

#### Vacation Bible School

VBS Registration is open! We are bringing back an old favorite, Marketplace 29 A.D on June 19th through 23rd, 9am-12pm. Children ages 2 (by October 2022 and potty trained) through graduated 5th graders are invited to come to the Marketplace for a Bible times adventure. Use the link in the previous newsletter to register. If you're interested in volunteering please contact Jennie at jennie@pleasanthillpc.org.

#### Senior Friends' Workshop and Luncheon

The Senior Friends' Group invites one and all to participate in a very special event. On Monday, March 13, 2023 from 11:30-1:30 we will all enjoy a potluck lunch together and then will meet with Officer Ted Sadowski from the Duluth police department. Officer Sadowski will provide training and time for open discussion regarding the presence, dangers and prevention of scams directed at the senior community. Please bring your family and friends. It will be a great time to prepare for a time such as this! Please RSVP to Erik Mjorud ameagleerik@yahoo.com or (770) 317-7078.

#### **Blood Drive**

The Blood Drive is back! We'd be honored if you'd join us to donate blood Thursday, March 30th, 3:30-7:30PM in the Fellowship Hall. You can sign up via the link in the newsletter or contact Jon MacLean at (770) 315-7415.

#### **Preschool Registration**

Registration for the 2023-2024 school year and summer camp at Pleasant Hill Preschool is now open! Please visit our website for more information and to register your child, phpreschool.org.

#### Spring Egg Hunt

Our annual Egg Hunt will be held on March 26 following the Spring Brunch. Children ages 1-12 are allowed to participate. In order to to have enough eggs for all those participating, we ask for families to bring in a dozen filled plastic eggs per child who plans to participate on either upcoming Sunday (3/12 or 3/19). There are two decorated boxes for collecting the filled eggs with empty eggs nearby near the Sanctuary. One is in the in the narthex area below the glass memo board, and the other is by the Fellowship table in the breezeway. You can either bring a dozen filled eggs, just bring candy, or use the surplus of eggs at PHPC to fill. Kids! Don't forget to bring a basket to collect your eggs on March 26!

#### Spring Brunch

Save the date for our annual Spring Brunch on March 26th following worship. Please bring a lunch or brunch entree, side dish or salad (no desserts please) to serve 8-10. Fellowship committee will provide dessert, drinks and PB&J fixings. If you would like to join the kitchen crew for this event or others please contact Deb LoPresti, DKLopresti@aol.com or Carol Ann Stough carolannstough@gmail.com.

# Welcome

Welcome to Pleasant Hill Presbyterian Church. We have been part of the Duluth community since 1985. Our vibrant congregation embraces people from all walks of life as we live out our mission statement of "connecting faith with everyday life." We are part of the Presbyterian Church (USA).

We are delighted you are worshiping with us and we invite you to become part of our church family. To learn more about us, make a note on the Red Friendship Pad or contact the church office.

Worship services are livestreamed at www.pleasanthillpc.org/phpc-live. Worshipers may appear on this live feed. If you wish to remain off camera, sit in the back rows of any section of pews.

Hearing enhancement devices and printed copies of today's sermon are available for use during our service. Ask an usher for assistance.

# For Our Younger Worshipers

All children are welcome in worship at PHPC.

**Elementary age children** are invited to the Prayground after the Children's Sermon. Worship Bags and Worship Journals are available. Parents must sit in the pews closest to the Prayground.

Parents may walk children age 3-Kindergarten (potty-trained) to Room B103 for Play & Praise following the Children's Sermon.

A nursery is available for **children under 3** in room A114.

# Elders

<u>Class of 2023</u>
Mickey Armstrong
Nancy Blazewick
Beth Goodenberge
Dale Murphy

Class of 2024 Michael Armstrong Marian Miller Pat Miller Robin Prater

#### Class of 2025 Kristen Ching Gail Funderburk Shannon Sligar

# Deacons

### Class of 2023

Paul Shane

Kim Klein Carol Ann Stough Jack Maguire

# Class of 2024

Mark Goodson Shannon Hudson Bernie Kida

#### Class of 2025 Marianne Anderson

Holli Kyle Bill Maguire

# **Church Staff**

The Rev. Katie Day, Senior Pastor and Head of Staff The Rev. Jennie Sankey, Associate Pastor for Christian Education

Mary Cooper, Church Administrator **Tania Royster**, *Director of Ministry Support* Steve Dean, Director of Music Beth Goodenberger, Director of Preschool Adnan Zukanovic, Facilities Assistant **Hyoun Joo Song**, Organist

Saeeda St. Aude, Youth Director Andy Kim, AV Technician Hannah Smith, Children's Choir Director Hema Chudasama, Nursery Caregiver Farzana Javid, Nursery Caregiver

# Pleasant Hill Presbyterian Church



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# Celebration of the Lord's Day 3rd Sunday in Lent March 12, 2023

Prelude

Anna Price

Joyful Joyful We Adore Thee arr. Timothy Albrecht Gathering Around the Word

Welcome and Announcements

The Rev. Jennie Sankey

Introit

Anna

\*Call to Worship

Mary Don King

One: We gather together-

All: the seekers, the dreamers, the shooting-star wishers, in hopes of seeing God.

One: We gather together-

All: the curious, the hungry, the loving, the lonely,

in hopes of finding peace.
One: We gather together—

All: those who are thirsty and those with water to spare, in hopes of finding justice.

One: So come to the well, come to the table. All: Come, let us worship God. Amen.

\*Hymn 401

Gather Us In

Call to Confession

Katie

Prayer of Confession Katie

Holy God, we have been on every side of this story. We have been the one who is thirsty and in need of compassion, and we have been the one with a bucket and a deep well. So today we wonder: how often have we missed the opportunity to share water with our neighbors? How often have we forgotten that we have a bucket and the power to bring change? How often have we simply decided that justice and compassion were not worth the work? Forgive our fragile hearts and remind us that it was you who sat at that well in Samaria in the heat of the day. It was you. It is still you. With hope we pray, amen.

Assurance of Grace

Katie

\*Passing of the Peace

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

#### The Word Read and Proclaimed

Children's Sermon Katie

Parents may walk their children age 3 to Kindergarten to Room B103 to check-in to Play & Praise.

Anthem

Choir

Take Time To Be Holy arr. Tom Fettke

Take time to be Holy, speak often with God Find rest in him always, and feed on his word Make friends of God's children, help those who are weak Forgetting in nothing, his blessings to seek Take time to be holy, the world rushes on;

Much time spend in secret with Jesus alone.
By looking to Jesus, like him you shall be;
And friends through your conduct his likeness shall see.

Take time to be holy, let him be your guide, And run not before him, What ever be-tide. In joy or in sorrow, still follow your Lord.

And looking to Jesus, still trust in his word. Take time to be holy, take time to be holy speak often, speak often with God.

**Prayer for Illumination** 

Mary Don

Scripture Reading

Mary Don King, Steve Sankey, Jennie Sankey

Responding to the Word

**Sermon** Jennie

Seeking Connection: Will You Give Me A Drink?

\*Hymn 182

I Heard The Voice Of Jesus Say

\*Affirmation of Faith

Katie

We believe that a glass of water given to us by a stranger can taste like justice.

We believe that honest conversation has the power to change us.

We believe that all God's children have a voice and something to say.

We believe that Jesus loves the outcast, the ignored, the shamed, and the abandoned.

We believe in asking questions.

We believe in curiosity.

We believe in giving people a drink. May we be brave enough to give people a drink. Amen.

Prayers of the People

Silent Prayer, Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

**Ministry Moment** 

Jon MacLean

Katie

Katie

**Invitation to Offering** 

Drop in the plate when the Usher comes by.

Scan the QR code.

Go to www.pleasanthillpc.org and click on the Giving tab. Text givePHPC to 73256.

Please sign the red friendship pad.

Offertory

Anna

Rhosymedre arr. Ralph Vaughan Williams

Prayer of Dedication

Jennie

\*Sung Response

Lead me, guide me, along the way, for if you lead me, I cannot stray.

Lord, let me walk each day with thee.

Lead me, O Lord, lead me.

Following the Word Into the World

\*Charge and Benediction

Jennie

Anna

Postlude

O The Deep, Deep Love of Jesus arr. Anna Laura Page

Parts of today's liturgy have been adapted from Rev. Sarah A. Speed | A Sanctified Art LLC | sanctifiedart.org

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<sup>\*</sup> Please stand in body or spirit.