

Pastor Appreciation Month

October is Pastor Appreciation Month. A time set aside each year to honor and give thanks for our pastors, Katie and Jennie, who give, care, and serve us and our communities in remarkable ways. Thank you for helping to celebrate this special month and show appreciation to our Pastors.

PHPC Advent Devotional Writers, Artists, and Cooks/Bakers Needed!

We need members to submit short written reflections, art, and “Christmas breakfast” recipes for our 3rd annual Advent devotional. The theme is “Words for the Beginning: Advent Reminders for New Seasons.” Each writer/artist will reflect on one word along with a scripture passage and cooks/bakers will reflect on Christmas morning traditions. Sign-up in this week’s newsletter. Submissions are due to Jennie by November 6.

Women’s Breakfast

Our next Women’s Breakfast is on Saturday, November 2 at 9am. Childcare will be available. No reservations are needed for breakfast, but confirm with Jennie if you plan to use the childcare by October 28. If you would like to contribute a food item or help out in the kitchen on the morning of the breakfast, contact Marianne Anderson at marianne4001@gmail.com.

Election Day Prayer

The Prayer Garden and Prayer Chapel will be open to the community on election day for reflection and prayer. Pastor Jennie will offer our regular monthly guided prayer time at 9am in the Prayer Garden, with a focus on our nation, government leaders, and poll workers. Prayer resources will be available for individuals. Stop by anytime for a quiet moment.

Suwanee Chili Cook Off - Volunteers Needed

The Membership Committee needs help sharing the good news about PHPC with attendees at Suwanee’s Chili Cook Off. Shifts are on November 9 from 11am-2pm and 2pm-5pm. Devin Dannemiller will represent PHPC with his chili. Members are encouraged to swing by to show our community why PHPC is the friendliest church around! Contact Amanda Dannemiller at amanda.dannemiller@gmail.com for more information or to volunteer.

Family Fun Day at Buford Corn Maze

Meet at the Buford Corn Maze after church at 1pm on November 10 for fall fellowship and fun! Tickets can be purchased at the link in this week’s newsletter. Scholarships are available. RSVP to Laura Cason at laurajeancason@gmail.com if you plan on attending or have any questions.

Save the Date! 2025 Legislative Issues Forum

This event is hosted by Presbyterians for a Better Georgia on November 21 at 7pm. There will be a watch party at the church. Contact Gail Funderburk for more information at gfunderburk@gmail.com. Learn about the issues our legislature will consider in 2025 and how best to advocate for healthcare and housing for all Georgians! Speakers to include: Rep. Michelle Au (D, Johns Creek, physician on Public Health Committee) and Roland Behm, Esq. (advocate and co-founder of the Georgia Mental Health Policy Priorities coalition). Sen. Matt Brass (R, Newnan, Chair of Senate Rules Committee and a deacon at Newnan Presbyterian) has also been invited but has not yet confirmed.

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, <i>Church Administrator</i>	Grace Andrade, <i>Director of Youth Ministry</i>
Steve Dean, <i>Director of Music</i>	Andy Kim, <i>AV Technician</i>
Veronica Pennington, <i>Director of Ministry Support</i>	Hema Chudasama, <i>Nursery Caregiver</i>
Talitha Minton, <i>Director of Preschool</i>	Farzana Javid, <i>Nursery Caregiver</i>
Adnan Zukanovic, <i>Facilities Assistant</i>	Renu Kashyap, <i>Play & Praise Leader</i>
Hyoun Joo Song, <i>Organist</i>	Kayla Otim, <i>Children’s Choir Director</i>

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Celebration of the Lord's Day

Reformation Sunday

October 27, 2024

Prelude Hyoun Joo Song

I Call to You, Jesus Lord Christ
J. S. Bach
Gathering Around the Word

Welcome and Announcements The Rev. Katie Day

Introit

***Call to Worship** Mary Don King

(adapted from *The Scots Confession*, 3.01, 1560)

One: We confess and acknowledge one God alone –
Creator, Christ, and Holy Spirit.

**All: We confess and believe all things in heaven and earth,
visible and invisible, to have been created, sustained,
and guided by God's providence.**

One: And so we seek to boldly live the image of God
in service and worship putting our whole trust
in the wisdom, goodness, and justice of God.

**All: Let us praise God with our mouths, and worship with our
lives, making manifest the glory of the Lord.**

***Hymn 275**

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

Call to Confession The Rev. Jennie Sankey

(adapted from *The Nicene Creed*, 1.2, 381)

Let us now confess our sins before God and one another, trusting
in our one Lord, Jesus Christ, who, for us and our salvation, came
down from heaven, was incarnate and became human, suffered,
died, and rose again. Jesus did all this for us, so we may rest assured
in his promise of forgiveness.

Prayer of Confession Jennie

(adapted from *A Brief Statement of Faith*, 11.4, 1983)

Lord Jesus, we acknowledge that we belong to you alone. We speak
of trusting you and we gratefully accept your gift of grace and
love. Yet so often we stop there. In a broken and fearful world, our
courage fails to witness to your love in the tradition of the prophets.
We love our institutions too much to unmask their idolatries. We
do not seek peace in all our relationships because we are caught
up in cycles of hurt. We are not ready for the consequences of truly
listening to the silenced voices of our society. Have mercy on us.
Expand our horizons to see all people as neighbors, and inspire us
again through your Word. Love us into becoming people of your
new heaven and new earth. Amen.

Assurance of Grace Jennie

(adapted from *The Heidelberg Catechism Q1*, 4.001, 1563)

Our comfort in life and in death is that we belong, body and soul,
to our faithful Savior, Jesus Christ. Jesus, by his own life and death,
has conquered the power of sin in the world, and by the Holy Spirit
assures us of eternal life. This is not simply assurance of a life to come
but even now the Spirit leads us to live a life wholeheartedly unto
God. In these promises we trust God's forgiveness, and are at peace.

* Please stand in body or spirit.

***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

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

Prayer for Illumination Mary Don

(adapted from *The Westminster Larger Catechism*, Q4. 7.114, 1647)

God, as we read these scriptures, may they make manifest your
glory, bearing witness to our hearts your word for us this day. As we
engage your word, may the Spirit comfort us and build us up to be
bearers of your light in the world. In all things, guide us in discerning
your will for our lives, responsibly carrying your word into the world,
and walking boldly in your way. Amen.

Scripture Reading Mary Don

Jeremiah 31:31-34

Anthem Chancel Choir

Christ is Made the Sure Foundation
Dale Wood

Scripture Reading Katie

Romans 3:19-28

Sermon Katie

Reformed and Always Being Reformed: Marie Dentière

Responding to the Word

***Hymn 624**

I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art

***Affirmation of Faith** Jennie

The Apostles' Creed, c. 180

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by
the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius
Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the
third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from
thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe
in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of
saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the
life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of the People Jennie

Silent Prayer, Pastoral Prayer

(adapted from *Confession of Belhar*, 10.3, 1986)

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 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; and that we
pray together, knowing and bearing one another's burdens.

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 Mission: Pastoral Care Bill Maguire

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.

(adapted from *The Second Helvetic Confession*, 5.029, 1561)

All things are governed by the providence of God. We believe that
God cares and provides for us out of loving-kindness and mercy,
and we respond in gratitude.

Offertory Hyoun Joo

As the Deer
Tom Fettke

Prayer of Dedication Katie

(adapted from *The Theological Declaration of Barmen*, 8.14, 1934)

God of all creation, just as Jesus Christ is the assurance of the
forgiveness of all our sins, so in the same way and with the same
seriousness is he also your mighty claim upon our whole life.
Therefore, we give to you these gifts and our lives to be used in the
service of your love. May all that we do testify that we belong to
you and you alone, and all our works be dedicated to the witness
of your kingdom. Amen.

***Sung Response**

Glory to God
Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me,
and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,
And to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

Following the Word Into the World

***Charge and Benediction** Katie

(adapted from *The Confession of 1967*, 9.55-9.57)

Already God's reign is present as a ferment in the world, stirring
hope in us all. With an urgency born of this hope, the church
applies itself to present tasks and strives for a better world. "Now
to God who by the power at work within us is able to do far more
abundantly than all we ask or think, to God be glory in the church
and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen."
Ephesians 3:20-21

***Postlude** Hyoun Joo

A Mighty Fortress is Our God
arr. Timothy Albrecht

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