

Welcome to Philadelphia UMC

September 10, 2023

Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost
Homecoming Today!

PRELUDE
WORDS OF WELCOME

"Precious Memories Homecoming Reflection" Chancel Choir

HYMN *"The Church in the Wildwood"* Insert

THE APOSTLES' CREED UMH #881

**I believe in God the Father Almighty,
maker of Heaven and Earth;
And in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead and buried;
the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection
of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

***GLORIA PATRI "Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen."**

CHILDRENS MOMENT/BIRTHDAY RECOGNITION

OLD TESTAMENT Isaiah 34:16-17 Peggy Sandifer

PRAYERS, PRAISE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER
Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

SPECIAL MUSIC *"I Then Shall Live"* Chancel Choir

TITHES AND OFFERINGS
*THE DOXOLOGY

UMH #95

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION (in unison)
Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of our hearts be acceptable in your sight, O Lord, our Rock and Redeemer. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING Luke 15:11-32
SERMON Rev. Emily Sutton
Executive Director Bethel Shelter, Pastor Bethel UMC, Rock Hill, SC

HYMN *"We Thank You for Your Blessings"* Insert
(The altar is always open for prayer.)

*THE BENEDICTION *"God Be With You Till We Meet Again"*

*THE POSTLUDE
**Those who are able, please stand.*



Happy Birthday Philadelphia UMC - 185 Years! October 28, 1837, our church was organized and acquired the first land. Today we celebrate Homecoming! We worship God as we sense the presence of a great cloud of witnesses around us. We stand in the tradition of United Methodists whose faith sent them, like the early Church, with the good news of Christ. It is a heritage of many cultures, times, places, drawn together in one body by the one Spirit who is the Giver of life. Welcome HOME to worship with us today! Homecoming lunch following service! All are welcome!

Chancel Choir - Thank you for the wonderful musical gift today! We love you!

Reminder: Masks are in the front vestibule and available for use while inside the buildings.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome to Worship at Philadelphia United Methodist Church!
 We are delighted you have chosen to worship with us this morning!

The flowers in the Sanctuary today are placed in loving memory of Jim Sandifer & the Lundgren Family by Peggy Sandifer and family, and Jim & Betty Miskelly by their family.

Opportunities This Week

Today	Homecoming Worship followed by picnic lunch Cemetery Association Meeting	11:00am 1:30pm
Monday	Yoga/Pilates	4:00pm
Tuesday	AA	7:00pm
Wednesday	Bible Study	6:30pm
Thursday	Yoga/Pilates	4:00pm
Friday	AA	7:00pm

Upcoming Events

- September 17th – 9:30am, C3
4:00pm, York-Clover Cluster Youth Event @ Camp Cherokee
- September 23rd – 4:00pm, York-Clover Cluster Sr. Dinner @ St. James UMC
- September 24th - 4:45pm, Church Council Meeting

“**The Wesley Challenge**” Fall Bible Study, Wednesday evenings 6:30pm-7:45pm
 Aug 30th, Sept 13th, 20th, 27th, Oct 11th, 18th, 25th

Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) meets in the Fellowship Hall at Philadelphia UMC on Tuesdays and Fridays each week at 7:00pm.

Yoga/Pilates classes are offered each week on Mondays and Thursdays at 4:00pm in the Fellowship Hall at Philadelphia UMC. There is a \$5 charge per class.

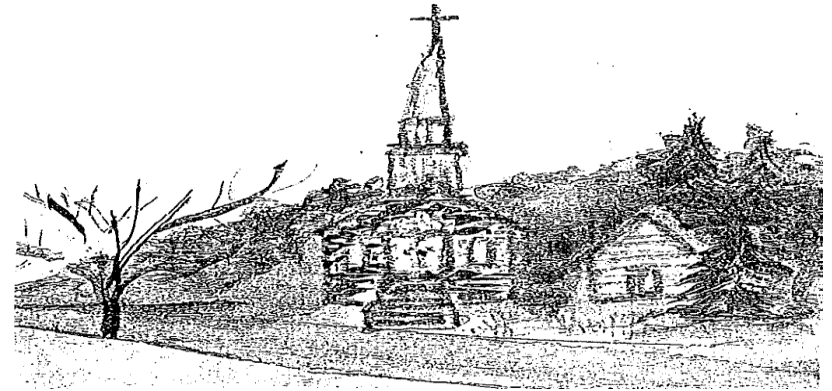
GIVING – Philadelphia UMC provides Online Giving – a convenient and safe way to make a one-time or recurring tithes and offerings. Visit our website, www.philadelphiayork.org, and click our Online Giving link.

2023 Weekly Budget Needs \$1,938.00 Received 9/3/2023 \$2,034.00

	<u>September 10th</u>	<u>September 17th</u>
Liturgist	Peggy Sandifer	Joan Powell
Ushers	Wayne Sandifer & Mike Wiley	Bobby Carson & Chuck Ramsey
Greeter	Margaret Henson	Randy & Carol Sandifer

	<u>September</u>	<u>October</u>
Communion Assistant	Linwood Littlejohn	Joan Powell

**Please send any announcements for the bulletin and/or calendar to
 Katie Knight, katieknight719@gmail.com or (803)627-9458
 by Wednesday of each week.



By John A Lundgren Jr. (1974)

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Homecoming

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Worship Service 11:00 am

Pastor Kathy Pryor

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Our Mission:

**Knowing, Loving, Serving God
 and Neighbor**

The Church in the Wildwood

1 There's a church in the valley by the wildwood,
No lovelier spot in the dale;
No place is so dear to my childhood,
As the little brown church in the vale.

Refrain: Oh come, come, come, come
Come to the church in the wildwood,
Oh, come to the church in the vale,
No spot is so dear to my childhood,
As the little brown church in the vale.

2 Oh, come to the church in the wildwood,
To the trees where the wild flowers bloom;
Where the parting hymn will be chanted,
We will weep by the side of the tomb.

Refrain

3 How sweet on a clear Sunday morning,
To list to the clear ringing bell;
Its tones so sweetly are calling,
Oh, come to the church in the vale.

Refrain

4 From the church in the valley by the wildwood,
When day fades away into night,
I would fain from this spot of my childhood
Wing my way to the mansions of light.

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We Thank You for Your Blessings

Tune: ("The Church's One Foundation")

We thank you for your blessings, O God of love and grace,
That formed this congregation and brought us to this place.
You've called us here for worship — for preaching, prayer and song.
We've treasured faith and friendship; your love has made us strong.

O God, in Christ you call us to witness to your grace —
To share the life you give us in every time and place.
So many things divide us — yet we are not our own;
For we belong to Jesus who prayed, "May they be one."

We've built and knit and crafted, we've sought to learn your truth,
We've gardened and we've hosted, we've built this sturdy roof.
With love, we've signed the prayer cards, we've welcomed those in need;
We've served our hungry neighbors and loved in word and deed.

We've laughed when times were joyful, we've prayed when times were
tough,
And always we've been thankful: your grace, Lord, is enough.
At table we've been nourished; at font, we've found new life.
We've practiced loving-kindness and shared the peace of Christ.

God, by your Spirit lead us and bless us from above:
Give strength to follow Jesus, and faith and hope and love.
Give gifts to use for justice, give peace that builds anew,
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