

Presbyterians for a Better Georgia Lobby Day at the Capitol

PHPC had great participation in the Advocacy Training Session earlier this month. We're ready to put that effort to work at Lobby Day on this Tuesday, March 5. All are welcome! If you would like to carpool from the church, please coordinate with Pastor Jennie.

Duluth Co-Op Produce Runner Needed

Volunteers are needed to pick up the produce donation from the Sprouts in Peachtree Corners and deliver it to the Duluth Co-Op on Wednesday mornings. You'll need a larger vehicle or truck because there are 6 to 8 large boxes each week. The produce needs to be delivered to the Co-Op between 9:45 and 10am. Sign up using the link in this week's newsletter.

Senior Friends Trip to Baitul Ata Mosque

PHPC's Senior Friends are invited to visit Baitul Ata Mosque in Norcross on Friday, March 8 for an interfaith dialogue. The visit will include prayer, services and sermon, and Q&A with light refreshments. Email Tom Stricker at thomasstricker2001@yahoo.com for more information or to RSVP.

Daylight Saving Time Begins - Sunday, March 10

Don't let daylight saving time "spring" a surprise on you! Remember to set your clocks forward on Sunday, March 10 (or the night before so that you don't accidentally oversleep!), or risk being fashionably late to worship.

2024 PHPC Spring Break Mission Trip

The annual Spring Break Mission trip to Blue Ridge, GA is on Wednesday, April 3 through Saturday, April 6. Families and individuals of all ages are invited. We'll be working with various non-profit organizations in the area to improve the local community. We'll be staying at the North Georgia Mission Lodge. The cost for the trip (including food) is \$100 per person with a family maximum of \$300. Your payment reserves your spot. If you're interested or have questions, email Jeff Milway at jdmilway@gmail.com.

New Member Class

The next PHPC new member class will take place on Sunday, April 14 and 21. Whether you have been attending the church for a week or several years, we encourage you to take the next step on your faith journey by becoming a member of PHPC. Please plan on attending both sessions. Register using the link in this week's newsletter or speak to one of your pastors or Membership Committee members.

Chastain @ PHPC

We invite you to 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.

Save the Date: VBS @ PHPC

Registration for our Vacation Bible School (held from Monday, June 17 through Friday, June 21) begins in March. Please consider lending a helping hand during VBS. Your time and talents are invaluable, and your support will contribute to making this event a tremendous success.

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

<u>Class of 2024</u>
Michael Armstrong
Marian Miller
Pat Miller
Robin Prater

Ben Badinger

Kristen Ching Gail Funderburk Shannon Sligar Kay Strickland

Class of 2025

Class of 2026 Amanda Dannemiller Alan Klein Angie O'Farrell John Reineking

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Class of 2024

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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

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Celebration of the Lord's Day Third Sunday of Lent March 3, 2024

Prelude Hyoun Joo Song

Adorn Yourself, O Dear Soul Johannes Brahms

Gathering Around the Word

Welcome and Announcements

The Rev. Katie Day

Introit

Call to Worship

Mary Don King

Inspired by Psalm 19

One: If you ask the sky who God is,

All: the sky will tell you of God's reach.

One: If you ask the day who God is,

All: the sun will tell you of God's warmth.

One: If you ask the night who God is,

All: the moon will tell you of God's comfort.

One: "The heavens are telling the glory of God" (Psalm 19:1).

Are you listening?

All: We are listening! We will sing of God's glory.

One: Let us worship Holy God.

*Hymn 766

The Church of Christ Cannot Be Bound

Call to Confession

The Rev. Jennie Sankey

Prayer of Confession

Holy God, some days, we are quick to declare your goodness. Like Peter, we see you in our midst and we are confident in our faith. Other days, we are distracted and uncertain, desperate for answers. Forgive us for losing sight of you. Some days we are quick to trust your blessings - trusting that we are called, that we can make a difference. Other days, our praise falls silent and doubt creeps in. Forgive us for losing sight of ourselves. We know that fear and doubt are part of the journey of faith. But for the days when we are far from you and far from ourselves, we ask for your tender grace. Pull us closer toward you. Remind us of the mountaintop moments of our faith. Amen.

Assurance of Grace

lennie

Jennie

*Passing of the Peace

lennie

Jennie

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

The Word Read and Proclaimed

Children's Sermon

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

* Please stand in body or spirit.

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading Mary Don

Psalm 19

Anthem Ralph Griffin, solo

Unto Thee, O Lord Frances E Aulbach

Unto thee, o Lord, I lift up my soul, o Lord unto thee.

O my God, in thee have I trusted,
let not thine enemies triumph over me.
Show me thy ways, teach me thy paths,
thou art the God of my salvation.
O my God, in there have I trusted,

thou art the God of my salvation.
Unto thee, o Lord. I lift up my soul, o Lord, unto thee.
I lift up my soul to thee.

Scripture Reading

Katie

Katie

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Jennie

Mary Don

Matthew 16:13-20

Sermon

Praise the Mount

Sealing the Word in Our Lives

Children will return from Play & Praise to sit with their families during communion.

*Music

Come to the Table arr. Amanda Meisenheimer

Come to the table. Come to the table.

Come to the table and celebrate with us. (repeat)

We are all welcome. We are all welcome. We are all welcome. Come celebrate with us. (repeat)

The Sacrament of Communion

Invitation to the Table Pastoral Prayer Words of Institution

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.

Responding to the Word

Moment for Ministry: Fellowship

Deb LoPresti

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.

Offertory

Hyoun Joo

Lord, Listen to Your Children arr. Jack Schrader

Prayer of Dedication

Katie

*Sung Response

Hymn 356

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing (stanza 1)

Come, thou fount of every blessing,
Tune my heart to sing thy grace;
Streams of mercy, never ceasing,
Call for songs of loudest praise.
Teach me some melodious sonnet,
Sung by flaming tongues above;
Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it,
Mount of God's unchanging love!

Following the Word Into the World

*Charge and Benediction

Katie Hyoun Joo

*Postlude

Finale from Sonata No. 6
Felix Mendelssohn

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