

Church Family Calendar

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2026

8:00 AM—Sunday School of the Air—  
(Allen Hardy) WHOC 1490 AM; 93.7 FM)  
9:00 AM—Sunday School  
10:00 AM—Worship—(Cable Ch 7, 102.3 FM &  
Livestream)  
12:00—4:00 PM—FLC Reserved  
4:00 PM—FLC Reserved  
5:00 PM—Kid’s Movie Night—(FLC & Gym)  
5:30 PM—Youth Meeting @ Youth House

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2026

8:30 AM—Sr. Adult Exercise—(FLC)  
6:30—9:00 PM—Gym Reserved

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2026

9:00 AM—12:00 PM—God’s Closet Work Day  
10:00 AM—Bible Seekers Life Group—(Parlor)  
5:15 PM—Chancel Choir Rehearsal

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2026

8:30 AM—Sr. Adult Exercise—(FLC)  
5:00 PM—Wednesday Meal—(FLC)  
6:00 PM—Ash Wednesday Service—(Sanctuary)  
Gym Reserved

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2026

Gym Reserved  
9:00 AM—12:00 PM—God’s Closet Work Day

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2026

Gym Reserved  
8:30 AM—Sr. Adult Exercise—(FLC)  
6:00 PM—Daddy/Daughter Date Night—(Gym)

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2026

9:00—12:00—God’s Closet Open

Birthdays

2/15 Ella Kate Haggard  
Brad Hillman  
Haze Hillman  
Arvin Calkins  
2/17 Keaton Lang  
\*Kristi Hendrix  
\*Todd Garrett  
2/18 Carla Davis  
2/19 \*Owen Mars Miller  
2/20 Richard Rea  
\*Emma Grace Bonds  
\*Maria Yates  
2/21 Caleb May  
Mike Shrock

Anniversaries

2/15 Bill & Nancy Yates  
  
\*non-resident members

Sunday,  
February 8, 2026  
Sunday School: 39  
Worship Attendance: 148

Bulletin Deadline:  
Wednesday at 12:00 Noon

Electronic Giving

- **Bank Drafts:** Call the church office to set this up.
- **Online Giving:** phillyfirstmc.org
- **Text Giving:** Text the amount to 1-601-281-0741
- **Giving App:** Download the free Shelby Next App through the App Store or Google Play. Type in “phillyfirstmc” where it says “domain”. Click to create an account.
- Donate from your smartphone by scanning QR code;



If you need assistance, please call the church office.

Church Communications

- **Emails:** To receive the prayer request and/or general news e-mails sign up for these teams by going to [www.phillyfirstmc.org](http://www.phillyfirstmc.org).  
Click on Connect, then Member Portal. Click on TEAMS; Click on JOIN beside the team(s) you wish to join.  
*You may also call the church office to sign up.*
- **Text Messages:** Please make sure the church has your cell number.  
We will be sending meeting notices, reminders, cancellations, due to weather, etc. via text message.  
*\*Please call Sheila in the church office if you need any help.*

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Service of Celebration & Praise  
February 15 2026 - 10:00 a.m.

Prelude - Pianist  
Announcements and Prayer - Ken Turner  
Prelude - Pianist

Service of Holy Baptism - Brielle Herring  
Special Music - “The Blessing” - Drew Herring and Anna Beth Herring

God’s Self-Revelation / Our Response  
\*Hymns of Praise - “Living Waters” led by Hannah Hardy  
Hymn No. 399 - “Take My Life and Let It Be”  
(Children ages 3yrs—3rd grade are dismissed to Children’s Church upstairs.)  
Pastoral Prayer - Rev. Joey Ratcliff

Offertory Anthem - He Never Failed Me Yet” - Chancel Choir  
Soloists - Lisa Posey, Kenny Hillman  
Doxology - “Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow”

God’s Word / Our Response  
Sermon - Rev. Joey Ratcliff

Benediction - Rev. Joey Ratcliff  
\*Postlude - Pianist

\*Please stand as you are able.

\*\*Nursery provided in room 14, birth—2 years old

Our Purpose: “Living for Jesus, Loving Like Jesus”

Wednesday Night Meal

Meals are catered by Tootie’s Restaurant.

Menu: Bone-in Pork Chops, Baked Beans, Hash Brown Casserole, Rolls, Dessert  
Serving begins at 5:00 PM

Deadline to sign up is 12:00 PM on MONDAYS

Deadline to cancel and avoid being charged is 12:00 Noon on Mondays.

Sign up below, tear off, and place in the offering plate.

Cost: \$8.00-Adults, \$8.00-Youth, \$5.00-Kids, \$25.00-Family Maximum

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Adults \_\_\_\_\_ Youth \_\_\_\_\_ Kids \_\_\_\_\_

Sign me up for standing reservations \_\_\_\_\_.

God’s Closet

Open Saturday, Feb. 21 - Volunteers: Praise Team (Penny Dickerson) &  
Janice Williamson

Items of the Month: Children’s Jeans, 3-Subject Spiral Notebooks, & Primary  
Tablets

Donations of clean like-new clothes are welcome. We have a donation box in  
the FLC or you can arrange to meet at the closet by calling Susan Powell at

**WELCOME!**  
Thank you for worshipping at Philly First today. We hope that you will feel God’s Spirit and be blessed as you worship.

<b>SERVING TODAY:</b>	
<b>FEBRUARY USHERS:</b>	Mike Donald, Captain; Steve Smith; Steve Breland; & Craig Vowell
<b>TECH ARTS:</b>	Caleb May, Natalie May, & Richard Rea
<b>COUNTERS:</b>	Allen Hardy & Stacy Brantley
<b>NURSERY:</b>	Joyce Ervin
<b>FLOWERS TODAY :</b>	Given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Gully & Opal Yates By: Bill & Nancy Yates
<b>NARTHEX FLOWERS:</b>	Given to the Glory of God and in loving honor of Brielle Herring’s Baptism By: Her Family
<b>ACOLYTES:</b>	Leyton Turner, Elle May
<b>SERVING NEXT SUNDAY :</b>	
<b>TECH ARTS:</b>	Ben Hardy, Hannah Hardy, & Richard Rea
<b>COUNTERS:</b>	Thomas Tinsley & Rick Allen
<b>NURSERY:</b>	Kim Donald
<b>ACOLYTES:</b>	Latimer Harwood, KB Breland

Prayer Concerns

Prayer concerns will remain on the prayer list for one month.  
If you would like to renew a request, please call the church office.

<b>John Alford Family</b>	Neil Hogan
James Allred—(Angela Allen’s father)	Bobbie Holley
Bob Benson—(Ben Edwards’ cousin)	Betty Irons
Mary Louise Blanks	Michael Kilpatrick
Barry Boler—(Kasey Storey’s dad)	Jean Lancaster Family
Linda Bowles—(Betty Irons/Larry Stribling’s sister)	Gayle Lesley
Clinton Kase Bradford	Ken Lewis
Renee Brantley—(Carla Martin’s cousin)	Glenda Lundy
Mary Breland Family	James Mars—Neshoba Swing Bed #2204
Laura Bryan	Vicky Marshall
Josie Byars	Ike Martin
Cindy Byrd	Fay West McDaniel Family
Vicki Carroll Family	Don McKay
Gary Chamblee	Mike McLemore—(Kim Price’s uncle)
Tanja Chancellor	Ian Michelletti
Virgil Clark—(Kristen Hancock’s father)	Donny Page—(ICU Baptist Anderson)
Homer Davis	Lori Clark Porter
Dianne Droke	Gail Rickles
Debra Drury	Susan Rosamond—Neshoba Nursing Home #104
Carolyn Durr—(Kenny McLain’s mother)	Daniel Sharp
Richard Eakes	Ms. Pepper Simmons
Ben Edwards	Dot Stern—Virginia West’s sister
Michael Eichelberger	Esther Stovall
God’s Closet Prayer Requests	Glen Stribling—(Kent’s brother)
Glen Goldman	Steve Turner
Graham Goldman	Ray Warren—(Susan Powell’s dad)
Mary Katherine Gordon	Sue Wells
Dale Gray	Tommy Williams
Mitchell Hancock	Don Windham
Pat Hardage—(Mandy Dees’ father)	Mike Winston—(John Carr Bates’ father-in-law)
Pam Truhett Hemphill—(Lynda Stribling’s sister)	



**Children’s News**  
Like our page on Facebook:  
Phillyfumckids

You’re invited to my new group ‘Philly First Kids’ on GroupMe. Scan the QR code to join.



**The ‘David’ Movie**  
Today, Feb. 15, 5-7 PM in the FLC  
All age kids join us in the FLC for movie, popcorn & pizza.  
Bring a sleeping bag/pillow



**4th-6th Grade Basics of Faith Kid’s Retreat**  
Lake Forest Ranch, Macon, MS  
Date: March 20-22  
Cost: \$100; \$75 second child  
Amount Due: March 2nd

**VBS**  
Sunday, July 12—July 14

**Leyton Turk’s Address**  
PVT Turk, Leyton  
B Co 3-13th INF  
4420 Jackson Blvd  
Ft. Jackson, SC 29207

He cannot receive any care packages or personal items yet.  
He would appreciate cards, letters, and PRAYERS.



We extend Christian love and sympathy to Paige Threadgill and her family at the death of her grandfather, John Alford. He passed away February 9, 2026.

**Youth Ministry News**  
Follow us on Instagram at anchoredphilly, or on Facebook at Anchored Student Ministry.



**Sundays @ 9:00 AM**  
Upstairs

**Sunday Night Youth**  
5:30 PM  
Youth House

**Wednesday Night Youth**  
6:00 PM—Youth House




You’re invited to join the youth ministry group on GroupMe! Scan the QR code.


Upcoming Events				
February 18	Ash Wednesday Service	6:00 PM	Sanctuary	
February 20	Father/Daughter Dance			
March 20-22	Kid’s Retreat (4th-6th Graders)			
July 12-14	VBS			

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Please register your attendance in the attendance pad on your pew. Then pass the attendance pad down your pew for each person to register. Please place the completed attendance sheet in the offering plate.**




**Ash Wednesday Service**  
This Wednesday, February 18th  
6:00 PM  
Sanctuary  
Life Groups, Youth, and Children will all meet together in the sanctuary.



I can think of no words that adequately convey my heartfelt thanks for everything you have done for me these past months. For the delicious food, the flowers, the gifts, the visits and most of all your prayers. I will be forever grateful. Please continue to pray as I move through the upcoming phases of this journey.

Laura Bryan

**Need a Helping Hand?**  
Minor Home Projects such as: light bulbs changed, leaking faucets, minimal electrical things, running toilets  
Contact the Church Office at 601-656-1376 or office@phillyfirstmc.org.



**6pm: Worship in the FLC**  
**6:15pm: Life Groups**

★ **Men’s Life Group**  
Leader: Mark Duncan  
Location: Library


★ **Women’s Life Group**  
Leader: Molly Breazeale  
Location: Parlor

★ **Young Adult Life Group**  
Leader: Bro. Joey Ratcliff  
Location: Seekers Room


★ **Mixed Adult Life Group**  
Leaders: Micheal & Jamie Franklin  
Location: Handbell Room upstairs

★ **Mixed Adult Life Group**  
Leaders: Eric & Ellen Prince  
Location: Cornerstone Room


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