



An ELCA & Reconciling in Christ Congregation
Welcome! We Make a Place for Everyone!

Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

Hymns for Today

Gathering Hymn	Stronger	WS 27
Hymn of the Day	Come to Me, All Pilgrims Thirsty	ELW 777 (vs 1,2,4)
Closing Hymn	What a Friend We Have in Jesus	ELW 439

Assisting with Worship Today

Lay Assistant:	Chelsea Cameron	Lector:	Wendy Rychel
Ushers:	OPEN	Tech Team:	Chuck Zehnder
Altar Guild:	Jill Gruber	Cantor:	Jenny Wojnar
Acolyte:	OPEN	Officer of the Day:	Wendy Rychel
Security:	Meesha Gerhart		

Waterfall Altar Paraments

Our waterfall altar paraments are made of strips of cloth containing the hopes, dreams, and prayers of the congregation for the future of PHLC. This was previously done in celebration of RIC (Reconciling in Christ) Sunday and represents the famous verse from the book of Amos:

"Let justice come down like water and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream!"



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 any other member of the church office staff or council. Check the email address associated with the name on the email to confirm it is not one of our legitimate addresses. If you receive emails or texts that appear to be a scam, please do not reply or forward the message. It's recommended that you mark as spam and delete the message.

Announcements

Special Saturday Service in August! For the first weekend in August, we will hold the service at 5:30 pm on Saturday, August 1. A recording of the service will be available to watch on Sunday. This one-time change is being made to accommodate Pastor's traveling schedule.

Lunch & Laughter: This group meets monthly, and everyone is invited. Stay tuned for our next event!

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*. In this book David Bentley Hart, an Orthodox scholar, explores our understanding of God and the implications for human experience. Please join us for this adventure. Contact John Spurlock for future meeting dates.

Save the Date MHY Ribbon Cutting: Mars Home for Youth Family Services has invited the PHLC congregation to attend Longmore Academy's Therapeutic Kindergarten Program ribbon-cutting ceremony on Tuesday, July 14, from 1-2:30 pm at MHY, 521 Route 228, Mars, PA 16046. Light refreshments will be served. PHLC has contributed to the MHY's initiative in 2025 and 2026, and this marks a great milestone to be celebrated!

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: Save the Date for the return of Oktoberfest to PHLC on Saturday, October 3, from 5-8 pm, hosted by the Fellowship Team. More details to come.

Prayer Vigils: Join the community for an interfaith prayer vigil supporting immigrants, 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), in support of their Therapeutic Kindergarten Program.

PHL PreK Registration: Registration for the 2026-2027 school year, ages 2.5-6 is still open. For information, contact Alyssa Drespling at prekdirector@phlc.org. If you are a church member and refer someone, they receive a \$50 discount at registration, and if any church member registers, they receive a \$75 discount.

PHL PreK Hiring! The PreK is hiring an Asst Teacher for the 2026-2027 school year. Hours are Mon-Thurs from 8:45 am – 3 pm. Interested or know someone who is? Contact PreK Director Alyssa Drespling at prekdirector@phlc.org.

Prayer List

Updates? Contact the church office at 724-935-1226 or perryhighwaylcoffice@gmail.com

Appollo & Alex	As they participate in a Mission Trip from July 5-8
Ron Bolster	Diagnosed with bladder cancer; at home awaiting additional test results
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
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
Lutz Family	On the passing of Paul's dad, known to the family as "Pappy Flash"
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.
Rychel Family	On the passing of Eric's father, Joe.
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

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.

Office Hours: 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 perryhighwaylcoffice@gmail.com

Do you have something for Weekly Announcements?
Email your information to phlcwebsite@gmail.com by 9 am on Tuesdays.

Our Four Pillars

Faith
Family
Inclusion
Community



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