



PHILADELPHIA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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THE CROSSROADS



*Love is*  
**patient** *Love is*  
 KIND  
*it does not envy* ♥ *it does not boast*  
**IT IS NOT PROUD**  
*Love is not rude or selfish*  
**it can not be easily angered**  
**LOVE** always protects  
 always trusts  
 always hopes  
 always perseveres  
**LOVE NEVER FAILS**

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A light in the community that brings all people to God through Christ centered worship and ministry and nurtures their faith in order to extend His kingdom.

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**THIS MONTH'S BIRTHDAYS**

10/ Jeff Randolph  
11/ Mary Smith  
18/ Hal Banke  
21/ Barbara Barlow

**THIS MONTH'S ANNIVERSARIES**

10/ Becky & Bob Huie  
25/ Rose & Thomas Thigpen

**THIS MONTH'S VOLUNTEERS**

**USHERS**

Emory Pearce  
Danny Morris  
Celestine Karka  
Thomas Thigpen

**WE'VE MOVED**

**Ann and Charlie NeSmith** have moved into Autumn Village, an assisted living home, in Jackson, GA. You may find their new address on the bulletin board. They enjoy receiving your cards and notes of encouragement. Please keep them in your prayers.

**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!*

01/07 James Ballew (Joyce Smith's son) – colon problems – second surgery

01/14 Steve Cooper (Kathy Banke's cousin, Angie Tharp's nephew) – still in ICU, accident, slow recovery

01/20 Pat Culver (Bob & Becky's daughter) – bone cancer treatments

01/15 John Randolph – surgery for hernia repair postponed

**01/20 Mona Steele—2 falls since Christmas, receiving home therapy**

01/07 Bill Smith (Tom's brother) – has not started treatment for lung cancer, too weak

12/11 Emily Wallace (Huie's granddaughter) – recovering from additional cancer surgery

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

Marie Foster   Patty Boone   Becky Huie   Ann & Charlie NeSmith

Prayer Request: Call 404-366-1851, Email [secyppc@bellsouth.net](mailto:secyppc@bellsouth.net) or fill in the I WISH card and drop in the offering plate.

**PLEASE NOTE: if you make a prayer request or give an update during the Sunday worship service, please follow up with a call to the church office on Monday so we can update our prayer list.**

Dear Church Family,

My family and I would like to thank everyone for all the cards, prayers, calls and the support you gave to Buck and to me during his recent illness and passing. The love and support we received was amazing and we thank you for all your help.

Annelle Maxwell and family



Dear PPC Family,

Thank you for all your calls, prayers, cards, and visits after the passing of Ed's mom, Joyce Adair. At times like this we lean on our church family and you were there for us.

Thank you for your love and support. Ed and Cindy Adair



**PPC Clerk's Corner**

**Happy New Year from the Session of PPC!!!**

We are looking forward to this year with excitement and anticipation, and we hope that you are, too. As Reverend Jack mentioned in his sermon on January 19<sup>th</sup>, we are in an interim time. We are praying about and actively seeking a new pastor, and we ask that you pray for us as well as our church.

This year we want to make sure that we keep you up to date with regards to our finances. We ended 2019 with a negative balance so it is our hope that this year will end on a better note. While we did have some maintenance expenditures this past year, most of those were actually budgeted for and covered. Session will be looking at and monitoring our expenses closely this year. Please know that you are always welcome to look at the budget or request a copy of the budget if you want one. If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact one of the elders.

Until next month,

**Jennifer Rohrbach**

*Clerk of Session*

## PW MESSAGE CORNER



There will Not be a PWCT meeting in February. Our next PWCT meeting will be Sunday, March 1st following the worship service.

All Circle Members are reminded to bring their Blessing Boxes to their February Circle meetings.

- FEB 8—10:30am—Circle One
- FEB 13—10:00am—Mary & Martha Circle
- FEB 19—10:30am—Busy Bees Circle



### *Greetings from the Music Department!*

December and January have been exciting months! Instead of listing our selections, I would like to share our thoughts and experiences from the last couple of months.

First, thank you all for your support on a spectacular Christmas Cantata! As most of you know, we tried something new with our service of Lessons & Carols, as well as inviting a great string quartet to fill in a rich Christmas sound. The choir stepped up (in a big way!) to meet the challenges of the music I programmed and sang beautifully and confidently. The warmth and spiritual beauty of Christmas was truly felt among us musicians. I pray that we can continue this type of program for Christmas, and please feel free to let me know your thoughts.

Although I was, sadly, absent for Christmas and the surrounding Sundays due to the flu, I missed last Sunday, January 19th, because I was in Indiana conducting the Fort Wayne Philharmonic! I was accepted into an international Conducting workshop where I was coached daily and prepared for a final concert along with 7 other conductors from around the world. It was a great learning experience and immensely encouraging and exciting!

Thank you Philadelphia Presbyterian for your relentless support of music and our musicians. Praying for a wonderful New year for you and your family,

**Verena**

## CRAFT GROUP

02/11—11:30AM—@O'Charley's Restaurant, Stockbridge

02/25—11:30am—@Cracker Barrel, Morrow

## SECRET PAL PARTY



The Secret Pal Revealing Party will be February 9, with a covered dish lunch in the Fellowship Hall, immediately following the worship service. If you would like to join our group, either join us for lunch or have someone add your name and draw for you. We only give two gifts a year, one on our Secret Pal's birthday, the other at the revealing party. We send cards and pray for our pals all during the year. Join us for fun and fellowship. If you need additional information, contact Barbara Barlow.



Come join us at the Souper Bowl Sunday – February 2, 2020. It's that time of the year again. We will have our **8th Annual Chili Cookoff**. If you are inter-

ested in providing a chili there will be a sign up sheet in the Narthex. We hope you will plan to participate or at least stay and share the meal on Feb. 2nd. We are accepting soups, canned goods and non-perishables to be donated to a local ministry. Cash donations are also accepted.

Connie McWilliams  
Community Missions

PW will celebrate two special women of the church with Honorary Life Memberships on Sunday, February 23rd during the morning worship service. There will be a covered dish dinner to honor these women afterward, so plan to bring your favorite dish.

**Debbie Durden**



**Thank You** to everyone who participated in giving the Christmas Gifts and supplies to Secur'us House during the month of December. We were able to donate 386 Christmas Gifts and 589 supply items. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

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**OUR MISSION:** is to offer spiritual peace in a chaotic world through the stability of traditional Christ-centered teaching, worship and prayer.

**OUR CORE VALUES:**

- Radical Hospitality (Romans 12:9-21)**
- Passionate Worship (John 4:21-24)**
- Intentional Faith Development (I Corinthians 9:19-24)**
- Risk-Taking Mission and Service ( Matthew 25:14-30)**
- Extravagant Generosity (II Corinthians 9:6-15)**

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