

PHILADELPHIA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, PC (USA)

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Philadelphia Presbyterian Church

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Debbie Durden, Spiritual Growth, Advent
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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**

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

PHILADELPHIA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
351 Morrow Road, Forest Park, Georgia 30297

October 26, 202511:00am

The Service for the Lord’s Day
Reformation Sunday

Chiming of the Hour

Introit
Welcome and Announcements
Call to Worship

Praise the Lord!
Praise the Lord, O my soul!
We have gathered today in search of reformation.
We want to reform ourselves, our church, and our society.
We stand fearless at the edge of change.
For God is in the midst of us and we shall not be moved.
Be still, and know that God is God.
God is our rock and our redeemer.
Let us worship the Lord.

* Opening HymnBe Thou My VisionNo. 562

Call to ConfessionLiturgist Greg Durden
Let us confess our sins to God, who alone has the power to save and waits in mercy to forgive.

Prayer of Confession
We are taught to love you, O God, with all our heart.
We confess that our allegiance is less than complete.
We are taught to love you, O God, with all our soul.
We confess that we long to have our own way.
We are taught to love you, O God, with all of our mind.
We confess that our thoughts are seldom so pure.
We are taught to love our neighbor as we love ourselves.
We confess preference for ourselves being first.
God have mercy upon us as we make our confession.
Christ have mercy upon us and forgive our sins.

Assurance of Pardon
Brothers and sisters in Christ, rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer, contribute to the needs of the saints, and extend hospitality to strangers. For in doing so, you will live in the new life promised by the risen Christ and show forth the love of God. Know that through Jesus Christ, our sin is forgiven.
Thanks be to God.
Call for the Offering
The Lord is good indeed, for God has blessed us richly. Let us offer back a portion of that blessing, in gratitude and love.

OfferingThe Skye Boat Songarr. Tim Curd
Debbie Durden, flute

* DoxologyNo. 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 ReadingPsalm 84:1-7
Second ReadingLuke 18:9-14
SermonThe Pharisee and the Tax CollectorRev. Jeanne Simpson

* Hymn of ThanksgivingLet All Things Now LivingNo. 794

* Affirmation of Faithfrom *The Scots Confession, 1560*
We confess and acknowledge one God alone, to whom alone we must cleave, whom alone we must serve, whom alone we must worship, and in whom alone we put our trust. Who is eternal, infinite, immeasurable, incomprehensible, omnipotent, invisible; one in substance and yet distinct in three persons, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost.
* Gloria PatriNo. 812

Pastoral Prayer and Lord’s Prayer

Annual Congregational Meeting and Election of Elders

* Benediction HymnAmazing GraceNo. 343
* Benediction
* Benediction Choral ResponseIrish BlessingTraditional

**Please stand if you are able.*

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

Next Sunday
- 09:30am – Sunday School

11:00am – Reformation Worship Service

12:00pm – **Annual Congregation Meeting**

01:00pm – Service available on Facebook

11:00am - Communion Service

12:15pm – PWCT meeting

PLEASE NOTE: The PW is having their next PWCT meeting on Sunday November 2, following the worship service.

Our Thanksgiving Lunch will be November 16 at 12:15pm. The meats and main dishes will be provided. You may bring a dessert to share.

*David and Elizabeth Truex
are proud to announce the birth of their son,
Cilliam Michael Truex
He was born 10-18-2025 at 6:20am, 7lb8oz.
Proud grandparents are Kathie & Rick Pierce*

Cilliam is pronounced with a hard K sound.

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!

- 10/07 Tammy Espe (Fran & Darrell's daughter) stomach cancer surgery, needs chemo as well
- 09/10 Jeff Foster (Debbie & Dinah's brother) –chemo treatments continuing
- 10/05 Bob Huie – has 5 fractures and is recovering after a long hospitalization and rehab
- 10/15 Pam Langley – in ICU at Piedmont Fayette on a ventilator
- 10/14 Danny Morris' sister's son in stage 4 cancer, his wife Erika Meares died 10/11
- 09/10 John Randolph – metastatic bladder cancer
- 10/14 Serenna Staats – rotator cuff surgery scheduled for November 6
- 10/13 Bill Stanton (Cathy Morris' brother) – failing from COPD and other health issues

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.

The Babb Project—Community Outreach



Thank you for all your donations for 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**.*

SECUR'US HOUSE is Clayton County's refuge for abused women and their children. Each Christmas we ask everyone, who's able, to bring a gift for the children. The children range in age from babies to 17. Do not wrap them so Securus can direct their distribution.
You can find a detailed list of items needed in the October Crossroads.

