

Devotion, Week of October 13, 2024
Rev. Jeanne Simpson

We are in that season where we elect new elders and review our church's programs, budget, and mission. We have been blessed to receive a renewal grant of \$5000 for the Babb Project, and with fewer students to sponsor this year, we hope to be able to provide more uniforms for the uniform closet. Your generosity last year enabled us to contribute \$12,000 to this program, in addition to the other mission programs we support.

Our service to the surrounding community is a true statement of our commitment to Christ as a church, and I am continually amazed at how you step out to provide food, clothing, and support for the Good Shepherd Clinic, Calvary Refuge Center, Morrow Food Bank, and Kinship Care. As Connie McWilliams reminds us every year, we are the ONLY church that helps grandparents with school supplies for the children they are raising through Kinship Care. Not only do we support these local programs, we still support Thornwell Home for Children, Calvin Center, and national PCUSA giving programs.

As we elect new elders, I hope you will be thankful for these men and women who strive to discern God's will for this church and our mission programs, and who give selflessly of their time to make sure that Philadelphia Presbyterian Church is a welcoming, community of beloved saints.

Jeanne