

PHILADELPHIA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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THE CROSSROADS

We're six weeks away from a huge party, folks! Fred and the Property Committee are working really hard, every Saturday, to "beautify" the church space, inside and out. If you can help out, please do so. Greg needs help filing the music in the music office. Debbie Bray needs help getting the historical booklet together. We need volunteers to clean out junk from various rooms. We need folks to help with registration, especially since people may want to purchase ornaments, plates, or bricks onsite. We need your old pictures of people and activities at PPC to put on a special bulletin board. We had a to-do list of over 25 items from our meeting last week.

So if you can help us spiff up the place, let me know! The big 200th anniversary party is coming!!

Yours in Christ,

Jeanne

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THIS MONTH'S BIRTHDAYS

- 03/ Dot Pearce
- 06/ Pam Langley
- 10/ Eliot Lawrence
- 11/ Greg Durden
- 27/ Nell Cates
- 29/ Jim Simpson

THIS MONTH'S USHERS

Danny Morris 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!

- 08/10 Debbie Durden recovering from fractured right arm
- 08/10 Jeff Foster (Debbie & Dinah's brother) -chemo treatments continuing
- 08/16 Cathleen Hatch (Cathy Morris' daughter) recovering from foot surgery
- 08/10 Pam Langley—is at Christian City Rehabilitation facility, now in room 422B
- 08/10 Luis Mendez (Senda de Salvacion pastor) no weight on broken leg and ankle for 6-8 months
- 08/10 John Randolph metastatic bladder cancer
- 08/20 Jim Simpson— the second surgery went well, feeling better
- 08/10 Serena Staats rotator cuff surgery to be rescheduled
- 08/13 Bill Stanton (Cathy Morris' brother) failing from COPD and other health issues
- 08/10 Angie Tharp -at The Palms @ Lake Spivey

Please pray for the AA Participants meeting at our church

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

Nell Cates Patty Boone Becky Huie Ann NeSmith

Prayer Request: Call 404-366-1851, Email secyppc@bellsouth.net or call a Session member or Shepherd.

HOMECOMING 2025

Please remember to visit the PPC website and <u>register</u> for lunch on October 12. We need a count for everyone, as well as your purchase of meal tickets, since we are using a caterer.

The PPC web page also has the information to make a purchase of several items.

- COMMERATIVE PPC BRICKS to be purchased for a walkway with a name printed on the brick in honor or memory of someone.
- CHRISTMAS ORNAMENTS with the church's likeness in the design
- COLLECTABLE PPC PLATES
- HOMECOMING 2025 shirts

To see everything that is being offered, go to our website at www.ppc-usa.org and click on [More Info and Register here].

PW MESSAGE CORNER:

SEP 10—07:00pm—Mary & Martha Circle—virtual

SEP 13—10:30am—Circle One

SEP 16 Busy Bees—TBA



PLEASE NOTE: On September 14, we are having the **Annual PW** Meeting following the Worship service. All women in the church are invited and encouraged to attend as we approve the 2026 PW budget and elect officers.

Craft Group

SEP 9—11:30am @ Cheddars Restaurant, Jonesboro Rd., McDonough

SEP 23—11:30am—@ Culvers Restaurant, 90 Hwy 81, McDonough

WORKDAY-9:00AM SAT, September 6,20,4 27



There will be a workday every Saturday in September except for Saturday, September 13, 2025. Workdays start at 9:00 a.m. and all help is greatly appreciated.

THANK YOU to everyone who has given of your time, talents, and resources to Philadelphia to ready us for our 2025 Homecoming celebration. Your hard work is so appreciated!



PPC Clerk's Corner

Greetings from the Clerk of Session.

I hope this finds each of you doing well! It's hard to believe that it's already September and by the end of the month we will officially start Fall. I am definitely ready for the beautiful colors of the Fall season. We also will celebrate Homecoming in just a little over a month!!! There's still much to do, but we are all getting very excited for Homecoming, and I hope you are, too.

The Session held its monthly meeting on Tuesday, August 19, 2025. We met via Zoom. For the month of July, our financial information was as follows:

> Total Assets - \$84,764,27 Monthly Identified Offerings - \$7,997.00 YTD Identified Offerings - \$73,714.59 Monthly Total Expenses - \$36,505.86 YTD Expenses - \$116,657.32 Monthly Surplus/Deficit - (\$24,262.86) - deficit YTD Surplus/Deficit - (\$18,974.70) - deficit

As you can our expenses in July were more than our Identified Offerings. We had to replace one of the air conditioning systems, and we replaced the flooring in the main hallway as well as in most of the rooms off the main hallway. These 2 major expenses were paid for out of our available operating funds. As always, we greatly appreciate your financial support.

We are now less than 2 months away from Homecoming!!! Can you believe it? The Homecoming Committee is busy, but your help is needed as well. We still have several projects that we are trying to get done before Homecoming. During the month of September, we will have a workday EVERY Saturday, except for Saturday, September 13th. We are going to be dusting, vacuuming, cleaning windows, etc. as well as working on projects outside. If you are able to come and help on the scheduled workdays, please do so. All help is greatly appreciated. We have mailed out invitations to those who have not RSVP'd yet. If you have not done so already, please go to the church website and RSVP for Homecoming. Please make sure that you also sign up for lunch if you are planning to eat with us after the service. We must have a lunch count by the end of this month so that the caterer will know how many people to prepare food for. Rick Pierce has done an excellent job of setting up the registration information on the church webpage. It's very easy to sign up and you can also look at the items we have for sale for Homecoming including commemorative bricks.

On Sunday, September 28, 2025, we will have a Called Congregational Meeting for the purpose of electing members to the Elder Nominating Committee. Please pray about serving on this committee as well as serving as an elder.

Hope to see you at the workdays!!!

Much love.

Jennifer



<u>OUR MISSION:</u> 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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