

New Connection Groups

Connect with other PHPC members through new four week connection groups. There will be two groups, one at 12 on Wednesdays (hybrid) starting May 3 and one at 6:30pm on Thursdays (in-person) starting May 4. Groups will be centering prayer, scripture, and discussion around the theme “I’ve been meaning to ask...” a series for curiosity, courage, and connection. Join by emailing Jennie at jennie@pleasanthillpc.org.

International Mission Trips

We have two upcoming travel opportunities. The first is an immersive experience in Guatemala with our partners CEDEPCA from June 14- 21. Participants must be 15 or older. The second is a return to our beloved ranch in Honduras coordinated by our partners of Honduras Outreach, Inc., October 7-14. For further information please contact Erik Mjorud (770) 317-7078 ameagleerik@yahoo.com.

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.



Come and See
Rev. Lauren Wright-Pittman
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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 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

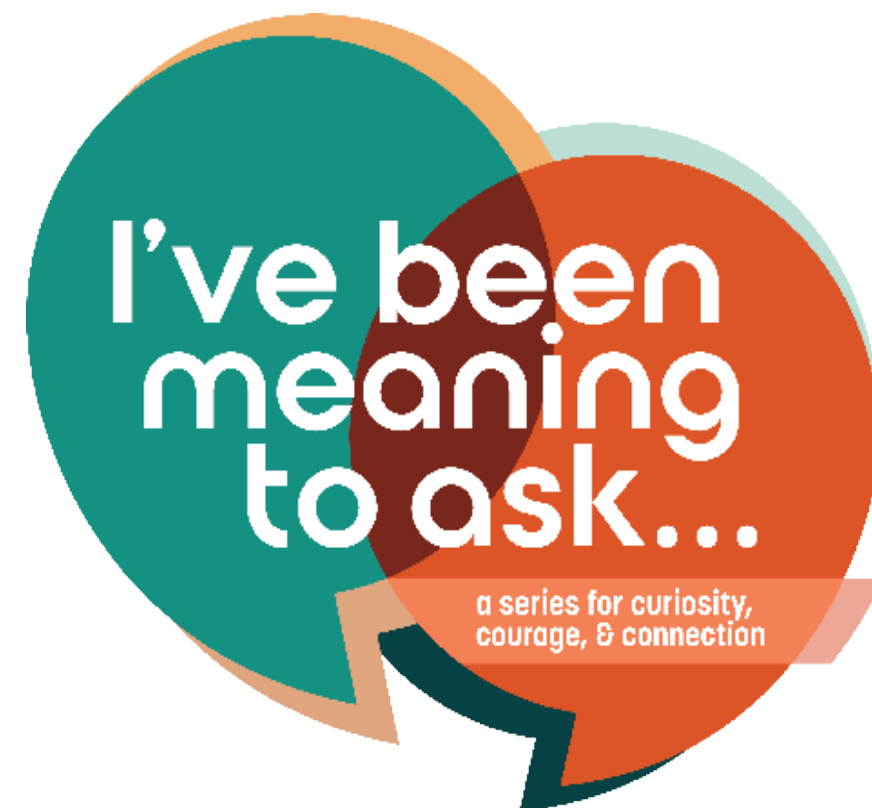
Church Staff

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

Mary Cooper, *Church Administrator*
Steve Dean, *Director of Music*
Veronica Pennington, *Director of Ministry Support*
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*

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Celebration of the Lord’s Day
Fourth Sunday of Easter
April 30, 2023

Prelude	Hyoun Joo Song
	<i>We Praise You, O God</i> arr. Dale Wood
	<u>Gathering Around the Word</u>
Welcome and Announcements	The Rev. Jennie Sankey
Introit	Hyoun Joo
*Call to Worship	Barbara Langdon
	One: We are from north and south. Many: We are from tiny apartments and expansive homes. One: We are from this city and from others far away. Many: We are from big families and dinners made for one. One: We are from stages of grief and stages of love. Many: We are from hot summers and cold winters. One: We are from kitchens with passed down recipes, and front porches with old, familiar swings. Many: We are from the dust of the earth and the stars of the sky. One: We are from a lot of places, but today we are here. Many: Today we are together. One: Holy God, gather us in.
*Hymn 19	
	<i>God of Great and God of Small</i>
Call to Confession	The Rev. Katie Day
Prayer of Confession	Katie
	One: When people heard that Jesus was from Nazareth, they asked, “Can anything good come from Nazareth?” Many: We confess, God of beginnings, that we have asked the same question. One: Can anything good come from that side of town? Many: From a school with poor test scores? One: From a criminal history? Many: From the opposite political party? One: From a history of addiction? Many: From a faith with doubt? One: From a church with faults? Many: Holy God, forgive us for doubting that you are in all things at all times. Open our eyes to see your goodness, not as something that resides here or there, but as the expansive grace that it is. One: Can anything good come from there? Many: Yes. Always yes. Amen.

* Please stand in body or spirit.

Assurance of Grace	Katie
*Passing of the Peace	Katie
	One: The peace of Christ be with you. All: And also with you.
	<u>The Word Read and Proclaimed</u>
Children’s Sermon	Katie
	<i>Parents may walk their children age 3 to Kindergarten to Room B103 to check-in to Play & Praise.</i>
Prayer for Illumination	Barbara
Scripture Reading	Barbara
	Genesis 2:4b-15
Anthem	Chancel Choir
	<i>For the Beauty of the Earth</i> Phillip Keveren
Scripture Reading	Jennie
	John 1:35-51
Sermon	Jennie
	I’ve been meaning to ask...where are you from?
	<u>Responding to the Word</u>
*Hymn 317	
	<i>In Christ There Is No East or West</i>
*Affirmation of Faith	Katie
	We believe that goodness can come from the dirt, that faith can come from doubt, that minds can be changed, that justice can begin with us, and that something good can come from Nazareth. We believe all these things, because we believe that God is more expansive than we have words for—showing up in the corners of our world so often ignored and denied. We believe that from this place of holy surprise, God invites us forward—beckoning hope, bravery, and curiosity from each of us. “Come and see,” God says. We believe. Help our unbelief. Amen.
Prayers of the People	Katie
Silent Prayer, Pastoral Prayer	
The Lord’s Prayer	Katie
	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	Jennie
	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	Hyoun Joo
	<i>I Worship You, Almighty God</i> arr. Mark Hayes
Prayer of Dedication	Jennie
*Sung Response	
	Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love. The fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.
	<u>Following the Word Into the World</u>
*Charge and Benediction	Jennie
*Postlude	Hyoun Joo
	<i>Hallelujah Has Been Restored</i> Dan Locklair



Parts of today’s liturgy has been adapted from
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