

**THIS MONTH'S BIRTHDAYS**

19/ Glenda Taylor  
22/ Betty Brock

**THIS MONTH'S ANNIVERSARIES**

06/ Bud & Mona Steele  
24/ Emory & Dot Pearce  
25/ Erwin & Ruth Gettys

**THIS MONTH'S VOLUNTEERS**

**USHERS**

Emory Pearce  
Danny Morris  
Celestine Karka  
Thomas Thigpen

**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!*

- 06/24 James Ballew (Joyce Smith's son) – recovering from colostomy reversal
- 07/14 Jerry Carr (John Randolph's friend) stage 4 lung cancer, home health care
- 07/14 Edna Carr (Jerry's wife) – fell down flight of stairs, fractured hip & elbow
- 06/12 Ruby Chapman (Serena Staats mom) – heart problems, in and out of hospital, very week
- 06/23 David Hatch – now at Emory Hillandale, can take phone calls (see email)
- 07/14 Jeff Langley (Jennifer & Pam's brother) – longtime smoker trying to quit, needs our prayers

**UPDATE ON DAVID:** Pastor Jack spoke with him and says he sounds good. Hopefully he can be sent to another rehab facility soon. Keep up the prayers, David still has a long way to go.

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

Marie Foster   Patty Boone   Becky Huie   Ann NeSmith

**Prayer Request:** Call 404-366-1851, Email [secyppc@bellsouth.net](mailto:secyppc@bellsouth.net) or call a Session member or Shepherd.

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This little angel was found in the cemetery alone and forgotten. If you recognize it, please call the church office and let us know where it belongs.

Thanks

***Greetings from the Music Department!***



We would like to offer music virtually (sing, playing or both) to the family members of PPC members, who are hospitalized and/or in ICU. Most patients have or are provided a device with video/audio capabilities. You may get in touch with Verena at 917-664-9944 or call the church office to take advantage of this ministry.



Bless be the tie that binds. Our hearts in Christian love;

The fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.

**PW MESSAGE CORNER**

- AUG 08—10:30am —Circle One

*(subject to COVID19 self quarantine)*



**CRAFT GROUP**

08/11 - 11:30am @ Sonny's BBQ, Mt Zion Blvd, Jonesboro

08/25—11:30am @ Chicken Salad Chick, Hwy 20, McDonough

*(subject to change due to COVID19 self quarantine)*

## **PPC Clerk's Corner**

Greetings from the Philadelphia Session,

I hope this finds you and your family all doing well and still practicing your "social distancing". I have had the opportunity to talk with several of you over the last few weeks and it was so good to hear your voice.

I wanted to take a moment to thank Reverend Westlund and Reverend Sundermeier for providing us with their sermons and spiritual leadership over the last several months. Having the opportunity to worship with them through the use of the church Facebook page has been wonderful. I also want to take this opportunity to thank Verena Anders for all of her hard work over these last several months. Verena is truly the person responsible for making this all happen. She gathers the various videos – announcements, music from others or she records herself, and the videos from the ministers and puts it all together to make one video for Sunday service. When we first decided to post sermons on Facebook – Verena took on the task of putting this all together and has done a wonderful job. If you aren't on Facebook you can still view the sermons by going to the Church webpage. Rick Pierce has been uploading the sermons, and you should be able to see them. The Church webpage is [www.ppc-usa.org](http://www.ppc-usa.org)

The Session met on July 7, 2020 via Zoom. During our meeting we discussed the survey that you participated in with regards to reopening the church. Based on the data collected as well as the upswing in the number of cases, it was decided that we would keep the Church closed at least until the end of August. Session will meet again during the first week of August and will reassess the current situation with regards to the virus/number of cases. It is our hope that we will be able to comfortably reopen the Church soon. However, with that being said, please know that we want you to feel safe and comfortable with all that we are doing. When we do reopen, if you aren't quite ready to return – we will understand. It is our plan to continue to provide our worship service through the church Facebook page and the church webpage.

### **Financial Update**

The finance committee once again reports that current giving, while below normal levels, is quite good during these unpredictable times. Your support via mail and drop-off has allowed us to meet our utility expenses as well as pay our fulltime staff.

The PPP loan is being utilized to pay our employees, and we are now receiving rental money from the Hispanic Church that is using some of the space in the Education Building.

As always, we appreciate your financial support of our church home.

### **When we return:**

Some of the changes that you will see when we return include:

- Areas marked off for sitting

- Most doors open so that you won't have to touch handles

- Hand sanitizer located on the pews where sitting is allowed

- Offering plates will be in the back and you can just drop your tithe/offering there

- No ushers, however, Fred Rohrbach will be in the Narthex

- The choir will not sing – at least not for a little bit. There will be music, but congregation will be encouraged to not sing yet.

- We will not have our usual Meet and Greet. You will have to wave to one another.

- We will not start back with Sunday School for at least a few weeks.

- Wearing masks during service.

Please know that these aren't necessarily the only changes – there may be a few more. We will review all guidelines/recommendations for reopening and will then make sure you are aware of what we will have in place. We thank you for your understanding and as always – if you have any questions or suggestions, please reach out to any of the Session Members.

Stay safe, get plenty of rest and sunshine – when you can. If we can be of any help, please let us know. Please keep in touch with one another and if you know of someone who is having difficulties and/or just needs prayer please let us know. We hope to see you soon in person!!!

Love,  
Jennifer

**DEVOTIONALS: A copy of the next edition of "Our Daily Bread" is available to you.**

**You may find them in a container outside the building at the office door. Pick one up at any time.**