



PHPC News to Know

Weekly news and updates right in your bulletin.

Nominate Elders and Deacons

Your Nominating Committee is seeking recommendations for members of PHPC to serve as Elders and Deacons for a three-year term. Find more information in this week's bulletin insert and submit your recommendations by putting your completed insert in the collection tray.

Preschool Substitute Teachers Needed

Please consider applying to be a substitute teacher at PHP using the link in this week's newsletter. Hours are 9am-1:30pm, \$50/day, and applicants must pass a background check upon applying. Contact Talitha Minton, Preschool Director, for more information at preschool@pleasanthillpc.org.

Monthly Prayer in the Garden

Drop into monthly morning prayer in the Prayer Garden every first Tuesday of the month. Our next prayer gathering is October 1 at 9am. Spend a half-hour in guided prayer for the world, our church, and one another.

International Peacemaker Visits PHPC

Join us on Saturday, October 5, 2024 from 2-4 PM in the Sanctuary to welcome the world-renowned peacemaker from Bethlehem, Mr. Zoughbi Zoughbi. He is known as a trainer, counselor, and writer and has worked extensively on topics of justice, peace, and reconciliation to help alleviate the suffering of people in the Middle East.

Stewardship BBQ

Join us for the annual PHPC Stewardship BBQ on Sunday, October 6 immediately following service. We will be at McDaniel Farm Park at the same pavilion (pavilion #2 near the dog park and playground. The address is 3020 McDaniel Rd. Duluth, GA 30096.)

Garden Group

The PHPC Garden Group meets on Saturday, October 19 at 9am. We will be working in the Prayer Garden. Bring your clippers and gloves as we do some maintenance for fall on the beautiful garden. All are welcome! Contact Julie Smith at julies1959@gmail.com for more information.

New Member Class

PHPC new member class will take place on Sundays, October 20 and 27. Register to attend using the link in this week's newsletter or speak to Katie, Jennie, or any Membership Committee member. We hope to see you there!

Blood Drive

Our next Red Cross blood drive is on Thursday, October 17. Sign up at <https://www.redcrossblood.org/> and search zip code 30096. You can then scroll down to the date (October 17) or search by distance and find PHPC.

North Georgia Fall Mission Trip

We'll be in Blue Ridge Oct 23-Oct 26 to work with local non-profits. Skills needed are energy, flexibility, and enjoy being part of a community. Cost is \$150 per person (\$100 donation towards materials for projects). RSVP or direct questions to Jeff Milway at jdmilway@gmail.com.

Explorations Class-New Series

On September 29 and October 13 (with a break for our Oct. 6 church BBQ) your pastors will lead a class on "Hot Topics: What the Bible Really Says About Hell." Come explore what is in the Bible about the afterlife (spoiler alert: it's good news). Today we'll get into the Old Testament, and then dive into the New Testament in October. No RSVP or previous attendance necessary-just stop by the Emmaus room at 11:15!

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 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 2025

Kristen Ching
Gail Funderburk
Shannon Sligar
Kay Strickland
Maggie Woolley

Class of 2026

Amanda Dannemiller
Alan Klein
Angie O'Farrell
John Reineking

Class of 2027

Michael Armstrong
John Cason
Dave Huffman
Sharon McLeod

Deacons

Class of 2025

Marianne Anderson
Holli Kyle
Bill Maguire

Class of 2026

Isaac Assan-Mensah
Jan Mueller
Margaret Snyder

Class of 2027

Cindy Heuer
Jon MacLean
Shannon Scott

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*
Hema Chudasama, *Nursery Caregiver*
Farzana Javid, *Nursery Caregiver*
Renu Kashyap, *Play & Praise Leader*
Kayla Otim, *Children's Choir Director*

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Celebration of the Lord's Day
Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 29, 2024

Prelude Gwyn Bacon (*guest*)
Praise the Lord, Ye Heavens Adore Him (tune: RUSTINGTON)
arr. G. Bacon

Gathering Around the Word

Welcome and Announcements The Rev. Jennie Sankey

Introit

***Call to Worship** Sharon McLeod

One: We gather with the One who watches over us,

All: delighting in God's Word.

One: We gather to witness the One whom the heavens proclaim,

All: listening for ancient wisdom.

One: We gather in safety with the One who shelters us,

All: seeking your face.

One: We gather to praise God with our whole selves.

All: Let everything that has breath praise the Lord!

***Hymn 610**

O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing

Call to Confession The Rev. Katie Day

Prayer of Confession Katie

Creator God, God of the universe, we seek to praise you with all our heart. We set apart this hour of our lives just for you, to meet you in this sanctuary, seeking your holy presence. But we forget that you don't just meet us here, you meet us everywhere. We ask that you guide our thoughts and words, and let sincerity fill our actions in every place. We pray that in every breath we take, you will be praised. Help us to pray with trust and joy, that you are with us everywhere, all the time. Amen.

Assurance of Grace Katie

***Passing of the Peace** Katie

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

The Word Read and Proclaimed

Children's Sermon Jennie

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

Anthem Chancel Choir

I Sing the Mighty Power of God
Otis Skillings

* Please stand in body or spirit.

Prayer for Illumination Sharon

Scripture Reading Sharon

Psalm 150

***Psalm 150 (3 stanzas) from Psalter for Christian worship by Michael Morgan**

(set to the tune SINE NOMINE)

¹ Let ev'ry heart lift up God's name in praise;

Each voice a song within this temple raise

To God, whose goodness follows all our days:

Alleluia, alleluia!

² The trumpet sounds the power of God's might;

The pipe and strings put all despair to flight;

And spirits dance with cymbals clear and bright:

Alleluia, alleluia!

³ Praise ye the Lord in anthems strong and sure,

With bold assurance, confidence secure.

Though breath shall cease, God's love will long endure:

Alleluia, alleluia!

Sermon Jennie and Katie

The Heart of Worship: Songs of Praise

This is the Day (Psalm 118)

544 Bless the Lord (Psalm 103)

292 As the Wind Song (Psalm 104)

Responding to the Word

***Affirmation of Faith** Katie

(adapted from the Confession of Belhar)

We believe that the unity of the people of God must be manifested and be active in a variety of ways: that we love one another; that we experience, practice, and pursue community with one another; that we are obligated to give ourselves willingly and joyfully to be of benefit and blessing to one another; that we share one faith, have one calling, are of one soul and one mind; that we together know and bear one another's burdens, thereby fulfilling the law of Christ; that we need one another and upbuild one another, admonishing and comforting one another; that we suffer with one another for the sake of righteousness; that we pray together; and that we together fight against all which may threaten or hinder this unity.

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.

Moment for Ministry: Worship Greg Veal

Invitation to Offering Katie

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 Gwyn

It is Well With My Soul

arr. Eleanor Whitsett

Prayer of Dedication Katie

***Sung Response**

Our Hallelujahs

Amanda Meisenheimer

Let the rocks cry out, let the trees clap their hands,

Let creation move to the rhythm;

And every little atom from the planets to the seas,

Come together, to shout and sing!

Our hallelujahs sound better in community,

Our hosannas reach upside down and inside out.

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Our hosannas reach upside down and inside out.

Our hallelujahs sound better in community, in community.

Following the Word Into the World

***Charge and Benediction** Jennie

***Postlude** Gwyn

Engelberg (When In Our Music God is Glorified)

arr. Craig Phillips

We'd like to express a special thank you to our guest organist, Gwyn F. Bacon. Gwyn served as Associate Director of Music and Worship Arts/Organist at Northside United Methodist Church for 17 years. She retired in 2019 and currently teaches piano at Hebron Christian Academy in Dacula. She serves as an organ/piano sub for churches and also accompanies community school choral groups. Please join us in saying thank you to Gwyn for sharing her talents with us while Hyoun Joo takes some time off to allow her thumb to heal.

Parts of today's liturgy have been adapted from
Feasting on the Word.

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