

Office Closed for Fall Break

Our church office remains closed in observance of Fall Break on Monday, October 9. We will resume normal office hours on Tuesday, October 10.

Garden Group

Join up with the PHPC Garden Group on Saturday, October 14 at 9 am in the prayer garden for some fall planting and fellowship. Everyone is welcome! Bring your trowel, gloves and enthusiasm. For questions, contact Julie Smith at 817-470-1694 or julies1959@gmail.com.

Women's Breakfast

Join the wonderful women of PHPC for breakfast, conversation and fun on Saturday, October 21, 9am-11am. If you would like to contribute a food item or help out in the kitchen on the morning of the breakfast, please contact Marianne Anderson at marianne4001@gmail.com.

Trunk or Treat

Our annual Trunk or Treat is on Saturday, October 28 from 1pm-3pm. If you're interested in decorating your trunk for the event, find the link to sign up in this week's newsletter.

Fall North Georgia Mission Trip

A group from PHPC will once again be traveling to North Georgia to serve the communities of Fannin and Gilmer counties. The trip will start with a welcome dinner on Wednesday, November 1 and will wrap up on Saturday afternoon, November 4. We will stay at the North Georgia Mission Lodge, along with the LoPresti and Milway houses. We will do service projects with various non-profits in the area; Habitat for Humanity, Feed Fannin, Fannin Family Connection, Faith Presbyterian Church, and others. The cost of the trip is \$150. If you are interested in making the trip or have questions, please email Jeff Milway at jdmilway@gmail.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 and subscribe to the Chosen Word email newsletter to receive weekly updates.



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 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 2024

Mark Goodson
Shannon Hudson
Bernie Kida

Class of 2025

Marianne Anderson
Holli Kyle
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*
Hannah Smith, *Children's Choir Director*
Hema Chudasama, *Nursery Caregiver*
Farzana Javid, *Nursery Caregiver*

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Celebration of the Lord’s Day

Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 8, 2023

Prelude	Hyoun Joo Song
	<i>Be Thou My Vision</i> arr. Paul Manz
	<u>Gathering Around the Word</u>
Welcome and Announcements	Gail Funderburk
Introit	
*Call to Worship	Serena Wright
	One: God calls us from sorrow to rejoicing. All: God calls us from loneliness to community. One: God calls us from brokenness to healing. All: God calls us from meaninglessness to purpose. One: God calls us from fear to faith. All: God calls us from worry to peace. One: God calls us from the places where we are, All: Into this place of worship. Into God’s Spirit, where there is welcome, faithfulness, and love.
*Hymn 23	<i>God, You Spin the Whirling Planets</i>
Call to Confession	The Rev. Joy Fisher
Prayer of Confession	Joy
	Good and Gracious God: in your love and your grace you have created us for good works – works of love, peace, generosity, and justice. As we pause to reflect on our lives, and the state of our souls, we confess that we have not lived fully into your good plan for us. We have allowed our comfort and our greed to rule our actions. We have closed our ears to the needs of others, wrapped up in our own concerns. Draw us, Holy God, into your life-giving Spirit. Forgive our sins and fill us anew with the power of your Life in us, that we may walk in your ways, and share your love and your light freely. Amen.
Assurance of Grace	Joy
	One: God is rich in mercy. Though we were spiritually dead in our sins, because of God’s great love for us, God brings us to life in Christ. This is God’s gift: by God’s grace we are healed and set free to follow in God’s good intentions for us. All: Thanks be to God!

*Passing of the Peace	Serena
One: The peace of Christ be with you. All: And also with you.	
	<u>The Word Read and Proclaimed</u>
Children’s Sermon	
	<i>Parents may walk their children age 3 to Kindergarten to Room B103 to check-in to Play & Praise.</i>
Prayer for Illumination	Gail
Scripture Reading	Gail
	Isaiah 5:1-7
Anthem	Chancel Choir
	<i>From All That Dwells Below the Skies</i> Gordon Young
Scripture Reading	Joy
	Ephesians 2:8-10
Sermon	Joy
	What Was I Made For?
	<u>Responding to the Word</u>
*Hymn 611	<i>Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee</i>
*Affirmation of Faith	Serena
	<i>Adapted from Confession of Belhar</i> We believe that Christ’s work of reconciliation is made manifest in the church as the community of believers who have been reconciled with God and with one another. Unity is, therefore, both a gift and an obligation for the church of Jesus Christ. Through the working of God’s Spirit it is a binding force, yet simultaneously a reality which must be earnestly pursued and sought: one which the people of God must continually be built up to attain. This unity can be established only in freedom and not under constraint; that the variety of spiritual gifts, opportunities, backgrounds, convictions, as well as the various languages and cultures, are by virtue of the reconciliation in Christ, opportunities for mutual service and enrichment within the one visible people of God.

Prayers of the People	Joy
Silent Prayer, Pastoral Prayer	
The Lord’s Prayer	Joy
	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	Joy
	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>Morning Song</i> arr. Joseph Martin
Prayer of Dedication	Joy
*Sung Response	<i>Hymn 748</i> <i>Go With Us, Lord</i> Go with us, Lord, and guide the way through this and every coming day, that in your Spirit strong and true our lives may be our gift to you.
	<u>Following the Word Into the World</u>
*Charge and Benediction	Joy
*Postlude	Hyoun Joo
	<i>Recessional on Hymn to Joy</i> arr. Matthew Corl

* Please stand in body or spirit.