026 PW budget and elect officers.

HOMECOMING 2025

Please remember to visit the PPC website and register for lunch on October 12. We need a count for everyone, as well as your purchase of meal tickets, since we are using a caterer.

The PPC web page **also has the information to make a purchase** of several items.

- COMMERATIVE PPC BRICKS to be purchased for a walkway with a name printed on the brick in honor or memory of someone.
- CHRISTMAS ORNAMENTS with the church’s likeness in the design
- COLLECTABLE PPC PLATES
- HOMECOMING 2025 shirts

To see everything offered, go to our website at www.ppc-usa.org and click on [More Info and Register here].



- 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!

- 08/31 James Brody (Joyce Smith’s BIL) – in the hospital in Newnan
- 08/31 Kathy Downey (Nancy Phillips’ cousin) – in ICU at Birmingham, ATV accident, broken back & many ribs
- 08/10 Debbie Durden - recovering from fractured right arm
- 08/10 Jeff Foster (Debbie & Dinah’s brother) –chemo treatments continuing
- 08/16 Cathleen Hatch (Cathy Morris’ daughter) recovering from foot surgery
- 08/10 Pam Langley—is at Christian City Rehabilitation facility, see bulletin board for address
- 09/03 Connie McWilliams recovering from eye surgery on 9/2
- 08/10 Luis Mendez (Senda de Salvacion pastor) – no weight on broken leg and ankle for 6-8 months
- 08/10 John Randolph – metastatic bladder cancer
- 08/20 Jim Simpson—the second surgery went well, feeling better
- 08/10 Serena Staats – rotator cuff surgery to be rescheduled
- 08/13 Bill Stanton (Cathy Morris’ brother) – failing from COPD and other health issues
- 08/31 Bobby Stanton (Cathy Morris’ brother) – lives in MS, broke hip and developed pneumonia in hospital
- 08/10 Angie Sharp –at The Palms @ Lake Spivey, see bulletin board for address

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

The Babb Project—Community Outreach



We have begun this school year’s Babb Project. You can help us in the collection of food items. See a list of needed foods on the bulletin board. **Monetary Gifts** are also welcomed. Make you check payable to PPC and mark it for the Babb Project. For more info, see **Cathy Morris**.

During the month of September, we will have a **workday EVERY Saturday, except for Saturday, September 13th**. We are going to be dusting, vacuuming, cleaning windows, etc. as well as working on projects outside. If you are able to come and help on the scheduled workdays, please do so. All help is greatly appreciated.

