

PHILADELPHIA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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THE CROSSROADS

We will be in Lent throughout March this year – a time of reflection as we journey with Jesus toward the cross. In our liturgical year of the study of Matthew, I am reminded of Matthew 25:31-40.

“When the Son of Man comes in his glory and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. Then the king will say to those at his right hand, ‘Come, you who are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world, for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.’ Then the righteous will answer him, ‘Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?’ And the king will answer them, ‘Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did it to me.’”

Many churches in PC(USA) have made a vow to be Matthew 25 churches – to practice feeding the hungry, giving the thirsty a drink, clothing the naked, caring for the sick, and supporting local community missions. That is what we have done traditionally here at Philadelphia – caring for those around us in the community – Morrow Food Bank, Babb Middle School weekend meals for needy children, contributions to various clothing closets, support for Calvary Refuge Center and Securus House for those in need of housing and protection from domestic violence, and support for the Good Shepherd Clinic as it provides free health care to those in need. As we enter this Lenten season, let us remember that as we walk with Jesus, we need to stop and care for those in need along the way.

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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

- 02/ Chris Banke
- 03/ Jennifer Rohrbach
- 05/ Rose Enow
- 15/ Angie Tharp
- 18/ Diane Kemper
- 19/ Andrew Durden
- 20/ Pat Randolph
- 24/ Pegge Murphy
- 26/ Henry Brock
- 28/ Erwin Gettys
- 31/ Johnny Falatko

THIS MONTH'S ANNIVERSARIES

- 20/ Karen & Howard Nelson
- 28/ Celestine & Philippe Karka

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!

- 02/01 Barbara Barlow – broken arm is healing No visitors at this time please.
- 02/17 Margaret Brady – Joyce Smith's sister – at Piedmont Newnan recovering from surgery due to abdominal infection
- 02/15 Ann Bryant (Janice Lockhart's stepmom)-in rehab facility and recovering from hip replacement and shoulder injury.
- 02/15 Clyde Bryant (Janice's dad) – suffering from dementia and mobility issues
- 01/18 Zenas Carteret – Xavier's brother – surgery was successful and he's recovering
- 02/08 Tammy Espe (Fran & Darrell's daughter) chemo therapy for stomach cancer
- 01/04 Jeff Foster (Debbie & Dinah's brother) –has completed chemo
- 02/15 Betty McDonald – recovering from bacterial meningitis and doing remarkably well
- 02/18 Rick Pierce – procedure on 2/24 to remove a skin melanoma on his shin
- 01/04 John Randolph – home under Hospice care. He's comfortable and resting
- 02/17 Tom Smith – mobility issues. Has a dr appointment on 3/3 for results of echocardiogram
- 02/05 Rusty Taylor – surgery on 02/05 to repair broken ankle
- 02/11 Joyce Williams - Debbie Bray's cousin's wife. Joyce has broken ribs and multiple injuries from a car accident.

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@att.net or call a Session member or Shepherd.

NEW DAY!!!

Please take note that we are now meeting on the 1st Wednesday of the month. Please plan to join us for breakfast on Wednesday, March 4th at 9:30am @ Egg's Up, Morrow. See you there!



Dear Church Family,

Thank you for all the beautiful cards. I read and reread all of those and the messages of encouragement you have written. Please continue to pray for me and pray for my family. They have stayed right by my side throughout this difficult time. My arm is healing as it should according to the doctor (on the second break), but seems very slowly to me. Through this all there have been many blessings for which I am very thankful. I still have a long road to recovery. I miss you all very much. I'll be back to church as soon as I can, be sure to save my seat, third pew from back on left side.

Love to you all,
Barbara Barlow



PW MESSAGE CORNER:

MAR 01—PW Coordinating Team Mtg

MAR 11—Mary & Martha —7:00pm

MAR 14—Circle One— 10:30am

**A Few Reminders:**

- PW Annual Gathering is on 3/22/26 @ 2:30 and held at Radcliffe Presbyterian Church
- Come See Columbia Day has been changed to 4/23/26



This year's Super Bowl luncheon and Chili Cook-off was a huge success!!! Congratulations to this year's winners:

Debbie Durden—1st place

Frances Youngblood—2nd place

Debbie Bray—3rd place

Everything was delicious but our winners dishes were outstanding!!!

Thomas Thigpen, CE & Fellowship

Connie McWilliams, Community Missions.

**WORKDAY— Saturday, March
21st @ 9:00am**

**PPC Clerk's Corner**

Greetings from the Clerk of Session,

Happy St. Patrick's Day and Happy Spring!! Spring arrives this month and I am ready! I'm looking forward to working in the yard and to getting some projects done. While we always seem to have projects to do around the church, this year we don't foresee any huge projects that will need to be done. Below are the financial numbers for 2025. Please keep in mind that we had 3 large capital expenses in 2025.

2025 YTD Total Revenue-\$189,329.64

2025 YTD Total Expenses-\$213,578.83

2025 YTD Surplus/Deficit-(\$24,249.19)

The Session held its monthly meeting on Tuesday, February 17, 2026 We met via Zoom. For the month of January, our financial information was as follows:

Total Assets-\$79,068.28

Monthly Identified Offerings-\$8,047.35

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Monthly Total Expenses-\$10,715.22

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Monthly Surplus/Deficit-(\$1,734.77)

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As you can see, our expenses in January were more than our Identified offerings but keep in mind that we were not here on Sunday, January 25th so that is reflected in our contributions for January.

As always, we greatly appreciate your financial support and we're always looking for ways to trim our expenses.

Spring arrives this month! Hopefully we will not have any more cold weather and we're able to get outside to enjoy the warmer weather.

Love,

Jennifer**The Babb Project –Community Outreach**

With your generosity, we were able to spend \$592.63 for food in January to support this ministry. We are always in need of food items for the bags we give the students each week. See the list on our bulletin board. **Monetary Gifts** are also welcomed. Make your check payable to PPC and mark it for the Babb Project. For more info see Debbie Durden or Danny Morris.



Gospel Sing at First Baptist
Church of Morrow

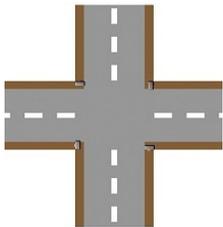
The first Tuesday of each month the First Baptist Church of Morrow is hosting a Gospel sing a long. The sing a long will be from 10:30-11:30am and everyone is invited to come.

This month the sing a long is on Tuesday, March 3rd.



hello spring!

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