

**PHILADELPHIA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, PC (USA)**

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# *Philadelphia Presbyterian Church*

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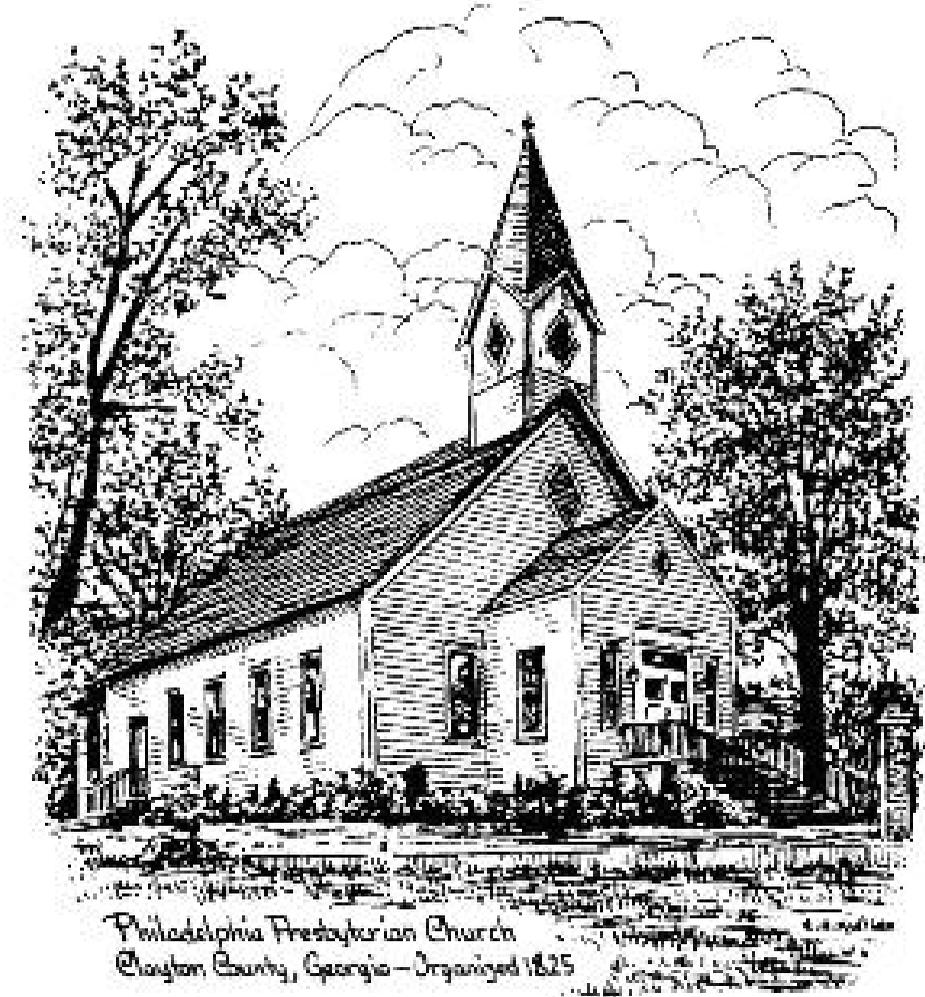
**MISSION OUTREACH**

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

Mission Haven (PW)\*\*\*  
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 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

March 22, 2026

11:00am

## The Service for the Lord's Day Fifth Sunday in Lent

### Chiming of the Hour

Choral Introit

Thou Didst Leave Thy Throne

No. 292

Welcome and Announcements

### Call to Worship

I wait for the Lord;

**My soul waits, and in his word I hope;**

My soul waits for the Lord more than those who watch for the morning.

**O Israel, hope in the Lord!**

For with the Lord there is steadfast love,

**And with him is great power to redeem.**

Let us worship the Lord.

*From Psalm 130*

### \* Opening Hymn

O Worship The King

No. 104

### Call to Confession

Debbie Durden, Liturgist

Paul tells us that the only one who stands in judgment over us is God. God brings hidden things to light and makes public our true hearts. Let us confess our sin before God and one another, trusting in God's mercy to forgive and to restore.

### Prayer of Confession

**O Lord, if you held our sin against us, who could live? Who could stand? We seem to have more faith in things that destroy us than those that give us hope in your promise of life. We refuse to resolve conflict and instead, hold grudges. We forget about the hungry, sick, and dying, and instead pursue our own needs. And even so, you love us; you continue to forgive us. You alone, O Lord, can redeem us from our sin. Help us, we pray, in the name of Christ our Lord. Amen.**

### Assurance of Pardon

Friends, the God who judges us has been made known in Jesus Christ, who died for our sake. The good news of the gospel is this: in Jesus Christ we are forgiven and made new. We are held with love in God's hands.

**Thanks be to God.**

### Call for the Offering

Our lives overflow with the goodness of God. Sharing what we have so abundantly received, let us bring now our tithes and offerings to God, with gladness and gratitude.

### 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

Ain'a That Good News

William Dawson

First Reading

Psalm 130

Second Reading

John 11:1-45

Sermon

Lazarus

Rev. Jeanne Simpson

\* Hymn of Thanksgiving

Nearer, My God, to Thee

No. 553

\* Affirmation of Faith

*from Hebrews 1-3*

**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.**

\* 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

Spirit Song

No. 384

\* Benediction

\*Benediction Response (All Sing)

God Be With You

No. 232

**God be with you till we meet again; by his counsels guide, uphold you,  
With His sheep securely fold you; God be with you till we meet again.**

*\*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  
1:00pm – Service available on Facebook  
2:30pm - PW Annual Gathering at Radcliffe Presbyterian Church  
**Monday** CROSSROADS DEADLINE  
**Next Sunday** 11:00am – Palm Sunday Worship 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 to the 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 your check payable to PPC and mark it for the Babb Project.

 We will collect for One Great Hour of Sharing on Palm Sunday and Easter Sunday, however, you can contribute before then. The work done in support of the causes supported by One Great Hour of Sharing (OGHS) – disaster, hunger, poverty, climate change, and immigration/migration and refugees – serves individuals and communities in need.

**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!*

- 03/11 Barbara Barlow – physical therapy is going well and she’s getting stronger
- 03/11 Margaret Brady – Joyce Smith’s sister – not at Christian City. She is at a nursing home in Griffin and doing well.
- 03/15 Tony Bray – Debbie Bray’s brother – lung cancer in both lungs and having more tests to determine best treatments**
- 03/17 Ann Bryant (Janice Lockhart’s stepmom)-is at home and receiving PT**
- 03/02 Clyde Bryant (Janice’s dad) – dementia, mobility issues, multiple dr appointments
- 03/15 Tammy Espe (Fran & Darrell’s daughter) having difficulty with chemo therapy but is halfway through her treatments for stomach cancer**
- 02/15 Betty McDonald – recovering from bacterial meningitis and doing remarkably well
- 02/24 Rick Pierce – procedure went well and waiting for results
- 03/16 John Randolph – home under Hospice care. He’s resting and waiting**
- 03/11 Tom Smith – waiting for dr to decide whether or not he can safely have pacemaker surgery and still having lots of difficulty with his knee.
- 03/01 Rusty Taylor – recovery going well. Cast should come off this month and will start therapy soon
- 02/11 Joyce Williams – Debbie Bray’s cousin’s wife. Joyce has broken ribs and multiple injuries from a car accident.

**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@att.net](mailto:secyppc@att.net) or call a Session member or Shepherd.

**SAVE THE DATE:**

On Wednesday, May 20<sup>th</sup>, there will be a community church choir concert at Spivey Hall. Several community choirs, including our very own Philadelphia choir, will perform together and the concert will start at 7:30pm. We hope you will plan to come and enjoy some wonderful music.

*We have new paraments!!! Our old paraments had become very worn, and we needed new ones. Many thanks to Pat Randolph who has purchased the new ones in honor of John Randolph.*

\*\*\*Please take note that the church email address has changed.

