

PHILADELPHIA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

351 Morrow Road, Forest Park, Georgia 30297

THE CROSSROADS

My Dear Friends in Christ,

The session has voted to move back toward normalcy, after a survey which shows that almost all members of our congregation have been fully vaccinated. So we will begin to follow the new CDC guidelines in how we worship. First, we will begin singing congregational hymns while masked. And then we will move to no masks the middle of June, followed by removal of the yellow “do not cross” tape on the pews that we all find so incredibly ugly. Fred Rohrbach can’t wait to take that stuff down! We will also be having refreshments outdoors whenever the weather permits this summer after the service – and in the fellowship hall if it’s raining. All we ask is that if you haven’t finished your vaccinations yet or are still waiting for one, to wear your mask until you’ve completed them. That may literally be less than 5 people.

Additionally, the return to normalcy includes eating together – starting with the July 4 picnic which we will have after church on Sunday, June 27. Jim Phillips, Fred Rohrbach and crew will cook burgers and hot dogs, and we ask members to bring sides and desserts. I don’t know about you, but this will be the first time I have had a collective meal with anybody in over a year. I can’t wait. I promise Jim’s good potato salad, my baked beans, and my famous key lime pie (the recipe comes right off Mo’s and Flo’s key lime juice bottle and is easy as – well, pie).

We are planning big things for this year – monthly lunches, Homecoming in October, Reformation Sunday on October 31 where we wear our tartans/plaid anything to celebrate the Scottish heritage of our church, Thanksgiving luncheon, Hanging of the Greens, Christmas luncheon, and whatever else we can think up. So come and visit your friends with lemonade and cookies after church, resurrect those favorite recipes for pot luck lunches, and most importantly, sit in the church without a mask on and SING! And while you’re at it, join us for Sunday School at 9:45 – we started May 16 and Debbie Durden is doing her usual good job of teaching while Mary Smith keeps us in coffee and doughnuts.

We’re through the worst of it, thanks to vaccinations. So we can move into summer, where we dress more casually at church and enjoy the outdoors afterwards. Come be with us – it’s going to be a glorious time of worship and celebration. If you want to serve on the Homecoming committee, please let me know. Since we missed this last year, we hope to really celebrate this year. And help Serena plan those monthly luncheons.

We just celebrated Pentecost, when God sent the Holy Spirit to everyone present. So now we can spread out with fellowship and share the good news of the Holy Spirit dwelling within us. So come join us every Sunday for a time where we thank God for our blessings.

With love in Christ,

Jeanne

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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

06/ Jo Nelson
06/ Patty Boone
24/ Betty Foster
25/ Katie Clayton

THIS MONTH'S ANNIVERSARIES

05/ Diane & Van Banke

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!

05/02 Beckie Huie – experiencing weakness and passing out

03/24 Carole Masdon—recovering from surgery to remove a cancerous tumor, doing well

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

Nell Cates Marie Foster Patty Boone Becky Huie Ann NeSmith

Prayer Request: Call 404-366-1851, Email secyppc@bellsouth.net

Thank You for your participation in the Securus House donations. We don't have a count yet on all the donated items but as usual, your generosity is appreciated.

In July we will be collecting school supplies for Kinship Care Resource Center, a group helping grandparents raising their grandchildren.

Watch for the suggested list in your July Crossroads.

Connie McWilliams

Local Missions



PPC Church Family,



I would like to thank everyone for the prayers for our grandson, Connor Rawls, over the last two months. Connor is doing well now and looking forward to returning to college in the fall. God is so good!

Frances Youngblood

Annual 4th of July Celebration

We will have our annual 4th of July Celebration on June 27th, immediately following service. The church will provide hamburgers, hotdogs, and drinks. Members are asked to bring side dishes, chips, and desserts.



We hope you will be able to join us.

HONORING OUR MILITARY

If you or anyone in your family are or were in the military, bring a military picture to display on our table of honor.



Workday

Saturdays, June 19, 9:00am
There is something for everyone to do.

PW MESSAGE CORNER:

June 6—12:15pm—PWCT meeting

June 12—10:30am—Circle One

June 10—07:00pm—Mary & Martha (virtual)



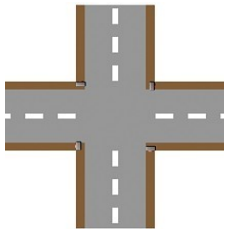
PLEASE NOTE: We are going to start back with our PWCT meetings beginning June 6.

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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