

**Become a Digital Disciple with PHPC's Live Stream Team!**

Are you internet savvy and interested in spreading God's Word online? We're looking for volunteers to help run our weekly live stream. No prior experience is necessary—just enthusiasm and small availability for training. This is a great *baby step in your next step in faith* into connecting remote worshipers to PHPC and God's teachings. If you're ready to contribute to our mission, email Veronica at [veronica@pleasanthillpc.org](mailto:veronica@pleasanthillpc.org).

**Second Sunday Supports - Supporting Clifton Sanctuary Ministries**

PHPC hosts dinners for Clifton Sanctuary Ministries the 2nd Sunday of each month (at Clifton in Decatur). Please consider preparing and hosting a meal for July-January for our friends at Clifton. Sign up using the link in this week's newsletter. If you have any questions, please reach out to Becky Zinn at [bzinn\\_ga@yahoo.com](mailto:bzinn_ga@yahoo.com) or by texting 678-478-3863.

**Annual Cookout**

Celebrate with food, friendship, and fun on the lawn near the labyrinth following worship on Sunday, May 19. We'll provide hot dogs, beef and veggie burgers, baked beans, coleslaw, chips, and watermelon. If you'd like to bring a dessert to share, we welcome your contribution. A few picnic tables are available, but please bring a blanket or folding chair for additional seating. Contact Deb LoPresti at [dklopresti@aol.com](mailto:dklopresti@aol.com) if you have a shade structure to lend for the day.

**Book Club**

PHPC's book club meets on the third Monday of each month at 1pm. You don't have to attend every meeting. Just come whenever you can and immerse yourself in the world of books. All are welcome. The reading for May is *Women Rowing North* by Mary Pipher. The book club's next meeting is on Monday, May 20. If you have any questions, please contact Mary Don King at [rckmdk@bellsouth.net](mailto:rckmdk@bellsouth.net).

**VBS Supply Donation**

Support this summer's Vacation Bible School and help make "Compassion Camp: What Every Living Thing Needs" come alive by donating supplies. You can find our wishlist in this week's newsletter or donate money through the drop-down link "VBS" on the Realm giving page. Thank you!

**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](http://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.

**Children** are invited to take a worship bag following the children's sermon.

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*  
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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

## Sixth Sunday After Easter

### May 12, 2024

**Prelude** Paul Shane and Brian Ireland  
*House at Pooh Corner*  
 Kenny Loggins  
Gathering Around the Word

**Welcome and Announcements** The Rev. Katie Day

**\*Call to Worship** Mary Don King

One: Come hoof and trunk and tail and horn and paw and wing and claw;  
**All: Come bird and reptile, mammal born all full of nature's law.**  
 One: Bring bark and crow and ribbit, too and silent stare and hiss;  
**All: Bring purr and trill and warble, too and voice no ear can miss.**  
 One: We gather here each life and all to celebrate and sing  
**All: to honor creature large and small. 'Tis holiness we bring.**

**\*Hymn 15**  
*All Creatures of Our God and King (stanzas 1-3, see insert)*

**Call to Confession** The Rev. Jennie Sankey

**Prayer of Thanksgiving and Confession** Jennie

One: Lord, for all the animals in the whole wide world,  
**All: We thank you, God!**  
 One: Lord, for all the fun and friendship we have with animals,  
**All: We thank you, God!**  
 One: For the abundance and beauty of all your creation,  
**All: We thank you, God!**  
 One: Lord, for all the times we have hurt or neglected animals, used poisons that have damaged your beautiful creation, destroyed the homes of creatures in the forests, oceans, or fields,  
**All: We are sorry.**  
 One: For all our sins against the creatures of Earth, forgive us. Help us honor and protect all animals. May the animals of Earth be our companions in life and lead us to celebrate our place in the circle of life. 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

**Senior Recognition**

\* Please stand in body or spirit.

**Prayer for Illumination** Mary Don

**Scripture Reading** Mary Don

Psalm 148:1-10

**Anthem** Paul and Brian

*A Place in the Choir*  
 Bill Staines

**Scripture Reading** Katie and Jennie

Job 12:7-10 and Matthew 6:25-34

**Sermon** Katie and Jennie

Invited to Care for Creation

Responding to the Word

**\*Hymn 20**  
*All Things Bright and Beautiful (see insert)*

**\*Affirmation of Faith** Jennie

We believe in a creating God who delights in the Earth and calls it good.  
 We believe in the Holy Spirit who moves through creation like a mighty rushing wind.  
 We believe in Jesus of Nazareth who calmed the seas and told stories of mustard seeds, birds, and valleys.  
 We believe that humanity is undeniably intertwined with creation, and that creation is undeniably intertwined with God.  
 Therefore, we believe our faith calls us to care for creation:  
 to plant flowers,  
 to speak tenderly to animals,  
 to thank the Earth for her bounty,  
 to clean the streams,  
 to protect the forests,  
 and to live like we are standing on holy ground, because we are.  
 Amen.

**Blessing of the Animals Litany (see insert)** Jennie

**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: Mission** Ivie Goorsky

**Invitation to Offering** Katie

Drop in the plate when the Usher comes by.  
 Scan the QR code.  
 Go to [www.pleasanthillpc.org](http://www.pleasanthillpc.org) and click on the Giving tab.  
 Text givePHPC to 73256.



Please sign the red friendship pad.

**Offertory** Paul and Brian

**Prayer of Dedication** Katie

**\*Sung Response**  
 Hymn 742  
*We Will Walk with God*  
*We will walk with God, my brothers;*  
*we will walk with God.*  
*We will walk with God, my sisters;*  
*we will walk with God.*  
*We will go rejoicing till the kingdom has come.*  
*We will go rejoicing till the kingdom has come.*

Following the Word Into the World

**\*Charge and Benediction** Katie

**\*Postlude** Paul and Brian

*The Unicorn Song*  
 The Irish Rovers

Parts of today's liturgy have been adapted from  
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