

Welcome to Philadelphia UMC

December 29, 2024

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Children of God, Jesus Christ is born!

God has come to make a home among us!

Yet the story is not over. After birth comes the ordinary and mundane growing, maturing, and discovering, even for the Christ Child.

In the ordinary and mundane, God has come to make a home among us.

And sometimes, in the midst of the everyday, something surprising happens, and we discover anew just what God is up to in our midst.

In the surprising and spectacular, God has come to make a home among us.

Children of God, let us worship the God who dwells with us in all things and all seasons.

We come to make our home with God who makes a home among us. Amen. *Written by Dr. Lisa Hancock, Discipleship Ministries, June 2024.*

*HYMN *"Joy to the World"* UMH #246

*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

OLD TESTAMENT READING Psalm 148 Buck Miskelly

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 2:8-20

SERMON "The Rest of the Story" Rev. Melissa Shortridge

*HYMN *"There's a Song in the Air"* UMH #249

*THE BENEDICTION

*THE POSTLUDE **Those who are able, please stand.*

Weekly Prayer List

Gerri Goforth (Nancy Sandifer's mother), Kayla Brooke Cook, Gabe, Victims of the storms, Darrell Barrentine, Jarod McCormick, Billy Harden, Christian Vecchio, Bill McKown, Ben Yost (Cathy Miskelly's son), Carol Sandifer, Bob Branch, Jake Raine, Lewis Hicks, Marty Jenkins, Blaine Robbins, Shaina Spring (knee surgery) – daughter of Sue Saltarelli, Cis Helms, Brenda Sandifer, Frances Childers (Norma's sister) Bill Crane (Carol Reeves' brother), and our church.

Families To Pray For This Week: Lindsey & Erin Henson, Phyllis Horton, Tommy, Allison, Jacob & Jordan Claire Huffstetler, Patrick, Jennifer, Dawson & Carson Jackson, Jason & Rosa Peeler, Rusty Patterson

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Opportunities This Week

****We are still in need of volunteers to serve as greeters, liturgists, ushers, and communion assistants for the New Year. Please sign up in the vestibule if you would like to serve. If you are already serving and would like to remain on the lists for 2025, please let Katie Knight know. New lists will be made for 2025.**

Sign-up Sheet for 2025 Sunday Servants is in the vestibule.

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

Upcoming Events

Jan. 8th – 6:00pm, UMW/UMM
****Moved to 2nd Wednesday due to 1st Wednesday being New Year’s Day**

Jan. 12th – 4:00pm, Church Council Meeting and Planning Session

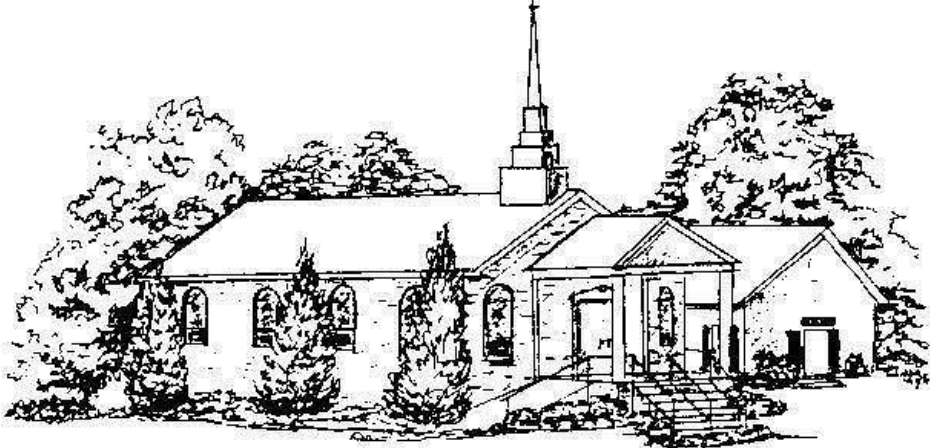
Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) meets in the Fellowship Hall at Philadelphia UMC on Tuesdays and Fridays each week at 7:00pm.

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 12/22/2024 \$948.00

	<u>December 29th</u>	<u>January 5th</u>
Liturgist	Buck Miskelly	Linwood Littlejohn
Ushers	Maddox Dover & Gerin Knight	Derrick Barrentine & Wayne Sandifer
Greeter	Doris Thomas	Katie Knight
Communion Assistant	<u>December</u> Wayne Sandifer	<u>January</u> Dixie Branch



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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.