

#### Clifton 101- TODAY

Come learn how to prepare and serve a meal at Clifton Sanctuary Ministries! PHPC serves meals to the men living there once a month. If you've been thinking about getting involved with this ministry, but were unsure of what it would entail, this is the event for you-come find out! Meet Becky Zinn and Kim Klein at 12pm around the Fellowship Table in the Breezeway for your Clifton 101 session on March 5th.

#### Vacation Bible Study

VBS Registration is open! We are bringing back an old favorite, Marketplace 29 A.D on June 19th through 23rd. 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 Sankey at [jennie@pleasanthillpc.org](mailto:jennie@pleasanthillpc.org) or (770) 497-0233

#### Little Pantry Donation- TODAY

We are collecting donations for the third 2023 little pantry today following service. The request includes ramen, bagged rice and beans, and breakfast pouches such as oatmeal, grits, granola, breakfast bars, and the like.

#### 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](mailto: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 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 at Pleasant Hill Preschool is now open! Please visit our website for more information and to register your child, [phpreschool.org](http://phpreschool.org).

#### Blood Drive

The Men's Group will be serving its monthly in-person breakfast the 2nd Friday in March, the 10th. Join us for lots of coffee/tea, some fellowship, a hearty breakfast, and a devotion. We will start serving breakfast at 7:30 am and ending between 8:30 and 9 am. If you have any questions or need more info, email Jeff Milway at [jdmilway@gmail.com](mailto:jdmilway@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](http://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 Playground after the Children's Sermon. Worship Bags and Worship Journals are available. Parents must sit in the pews closest to the Playground.

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

#### Class of 2023

Mickey Armstrong  
Nancy Blazewick  
Beth Goodenberger  
Dale Murphy  
Paul Shane

#### Class of 2024

Michael Armstrong  
Marian Miller  
Pat Miller  
Robin Prater

#### Class of 2025

Kristen Ching  
Gail Funderburk  
Shannon Sligar

### Deacons

#### Class of 2023

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



# seeking: honest questions for deeper faith

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Celebration of the Lord’s Day  
2nd Sunday in Lent  
March 5, 2023

**Prelude** Hyoun Joo Song  
*When Thou Art Near*  
arr. J.S. Bach

Gathering Around the Word

**Welcome and Announcements** The Rev. Katie Day

**Introit** Hyoun Joo

**\*Call to Worship** Keith Funderburk  
One: What is it like to begin again?  
**All: It is like flowers in the spring that push through frozen ground.**  
**It is like babies learning to walk, one clumsy step at a time.**  
**It is like Nicodemus in the night, asking Jesus for guidance.**  
**It is like a Sunday morning, starting our week anew.**  
One: May we find God in our seeking.  
**All: May we learn as we go.**  
One: May we be brave enough to begin again.  
**All: Let us worship the God of new beginnings.**

**\*Hymn 250**  
*In The Bulb There Is A Flower*

**Call to Confession** Jennie

**Prayer of Confession** Jennie  
  
God of new life, you call us into unknown places, and we bury our heads in the sand. You promise all the stars in the sky, and we doubt it can be true. You speak of new life in the Spirit, and we tell ourselves we’ve missed our chance. Over and over and over again, you invite us closer to you. Show us the way. Forgive our mistakes. Give us the courage to begin again with you. Amen.

**Assurance of Grace** Jennie

**\*Passing of the Peace** Jennie  
One: The peace of Christ be with you.  
**All: And also with you.**

The Word Read and Proclaimed

**Children’s Sermon** Jennie  
  
*Parents may walk their children age 3 to Kindergarten to Room B103 to check-in to Play & Praise.*

*\* Please stand in body or spirit.*

**Prayer for Illumination** Keith  
  
**Scripture Reading** Keith  
  
Genesis 12:1-4a  
  
**Anthem** Choir  
  
*Let us Break Bread Together*  
arr. Gwyneth Walker

**Scripture Reading** Katie  
  
John 3:1-17

**Sermon** Seeking Connection: How Do We Begin Again? Katie

Sealing the Word in Our Lives  
  
*Children will return from Play & Praise to sit with their families during communion.*  
  
**\*Music**  
  
*Come to the Table*  
arr. Amanda Meisenheimer  
Come to the table. Come to the table.  
Come to the table and celebrate with us. (repeat)  
  
We are all welcome. We are all welcome.  
We are all welcome. Come celebrate with us. (repeat)

**The Sacrament of Communion**  
**Invitation to the Table** Katie  
**Pastoral Prayer** Jennie  
**Words of Institution**  
**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.

Responding to the Word  
  
**Invitation to Offering** Katie  
Drop in the plate when the Usher comes by.  
Scan the QR code.  
Go to [www.pleasanthillpc.org](http://www.pleasanthillpc.org) and click on the Giving tab.  
Text givePHPC to 73256.  
Please sign the red friendship pad.

**Offertory** Hyoun Joo  
  
*Beautiful Savior*  
arr. Jason Tonioli

**Prayer of Dedication** Katie  
  
**\*Sung Response** Hyoun Joo  
  
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** Katie  
  
**Postlude**  
  
*Postlude*  
arr. J. Christian Heinrich Rinck

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