

One Great Hour of Sharing (OGHS) - Today!

Today, Easter Sunday, we'll collect a special offering that supports Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, Presbyterian Hunger Project, and selfdevelopment of people throughout our denomination. Please give as generously as you can. There are special envelopes in your pew or you can give online and note that your gift is for OGHS.

2024 PHPC Spring Break Mission Trip

The annual Spring Break Mission trip to Blue Ridge, GA is April 3-6. We'll work with various non-profit organizations to improve the local community. Please keep our participants in your prayers as they gather at the North Georgia Mission Lodge.

Little Pantry Collection

Please consider making a donation to the Lil Pantry on the next Communion Sunday, April 7. The most urgent needs are granola and cereal bars, packets of instant oatmeal and grits, and boxed milk. All contributions are appreciated. Bringing any item will be helping our church share the love of Christ with our neighbors.

Women's Breakfast - Saturday, April 13 at 9am

Ioin the wonderful women of PHPC for breakfast, conversation, and fun. Childcare is available at no cost. No reservations needed for the breakfast, but please confirm with Pastor Jennie if you plan to use the childcare by Monday, April 8 so we can prepare accordingly. If you'd like to contribute a food item or help out in the kitchen on the morning of the breakfast, please contact Marianne Anderson at marianne 4001@gmail.com.

New Member Class

PHPC's new member class is after worship Sunday, April 14 and 21, from 11:15am-1:30pm. We encourage you to take the next step on your faith journey by becoming a member of PHPC. Plan on attending both sessions. Register using the link in our newsletter or speak to one of your pastors.

Hands of Christ Duluth Co-op 30th Anniversary Gala

Duluth Co-op's 30th Anniversary Gala is on Friday, April 19 at 6:30pm. Kickoff a meaningful year celebrating our extraordinary community whose compassion has nourished their clients for three decades. Use the link in this week's newsletter to buy your tickets for this event or consider making a donation. For more information, contact Ivie Goorsky at ivie.goorsky@gmail.com.

Chastain @ PHPC

Enjoy a night of music and community with Chastain @ PHPC on Saturday, April 20 at 7pm. Join for an evening of secular music presented by PHPC's Chancel Choir and special guests. Bring chairs and a picnic to enjoy the ambiance under the stars. Light refreshments will be provided, and all are invited. Admission is free but we'll gratefully accept a love offering to support our choir fund for new music and guest musicians.

This year's theme is "Escape to the Beach! The Good Time Music of Jimmy Buffett & Friends." In tribute to the late Jimmy Buffett, we'll feature several of his beloved songs alongside a variety of beach-inspired tunes.

VBS @ PHPC

Registration for VBS is open! Register using the link in this week's newsletter to secure your spot at Compassion Camp: What Every Living Thing Needs June 17-21, 9am-12pm. VBS is for children ages 3 (potty trained)-5th grade (completed).

Join Our Weekly Newsletter

Stay informed of the latest PHPC events, as well as news about our various ministries and opportunities to grow in your faith and connect with God and neighbor. Scan the QR code to subscribe to the Chosen Word weekly email newsletter.



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

Class of 2024

Michael Armstrong Marian Miller Pat Miller Robin Prater Ben Badinger

Class of 2025

Kristen Ching Gail Funderburk Shannon Sligar Kay Strickland

Class of 2026

Amanda Dannemiller Alan Klein Angie O'Farrell John Reineking

Deacons

Class of 2025

Class of 2024 Mark Goodson Marianne Anderson Shannon Hudson Holli Kvle Bernie Kida Bill Maguire

Class of 2026

Isaac Assan-Mensah Jan Mueller Margaret Snyder

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 Steve Dean, Director of Music Veronica Pennington, Director of Ministry Support Talitha Minton, Director of Preschool Adnan Zukanovic, Facilities Assistant Hyoun Joo Song, Organist

Grace Andrade, Director of Youth Ministry Andy Kim, AV Technician Hema Chudasama, Nursery Caregiver Farzana Javid, Nursery Caregiver Mekensie Gonzalez, Interim Child's Choir Director

Pleasant Hill Presbyterian Church



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Celebration of the Lord's Day Easter Sunday March 31, 2024

Introit Chancel Choir

Hallelujah Beethoven

Hallelujah, hallelujah unto God's Almighty Son.
Praise the Lord, ye bright angelic choirs, in holy songs of joy.
Praise the Lord in holy songs, in holy songs of joy.
Man, proclaim his grace and glory, Hallelujah unto God's Almighty Son.
Praise the Lord in holy songs of joy.

Gathering Around the Word

Welcome and Announcements

The Rev. Katie Day

Sharon McLeod

*Call to Worship

One: Yesterday we thought death had won. Yesterday we thought all was lost. Yesterday we thought Christ was gone.

All: But not today.

Today we know that love has won. Today we know that hope is real. Today we know that Christ is here.

One: We have a reason to hope.

All: We have a reason to sing!

One: Alleluia!
All: Alleluia!
One: Christ is risen!

All: Christ is risen indeed!

*Hymn 245

Christ the Lord is Risen Today

1 "Christ the Lord is risen today!" Alleluia! All creation, join to say: Alleluia! Raise your joys and triumphs high, Alleluia! Sing, O heavens, and earth reply, Alleluia! 2 Love's redeeming work is done, Alleluia! Fought the fight, the battle won, Alleluia! Death in vain forbids him rise, Alleluia! Christ has opened paradise. Alleluia! 3 But the pains which he endured, Alleluia! Our salvation have procured, Alleluia! Now above the sky he's king, Alleluia! Where the angels ever sing, Alleluia! 4 Sing we to our God above, Alleluia! Praise eternal as love, Alleluia! Praise him, all you heavenly host, Alleluia! Father, son, and holy ghost. Alleluia!

Call to Confession

The Rev. Jennie Sankey

Prayer of Confession

Jennie

Holy God, the stone is rolled away! We assume it is a mistake. The angels say, "He is not here!" We assume their news is fake. The women tell the story, but we do not want to hear it. Peter runs to the tomb, but we do not understand. Forgive us, God, for thinking an empty tomb is nothing more than a prank. Forgive us for seeing discarded burial cloths and still holding tight to death. Forgive us for pushing away reasons to hope when you are alive and well in the world. Teach us to see what you see. Unravel the threads of our unbelief. 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

The Sacrament of Baptism

Jennie and Katie

Please see insert.

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

Prayer for Illumination

Sharon

Scripture Reading

Sharon

Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24

Scripture Reading

Katie

Luke 24:1-12

Sermon

Jennie and Katie

And I Hope

Responding to the Word

*Hymn 246

Christ Is Alive!

Prayers of the People
Silent Prayer Pastoral Pray

Jennie

Jennie

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.

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.



Katie

Please sign the red friendship pad.

One Great Hour of Sharing offering will be received today.

Offertory Hyoun Joo Song

Prelude in Classic Style
Gordon Young

Prayer of Dedication

Anthem

Katie

Chancel Choir

Following the Word Into the World

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Upon This Rock John Ness Beck

Upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.

I will give thee the keys of the kingdom of heaven.

And whatsoever thou shalt bind on earth shall be bound in heaven.

And whatsoever thou shalt loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.

Upon this rock I will build my church.
Lo, the winter is past; the rain is over and gone;
The flowers appear on the earth;
the time of the singing of birds has come.
Arise, and come away; Arise!
Upon this rock I will build my church
and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it!

Congregation to join in singing:

The church's one foundation is Jesus Christ her Lord;
She is his new creation by water and the word;
From heav'n he came and sought her to be his holy bride;
With his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.
Yet she on earth hath union with father, spirit, son,
And mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won:
O happy ones and holy! Lord, give us grace that we,
like them the meek and lowly, on high may dwell with thee.

*Charge and Benediction

Katie

*Postlude Hyoun Joo

Toccata from Symphony No. 5 Charles-Marie Widor

A special thank you to our instrumentalists:

Trumpets: Joey Chen, Hudson Simmons
Timpani: David Campbell

Trombone: Paul Shane

Bells: Laura Huffman, Angie O'Farrell, Greg Veal, Brian Ireland, Marian Miller, and June Dean

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

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^{*} Please stand in body or spirit.