



PHPC News to Know

Weekly news and updates right in your bulletin.

Congregational Meeting - Today!

Plan to stay after worship on for a brief congregational meeting to receive an annual report, vote on your pastors terms of call, and elect elders and deacons.

Women's Breakfast

All women of PHPC are welcome to the next Women's Breakfast on Saturday, February 1 starting at 9 am. Feel free to bring a friend or neighbor to join us. You can wear your hearts on your sleeves as we work on some Valentine crafts. If you would like to help prepare the breakfast with the kitchen crew or contribute a dish to accompany our traditional bacon and eggs, please contact Marianne Anderson, marianne4001@gmail.com.

Youth Sunday - February 2nd

The middle and high school youth will be leading worship next Sunday using the story of Jonah. Join us in worship as they lead us in every part of the service.

Souper Bowl of Caring - February 9th

We invite you to participate in our annual Souper Bowl of Caring, a wonderful opportunity for us to come together and make a positive impact on our community. Please consider bringing soup cans or other canned foods for our youth to donate to the Duluth co-op and Little Free Pantry

After making your contribution, head to Fellowship Hall for the company of fellow PHPC members with a soup extravaganza. All you need to bring is your appetite, but if you have a favorite soup recipe to contribute to the soup buffet, we welcome your participation. Please email Doreen Wotocek at dwotocek@gmail.com by February 3 to sign up for preparing a dish. We ask that you drop off your soup before worship on February 9.

Blood Drive

Save the date for our next PHPC Red Cross Blood drive on Thursday, February 20 from 3:30-7:30pm. Sign up though the link in the bulletin. Contact Jon MacLean with any questions at 770-315-7415.

Presbyterians for a Better Georgia

The 2025-2026 Georgia legislative session is underway. PBG is working with other advocacy partners to address healthcare and affordable housing issues for our fellow Georgians. Please join us for a webinar to learn effective ways to advocate with our elected representatives this session. A watch party is planned for Tuesday, Feb 11 at 7pm in Jerusalem. Please save the date now and watch for more details on how to sign up and participate.

PHPC 40th Anniversary - Grounded in Faith, Growing in Love

In 2025 we are celebrating Pleasant Hill Presbyterian Church's 40th anniversary. There will be special themes, events, and celebrations spread throughout the year.

Tonight - January 26 - Back to Our Beginnings PHPC Site Visit

Go back to the beginning of PHPC's history and meet at the site of the old movie theater (which is now a gaming store) for a short service of remembrance at 5:30pm followed by dinner at the Melting Pot.

May 18 - Homecoming Celebration

Join PHPC members, staff, and pastors past and present for a service of worship celebrating PHPC's 40 years followed by an all-church lunch

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 with children sitting in the Playground 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

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*

Adnan Zukanovic, *Interim Facilities Director*

Kristen Ching, *Interim Financial Administrator*

Steve Dean, *Director of Music*

Hyoun Joo Song, *Organist*

Andy Kim, *AV Technician*

Talitha Minton, *Director of Preschool*

Grace Andrade, *Director of Youth Ministry*

Kayla Otim, *Director of Children's Music*

Hema Chudasama, *Nursery Caregiver*

Farzana Javid, *Nursery Caregiver*

Renu Kashyap, *Play & Praise Leader*

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Celebration of the Lord's Day

Third Sunday after the Epiphany

January 26, 2025

Prelude Hyoun Joo Song

Pastorale
arr. Douglas Wagner

Gathering Around the Word

Welcome and Announcements The Rev. Katie Day

Introit

***Call to Worship** Mary Don King

One: We gather today as followers of Christ, called to be fishers of people in a world longing for hope and love.

All: We come with open hearts, ready to respond to God's call in our lives.

One: As Jesus called his first disciples by the shores of the Sea of Galilee, he invites us to leave behind our doubts and fears.

All: We will cast our nets wide, trusting in the abundance of God's grace.

One: Let us seek God's presence among us, longing for God's steadfast love to guide our hearts.

All: Together, we will share the Good News, reaching out to those in need.

One: Come, let us worship the One who transforms our lives and equips us for mission.

All: With joy and gratitude, we lift our voices in praise! Amen.

***Hymn 726**

Will You Come and Follow Me?

Call to Confession The Rev. Jennie Sankey

Prayer of Confession Jennie

Gracious God, we confess that we have often cast our nets half-heartedly. We have hesitated to share your love with those around us, choosing comfort over courage. We confess that we sometimes focus on our own concerns rather than seeking to draw others into your embrace. We have neglected the call to follow you fully, allowing fear and doubt to hold us back. Forgive us, Lord, for the times we have failed to live as your disciples, for the moments we have missed opportunities to spread your Good News. Renew us, O God, and help us to trust in your abundant grace. Fill us with your Spirit, so that we may boldly fish for people, reflecting your love and compassion in all we do. Amen.

Assurance of Grace Jennie

***Passing of the Peace** Jennie

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

** Please stand in body or spirit.*

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.

New Member Welcome Katie and Jennie

Prayer for Illumination Mary Don

Scripture Reading Mary Don

Psalm 90:14-17

Anthem Chancel Choir

The Battle of Jericho
Moses Hogan

Joshua fit the battle of Jericho and the walls come tumbling down. Talk about the kings of Gideon, talk about your men of Saul, but none like good old Joshua at the battle of Jericho. Right up to the walls of Jericho he marched with spear in hand, "Go blow that ram horn!" Joshua cried "Cause the battle am in my hand." Then the lamb, ram, sheep horns begin to blow and the trumpet begins to sound. Joshua commanded the children to shout!

And the walls come a tumbling down.

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Scripture Reading Lt. Cdr. Matthew Mitchelson

Luke 5:1-11

Sermon Matthew

Jesus' Beginnings: Fishing

Responding to the Word

***Hymn 69**

I, the Lord of Sea and Sky

***Affirmation of Faith** Katie

The Apostles' Creed

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.

Stephen Minister Commissioning Katie

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.

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 Hyoun Joo

Amazing Grace
arr. Jason Tonioli

Prayer of Dedication Katie

***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

***Postlude**

Recessional on HYMN TO JOY
Matthew Corl

Meet the Preacher

Matthew Arthur Mitchelson is a Lieutenant Commander in the United States Navy, serving as an active-duty naval officer in the Pacific Northwest. He is a seminary student at the University of Dubuque Theological Seminary enrolled in the Master of Arts in Reformed Theology program. Matthew is a devoted husband to his wife, Brianna, and their four children. He aspires to become a Senior Pastor, a schoolteacher, and youth football coach after his retirement from the Navy.

Following the congregational meeting, Matt will lead the Explorations church school class. Come meet the preacher, hear some of his story, and dig deeper into the text.

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