



Welcome! *At PHLC, we make a place for everyone.*

Faith ~ Family ~ Inclusion ~ Community

Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Hymns for Today

Gathering Hymn
Hymn of the Day
Closing Hymn

God, You're So Good
The Church's One Foundation
Faith of Our Fathers

WS 35
ELW 654 (v 1,3,5)
ELW 812

Assisting with Worship Today

Lay Assistant: Chelsea Cameron
Tech Team: OPEN
Acolyte: Alex Gaertner

Lector: Kim Williams
Altar Guild: Kim Williams
OOTD: Julie Wahl

Ushers: OPEN
Cantor: Jenny Wojnar
Security: Mike Coxon



Volunteer for worship & hospitality table using this QR Code. It's a rewarding experience to be a part of the service! Questions? Contact Kim Williams at kimwilliams@zoominternet.net

Are You Visiting? We're glad you're here! Sign our guest book and grab a Visitor Card in the Narthex. Or, sign our guest book with this QR Code. *Sign up to receive our weekly email at phlc.org/newsletter.*



Please continue to be aware of email & text scams coming from what appears to be our pastor or other members of the church office staff or council. Check the email address to confirm it is one of our legitimate addresses. If you receive emails, texts, or e-vites that appear to be a scam, please do not open, reply or forward the message.

Announcements

MHY School Supplies: Today is the last day to bring in donations of school supplies for the children at Mars Home for Youth. Bring donations to church, order from their Amazon WishList, or purchase from an online retailer and ship directly to MHY.

Lunch & Laughter: This group meets monthly, and everyone is invited. Our next lunch is today at 12:30 at BJ's Restaurant in McCandless Crossing. Please see Mary for details.

Joint Worship Service & Picnic: We will gather with Heritage United Presbyterian on August 30, 10 am, at the Ohio Twp Pavilion (325 Nicholson Rd, Sewickley, PA 15143). Burgers & hot dogs (vegetarian/GF options available) will be provided. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share and a camp chair to use. To help with food planning, please RSVP from the weekly email or website or on the sign up sheet at church.

Food Safety Training, Saturday, September 19, at 4 pm: Beth Kocsis from Penn State will be presenting Cooking for Crowds, food safety training for volunteers of non-profits. This session is recommended for all hospitality members and those who wish to use the kitchen for PHLC events. Your participation is greatly appreciated to keep our members' food safe. For additional information, please contact Jan Hanchak (janelle_hanchak@msn.com).

Blood Drive: PHLC is hosting a Blood Drive on Sunday, October 4 from 11am – 3pm. Sign up information coming soon.

Sunday School Teachers Needed: We need volunteers to supervise Sunday School. No experience needed. All materials will be provided and Ted will help you to get your volunteer clearances.

Rally Day: We're kicking off the Sunday School year on September 13. See Ted if you'd like your child to receive a Bible.

Youth Bonfire: On September 27 join us at Lutherlyn for food, activities, and fun! More details to come.

PHLC Book Discussion: This group meets on Sundays at 8:30 am on select dates. We are reading *The Experience of God: Being, Consciousness, Bliss*. Contact John Spurlock for future meeting dates.

Adult Bible Study: Join our adult ed crew after the service for an open-minded place to encounter scripture and wrestle with our faith in a supportive community. Everyone's welcome - you don't have to know anything about the Bible.

Oktoberfest – DATE CHANGE: Save the Date for the return of Oktoberfest to PHLC on Saturday, October 24, from 5-8 pm, hosted by the Fellowship Team. More details to come.

Prayer Vigils: Interfaith prayer vigil supporting immigrants held Fridays, 8:30 am, ICE Field Office on the Southside, 3000 Sydney St.

2026 Agency of the Year: Your Second Mile Giving will go to Mars Home for Youth (MHY).

PHL PreK Registration: Registration for the 2026-2027 school year, ages 2.5-6, is open. Contact Alyssa Drespling at prekdirector@phlc.org. Discounts available!

PHL PreK Seeking Volunteers! If you would like to help during the school day with a variety of tasks, contact PreK Director Alyssa Drespling at prekdirector@phlc.org. School hours are Mon-Thurs from 8:45 am – 3 pm.

Prayer List

Updates? Contact the church office at 724-935-1226 or office@phlc.org.

Ron Bolster	Diagnosed with multiple myeloma; at home, receiving treatments
Dennis Bruce	Husband of Patty Bruce; receiving cancer treatment
Jim Clark	Friend of Kay Wisniewski, fighting cancer
Fred Claus	Son of Carolyn Claus; waiting for spinal surgery
Kelly Curtis	Daughter of Diane Curtis and granddaughter of Arlene Hefner; receiving treatment for breast cancer
Greg DeKunder	For continued cancer treatment
Elaine	Pastor's cousin; prayers for continued healing
Guzman Family & Frank Flores	Friends of Maria; for their safety being reunited in Venezuela
Hadlee	One-year-old daughter of Patty Bruce's niece; receiving cancer treatment
Sydney Hein	Daughter-in-law of Jane Hein; prayers for additional good test results
David Hepfer	Gwen's mother's cousin, for his safe return home
Kathy Kilponen	Mother of Karen Fix transitioning to personal care
Leslie	Cousin of Sue Gaertner; diagnosed with stage 4 pancreatic cancer that has metastasized to liver
Sandy Peck	Dear friend of the Garrows; prayers for comfort and strength
Rebecca	The sister of an acquaintance of Jane Davidson who is facing end-of-life multiple health problems due to a serious accident she had early in her life.
Krista Sweet	Prayers for strength and healing
Dorothy Vilsack	The sister of our former custodian Maria experiencing serious health concerns
Kay Wisniewski	For healing and improvement of health concerns
Chuck Zehnder	Praying for good news at his cancer consultation

Affirmation Statement

In the name of Jesus of Nazareth, who invited us in reconciling love and grace to join the reign of God, this church welcomes all. We extend this welcome to all believers and non-believers regardless of age, cultural background, economic status, ethnic or linguistic heritage, employment status, housing status, substance dependence, marital status, physical or mental abilities, race, sexual orientation, gender expression, gender identity, and any other distinction. Moreover, we are called by the Holy Spirit to support all marginalized groups and dismantle racism within ourselves, in our church, and in our world.

As we are all one in God's eyes, we encourage any who express an interest to become an active part of this congregation's full life as we witness God's love. This is our response to the Gospel, as we understand it, and to do any less would deny to others the welcome we have received from the Creator of us all.

Staff

Ryan Pusch, Pastor Jenny Wojnar, Music Director Ted Griffin, Family Ministries Director Alyssa Drespling, PHL PreK Director

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Giving Options: Use this QR Code to donate or use the Giving Box available at the back of the church. Find additional giving options at phlc.org/giving-options/

The church office is open on Wednesdays from 9 am to noon. Messages are checked daily. All other times are by appointment. Church office phone is 724-935-1226; email is office@phlc.org. Do you have something for Weekly Announcements? Email your info to news@phlc.org by 9 am on Tuesdays.

