

PHILADELPHIA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
SUNDAY, AUGUST 2, 2009

WELCOME! We at Philadelphia Presbyterian Church are a family of believers dedicated to the proclamation and teaching of the Gospel of Jesus Christ in our worship, educational ministry and everyday living. We are committed to showing the love of Jesus as we nurture each other, our community and the world. If you are looking for a church home, we invite you to join with us.

FRIENDSHIP PAD – By signing the Ritual of Friendship pad, you will provide us with a record of your attendance, any concerns you might have, and a means by which we might acknowledge our guests. Please take a moment to sign the pad as it is passed down your pew and back to the center aisle. Following the service, take time to greet one another, especially our visitors, in the name of Christ.

MEMBERSHIP – Our elders meet for prayer and to receive new members each Sunday morning prior to the worship hour in the room to the left of the choir loft. If you are interested in membership, you may complete an application form (located in the back of the friendship pad) and speak with the minister, or take a completed form directly to the Session room to meet with the elders. The five questions/vows that you will be asked by the elders are printed on the form. If you would like to join but need further information, please speak with the minister or call the church office at 404-366-1851 for assistance.

CORE VALUES - The insert in your bulletin is a list of core values adopted by the Session after careful consideration. This insert is meant for you to put in your Bible or on your refrigerator or wherever so you may be constantly reminded of our focus of ministry. The Session asks that you pray for these core values to become our guidelines for the future ministry of this church. You are also asked to pray and discover which of these core values fit you and how you might help carry them out in our church to the glory of God. Your servants, the elders of the Session.

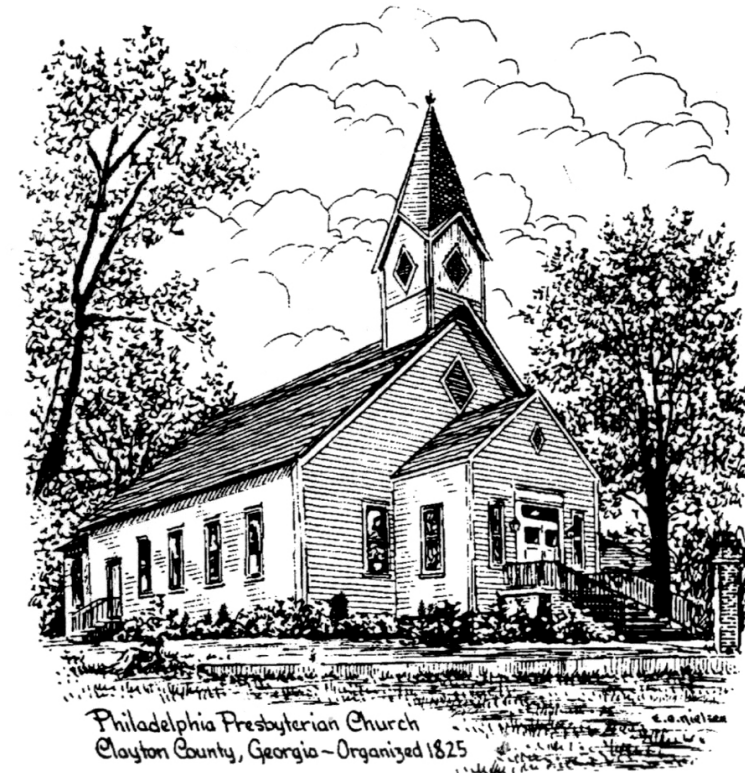
PWCT will meet today immediately following the worship service in the Pares & Spares Sunday School room.

SESSION MEETING will be Sunday, August 9th following the worship service in the PLOT room.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING to select members to serve on the Nominating Committee will be held August 16th following the worship service. Recognition and Appreciation Lunch will follow the congregational meeting. Please bring a covered dish and join us.

Philadelphia Presbyterian Church

351 Morrow Road, Forest Park, Georgia 30297



*To all who mourn and need comfort, to all who are tired and need rest,
to all who are friendless and want friendship,
to all who are lonely and want companionship,
to all who sin and need a Savior, and to whosoever enters,
this church opens wide its doors in the name of Christ our Lord, and says*

Welcome

PHILADELPHIA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
351 MORROW ROAD
FOREST PARK, GEORGIA 30297

August 2, 2009

11:00 a.m.

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

*Enter expectantly. Breathe prayerfully. Worship reverently.
Greet others cordially. Leave thoughtfully.*

In Gathering Around The Word

The Chiming of the Hour and The Choral Call to Worship

“God loves each of us as if there were only one of us.” Augustine

The Announcements and The Declaration **“God is good – all the time!”**

The Greeting and The Ritual of Friendship

The Gathering Song

The Introit

Pastor: Your love must not be a superficial pretence. You must hate evil, and you must give your unshakable loyalty to what is good. Your brotherly love must make you one loving family. You must lead the way in honouring each other.

People: **Your zeal must never flag. You must keep your enthusiasm at boiling-point. You must always be serving the Lord. You must be filled with optimistic joy. You must meet trouble with the power to pass the breaking-point and not to break. You must persevere in prayer.** *Romans 12:9-12*

*The Hymn of Praise No. 408 *“How Firm A Foundation”*

*The Invocation and The Lord’s Prayer **...forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors...**

In Responding To The Word

*The Apostles’ Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty; Maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell¹; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick² and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic³ church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

¹ “hell” means world of departed spirits; ² “quick” means alive; ³ “catholic” means universal

*The Gloria Patri (Hymn No. 813)

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

The Young Disciples’ Sermon

*The Hymn of Preparation No. 399 *“We Are God’s People”*

In Prayer To God

*Nothing will or can restore order until our hearts make one decision:
God shall be exalted above all else.*

A.W. Tozer

The Contemplation of God Through Silence and Prayer

The Choral Response

In Stewardship Of All Things

The Worship of God with Our Tithes and Offerings

The Offertory

*The Doxology (Hymn No. 815)

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise Him all creatures here below;
praise Him above, ye heavenly hosts; praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

*The Offertory Prayer

In Proclaiming The Word

The Anthem

The Scripture Reading *Romans 12:9-21*

The Sermon **“TAKE YOUR FAITH OUT OF YOUR BRAIN”**

In Following The Word Into The World

*The Hymn of Dedication No. 338 *“Wonderful Grace of Jesus”*

*The Benediction, The Choral Response and The Postlude

The holiest moment of the worship service is the moment when God’s people – strengthened by preaching, song and sacraments – go out of the door into the world to be The Church.

*Those who are able, please stand.

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KROGER CARDS ARE AVAILABLE in denominations of \$20, \$50 and \$100, the Good Shepherd Clinic receives 5% of each purchase. *For every \$1 the clinic receives, they are able to provide \$120 in medical care.* To obtain a card, see Emory Pearce or Jim Phillips, and make your check payable to the Good Shepherd Clinic. And thanks to all those who so faithfully support this mission project!

THE BIG N MARKETPLACE is a conglomerate of 80-90 stores that pay 3% to 35% commissions on all purchases made from them through our church's website (www.ppc.usa.org). It's like having your own personal mall, but you can shop from your computer and the church will get the commissions, which are passed along to our benevolent organizations.

ANNUAL HEALTH FAIR – The 13th Congressional District is holding its 5th Annual Health Fair Saturday, August 15, 2009 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at Mundy's Mill High School at 9652 Fayetteville Road (Hwy. 54), Jonesboro. This year's health fair will provide opportunities for the community to receive free health screenings including blood pressure, cholesterol, sickle cell and HIV testing, vision, hearing and dental screening, osteoporosis testing and many more. There will also be a brief panel discussion on diabetes and breast cancer.

THE BREAKFAST CLUB will meet at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday at Anne & Bill's.

SERMONS ON THE WEBSITE - Spencer's sermons are now available on the church website www.ppc-usa.org.

TO BE REMEMBERED IN PRAYER AND WITH CARDS (new info in bold)

Please notify us concerning updates. Inquiring minds – and prayerful hearts – want to know!

Family and friends of Pauline Butler (Joyce Smith's daughter-in-law's mother)

Family and friends of Barbara Hardgee (friend of Demester Dunaway)

Patrick Allen (Dot Pearce's nephew - lung cancer)

Dianne Campbell (cancer; follow up tests & treatment continuing)

Jenny Chambers (Becky Huie's sister-in-law - doctors still struggling to save her leg)

David Chapman (Emory Pearce's friend - deployed to Iraq)

Bess Cooper (Angie Tharp's 112-year-old mother - not doing well; dementia)

Jennifer Cooper (Julia McLeod's granddaughter - encephalitis)

Don Curlee (Karen Kelly-Nelson's friend - stroke; blood infections; possible dialysis)

Norma Deaton (Dot Dunn's sister - numerous medical problems)

Gail Downing (Judy Baird's sister - gaining weight and strength)

Joan Dunn (Dot Dunn's sister-in-law - 3rd bout with cancer; new oncologist)

Mary Lou Fuller (the Dunaways' friend - hospitalized with a broken hip)

Bobby Gregory (Dot Pearce's nephew - 2nd tour of duty in Iraq)

Nickolas Hardgee (Demester Dunaway's friend's 30-year-old grandson - brain surgery)

Elaine Harris (Louise Etheridge's sister-in-law - breast cancer surgery; treatment to follow)

John Herendeen (father of Bob & Becky Huie's neighbor - cancer)

Susan Hochmuth (Virginia Gibson's daughter - bacterial infection)

Elizabeth Hollandsworth (Judy Baird's friend - inoperable liver cancer)

Cindy Hopkins (Pam Langley's close friend - incurable lung cancer; radiation, then chemo)

JeanKernan (elderly aunt of Nancy Phillips - lumpectomies for cancer in both breasts)

Mandy Lake (Jennifer Rohrbach's co-worker's sister - PET/CT scan; possible cancer)

Dr. Lopez (Doris Ellis' doctor - bone cancer; wearing a neck brace but working; chemo)

Rita Marballi (Zareen Nevrekar's sister-in-law - 3rd recurrence of uterine/ovarian cancer)

Jim McWilliams (pancreatic cancer, also in lymph nodes)

Connie McWilliams (awaiting test results)

Cindy Moats (friend of Spencer & Sherri Frye - cancer)

Ed Murphy (elbow surgery with physical therapy to follow)

Pat Patterson (Chyanne Patterson's dad - stroke)

Wayne Schmelz (NeSmith's son-in-law/Alan Schmelz' brother - staph infection cleared up)

Opal Seeby (knee replacement surgery; getting around on a walker)

Linda Shealy (friend of Spencer & Sherri Frye - breast cancer; radical mastectomy)

Kathie Lynn Smith (Anita DeBey's niece in her 30s - brain aneurysm)

Linda Smith (Joyce Smith's sister - cancer returned - has begun chemo again)

Angie Tharp (at-home physical therapy on her knee; doing very well)

Catherine Vandiver (friend of Pat Randolph - surgery for broken vertebrae in back)

Carol White Tipton (the Huie's friend's daughter with 2 little boys - cancer; not doing well)

L.M. York (the Morgans' & Ralph Kelly's friend - lymphoma)

Our Homebound:

Virginia Billington (The Heritage, Rm. 229, 3039 Sandy Plains Rd.,

Marietta, GA 30066; Phone: 770-321-1499)

Mary Binkney (943 Cone Road, Forest Park, GA 30297)

Joan Cushing (6184 San Juan Street, Forest Park, GA 30297)

Nella Ree Dunn (2037 Flat Rock Road, Stockbridge, GA 30281)

Doris Ellis (665 Valley View Drive, Forest Park, GA 30297; Phone: 404-366-2954)

Ed Huie (6114 Huie Drive, P.O. Box 3, Morrow, GA 30260; Phone: 770-961-6092)

James Ray (20 Elmwood Drive, Sharpsburg, GA 30277)

JoAnn Tatzel (Lafayette Nursing Home, Rm. 404, 110 Brandywine Blvd.,

Fayetteville, GA 30214)

Ancient Roman Christian Theologian and Bishop of Hippo from 396 to 430. One of the Latin Fathers of the Church. 354-430. In the summer of AD 386, after having read an account of the life of Saint Anthony of the Desert which greatly inspired him, Augustine underwent a profound personal crisis and decided to convert to Catholic Christianity, abandon his career in rhetoric, quit his teaching position in Milan, give up any ideas of marriage, and devote himself entirely to serving God and to the practices of priesthood, which included celibacy. Key to this conversion was a childlike voice he heard telling him in a sing-song voice, tolle, lege ("take up and read"). After he had heard a childlike voice singing from a nearby house. He paused to give thought to how and why such a child would sing those words and then left his garden and returned to his house. At his house he picked up a book written by the Apostle Paul Epistle to the Romans, and opened it and instantly read : "13:13-14 let us live honorably as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires." [18] He would detail his spiritual journey in his famous Confessions, which became a classic of both Christian theology and world literature.