

Become a Stephen Minister

Stephen Ministers are trained in care giving and offer confidential, one-on-one Christ centered friendship to other members during a season of challenge. If you have interest in joining this ministry team, please complete the form in this week's newsletter. You may also contact Stephen Leaders Clay Keller, Kathi Burt, Matt Hoffman and Mary Winkeljohn.

Duluth Co-Op Open House

A message from Margy McLynn (Executive Director, Hands of Christ Duluth Co-op): If you haven't had the opportunity to see our new facility at 3649 Rogers Bridge Road, please stop by for a tour and some light bites on Sunday, July 21 between 12 – 3 pm. We have been truly blessed with this new home and we would love to show you around. When you come, we would appreciate you bringing some canned food to help fill our shelves. We are somewhat limited with parking and, if needed, we will have overflow parking and a shuttle available at 3883 Rogers Bridge Rd. We are very grateful for all our sponsor churches and we hope you have the opportunity to visit in July to see how your support impacts our community. It is an exciting time in our ministry, and we are glad you are a part of it! If you are not able to join us for the open house but would like to see our new building, please consider signing up to help in the pantry during the month of July. **(Note from PHPC: The facility has limited with parking and as such, we will be using the PHPC van as a shuttle. Contact Ivie Goorsky at ivie.goorsky@gmail.com for more information.)**

Summer Group Study

Join a four-week pastor led study on sharing the gift of empathy this summer. We'll be reading the book *The Gift of Empathy: Helping Others Feel Valued, Cared For, and Understood* by Joel P. Bretscher and Kenneth C. Haug to guide us in discussing and practicing empathy in small groups. The group will offer an introduction to empathy, and explore how we practice empathy with family, friends and colleagues, and in our spiritual life and everyday life. You can join a 12pm Tuesday hybrid group with Pastor Jennie or 7pm Thursday online group with Pastor Katie. Our first Tuesday group starts on July 23 and the Thursday group starts on July 25. Sign-up by e-mailing Jennie at jennie@pleasanthillpc.org. If you plan to participate, go ahead and order the book or request Jennie to order one for you when you sign-up.

Back to School Indoor Picnic

Let's celebrate summer with an indoor picnic, and show your school spirit, too! Young and old, **wear your school colors**. You can also add to the fun by bringing tabletop decorations that celebrate your school. We will feast on summer salads and sandwiches provided by the best cooks around - you! Please bring either a salad or sandwiches to serve 8-10. No desserts please. Fellowship Committee will provide drinks, PB&J sandwiches, and dessert. Contact Deb LoPresti with any questions at dklopresti@aol.com.

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 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 2025

Kristen Ching
Gail Funderburk
Shannon Sligar
Kay Strickland
Maggie Woolley

Class of 2026

Amanda Dannemiller
Alan Klein
Angie O'Farrell
John Reineking

Class of 2027

Michael Armstrong
John Cason
Dave Huffman
Sharon McLeod

Deacons

Class of 2025

Marianne Anderson
Holli Kyle
Bill Maguire

Class of 2026

Isaac Assan-Mensah
Jan Mueller
Margaret Snyder

Class of 2027

Cindy Heuer
Jon MacLean
Shannon Scott

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*
Renu Kashyap, *Play & Praise Leader*

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Celebration of the Lord's Day
Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
July 14, 2024

Prelude Crystal Meadows Tucker

Praise and Worship
Ruth Elaine Schram
Gathering Around the Word

Welcome and Announcements The Rev. Katie Day

Introit

***Call to Worship** Pam Griffin

One: God calls
All: God gathers
One: God challenges
All: God moves
One: God liberates
All: Guide us and our lives, O Holy One, so all creation might flourish.

***Hymn 307**
God of Grace and God of Glory

Call to Confession The Rev. Jennie Sankey

Prayer of Confession Jennie

Eternal God, from the foundation of the world, you have set a plumb line to measure our lives so that we may live in truth. You call us to be your beloved children and to care for one another, yet we fail to love others and ourselves. Helpless and ashamed, we turn our hearts to you. Forgive us, and then tenderly teach us to stand strong and courageous in the fullness of your love, by the grace and mercy of Christ. By the power of your Holy Spirit, strengthen our hands for building justice and making peace. 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.*

Prayer for Illumination Pam

Scripture Reading Pam

Psalm 85:8-13

Anthem Greg and Mary Kate Veal
Flute, Jennifer Falk

Always By Our Side
Mary McDonald

Scripture Reading Katie

Amos 7:7-15

Sermon Katie

The Plumb Line

Responding to the Word

***Hymn 450**

Be Thou My Vision

***Affirmation of Faith** Jennie

from A Brief Statement of Faith, 1983
We trust in God, whom Jesus called Abba, Father. In sovereign love God created the world good and makes everyone equally in God's image, male and female, of every race and people, to live as one community. But we rebel against God; we hide from our Creator. Yet God acts with justice and mercy to redeem creation. In everlasting love, the God of Abraham and Sarah chose a covenant people to bless all families of the earth. Loving us still, God makes us heirs with Christ of the covenant. Like a mother who will not forsake her nursing child, like a father who runs to welcome the prodigal home, God is faithful still.

Prayers of the People Jennie

Silent Prayer, Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer Jennie

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.

Moment for Ministry: Christian Education Florence Milway

Invitation to Offering Katie

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 Crystal

Take Time to be Holy
arr. Tom Fettke

Prayer of Dedication Katie

***Sung Response**

Hymn 582
Glory to God (stanza 1)
*Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me,
and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,
and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.*

Following the Word Into the World

***Charge and Benediction** Katie

Music Greg and Mary

Blessing
arr. Katie Moran Bart

***Postlude** Crystal

Blessed Assurance
arr. by Fred Bock

* Please stand in body or spirit.