

PHILADELPHIA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, PC (USA)

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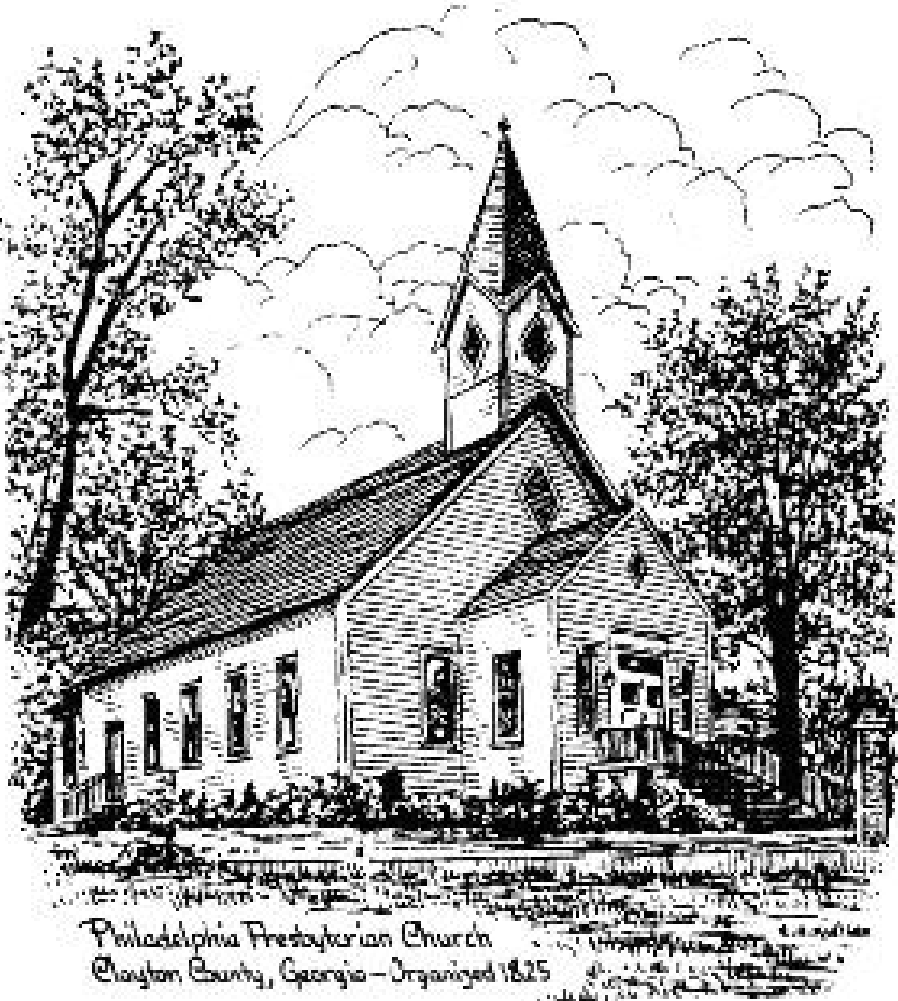
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*Budgeted **Contributions from the Congregation ***Budgeted + Contributions from the Congregation

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

August 30, 2026

11:00am

The Service for the Lord’s Day

Chiming of the Hour

Choral Introit

The Lord Is In His Holy Temple

arr. Mozart

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Seek the Lord! Seek God in the wilderness.

Seek God in the sanctuary.

Seek God in the burning bush.

Seek God in the burning heart.

The Lord is here! This place is holy!

We are standing on holy ground.

Let us be called to worship.

* Opening Hymn

O For A Thousand Tongues To Sing

No. 21

Call to Confession

Cathy Morris, Liturgist

Sin casts us out into the cold, but the warmth of God’s forgiveness welcomes us back.

Trusting in God’s love, let us confess our sins to God:

Prayer of Confession

God of wonders, we confess that we do not understand why you call us when we are scared, clumsy, busy or flawed. We confess that we think we know better than you do who is qualified to do your work. Forgive our fears and excuses and self-doubts. Lend us your strength, as we go about the work of serving our neighbors, building up your church, loving your children, and tending to the hurting places of our world. Give us a purpose and the courage to pursue it. We ask this in Jesus’ name. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Hear the good news! In Christ, your sins are dead and you are alive to all that is good. In

Christ, we are made whole; in Christ, we are forgiven. Alleluia! Amen.

Thanks be to God.

Call for the Offering

Let us return to God our tithes and offerings for the work of God’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

Ain-a That Good News!

William Dawson

First Reading

Psalm 26:1-8

Second Reading

Matthew 16:21-28

Sermon

The Cross

Rev. Jeanne Simpson

* Hymn of Thanksgiving

Make Me A Blessing

No. 670

* 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

Footsteps of Jesus

No. 685

* Benediction

*Benediction Response (All Sing)

Peace Like A River

No. 750

I’ve got peace like a river, I’ve got peace like a river,
I’ve got peace like a river in my soul;
I’ve got peace like a river, I’ve got peace like a river,
I’ve got peace like a river in my soul.

**Please stand if you are able*

PHILADELPHIA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday, August 30, 2026

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
Wednesday 9:30am – Breakfast at Eggs Up
Next Sunday 11:00am – Communion Service

CONTINUING COLLECTIONS: 1- Grocery Bags for Morrow Food Pantry

Save the Date:

Our Philadelphia Choir will once again participate in Hymnfest this year. Hymnfest will be held on Sunday, October 25th at 6:00pm at the First Baptist Church of Morrow. We will perform with several other churches in the area, and hope you will come out and support this event.

PW Ladies:

The PW Annual meeting has been changed to Sunday, September, 27th following the worship service. All ladies are invited and encouraged to attend. It will be a short meeting to review the current PW budget & disbursements, approve the 2027 PW budget, and approve offices for the coming year.

Celebration of Life Service:

There will be a Celebration of Life service here on Saturday, Oct. 10th for Ray Morgan. The family will receive visitors at 10:30am and the service will be at 11:00am. There will be a luncheon afterwards in the Fellowship Hall. Please keep Ray's family in your prayers. If you would like to send a card, you may send your card to Joanne Duncan – one of Ray's daughters.

Joanne Duncan
258 Bonnie Bridge Cir
Myrtle Beach, SC 29579

The Urban Clinic of Atlanta
10th Anniversary

The Urban Clinic of Atlanta is celebrating 10 years of Hope & Healing and The Good Shepherd Clinic is now a part of The Urban Clinic of Atlanta. The 10th Anniversary Celebration will take place on Sunday, September 27, 2026 at the Delta Flight Museum. The event starts at 6:00pm and goes until 9:00pm. **If you are interested in attending please go to WWW.URBANCLINIC.ORG/ANNIVERSARY to make a reservation.**

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!

Christian Sympathy is extended to the family and friends in the homegoing of Leland Allen, a former member, on Saturday, August 22nd.

Christian Sympathy is extended to the family and friends in the homegoing of Ray Morgan on Sunday, August 23rd.

08/26 Barbara Barlow – has finished this phase of chemo and is currently receiving PT for lymphedema in her arm

08/09 – Ruth Barnes – friend of Thomas Thigpen – has been diagnosed with brain cancer

08/10 Dinah Bingham – biopsy postponed due to an infection

08/23 Tony Bray – Debbie Bray's brother –currently off of all medications and drs are trying to determine what meds can be used to treat the lung cancer.

08/26 Nell Cates – cellulitis in both legs and having difficulty walking

08/23 Theo Cisneros – baby of friends of Rev. Jeanne – he's 3 months old and having seizures due to low calcium .

08/19 Sherry Ellington – Serena's cousin – her procedure has not done what drs were hoping for; drs determining next step

07/08 Jimmy Moore – former member – not doing well. Has had at least one more stroke since May. On every stroke medication possible but there's not much else drs say they can do.

08/09 Pat Randolph – back pain/discomfort has returned

08/25 Henry Rose – baby of friends of Rev. Jeanne – he's 3 months old and is unable to digest fats

08/26 Joyce Smith – appointment with dr on 9/16 to determine if she can start putting weight on her leg.

08/26 Tom Smith – scheduled for another nerve block shot for his knee pain on 9/15

08/25 Serena Staats – having a hematoma removed on 8/27/26

08/16 Buddy Stanton – Cathy Morris's brother – in rehab

08/23 Bill Wood – Fran Youngblood's brother – is at home and continuing to recover but very weak

08/19 Sid Woodham – Debbie Bray's BIL – immobile for another 2-3 months with broken leg

07/14 Feroze Yusufji – home recovering from extensive spine surgery on 7/8

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

Nell Cates Patty Boone Becky Huie Ann NeSmith

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