

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## Children’s Ministry Parent Orientation • September 2nd

As we prepare to kick off our 2025/26 Ministry Year, we invite parents to attend our Parent Orientation Zoom call this Tuesday, from 7-8 p.m. We will be going over our children’s offerings for the year, covering everything from Children’s Music to Sunday School to Wednesday nights. Please RSVP at <https://bit.ly/PPCCMZoom> to receive the Zoom link.

## Youth Group Kick Off • September 6th

All families of youth group students (6th-12th grade) are invited to our Youth Group Kick-Off on September 6th, at 5:00 p.m. here at the church. It will be a time of food, fun, and fellowship as we reconnect and gear up for the new ministry season. Main entree and drinks will be provided. RSVP link includes a sign-up to bring a side, salad, or dessert. RSVP here: <https://bit.ly/2025PPCyouthkickoff>

## Installation Service and Reception • September 7th

We are excited to welcome a commission from the Philadelphia Metro West Presbytery next Sunday, at 5 p.m. for the installation of Rev. Dr. John Currie as our senior pastor. This joyful evening will include worship, preaching by Rev. Dr. Dave Garner, charges from Rev. Rob Looper and Rev. Jeremy Johnson, and a celebratory reception afterward—please bring a dessert or hors d’oeuvres to share. Mark your calendars and join us in prayer for this important moment in our church’s life. Reception sign up: <https://bit.ly/PPCcurriereception>

## Fall Sunday School • September 7th

This fall, Proclamation is launching a new approach to Adult Sunday School as part of our focus on equipping and discipleship. We’re introducing four levels of courses—Loving God (100), Loving Others (200), Serving Others (300), and Leading Others (400)—designed to support your growth in Christian maturity year after year. Each year, all levels will be offered, and you’re encouraged to choose the one that best fits your current season of life. Whether you move through the levels over time or jump into a specific area of interest, the structure is designed for both clarity and flexibility. Core courses will repeat annually, while electives will rotate, creating a consistent yet dynamic discipleship pathway for our church family.

## Family Night Sign Up

Wednesday Family Night includes discipleship for the entire covenant family. Our goal is to provide saving and sanctifying discipleship in a safe and welcoming environment. We offer Children’s Music, Trail Life, Girls of Grace, and Youth Group so that we can invest in two decades of discipleship of our covenant children. In order to help those ministries for our covenant children prepare for September, if you intend on bringing your children or youth to one of our ministries, please register them at <https://bit.ly/PPCWedPM>. If you have any questions about the form or registering, please reach out to us at [info@proclamation.org](mailto:info@proclamation.org).

## Women’s Fall Bible Study

Please join the women of Proclamation in our study of Titus. This study aims to lead us to put into practice what we learned from Acts, that in everything we will adorn the gospel of God our savior. Women’s studies begin on September 10 from 9:15-11:00 a.m. and 7-8:30 p.m. Please contact Brenda Sbraccia or Minda Garner if you have any questions.

# THIS WEEK AT PROCLAMATION

## Sunday:

- 9:00 a.m. Korean Worship in the Beechwood Chapel
- 9:30 a.m. Prayer Meeting
- 10:30 a.m. English Worship
- 10:30 a.m. Japanese Worship in room 243/245
- 5:00 p.m. Evening Worship

## Monday:

Church Office Closed

## Tuesday:

- 7:00 a.m. Women’s Prayer Call

## Wednesday:

- 7:00 a.m. Zoom Prayer Meeting
- 9:00 a.m. ESL Screening
- 6:00 p.m. ESL Screening
- 7:00 p.m. ESL Teacher Training
- 7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir

## Thursday:

## Friday:

- 9:00 a.m. Women’s Prayer Call

## Saturday:

- 8:30 a.m. Choir Retreat
- 9:00 a.m. Men’s Bible Study
- 5:00 p.m. Youth Group Kickoff

For more information contact [info@proclamation.org](mailto:info@proclamation.org) or visit our website: [www.proclamation.org](http://www.proclamation.org)

## INSTALLATION OF REV. DR. JOHN CURRIE

Make plans to worship and celebrate with us at 5:00 p.m. on September 7<sup>th</sup> as we install Rev. Dr. John Currie as our new senior pastor. A light reception will follow in the fellowship hall downstairs. Reception sign up: <https://bit.ly/PPCcurriereception>.

*Proclamation desires, by the grace of God, to see disciples multiplied, matured, and mobilized in this generation and the next, to live for Christ in the church, in families, and in the world, and to lead for Christ in the vocation to which he calls them, all to the glory of God.*

## PROCLAMATION PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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# PROCLAMATION

## PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

*A congregation of the Presbyterian Church in America*

*Sunday, August 31<sup>st</sup>, 2025*



MORNING WORSHIP  
TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

August 31<sup>st</sup>, 2025  
10:30 a.m.

Rev. Dr. Dave Garner, *preaching*  
Rev. Jeremy Johnson, *assisting*

PRELUDE Dr. Ryan Kelly, *organ*

WELCOME Rev. Jeremy Johnson, *executive pastor*

MINISTRY MOMENT Antonio Ayala, *director of children and youth*

RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP\* Psalm 30:4, 11-12

Minister: Sing praises to the Lord, O you his saints, and give thanks to his holy name.

Congregation: You have turned for me my mourning into dancing; you have loosed my sackcloth and clothed me with gladness, that my glory may sing your praise and not be silent. O Lord my God, I will give thanks forever!

INVOCATION\*

HYMN N<sup>o</sup> 296\* All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!

DECLARATION OF FAITH\* Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father; by whom all things were made; who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried; and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father; and he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the living and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.

And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets; and we believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church; we acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins; and we look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

\* Please stand.

HYMN N<sup>o</sup> 14\* New Songs of Celebration Render

CONFESSION OF SIN Matthew 9:13

ASSURANCE OF PARDON Acts 10:43

OFFERTORY Caleb Thompson, *violin*

Allegretto ben moderato (*Sonate pour violin et piano*)  
César Franck

SCRIPTURE READING\* Mike Harnish, *elder*

Isaiah 41:1-20, *pg. 601*

HYMN\* Fear Not, My Soul



1. Fear not, my soul, for God is with you,  
2. Fear not, my child, for God will calm you,  
3. Fear not, my sis - ter, God will save you,  
4. Fear not, my bro - ther, God will fill you,  
5. Fear not, my friend, for God will lead you,  
6. Fear not, though suff - 'ring oft be near us



watch - ing ev - er o'er his own.  
as he stilled the storm - y sea.  
as he res - cued Is - ra - el.  
as he fed five thou - sand men.  
as he led his peo - ple past.  
Je - sus Christ is near - er still.



The Lord of all stays near be - side you,  
For he who once walked on the wa - ter,  
From fier - y ser - pents he'll pro - tect you,  
If he sus - tains the ti - ny spar - rows,  
Through a - rid, fam - ished lands he'll guide you  
Through trou - bles, tor - ments, tears, he'll bring us,



leaves you ne'er to walk a - lone.  
through life's floods, your raft will be.  
from the foul - est fiends of Hell.  
how much more to you he'll send!  
till he brings you home at last.  
and our hearts with com - fort fill.

Words and Music: Gideon Whitehead

PASTORAL PRAYER

SERMON Rev. Dr. Dave Garner, *guest preacher*

*Behold, Your Salvation*  
1 Corinthians 1:30-31, pg. 952

HYMN N<sup>o</sup> 498\* Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners!

BENEDICTION\*

POSTLUDE Dr. Ryan Kelly, *organ*



Mike Harnish will be available to pray with you at the front right of the sanctuary.

Joyce Wik and Susan Wambua will be available to pray with women at the front left of the sanctuary.

Join us tonight at 5:00 p.m. for our evening service

Rev. Jeremy Johnson preaching

*That You May Know*

1 John 5:13-21

*Thank you to Rev. Dr. Dave Garner for preaching the remainder of August. Dave is the Chief Academic Officer, Vice President of Global Ministries, and Charles Krahe Professor of Systematic Theology at Westminster Theological Seminary.*

#### Music Ministry Opportunities

We welcome back our Chancel Choir next Sunday as they begin again leading worship music at the start of our ministry season. All our ensembles including the Chancel Choir (high school-adult), Orchestra (high school-adult and youth), handbell choirs for all ages and abilities, and graded children's choirs regularly lead in worship. They rehearse to become better singers and players—not only for their own sake, but also to better encourage and lead the congregation in their worship—and we encourage our children and youth to participate in the graded choirs and ensembles, so that they may grow as worshipers from a young age. As our congregation sings hymns old and new in worship, and our ensembles refine their techniques in rehearsal, we hope our musical worship continues to grow in faithfulness and fervency as we make melody to God. New participants are very welcome.

- Chancel Choir (9th grade-adult), rehearses on Wednesday evenings from 7-8:30 p.m. (contact Ryan Kelly, [ryan@proclamation.org](mailto:ryan@proclamation.org)).
- Orchestra (9th grade-adult) rehearses and plays in worship once a month on Sunday mornings (contact Caleb Thompson, [caleb@proclamation.org](mailto:caleb@proclamation.org)). Pre-high school instrumental musicians are invited to play with Sinfonia, a youth ensemble that occasionally plays on Sunday mornings and evenings.
- Handbell choirs (4th grade-adult) rehearse on Wednesday evenings (contact Caleb Thompson, [caleb@proclamation.org](mailto:caleb@proclamation.org)).
- Children's choirs (pre-K-8th grade) rehearse on Wednesday evenings (contact Ruth Thompson, [ruth@proclamation.org](mailto:ruth@proclamation.org)).