

## PHILADELPHIA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

351 Morrow Road, Forest Park, Georgia 30297

# THE CROSSROADS

# Dear Friends in Christ,

We are moving so quickly through this time after Christmas. Ash Wednesday, the beginning of Lent, is March 2. I hope you will join us at noon on that day for a short service of communion and imposition of ashes. The tradition is to burn the palms from the previous year's Palm Sunday service for the ashes, and we will do that this year. We will then travel into the Lenten season – a 40 day period of contemplation of our Savior's love and ultimate sacrifice for us. We will also once again have a Good Friday service at noon, as we read through the scriptures concerning the arrest, betrayal, death, and crucifixion of our Lord and then depart in silence.

Please do not forget those in our community who need food. We are still collecting Souper Bowl contributions of canned food, non-perishables, and money through February, so I hope you will be generous. I'm reminded of your generosity often. One of the core values listed on the PPC website and in every Crossroads is radical hospitality, citing Romans 12:9-21. Those words are as follows:

Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor. Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers.

Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. Live in harmony with one another; do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God; for it is written, "Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord." No, "if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink; for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads." Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

Thank you for living out these incredible words of Paul. Yours in Christ,

# Jeanne

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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

11/ Mary Pat Smith 17/ Kaylynn LaFoy

18/ Hal Banke

21/ Barbara Barlow

#### THIS MONTH'S ANNIVERSARIES

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

#### THIS MONTH'S USHERS

Fred Rohrbach Rick Pierce Mary Pat Smith David Hatch

#### 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!

12/31 Verena Anders—recovering from hip replacement surgery on 1/25, for avascular necrosis

01/25 Rev. Bill Hines (Kathy Pierce's dad)—treated for bacterial pneumonia, on oxygen at home

12/19 Ray Morgan - recovering from intestinal surgery, moved to South Carolina near daughter

12/15 Barbara Sutton (Joyce's niece) spine cancer, chemo treatment with bad side effects

12/15 Sarah Trotter (Joyce's niece) recovering from breast cancer surgery

01/26 Charles Trotter (Joyce's brother) - had surgery to remove tumor from behind ear, awaiting pathologist report

12/28 ByeonSoon Yoon (Heawoon's mom) – recovering from brain surgery for cancer, Heawoon is in Korea, with her mom for now

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

Nell Cates

Patty Boone

Becky Huie

Pam Langley

Ann NeSmith

Prayer Request: Call 404-366-1851, Email <a href="mailto:secyppc@bellsouth.net">secyppc@bellsouth.net</a> or call a Session member or Shepherd.

To all that attended my going away party, called, and sent cards:

Let me say thank you and I will miss you! There is a special place in my heart for each of you and I hope that somewhere in this world, our paths will meet again.



Ray Morgan

PLEASE NOTE: Ray's new address is posted on the bulletin board.

Dear Church Family,

It is with a sad sad heart to let you know my Aunt **Joy Huie** passed away on 29 December 2021. Back in the day everyone it seemed attended Philadelphia Presbyterian Church to include Joy, her husband Malcolm and children Susanne and Mal. As time followed, Joy became a very active member at The Jones Memorial United Methodist Church in Lake City. Joy was buried at Friendship Cemetery in Donalsonville, Georgia on Wednesday, January 5, 2022.

On Christmas Eve Joy fell in her bedroom at home. It turned out the reason for her fall was her heart was having strong irregular rhythms. In short, her heart was just giving out. She would have been 94 this April.

Thank You.

Scott Huie Holloway

#### PW MESSAGE CORNER:

FEB 06—12:15pm—PWCT

FEB 10 — 7:00pm—Mary & Martha (virtual)

**FEB 12 –** 10:30am—Circle One

**FEB 15** — 10:15am—Busy Bees







# Workday

Saturday, February 19 9:00am

We have inside work to do and are changing out light fixtures in the building. Come and help out if you can.



Sunday, February 27, 2022

### SOUPER BOWL OF CARING

We are accepting soups, canned goods and non-perishables to be donated to a



local food pantry during the month of February. Cash donations are also accepted. Just mark your check or envelope as Souper Bowl.

Connie McWilliams, Community Missions

## SECRET PAL REVEAL PARTY

The Secret Pal Group will meet February 13, at 12:15 in the Fellowship Hall of the church for a covered dish lunch and revealing party. Bring a gift for the person you drew back in 2020. If you would like to join the group, you are invited to meet with us for lunch and



draw a name for the coming year. We only buy two gifts each year, one for our pal's birthday, the other for the revealing party. The rest of the year we send cards and keep her in our prayers. If you need additional information, contact Barbara Barlow.

(No one can even remember when this group first started, we do know it is at least 40 - 42 years old.)



Service at 12 noon March 2, 2022 imposition of ashes and communion





**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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