

Church Family Calendar

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2025

8:00 AM—Sunday School of the Air—
(Chris Jackson) WHOC 1490 AM; 93.7 FM)
9:00 AM—Sunday School
9:30 AM—Pre-School Choir Practice—Sanctuary
10:00 AM—Worship, Cable Ch 7, 102.3 FM &
Livestream)

4:30-6:30 PM—Charge Conference
5:30 PM—Fall Festival

MONDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2025

8:30 AM—Sr. Adult Exercise—(FLC)
1:00 PM—Card Ministry Team Meeting

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2025

9:00 AM—12:00 PM—God’s Closet Work Day
10:30 AM—Bible Seekers Ladies Small Group
1:00 PM—Wed. Night Praise Team Practice
1:30 PM—Mission Work Day—(FLC)
1:45 PM—Staff Meeting—(Library)
4:30 PM—Handbell Rehearsal
5:15 PM—Chancel Choir Practice

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2025

8:30 AM—Sr. Adult Exercise - (FLC)
5:00 PM—Supper

5:30 PM—Liturgical Dance
6:00 PM—Worship—(Sanctuary)

6:15 PM—Kid’s Small Groups
6:15 PM—Youth Small Groups
6:15 PM—Adult Small Groups

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 30, 2025

9:00 AM—12:00 PM—God’s Closet Work Day
6:00-7:00 PM—Young Adult Fellowship

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 31, 2025

8:30 AM—Sr. Adult Exercise - (FLC)

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 2025

9:00 AM—12:00 PM—God’s Closet Open

Birthdays

10/26 *Austin Smith
10/28 Acie Posey
10/29 Courtney Klootwyk
10/30 Wendy Hines
10/31 Caroline Willis
11/1 Monty Lang
*Hailey Waddell

Anniversaries

10/29 Stuart & Kay Duett
*Allen & Summer Hines

*non-resident members

Sunday,
October 19 , 2025

Sunday School: 48
Worship Attendance: 136

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. 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
October 26, 2025 - 10:00 a.m.

Prelude - O God, Our Help in Ages Past” - Organist & Pianist

Welcome and Opening Prayer - Ken Turner

*Hymn Medley of Praise No. 110 - “A Mighty Fortress Is Our God” -
vs 1 & 4
“Ancient Words”

(Children ages 3yrs old-3rd grade exit for Children’s Church upstairs.)
Mission Moment - Leah Jarrell

Hymn - “As the Deer” vs. 1
Pastoral Prayer - Rev. Joey Ratcliff

Offertory Anthem - “Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah”- Chancel Choir
*Doxology - “Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow”

Sermon - Rev. Joey Ratcliff

*Closing Hymn - “My Faith Has Found A Resting Place”
*Benediction - Rev. Joey Ratcliff
*Postlude - Organist

*Please stand as you are able.

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

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



October Quarter Challenge: Quarter tubes are at the East and West entrances of the education building. Please pick them up, fill them up, bring back and pick up some more! You can put the filled tubes in the offering plate or bring by the church office.
The Missions Team prepares for 400 boxes.

Pack A Shoebox with Your Family: Shoeboxes are available at the East and West education building entrances for you to take home and pack.
Remember to put the \$10 shipping fee inside your box and bring it to the packing party on November 12.

Wednesday Meal Sign-up

Wednesday Meals are catered by Tootie’s Restaurant.

Serving begins at 5:00 p.m.

Deadline to sign up is 3:00 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; \$6.00 Kids; \$25.00—Family Maximum

Menu: Chicken Tenders, Original Mac and Cheese, Butterbeans, Rolls, Dessert

Name: _____Adults _____ Youth _____ Kids _____



God’s Closet is in need of Younger Children’s
Socks, both long and ankle socks

Please drop them in the Storage Container in the FLC.
Thanks!!

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:
OCTOBER USHERS: Eric Prince, Captain; Al Posey; Ike Martin;
TECH ARTS: Wade White, Richard Eakes, Richard Rea
COUNTERS: Evelyn Agent & Rick Allen
NURSERY: Kim Donald
FLOWERS TODAY : Given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of
Tom Wallace & Shirley Cox, Mr. & Mrs. Bailey Webb,
Mr. & Mrs. Less Cox, and James B. Cox
By: Tom & Shirley Cox Family
ACOLYTES: Luke White, Jude Ratcliff

SERVING NEXT SUNDAY :
TECH ARTS: Caleb May, Natalie May, & Richard Rea
COUNTERS: Stacy Brantley & Leigh Allyn White
NURSERY: Carla Martin
ACOLYTES: Hugh Taylor Chaney, Lexie Hardy
SUNDAY SCHOOL OF THE AIR: Hannah Hardy

Fall Handbell Choir
Rehearsals: Tuesdays at 4:30 p.m.

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.

- Josie Byars

Tanja Chancellor—ICU Rush

Cecil Price

Sherrel “Hoot” Tingle—Mike’s father—Rush

Mike Winston—(John Carr Bates’ father-in-law)

James Allred—(Angela Allen’s father)

Gaston Barrett

Barry Boler—(Kasey Boler Storey’s dad)

Linda Bowles—(Betty Irons/Larry Stribling’s sister)

Renee Brantley—(Carla Martin’s cousin)

Bob Breland—Baptist Leake, Room 102

Harold Carleton—(Sue Ellen Smith’s dad) -
(Baptist Hospital-Jackson)

Virgil Clark—(Kristen Hancock’s father)

Debra Drury

Carolyn Durr—(Kenny McLain’s mother)

Ben Edwards

Elizabeth Edwards

Michael Eichelberger—ICU @ Rush

God’s Closet Prayer Requests

Graham Goldman

Mary Katherine Gordon

Dale Gray

Pat Hardage—(Mandy Dees dad)

Pam Truhett Hemphill—(Lynda Stribling’s sister)

Cole Hodgins—(Haley Turner’s brother)

Neil Hogan

Bobbie Holley
- Betty Irons

Betty Kilgore

Mike McLemore—(Kim Price’s uncle)

Ian Michelletti

Jackson O'Donnell

James Thomas O'Donnell

Jean O’Mire—(Gayle Lesley’s mother) -
Neshoba Nursing Home #228A

Charles Ponder

Mark Powell

Conner Price—Regency, Room 211

Gail Rickles

Nell Rogers

Susan Rosamond—Neshoba Nursing Home #104

Daniel Sharp

Janie Shaw

Ms. Pepper Simmons

Glen Stribling—(Kent’s brother)

Carolyn Tingle Family

Steve Turner

2 Unspoken

David Vowell

Cindy Weldy—Neshoba Swing Bed #125—
(Kay Salter’s sister)

Sue Wells

Tommy Williams

Don Windham



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.





Liturgical Dance
Liturgical Dance Practice
Wednesdays at 5:30 PM
1st—4th grade girls
In the Upstairs Handbell Room



Youth Ministry News

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

Youth Sunday School
9:00 AM—Youth SS Room Upstairs

Sunday Night Youth
Fall Festival Tonight

Wednesday Night Small Groups
6:00—Worship in Sanctuary
6:15—Small Groups @ Youth House



Students, Parents, & Volunteers
are invited to join the youth ministry group on GroupMe! Scan the QR code to join.



OCTOBER IS PASTOR APPRECIATION MONTH

Upcoming Events			
October 26	Charge Conference	4:30-6:30 PM	Covenant Methodist
October 26	Fall Fest	5:30 PM	Parking Lot
October 27	Card Ministry Team Meeting	1:00 PM	Library
October 28	Missions Work Day	1:00 PM	FLC
October 30	Young Adult Fellowship Kick-off	6-7:00 PM	The Junction Deli
November 2	All Saints Sunday	10:00 AM	Sanctuary
November 9	Veteran’s Recognition Sunday	10:00 AM	Sanctuary
November 12	Shoebox Packing	6:00 PM	Gym
November 23	Decorate the Sanctuary	11:00 AM	
November 27	Thanksgiving Day/Church Office & Day Care Closed		
November 28	Church Office & Day Care Closed		
December 7	Kid’s Leading Family Worship	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.



Grief Group Meeting
Meets in the Family Life Center. Meeting times vary.
Please contact Melody Vowell at 601-416-1194 if interested in joining the group.

Missions Work Day: Tuesday, Oct. 21 @ 1:30 PM—FLC

Young Adult Fellowship Kick-off
Thursdays from 6:00-7:00 PM @ Main Street Junction Deli
October 30 through November 20

Charge Conference: Sunday, October 26th 4:30-6:30
Covenant Church, 4223 Poplar Springs Dr., Meridian, MS

All Saints Sunday: Next Sunday, November 2nd
We will recognize our members who have passed away during the past year.
The following will be recognized:
Stanley Salter, Joan Agent, Jo Lynn Parker, Max West, Glenda Green, Mike Lesley, and Shirley Cox.

Veteran’s Recognition Sunday: November 9
Please call or email the church office by Wednesday, November 5 if you are a veteran so we can include your name on the list of veterans printed in the bulletin.

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