

Welcome to Philadelphia UMC

December 8, 2024

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Children of God, prepare the way! The Word of God is coming!

We come to listen and receive God's Word among us.

Children of God, the prophets call to us now and from generations past, urging us to prepare and refine our hearts for the coming of the Word of God. Are you listening?

We come to listen and prepare to receive God's Word among us.

Children of God, this is the mark of our preparation: that passion for God's Word would burn within us, cleansing us and renewing us to reflect God's love throughout the world.

May God ignite our passion for God's Word that has come among us as we listen, prepare, and receive all that God has for us today. Amen.

Written by Dr. Lisa Hancock, Discipleship Ministries, June 2024..

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH Worthy and Unworthy

*HYMN *"O Come, All Ye Faithful"* UMH #234

*THE APOSTLES' CREED UMH #881

**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 Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead and buried;
the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth at 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 Spirit, the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection
of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

*GLORIA PATRI "Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen."

CHOIR ANTHEM

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

PRAYERS, PRAISE, AND 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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

*THE DOXOLOGY UMH #95

CHOIR ANTHEM

SCRIPTURE READING Luke 1:39-45

SERMON "Eyes of Faith" Rev. Melissa Shortridge

*HYMN *"It Came Upon the Midnight Clear"* UMH #218

*THE BENEDICTION

*THE POSTLUDE

**Those who are able, please stand.*

Weekly Prayer List

Gerri Goforth (Nancy Sandifer's mother), Kayla Brooke Cook, Gabe, Joan Powell and family, Victims of the storms, Darrell Barrentine, Anna Kate Dover, world peace, Amy Ramsey - Carole Ramsey's daughter-in-law, Jarod McCormick, the Broom family, Billy Harden, Christian Vecchio, Bill McKown, Ben Yost - Cathy Miskelly's son, and our church.

Families To Pray For This Week: Sandra & Blaine Robbins, Catie Reynolds, Mike & Carol Reeves, Dean & Kim Ramsey, Arthur & Sheila Greene, Jean Hammond, John Hammond

****Sign-up Sheet for 2025 Sunday Servants in vestibule. Please sign-up to serve as a greeter, liturgist, usher, and/or communion assistant. Please sign-up whether you are a returning or new volunteer. New lists will be made for 2025.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome to Worship at Philadelphia United Methodist Church!
 We are delighted you have chosen to worship with us this morning!

Opportunities This Week

TODAY **Advent Bible Study** **10:45am**
 “The Angel’s Christmas Story” – Cantata **6:00pm**
 Refreshments to follow in the Fellowship Hall

****If you are involved with the Cantata, please be at Church at 5:00pm****

*We will be collecting items for the Humane Society of York County for the month of December. List of items needed in the vestibule.

** Barnabus Baskets are in the vestibule ready to be filled for our shut-ins. We have 7 baskets to fill. Baskets will be delivered in December.

Upcoming Events

- Dec. 15th, 22nd - 10:45am, Advent Bible Study
- Dec. 15th – 6:00pm, Blue Christmas Service
- Dec. 18th – Christmas Caroling to shut-ins and older members; Meet at church at 6:00pm
- Dec. 24th – 9:00pm. Christmas Eve Candlelight and Communion Service

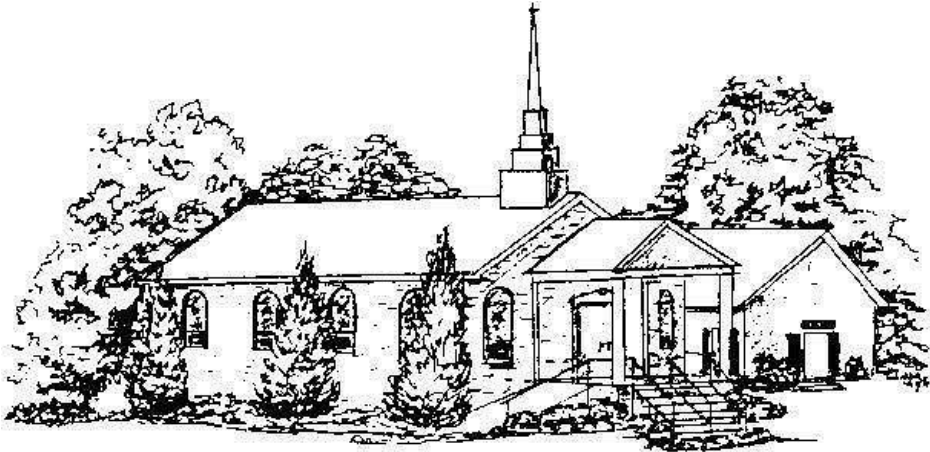
Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) meets in the Fellowship Hall at Philadelphia UMC on Tuesdays and Fridays each week at 7:00pm.

Yoga/Pilates classes are offered each week on Mondays and Thursdays at 4:00pm in the Fellowship Hall at Philadelphia UMC. There is a \$5 charge per class.

GIVING – Philadelphia UMC provides Online Giving – a convenient and safe way to make a one-time or recurring tithes and offerings. Visit our website, www.philadelphiayork.org, and click our Online Giving link.

2024 Weekly Budget Needs \$1,895.00 Received 12/1/2024 \$693.00

	<u>December 8th</u>	<u>December 15th</u>
Liturgist	Katie & Kaden Knight	Carol Reeves
Ushers	Buck Miskelly & Doug Peterson	Wayne Sandifer & Mike Wiley
Greeter	Gladys Wright	Katie Knight
Communion Assistant	<u>December</u> Wayne Sandifer	<u>January</u>



Philadelphia United Methodist Church

2260 Chester Hwy
 York, SC 29745
www.philadelphiayork.org
philadelphiayork@gmail.com

Sunday Service 9:30 am

Rev. Melissa Shortridge
 Cell: 304-667-3444
melissadshortridge@gmail.com

Our Mission:
**Knowing, Loving, Serving God
 and Neighbor**

**Please send any announcements for the bulletin and/or calendar to Katie Knight, katieknight719@gmail.com or (803)627-9458 by Wednesday of each week.