ANNOUNCEMENTS

Women's Christmas Tea • Saturday, December 6

Come & See...Just as the shepherds were invited by the angel to come see baby Jesus, we are invited to come and see the good news of Jesus, our Savior! The Women's Christmas Tea is Saturday, Dec. 6th at 2 p.m. All women and young ladies ages 8+ are welcome. Our special speaker this year is Cay Evans. Sign up to attend in the narthex or online at https://bit.ly/2025ppcregister4christmastea.



Eagles • Friday, December 12

Eagles, our monthly gathering for seniors, will meet on Friday, December 12 at 10 a.m. in the fellowship hall. We look forward to hearing from Nate Shannon. Contact Dan Brubaker (danbru2805@gmail.com) for more information.

Concert: Carols in Candlelight • Sunday, December 14

An evening of warmth and wonder with Proclamation's adult, children's & handbell choirs with festival orchestra, performing favorite Christmas carols amid serene candlelight. The free concert will begin at 5:00 p.m. Invite neighbors and friends!

Church Update

The Session has approved job descriptions for two new pastoral positions as part of our continued vision for ministry growth. These positions have been posted on the church website and submitted to the PCA job board. Please join us in praying that God would lead the right candidates to serve our church faithfully.

Tabletalk

December issues of *Tabletalk* have arrived. Pick up a free copy in the narthex today!

Christmas Decorating

Thanks to all these folks who came out to decorate the church. We couldn't have done it without them. Thanks to Lindsay McGowen, Marissa Ellsworth, Rebekah Baker, Fran Wilkens, Kathy Daniels, Jane Manns, Stephen Frankel, Tom Amhrein, Jeff Kiesel, Glenn Seeger, Jeff Firges, Daniel Foster, Kerrick Sullivan, Chiedu Nwozo, Tom Fountain, Carol Johnston, Sarah Keating, Emily Keating, Caroline Keating, Julianne Kelly, Kathleen Kelly, and Natalie Kelly.

HIM WE PROCLAIM

Proclamation is a Bible-centered, Christ-focused, confessional Presbyterian church serving the western suburbs of Philadelphia. We are convinced the ordinary means of grace—the Word, prayer, sacraments, and fellowship—are the primary means God uses to convert and grow His people into conformity with His Son. Toward that end, we are committed to:

- Expositional preaching of the inerrant Word of God
- Reverent and joyful worship of our glorious Triune God
- Fellowship with God in prayer as we intercede for his kingdom to come
- Redemptive community within the body of Christ
- Cultivating a heart of compassion for the lost in our community and around the world

ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS AT PROCLAMATION

First Sunday of Advent | November 30

Join us for morning and evening worship (10:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.) on the four Sundays before Christmas. We will spend this season reflecting on Christ's first coming and anticipating his second.

Women's Christmas Tea | December 6

Women and young ladies 8+ gather for our annual festive gathering to enjoy food and fellowship.

Sunday School | December 7 and 14

Study the Christmas story within combined Sunday School Classes.

No Sunday School or Nursery on December 21 and 28

Christmas Concert | December 14

Proclamation's adult, children's and handbell choirs, along with orchestra, present *Carol's in Candlelight*, a program of familiar carols in new settings.

Christmas Eve Service | December 24

Gather for worship at 5:00 p.m. for a candlelight service with choir and string quartet, singing and prayer, and a message by Rev. Dr. John Currie.

First Sunday of Christmastide | December 28

Worship our Savior, Christ the Lord, alongside other believers at 10:30 a.m.

We will not gather for evening worship on December 28



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Wednesday, November 26th, 2025



THANKSGIVING EVE

November 26th, 2025 7:00 p.m.

Antonio Ayala, *preaching* Rev. Dr. John Currie, *assisting* Mike Harnish, *reading*

Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever.

— Psalm 136:1

PRELUDE

Andy Heller, organ

Now Thank We All Our God arr. Wilbur Held We Gather Together arr. Matthew Corl

WELCOME

Rev. Dr. John Currie, senior pastor

CALL TO WORSHIP*

Psalm 107:1-3

INVOCATION*

HYMN Nº 715*

Come, Ye Thankful People, Come

THANKSGIVING FOR GOD'S ADOPTION

Romans 8:6-17

To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. For the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God, for it does not submit to God's law; indeed, it cannot. Those who are in the flesh cannot please God. You, however, are not in the flesh but in the Spirit, if in fact the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. But if Christ is in you, although the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through his Spirit who dwells in you.

So then, brothers, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh. For if you live according to the flesh you will die, but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. For all who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God. For you did not receive the spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received the Spirit of adoption as sons, by whom we cry, "Abba! Father!" The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs—heirs of God and fellow

heirs with Christ, provided we suffer with him in order that we may also be glorified with him.

HYMN Nº 252*

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

THANKSGIVING FOR VOCATION

Ecclesiastes 3:1-13

For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven: a time to be born, and a time to die; a time to plant, and a time to pluck up what is planted; a time to kill, and a time to heal; a time to break down, and a time to build up; a time to weep, and a time to laugh; a time to mourn, and a time to dance; a time to cast away stones, and a time to gather stones together; a time to embrace, and a time to refrain from embracing; a time to seek, and a time to lose; a time to keep, and a time to cast away; a time to tear, and a time to sew; a time to keep silence, and a time to speak; a time to love, and a time to hate; a time for war, and a time for peace.

What gain has the worker from his toil? II have seen the business that God has given to the children of man to be busy with. He has made everything beautiful in its time. Also, he has put eternity into man's heart, yet so that he cannot find out what God has done from the beginning to the end. I perceived that there is nothing better for them than to be joyful and to do good as long as they live; also that everyone should eat and drink and take pleasure in all his toil—this is God's gift to man.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

THANKSGIVING FOR COUNTRY AND SAFETY

Proverbs 3:19-26

The Lord by wisdom founded the earth; by understanding he established the heavens; by his knowledge the deeps broke open, and the clouds drop down the dew. My son, do not lose sight of these—keep sound wisdom and discretion, and they will be life for your soul and adornment for your neck. Then you will walk on your way securely, and your foot will not stumble. If you lie down, you will not be afraid; when you lie down, your sleep will be sweet. Do not be afraid of sudden terror or of the ruin of the wicked, when it comes, for the Lord will be your confidence and will keep your foot from being caught.

HYMN Nº 710*

God of Our Fathers

THANKSGIVING FOR FAMILY AND FRIENDS

Psalm 133:1-3

Behold, how good and pleasant it is when brothers dwell in unity! It is like the precious oil on the head, running down on the beard, on the beard of Aaron, running down on the collar of his robes! It is like the dew of Hermon, which falls on the mountains of Zion! For there the Lord has commanded the blessing, life forevermore.

HYMN Nº 116*

For the Beauty of the Earth

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

THANKSGIVING FOR THE CHURCH

Romans 12:4-18

For as in one body we have many members, and the members do not all have the same function, so we, though many, are one body in Christ, and individually members one of another. Having gifts that differ according to the grace given to us, let us use them: if prophecy, in proportion to our faith; if service, in our serving; the one who teaches, in his teaching; the one who exhorts, in his exhortation; the one who contributes, in generosity; the one who leads, with zeal; the one who does acts of mercy, with cheerfulness. Let love be genuine. Abhor what is evil; hold fast to what is good. Love one another with brotherly affection. Outdo one another in showing honor. Do not be slothful in zeal, be fervent in spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints and seek to show hospitality. Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. Live in harmony with one another. Do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly. Never be wise in your own sight. Repay no one evil for evil, but give thought to do what is honorable in the sight of all. If possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all.

HYMN Nº 353*

I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord

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In the Wilderness Psalm 95, pg. 499

TESTIMONIES OF GOD'S FAITHFULNESS TO OUR CHURCH

HYMN No 32*

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

BENEDICTION*

POSTLUDE

Andy Heller, organ

Old Hundredth arr. Piet Post



After the service, take a moment to greet those around you; especially those you may not know. We want to welcome everyone with the love of Christ and the grace of the Spirit, in the name of the Lord.

Join us Sunday at 10:30 a.m. Rev. Dr. John Currie preaching