

Collection for Caring Hands Fund

Presbyterian Homes of Georgia provides excellent care for many of the most vulnerable among us. In over 70 years of ministry, no resident has ever been asked to leave Presbyterian Homes' care because they have outlived their financial resources. With your help this year, that promise will continue. A gift to Caring Hands is life-changing for seniors at Presbyterian Homes of Georgia. We have a matching gift of up to \$5,000 from an anonymous PHPC family so we encourage you to give directly through the church so that your gift can be matched.

VBS Supply Donations

Marketplace VBS starts in a little more than a month, and we need your help gathering supplies! There are 4 ways you can help:

1. Check out our Amazon Wishlist provided in this week's newsletter.
2. Donations and gift cards welcome.
3. Donate one of the following items to the VBS collection bin in the breezeway:
 - Striped or plain sheets (used is fine as long as they are clean). No other patterns or characters please.
 - Costco bulk items: Cheerios, Chex cereal, Cheese-its, Craisins, nut-free granola
4. Let us borrow one of the following items that we will do our best to care for and return:
 - Rolling and collapsible wagon
 - Striped or plain sheets (used is fine as long as they are clean). No other patterns or characters please.
 - Mortars and Pestles for spice grinding
 - Dry gourds of any size that could be used as bowls
 - Pottery bowls or trays
 - Pillows to use as cushions to sit on

If you have any questions, please contact Jennie.

Annual Cookout

Join us to celebrate with food, friendship, and fun on the lawn near the labyrinth following worship on Sunday, May 21. We'll provide hot dogs, beef and veggie burgers, baked beans, coleslaw, chips, and watermelon. You are encouraged to bring a blanket or folding chair for seating. We are looking for some picnic shade tents to borrow for the lunch. If you have one that you can loan out, please contact Deb LoPresti DKLoPresti@aol.com.

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.

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, <i>Church Administrator</i>	Saeeda St. Aude, <i>Youth Director</i>
Steve Dean, <i>Director of Music</i>	Andy Kim, <i>AV Technician</i>
Veronica Pennington, <i>Director of Ministry Support</i>	Hannah Smith, <i>Children's Choir Director</i>
Beth Goodenberger, <i>Director of Preschool</i>	Hema Chudasama, <i>Nursery Caregiver</i>
Adnan Zukanovic, <i>Facilities Assistant</i>	Farzana Javid, <i>Nursery Caregiver</i>
Hyoun Joo Song, <i>Organist</i>	

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Celebration of the Lord’s Day Sixth Sunday of Easter May 14, 2023		
Prelude	Thanks Be to Thee George Frideric Handel <u>Gathering Around the Word</u>	Hyoun Joo Song
Welcome and Announcements		The Rev. Jennie Sankey
Introit		Hyoun Joo
*Call to Worship		Mary Don King
*Hymn 393	O Day of Rest and Gladness	
Call to Confession		The Rev. Katie Day
Prayer of Confession		Katie
Gracious God, sometimes life feels like cooking with flour—it looks like it should be easy, but we always make a mess. This is particularly true when it comes to our relationships. We so desperately long to say the right thing, to be the right thing, to find the right solution, that we overstep the line. Forgive us for assuming the place you fill. Forgive us for imagining that we, in all our humanity, could possibly fix all the hurt in this world. Instead, give us the grace and the strength to stand by our loved ones in their moments of need to witness their hurt without trying to fix it. You are God. We are not. Teach us how to be a friend. Teach us how to ask, “What do you need?” Teach us how to point to you. Gratefully we pray. Amen.		
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>		
Senior Recognition		Jennie
Children’s Sermon	Parents may walk their children age 3 to Kindergarten to Room B103 to check-in to Play & Praise.	Jennie
Prayer for Illumination		Mary
Scripture Reading	Job 2:11-13	Mary
Scripture Reading	2 Timothy 4:9-18	Jennie

* Please stand in body or spirit.

Sermon	I’ve been meaning to ask...what do you need?	Jennie
<u>Responding to the Word</u>		
*Hymn 727	Will You Let Me Be Your Servant	
*Affirmation of Faith	We believe in relationships. We believe in asking hard questions, in showing up for one another, and in sitting together through the pain. We believe in listening with grace, learning with curiosity, and apologizing with sincerity. We believe in asking for help, saying what we need, and trusting that no degree of vulnerability could strip us of God’s love. We believe in trying our best and offering grace when our best is not enough. And we believe that God is in all relationships—modeling for us the value of community through the relationships of the Trinity. So we love today, and we strive to love even more tomorrow. Let it be so. Amen.	Katie
Prayers of the People		Katie
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.	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.	Katie
Please sign the red friendship pad. Caring Hands Offering will be received at this time.		
Offertory	The Gift of Love Hal H. Hopson Though I may speak with bravest fire, and have the gift to all inspire, And have not love; my words are vain, as sounding brass and hopeless gain. Though I may give all I possess, and striving so my love profess, But not be giv’n by love within, the profit soon turns strangely thin. Come, Spirit, come, our hearts control, our spirits long to be made whole, let inward love guide every deed. By this we worship, we are freed. Amen. Amen. Amen.	Jennie - oboe Greg Veal - solo

Prayer of Dedication	Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love. The fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.	Katie
*Sung Response	Following the Word Into the World	
*Charge and Benediction		Jennie
*Postlude	Finale in B-flat Don Andrew Moore	Hyoun Joo
Parts of today’s liturgy has been adapted from Rev. Sarah A. Speed A Sanctified Art LLC sanctifiedart.org		