

## Church Family Calendar

### SUNDAY, APRIL 7, 2024

8:00 AM—Sunday School of the Air—(Chris Jackson) WHOC1490 AM; 93.7 FM)  
 9:00 AM—Sunday School  
 10:00 AM—Worship—Cable Ch 7, 102.3 FM & Livestream  
 5:30 PM—Youth Meeting—(Youth House)

### MONDAY, APRIL 8, 2024

8:30 AM—Sr. Adult Exercise—(FLC)  
 1:00 PM—Card Ministry—(Library)  
 2:00 PM—Staff Meeting—(Upstairs)

### TUESDAY, APRIL 9, 2024

7:00 AM—Men's Fellowship Breakfast  
 9:00 AM—12:00 PM—God's Closet Work Day  
 11:00 AM—Women's Life Group—(Parlor)  
 5:30 PM—Chancel Choir Rehearsal  
 5:30 PM—Finance Team Meeting  
 5:30 PM—Trustees Meeting—(Parlor)

### WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10, 2024

8:30 AM—Sr. Adult Exercise—(FLC)  
 5:30 PM—Supper—(FLC)  
 5:30 PM—Youth Meeting—(Youth House)  
 6:00 PM—Children's Activities  
 6:00 PM—Adult Life Groups

### THURSDAY, APRIL 11, 2024

9:00 AM—12:00 PM - God's Closet Work Day

### FRIDAY, APRIL 12, 2024

8:30 AM—Sr. Adult Exercise—(FLC)

### SATURDAY, APRIL 13, 2024

9:00 AM—12:00 PM—God's Closet Open

## Birthdays

4/9 Molly Breazeale  
 Brayden Nicholson  
 4/10 Bobbie Holley  
 Janet Thrash  
 \*Rachel Britton  
 4/11 Joan Agent  
 \*Cecily Kate Waltman  
 4/12 Jon Byars Salter  
 \*Meagan Miller  
 4/13 Harper Hillman

## Anniversaries

4/7 Andrew & Wendy  
 Windham  
 4/8 Mark & Joy Seale  
 4/10 William & Carol Marie  
 Mars  
 4/13 Cecil & Kim Price  
 \*Kyle & Lacey  
 Stribling

\*non-resident members

**Bulletin Deadline:**  
**Wednesdays at**  
**12:00 Noon**

**Sunday,**  
**March 31, 2023**  
 Worship Attendance: 340

## 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 any 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.*

## Church Staff

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 CUSTODIAN



## Service of Celebration & Praise

### First Methodist Church

*Family Worship Sunday*

**April 7, 2024 - 10:00 a.m.**  
**Second Sunday of Easter**

## GATHERING

Prelude - "To God Be the Glory" - Organist & Pianist  
 Chiming of the Hour - Henry Chaney  
 Choral Call to Worship - "Come Into His Presence"  
 Welcome & Announcements - Monica Adams

## PRAISE AND THANKSGIVING

\*Hymn Praise - "Glory to His Name"  
 \*Affirmation of Faith No. 881 - "The Apostles' Creed" - Ken Turner  
 Pastoral Prayer - Rev. Dr. Tommy Jennings  
 Hymn - "In Christ Alone"

## TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory Prayer - Rev. Dr. Tommy Jennings  
 Offertory Anthem - "Here I Am to Worship" - Carter Franklin  
 Kenny Hillman, guitar; Allen Hardy, drums  
 \*Doxology - No. 95

## PROCLAMATION

Scripture Reading - I John 1:5—2:2 - Hugh Taylor Chaney  
 Sermon - "Having Heard" - Rev. Dr. Tommy Jennings

## SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

A Service of Word and Table - Page 12  
 Communion Hymns - "The Nail Scarred Hands" - Choir  
 No. 467 - "When We Walk With the Lord, Trust and Obey"

## SENDING FORTH

\*Benediction - Rev. Dr. Tommy Jennings  
 \*Postlude - "The Blood Will Never Lose Its Power" - Organist & Pianist

*\*Please stand as you are able.*

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

## Wednesday Meal Sign-up

5:30 PM

Family Life Center

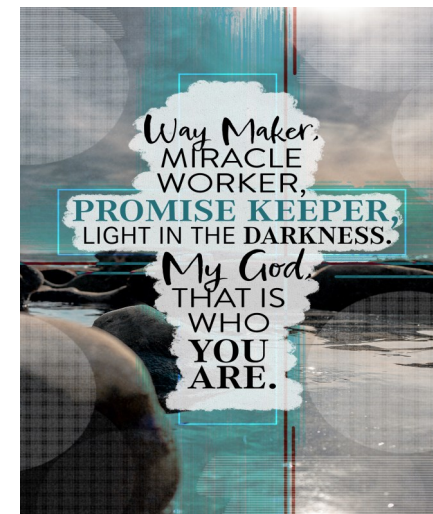
**Menu:** Pork Chops, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Roll

**Cost:** \$5.00-6th grade and under; \$8.00—adults/youth

Sign up below, tear off, and place in the offering plate. To cancel and avoid being charged, please call the church office by 5PM on Mondays. Deadline to sign up is 5PM on Mondays.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Adults/Youth \_\_\_\_\_ Kids \_\_\_\_\_

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



## God's Closet

**April Items of the Month: Socks, Erasers**

There is a box for these items in the Family Life Center.

Volunteers for April 13: Holy Cross (Debby Curran) & Joyce Ervin

**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:

**USHERS:** Kent Stribling, Captain; Kip Turner; Dewayne Sharp; & Bruce Threadgill

**TECH ARTS:** Caleb May, Natalie May, Richard Rea

**COUNTERS:** David Vowell & Drew Breland

**NURSERY:** Carla Martin

**FLOWERS :** Given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of W. F. and Dorothy Shrock and Dudley Donald  
By: Dr. & Mrs. Mike Shrock, Carrie, Wesley, Ella Kate, & Leyton Michael Haggard, and David, Brittany, Silas, Shepherd & Eden Shrock

**ACOLYTES:** Kellan Posey, Leyton Haggard

### SERVING NEXT SUNDAY:

**TECH ARTS:** Ben Hardy, Hannah Hardy, Richard Rea

**COUNTERS:** Allen Hardy & Andy King

**NURSERY:** Molly Breazeale

### SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES FOR EVERY AGE:

**3k–2nd:** Upstairs Room # 25  
**3rd–6th:** Upstairs Room # 23C  
**Youth 7th–12th:** Upstairs Room # 23D  
**Adult Classes Available:**  
**Cornerstone Group:** Cornerstone Room across from Parlor; Led by Stanley Salter  
**Adult Fellowship Group:** The Parlor; Led by Bill Molpus  
**Friendship Group:** The Library; Led by Kent Moore  
**Seekers Group:** Seekers Room; *The Easter Experience* by Kyle Idleman

## 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.*

|   |  |
|---|--|
| Mary Marshall                                       | Bernard Manning—(Hope's husband)                 |
| Kim McClain   | Jessica McCoy                                    |
| Lorrie Ponder—(Claire Stokes' mother)               | Amanda McKenzie—(Mary Louise niece)              |
| Brandy Taggart                                      | Krissi Munn                                      |
| Laurie Abraham—(Sue Ellen Smith's sister)           | Charlotte Nicholson                              |
| Forrest Bridges—Neshoba Swing Bed                   | Preston Nickle—(Mary Louise Blanks' brother)     |
| Linda Bowles—(Betty Irons/Larry Stribling's sister) | Tom & Nan Norton—(William Latimer's sister)      |
| Benny Buggs—(Valeria Prince's father)               | Virna Nowell—(Janice Williamson's sister-in-law) |
| Cam Carothers—(Charles Burnside's great-nephew)     | Jean O'Mire—(Gayle Lesley's mother)              |
| Wanda Newell Campbell family                        | Uhl Payne  |
| James Chaney  | Josh Ray   |
| Mabree Chunn  | Susan Rosamond                                   |
| Heather Coker—(Rhonda Thomas' niece)                | Judy Sharp                                       |
| Sellers Cole  | Ms. Pepper Simmons                               |
| Shirley Cox   | Leslie Sirmon                                    |
| Tonya Culpepper                                     | Ron Smith  |
| Herman Cumberland—(Shirley Cox's brother-in-law)    | Sam Allen Smith                                  |
| Diane Droke   | Ella Spinks                                      |
| Jim Duncan—Neshoba Swing Bed Room 150               | Shane Stanton—(Allen Hardy's nephew)             |
| Ben Edwards   | Glen Stribling—(Kent's brother)                  |
| George Fairley                                      | Jim Thompson                                     |
| God's Closet Prayer Requests                        | Matt Tucker                                      |
| Barbara Henson                                      | Kay Warren—(Susan Powell's step-mother)          |
| Neil Hogan  | Sue Wells  |
| Bro. John Jones                                     | Max West—MS Veterans Home B Wing 1322            |
| Chuck Kilpatrick—(Kay's brother)                    | Rayford Williamson— Atwood, Room D-3             |
| Jackie Long—Neshoba Nursing Home #126               | Don Windham                                      |
| Donna Luke  |  |



## Children's News

Like our page on Facebook: philly-fumckids  
Join our Remind messages:  
Text @childminjb to 88101

**Wednesday Night Kids**  
6:00 p.m.

**Children's Sabbath**  
Sunday, April 21st  
10:00 AM

**Confirmation Practice**  
Wednesday, April 24th  
5:00 PM

**Confirmation Sunday**  
Sunday, April 28th



## Youth Ministry News

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

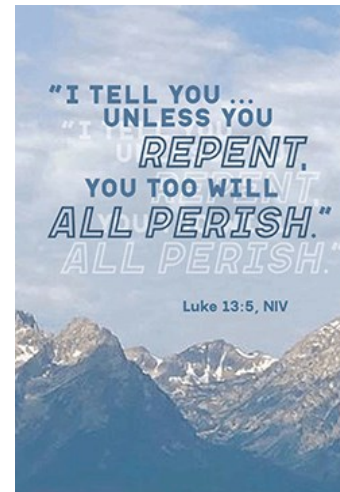
**Sunday Night Youth**  
5:30 PM  
Youth House

**Wednesday Night Youth**  
5:30-7:00 PM  
Youth House

**Meal Sign-up**  
on the church's website—phillyfirstmc.org

## Honorarium Given to God's Closet

Tullahoma, Tennessee Methodist Church Mission Team gave an honorarium to God's Closet for our help on their journey.



## Upcoming Events

|          |                         |          |            |
|----------|-------------------------|----------|------------|
| April 9  | Finance Team Meeting    | 5:30 PM  | Seekers Rm |
|          | Trustees Meeting        | 5:30 PM  | Parlor     |
| April 15 | Leadership Team Meeting | 5:30 PM  | FLC        |
| April 16 | Missions Team Meeting   | 5:30 PM  | Parlor     |
| April 21 | Children's Sabbath      | 10:00 AM | Sanctuary  |
| April 28 | Confirmation Sunday     | 10:00 AM | Sanctuary  |

## 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.*

The rosebud is placed on the alter by Shirley Cox and Frances Marshall in honor of their great-grandson, Coleman Archer Cox. He was born April 2, 2024. He weighed 9 pounds 4 ounces and was 21 inches long. He is the son of Marshall and Gina Cox of Memphis. He is the grandson of Tommy and LeeAnne Cox and Richard and Meg Goorley. He is also the great-grandson of the late Tom Wallace Cox and the late Ben Marshall.



## Card Ministry Meeting

Tomorrow, April 8  
1:00 PM  
Library



Tuesdays at 7:00 AM  
Our Hometown Restaurant

## Trustees Meeting

Tuesday, April 9th  
5:30 PM  
Parlor

## Finance Team Meeting

Tuesday, April 9th  
5:30 PM  
Seekers Sunday School Room

### Next Week

## Leadership Team Meeting

Next Monday, April 15th  
5:30 PM  
Family Life Center

## Missions Team Meeting

Tuesday, April 16th  
5:30 PM  
Parlor

## Connect With Us

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