

# 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  
\*Owen Mars Miller  
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

### 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

Our Purpose: "Living for Jesus, Loving Like Jesus"

## WELCOME!

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

## SERVING TODAY:

**FEBRUARY USHERS:** Mike Donald, Captain; Steve Smith; Steve Breland; & Craig Vowell  
**TECH ARTS:** Caleb May, Natalie May, & Richard Rea  
**COUNTERS:** Allen Hardy & Stacy Brantley  
**NURSERY:** Joyce Ervin  
**FLOWERS TODAY:** Given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Gully & Opal Yates  
**NARTHEX FLOWERS:** By: Bill & Nancy Yates  
Given to the Glory of God and in loving honor of Brielle Herring's Baptism  
By: Her Family  
Leyton Turner, Elle May  
**ACOLYTES:**

## SERVING NEXT SUNDAY:

**TECH ARTS:** Ben Hardy, Hannah Hardy, & Richard Rea  
**COUNTERS:** Thomas Tinsley & Rick Allen  
**NURSERY:** Kim Donald  
**ACOLYTES:** 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.

**John Alford Family**  
James Allred—(Angela Allen's father)  
Bob Benson—(Ben Edwards' cousin)  
Mary Louise Blanks  
Barry Boler—(Kasey Storey's dad)  
Linda Bowles—(Betty Irons/Larry Stribling's sister)  
Clinton Kase Bradford  
Renee Brantley—(Carla Martin's cousin)  
Mary Breland Family  
Laura Bryan  
Josie Byars  
Cindy Byrd  
Vicki Carroll Family  
Gary Chamblee  
Tanja Chancellor  
Virgil Clark—(Kristen Hancock's father)  
Homer Davis  
Dianne Droke  
Debra Drury  
Carolyn Durr—(Kenny McLain's mother)  
Richard Eakes  
Ben Edwards  
Michael Eichelberger  
God's Closet Prayer Requests  
Glen Goldman  
Graham Goldman  
Mary Katherine Gordon  
Dale Gray  
Mitchell Hancock  
Pat Hardage—(Mandy Dees' father)  
Pam Truhett Hemphill—(Lynda Stribling's sister)

Neil Hogan  
Bobbie Holley  
Betty Irons  
Michael Kilpatrick  
Jean Lancaster Family  
Gayle Lesley  
Ken Lewis  
Glenda Lundy  
James Mars—Neshoba Swing Bed #2204  
Vicky Marshall  
Ike Martin  
Fay West McDaniel Family  
Don McKay  
Mike McLemore—(Kim Price's uncle)  
Ian Michellelli  
Donny Page—(ICU Baptist Anderson)  
Lori Clark Porter  
Gail Rickles  
Susan Rosamond—Neshoba Nursing Home #104  
Daniel Sharp  
Ms. Pepper Simmons  
Dot Stern—Virginia West's sister  
Esther Stovall  
Glen Stribling—(Kent's brother)  
Steve Turner  
Ray Warren—(Susan Powell's dad)  
Sue Wells  
Tommy Williams  
Don Windham  
Mike Winston—(John Carr Bates' father-in-law)



## 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.

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		



## 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.

## 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

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

**Women's Life Group**  
Leader: Molly Breazeale  
Location: Parlor

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

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

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