

PHILADELPHIA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, PC (USA)

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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

November 16, 2025

11:00am

The Service of the Lord’s Day

Chiming of the Hour

Choral Introit

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

from Psalm 146

Praise the Lord, O my soul!

We will sing praises to our God all our lives long.

Happy are those whose help is the God of Jacob,

Who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them.

The Lord lifts up those who are bowed down.

The Lord will reign forever. Praise the Lord!

Let us worship the Lord.

* Opening Hymn

For the Beauty of the Earth

No. 793

Call to Confession

Jennifer Rohrbach, Liturgist

Christ came into the world to save us from sin, once and for all. Because of his sacrifice for us, God waits in mercy to forgive. Let us confess our sin before God and one another.

Prayer of Confession

Forgive us, Lord, when we think too highly of ourselves and clamor after privilege and honor. Forgive us, Lord, when we cannot lift our gaze because we do not believe we have anything to give. You have given us the best gift of all: freedom from all that harms us and threatens an abundant life in you. Have mercy on our foolishness and heal our hearts, that we may live faithfully for you. We pray in Jesus’ name, Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Sisters and brothers, all our failings are washed away in Jesus Christ, and our thirst for goodness is quenched. Let us remember our baptisms and be glad, because in Jesus Christ our sin is forgiven.

Thanks be to God.

Call for the Offering

Freely we have received, so that freely we can give. With joyful hearts, let us bring our offerings to God.

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

Isaiah 2:1-5

Second Reading

2 Thessalonians 1-4, 11-12

Sermon

Thanksgiving

Rev. Jeanne Simpson

* Hymn of Thanksgiving

In Thanksgiving Let Us Praise Him

No. 796

* 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

Glory Be to the Father

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

Come, Ye Thankful People, Come

No. 797

* Benediction

*Benediction Response (All Sing)

Yes, Lord, Yes

No. 601

I’ll say yes, Lord, yes to Your will and to Your way.

I’ll say yes, Lord, yes; I will trust you and obey.

When your Spirit speaks to me, with my whole heart I’ll agree,

And my answer will be yes, Lord, yes.

*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	09:30am – Sunday School
	11:00am –Worship Service
	12:15pm – Thanksgiving Lunch
	01:00pm – Service available on Facebook
Tuesday	10:30am – Busy Bees
	07:00pm - SESSION
Saturday	10:30am – Circle One

Congratulations to Jennifer Rohrbach, who will become our Administrative Assistant effective January 1, 2026, with the retirement of Cindy Adair December 31. Cindy (and Ed as well) have served our church faithfully for a number of years, doing much more than her duties called for. We will miss them but hope they will enjoy traveling, time with grandchildren, and good old "playing in the dirt!" Please thank Cindy and Ed personally today during our luncheon.



TODAY is our Thanksgiving Lunch. Please join us after worship in the Fellowship Hall.

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) beginning chemo for stomach cancer
- 10/10 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
- 10/14 Danny Morris’ sister’s son in stage 4 cancer, his wife Erika Meares died 10/11
- 10/10 John Randolph – metastatic bladder cancer
- 11/11 Serenna Staats – recovering from rotator cuff surgery
- 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.

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 November Crossroads.



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**.