

PHILADELPHIA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, PC (USA)

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Connie McWilliams, Spiritual Growth, Poinsettias  
Debbie Durden, Spiritual Growth, Advent  
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MISSION OUTREACH

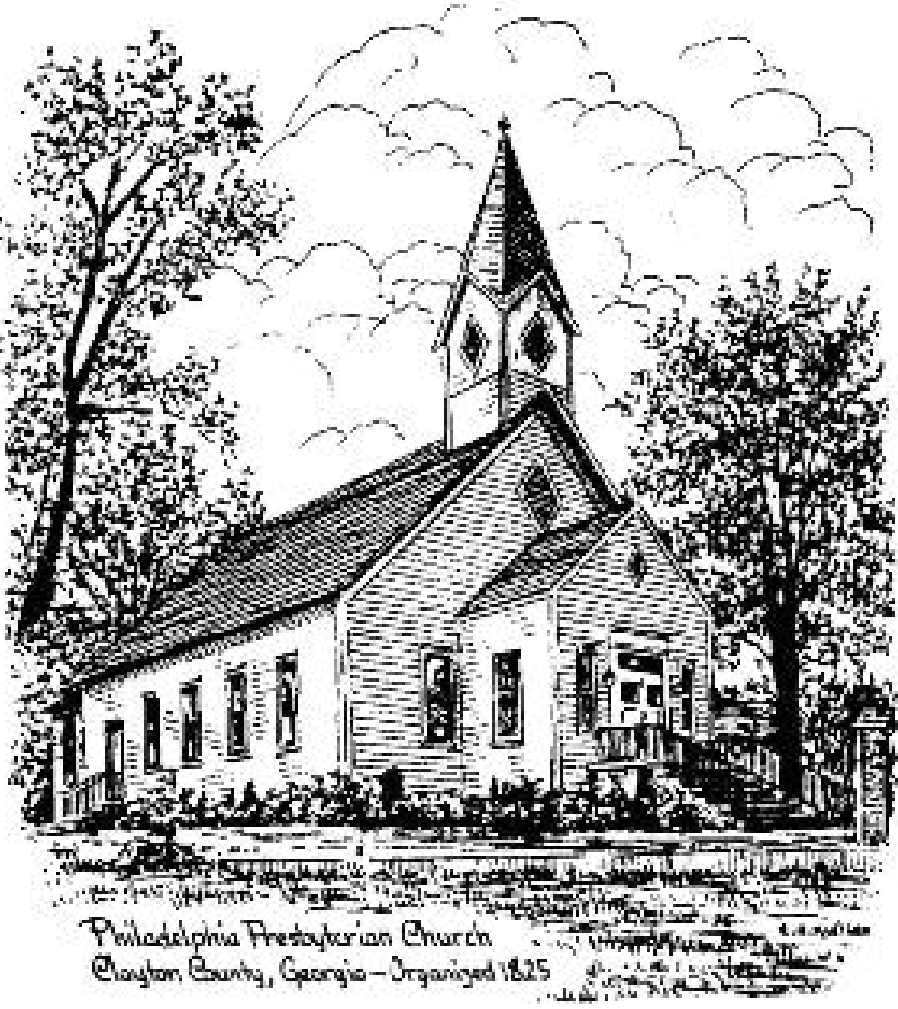
Calvary Refuge Center\*  
Child’s Fund (PW)\*  
Christmas Joy Offering\*\*\*  
Columbia Friendship Circle (PW)\*\*  
Good Shepherd Clinic\*  
Kinship Care Resource Center\*\*

Mission Haven (PW)\*\*\*  
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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 Jennifer 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

December 28, 2025

11:00am

The Service for the Lord’s Day  
First Sunday in Christmastide

Chiming of the Hour

Choral Introit

O Sing A Song of Bethlehem

No. 291

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

A child has been born for us,  
A Son given to us;  
Authority rests upon his shoulders;  
And he is named Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God,  
Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.  
Christ is born in Bethlehem.  
Come, let us adore him.  
Let us worship the Lord.

\* Opening Hymn

Joy To the World!

No. 270

Call to Confession

Fran Youngblood, Liturgist

As we celebrate the birth of Christ our Savior, let us acknowledge our failure to receive him fully into our world, trusting in the mercy of God.

Prayer of Confession

God of wonder, you surround us with signs of your glory and surprise us with your presence, yet we often miss the marvels you place before us. Forgive our dullness and make us alert to the ways you make yourself known, that we might be witnesses to your good news and proclaim your extravagant love in sending us your Son, Jesus to dwell among us. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon (All Sing)

O Little Town of Bethlehem

No. 250, v4

O holy Child of Bethlehem, Descend to us, we pray.  
Cast out our sin and enter in, Be born in us today.

Call for the Offering

With grateful hearts, let us offer ourselves and our gifts to God, giving thanks to God for his blessings.

Offering

\* Doxology (All Sing)

O Come All Ye Faithful (chorus)

No. 249

O come, let us adore Him, O come, let us adore Him,  
O come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord.

Anthem

Love Came Gently

Marty Funderburk

First Reading

Galatians 4:4-7

Second Reading

Luke 2:15-21

Sermon

Reception and Redemption: Children to the Lord

Rev. Tyler Brock

\* Hymn of Thanksgiving

Away In a Manger

No. 262

\* Affirmation of Faith

We believe that in the past God spoke to our forefathers through the prophets at many times and in various ways. We believe, as did the Apostles, that God has spoken to us by his Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, and through whom God made the universe. We believe the Son is the radiance of God’s glory and the exact representation of his being, sustaining all things by his powerful word. We believe that he has provided purification for sins and that he sits at the right hand of the Majesty in heaven.  
*(from Hebrews 1-3)*

\* Gloria Patri

Glorify Thy Name (v.1)

No. 9

Father, we love You, we worship and adore You,  
Glorify Thy name in all the earth.  
Glorify Thy name, Glorify Thy name,  
Glorify Thy name in all the earth.

Pastoral Prayer and Lord’s Prayer

\* Benediction Hymn

Angels, From the Realms of Glory, vs. 1, 2, 5

No. 259

\* Benediction

\* Benediction Response

Sing We Now of Christmas (all sing)

No. 275

Sing we now of Christmas, Noel sing we here!  
Listen to our praises to the Babe so dear.  
Sing we Noel, the King is born, Noel!  
Sing we now of Christmas, sing we all Noel!

*\*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** 11:00am – Worship Service  
01:00pm – Service available on Facebook

**Next Sunday** 11:00am – Communion Service

**CONTINUING COLLECTIONS:** 1- Grocery Bags for Morrow Food Pantry  
2- Food items for Babb Project *(see bulletin board for details)*

**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.

At this time we find that we are in need of additional help with the Babb Project. If you are available and willing to help with this project please contact Debbie Durden.



Today is the last day that we will collect for the Joy Gift Offering. Half the contributions go to church workers and families in critical

financial need, and half go to Presbyterian-related schools.

You may find the special envelopes in the pew back in front of you



**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!*

- 12/14 Barbara Barlow – broken arm. Currently at Pruitt Rehab – no visitors please
- 12/14 Tabatha Cantrell (Jennifer & Fred’s niece) 7mm kidney stone waiting for surgery
- 11/16 Greg Durden—recovering from ablations on back due to pain
- 11/23 Tammy Espe (Fran & Darrell’s daughter) chemo therapy for stomach cancer
- 11/10 Jeff Foster (Debbie & Dinah’s brother) –chemo treatments continuing
- 11/10 John Randolph – metastatic bladder cancer
- 11/16 Fred Rohrbach Sr— physical therapy for rotator cuff surgery
- 12/14 Tom Smith – fell and broke 2 ribs
- 11/14 Serena Staats – physical therapy for rotator cuff surgery

**OUR HOMEBOUND:** *Please refer to the Church Directory for contact information*

Nell Cates      Patty Boone      Becky Huie      Ann NeSmith

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