



# Women Persevering

*As We Serve A Mighty God*

**Radcliffe Presbyterian Church P.C.U.S.A**  
**Pastor-Reverend Dr. Andrew L. Stephens Jr.**

**Women's Day 2025**  
**May 4<sup>th</sup>, 2025 11AM**





**Radcliffe Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)  
286 Hamilton E. Holmes Drive, N.W.  
Atlanta, Georgia 30318**

**Reverend Dr. Andrew L. Stephens, Jr.,  
Pastor**

Dear Beloved Presbyterian Women of Radcliffe

Grace and peace to you in the name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

As we prepare to celebrate Women's Day 2025, I give thanks for the faith, perseverance, and commitment that each of you brings to the life and ministry of Radcliffe Presbyterian Church.

Your steadfast service is a testament to God's grace at work among us.

This year, we gather with the theme:

**"Women Persevering as We Serve a Mighty God"**

inspired by Hebrews 12:1:

**"Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us."**

It is with great joy that we welcome Rev. Dr. Kathryn Threadgill as our guest preacher for this special occasion.

As Vice President and Dean of Student Formation and Campus Culture at Columbia Theological Seminary, Rev. Dr. Threadgill has dedicated her ministry to shaping leaders, fostering community, and encouraging spiritual formation.

Her leadership in the Vital Congregations Initiative and her passion for nurturing faith across generations make her an ideal voice to bring God's message to us on this significant day.

Throughout this season of preparation, let us reflect on the power of perseverance—the strength God grants us to endure, to serve, and to press forward in faith.

Whether through acts of compassion, teaching the next generation, or standing firm in the face of challenges, God is calling us to run this race with endurance and trust in His mighty hand.

I also want to take this moment to recognize the incredible work that you continue to do in our community. From providing meals to children at Usher Collier Elementary School, to supporting mission projects locally and globally, to deepening your faith through Bible study and service—your dedication is a shining example of faith in action.

As we gather in worship and celebration on Sunday, May 4, 2025, with hearts full of gratitude and a renewed commitment to your call as women of faith. May this Women's Day be a powerful reminder that, as we persevere, we serve a God who is always faithful.

In Christ's love and service,

The Reverend Dr. Andrew Lee Stephens, Jr.  
Radcliffe Presbyterian Church





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**Elder Sharletta Mckinney**

Greetings in the name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ!

It is with great joy and excitement that I share with you the theme for this year's observance: "Women Persevering as We Serve a Mighty God." This theme is inspired by the powerful words of Hebrews 12:1, which call us to "run with perseverance the race marked out for us," embracing both the challenges and triumphs of our faith journey. In a world that often tests our strength and resilience, we as women are reminded that we are not running alone. We are surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses, past and present, who have walked the path of faith before us and continue to encourage us along the way. Through faith, prayer, and action, we continue to press forward, knowing that we serve a mighty God who equips us to overcome every obstacle. This year's Women's Day will be a special time for reflection, worship, and fellowship as we come together to honor the perseverance of women in our congregation, community, and around the world. We will share stories of strength, courage, and faith as we stand united in service to our mighty God. Together, we will lift our voices and hearts in gratitude for the amazing women who have paved the way and for the continuing strength that God provides to each of us. May God continue to bless and guide each of you as we persevere in faith, serving our Mighty God. With heartfelt blessings,

**Sharletta B. McKinney**

Moderator, Radcliffe  
Presbyterian Women

April 14, 2025

Radcliffe Presbyterian Church  
Women's Day Celebration  
286 Hamilton E. Holmes Drive, N.W.  
Atlanta, GA 30318

Dear Women of Radcliffe Presbyterian Church,



On behalf of the Presbytery of Greater Atlanta, comprised of 80+ congregations and a host of new worshipping communities, I extend this letter of commendation for your 2025 Women's Day celebration.

For more than 200 years, Presbyterian Women have strengthened the Presbyterian Church and played a major role in sharing the love of Jesus Christ and witnessing to the promise of God's kingdom.

The Presbytery of Greater Atlanta is grateful for your service and witness throughout the metro Atlanta area, the Synod of the South-Atlantic, and the Presbyterian Church, U.S.A.

On this special day, I convey to you the blessings of the Presbytery of Greater Atlanta. I also commend the women of Radcliffe Presbyterian Church for their work of promoting education, mission, peace, and justice for children and women throughout the world.

Thank you for your spiritual leadership and for building a caring community of women. God bless you as you serve by your example and as you inspire those whom you touch.

With appreciation and gratitude,



Cassandra D. Morrow  
Congregational Consultant for Church Growth & Vitality  
Presbytery of Greater Atlanta





ANDREA L. BOONE  
Councilmember, District 10



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Greetings:

It is with great joy and heartfelt congratulations that I extend my warmest greetings to Radcliffe Presbyterian Church as you celebrate your 2025 Women's Day Service. This year's theme, "Women Persevering as We Serve a Mighty God," is both timely and deeply inspiring. It speaks to the enduring strength, faith, and unwavering commitment of women who, despite challenges and obstacles, continue to stand firm in their calling and service to God.

Scripture reminds us in Galatians 6:9, "Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up." This verse captures the spirit of perseverance that defines the women of Radcliffe Presbyterian Church, faithfully laboring in love, service, and devotion to a mighty and faithful God.

Throughout history and within our faith, women have exemplified perseverance: like Ruth with her loyalty, Esther with her courage, Mary with her faith, and the many unnamed women who have labored in prayer, leadership, and love. Today, the women of Radcliffe Presbyterian Church carry that legacy forward with grace and power, making a profound impact within your congregation and the broader community.

As you celebrate this special day, may you be encouraged by our mighty God who sees, strengthens, and sustains. May your worship be vibrant, your fellowship uplifting, and your spirits renewed for the journey ahead.

Congratulations once again on this blessed celebration. May God continue to bless the women of Radcliffe Presbyterian Church with vision, faith, and perseverance as you honor Him with your lives.

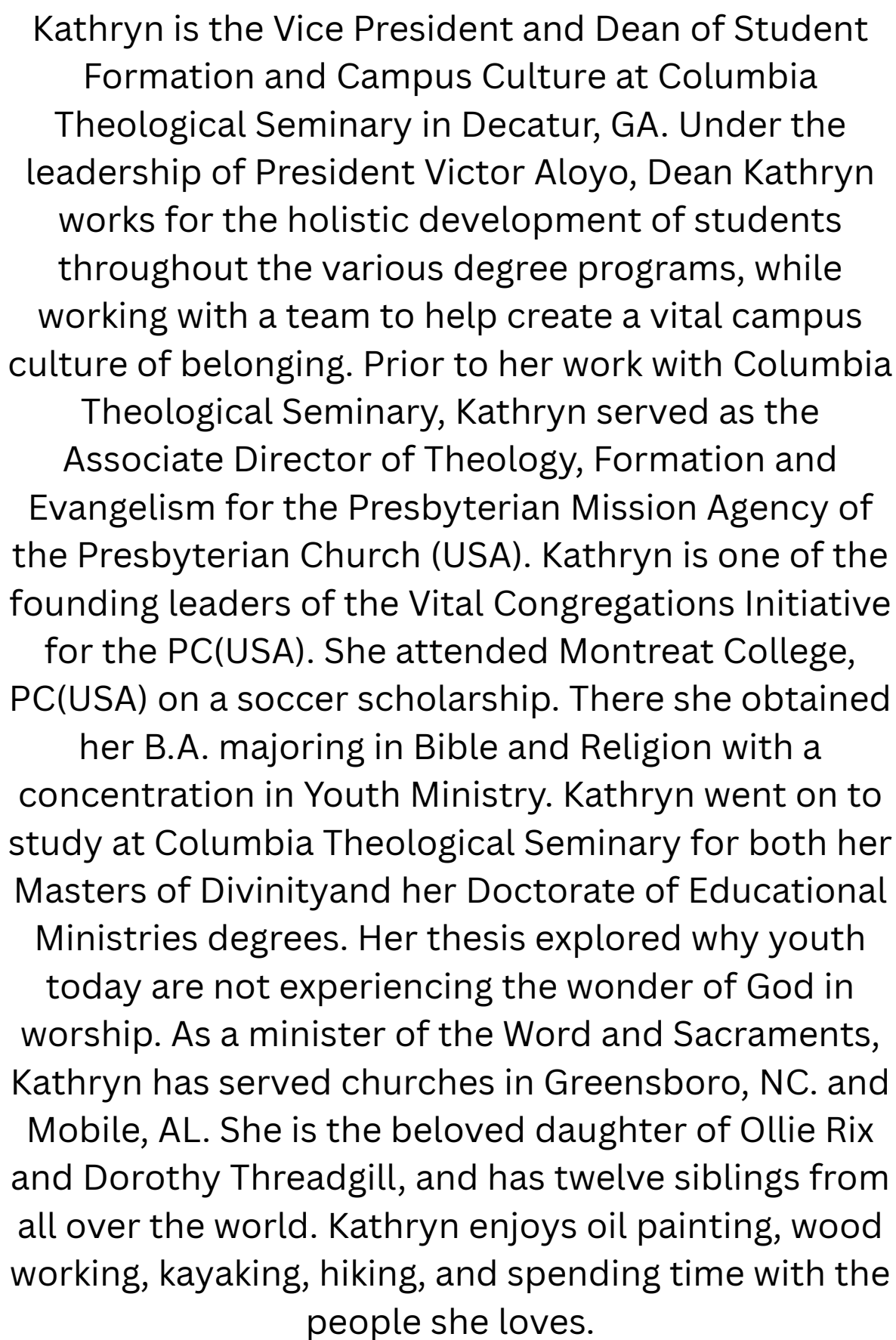
Sincerely,

Andrea L. Boone  
District 10 Atlanta City Councilmem



*Reverend Dr. Kathryn Threadgill*  
**Guest Minister**





Kathryn is the Vice President and Dean of Student Formation and Campus Culture at Columbia Theological Seminary in Decatur, GA. Under the leadership of President Victor Aloyo, Dean Kathryn works for the holistic development of students throughout the various degree programs, while working with a team to help create a vital campus culture of belonging. Prior to her work with Columbia Theological Seminary, Kathryn served as the Associate Director of Theology, Formation and Evangelism for the Presbyterian Mission Agency of the Presbyterian Church (USA). Kathryn is one of the founding leaders of the Vital Congregations Initiative for the PC(USA). She attended Montreat College, PC(USA) on a soccer scholarship. There she obtained her B.A. majoring in Bible and Religion with a concentration in Youth Ministry. Kathryn went on to study at Columbia Theological Seminary for both her Masters of Divinity and her Doctorate of Educational Ministries degrees. Her thesis explored why youth today are not experiencing the wonder of God in worship. As a minister of the Word and Sacraments, Kathryn has served churches in Greensboro, NC. and Mobile, AL. She is the beloved daughter of Ollie Rix and Dorothy Threadgill, and has twelve siblings from all over the world. Kathryn enjoys oil painting, wood working, kayaking, hiking, and spending time with the people she loves.



# WORSHIP GUIDE

RADCLIFFE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

## WE GATHER

Mr. Johnathan McGill

### CALL TO WORSHIP

Elder Cindy Dockett

**Leader:** Sisters and brothers, let us gather in the spirit of hope and resilience that defines the women of faith who have gone before us and those who serve alongside us today.

**People:** Our help is in the name of the Lord.

**Leader:** Do you not know? Have you not heard? The Lord is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He will not grow tired or weary; his understanding no one can fathom. He gives strength to the weary and increases the power of the weak.

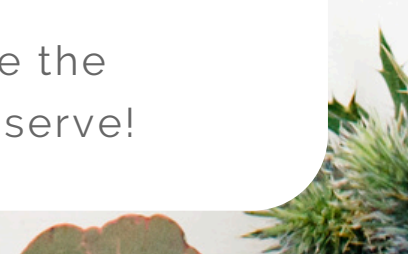
**People:** The Lord is my strength and my shield.

**Leader:** I know what it is to have little, and I know what it is to have plenty. In any and all circumstances I have learned the secret of being well-fed and of going hungry, of having plenty and of being in need.

**People:** My strength and my courage is the Lord.

**Leader:** Therefore, with hearts strengthened by God's enduring might and sustained by His constant presence, let us together declare our praise:

**Leader and People:** We lift our voices and praise the Mighty God who empowers us to persevere and serve! Amen.







## **PRAISE AND WORSHIP**

The Every Sunday Choir  
"Souled Out"  
"My Worship"

## **CALL TO CONFESSION**

Elder Cindy Dockett

Sisters and brothers in Christ, as we stand in the presence of our holy God, let us examine our hearts. Scripture reminds us, "If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us." Let us therefore confess our sins, trusting in God's mercy and grace.

# PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Elder Cindy Dockett

Merciful God, we acknowledge before you our failures to live as those who are called to persevere in serving you. We have not always relied on your strength when we have grown weary. We have stumbled in the race set before us, allowing the weights of this world to hinder our progress. We have not always been content in our circumstances, forgetting the strength that comes through Christ. Forgive us, we pray, for our shortcomings, both known and unknown. Grant us your Holy Spirit to turn from our sin and to run with perseverance, fixing our eyes on Jesus, through whom we offer this prayer  
Amen.



# DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

Reverend Dr. Kathryn Threadgill

Friends, hear the good news!  
The Lord, who sees our struggles and knows our limitations, promises to renew the strength of those who place their hope in Him, enabling them to rise above challenges. And through Christ, who empowers us in every circumstance, we receive not only forgiveness but also the very strength we need to persevere. Believe that in Jesus Christ, you are forgiven and equipped by God's grace to run your race with courage and hope! Amen! Thanks be to God!





## APOSTLES CREED

Elder Cindy Dockett

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 Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on 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 Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.





## **CONGREGATIONAL SONG**

Congregation

"What A Mighty God We Serve"

## **WELCOMING OF GUEST**

Elder Cindy Dockett

## **READING OF BEARING WITNESS: PERSEVERING IN SERVICE**

Elder Cindy Dockett

## **CHILDREN'S AFFIRMATION**

Dulce Perez

Natali Perez

## **SPECIAL RECOGNITION - 2025 HONORARY LIFE PINS**

Radcliffe PW Moderator

Elder Sharletta McKinney

## **2025 RADCLIFFE PW WOMAN OF THE YEAR**

Deacon Phyllis Gail Ellis

## **OFFERING**

Elder Cindy Dockett

## **SCRIPTURE READINGS**

Elder Cindy Dockett

Isaiah 40:27-31

Psalm 46

Philippians 4:10-13



## **INTRODUCTION OF GUEST MINISTER**

Elder Cindy Dockett

## **INSPIRATIONAL**

The Every Sunday Choir

"Faithful Is Our God"

## **SERMON**

Reverend Dr. Kathryn Threadgill

"Aligned With Christ, We Persevere"

## **INVITATIONAL HYMN**

The Every Sunday Choir

"God Has Smiled On Me"

## **SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION**

Reverend Dr. Kathryn Threadgill

## **COMMUNION HYMN**

Congregation

## **CLOSING REMARKS**

Elder Sharletta McKinney

## **CHARGE AND BLESSING**

Reverend Dr. Kathryn Threadgill

## **POSTLUDE**

Congregation

"Revelations 19:1"







**Radcliffe Presbyterian Women**



## 2025 WOMEN'S DAY ASSESSMENTS

Adair, Margaret	Jacobs, Margaret A.
Barnes, Shirley A.	Jones, Ellen Pierce
Bell, Helen B.	Lasseter, Pamela
Blackmon, Jeanne B.	Leaphart, Shirley
Bolton, Peggy	Lee, Barbara H.
Brown, Marie B.	McAfee, Beverly
Clements, Hazel	McAfee, Lisa
Coleman, Paula J.	McAfee, Stacy
Cunningham, Joan Brown	McGruder, Henraya
Cunningham, Sheila	McKinney, Sharletta
Davis, Henra	Moone, Joan Moore
Davis, Mary Frances	Morman, Lillian Sanders
Dawson Sparrow, Cari	Morris, Elsie
Dockett, Cindy Kai	Moultrie, Andrea
Dunlap, Jacqueline	Osgood, Charlotte
Durrah, Bettie	Peek, Carrie
Easley, Tania	Porter, Tusha
Eke, Cheryl	Robinson, Bettye W.
Ellis, Phyllis Gail	Roseborough, Courtney
Ellis, Sylvia	Roseborough, Teresa
Estes, Barbara Ann	Scott, Corene
Flint, Cheryl Bolton	Simon, Dorcas Bryant
Gardner, Margaret	Stephens Metoyer, Gerilyn
Garrison, Gwendolyn Walker	Stephens, Lucy S.
Goggins, Irma	Thomas, Phyllis G.
Hollis, Jackie Wilson	Wallace, Anyeka
Holloway, Cristell	Wallace, Iris
Hudson, Delores	Williams, Barbara H.
Hudson, Dorothy J.	Williams, Dolores
Hudson, Dorothy L.	Wortham, Linda
Humbles, Letitia S.	Wright, Jaycee
Ingram, Ernesta	Wyche, LaVerne Moone
Jackson, Alva	Yarbrough-Morgan, Darlene





## **2025 Women's Day Supporters**

Hazel Clements	\$ 2,000.00
Darlene Yarbrough- Morgan	\$150.00
Dana Lasseter	\$75.00
Charlotte Osgood	\$75.00
Neeka Wilson	\$ 75.00
Corene Scott.	\$ 50.00

### **Backpack Ministry**

Shirley Leaphart	\$350.00
Phyllis Gail Ellis	\$20.00

### **Outreach Projects**

Joan Moore Moone	\$120.00
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# 2025 Women's Day Committees



## **Spiritual Worship Committee**

Cindy Dockett

Cheryl Eke

Laverne Wyche

## **Assessments**

Marie Brown

Mary Davis

Phyllis Thomas

## **Music**

Dr. Funmilayo Eke Harmon

Jonathan McGill

Abigail Powell

## **Book Club**

Phyllis Gail Ellis

Cheryl Eke



**Invitations**

Joan Moone

**Reception Committee**

Paula J. Coleman

## **2025 Radcliffe Presbyterian Women Officers**



**PRESBYTERIAN  
WOMEN**

<b>Moderator</b>	<b>Sharletta McKinney</b>
<b>Vice Moderator</b>	<b>Cindy Dockett</b>
<b>Courtesy Chair</b>	Laverne Wyche
<b>Moderator of Search Committee</b>	Laverne Wyche
<b>Assistant Search Committee</b>	Phyllis Thomas
<b>Secretary</b>	Mary Davis
<b>Assistant Secretary</b>	Sheila Cunningham
<b>Financial Secretary</b>	Letitia Humbles
<b>Treasurer</b>	Phyllis Thomas
<b>Historian</b>	Henra Davis
<b>Global Mission</b>	Paula Coleman
<b>Parliamentarian</b>	Iris Wallace
<b>Spiritual Growth Leader</b>	Cheryl Eke





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*Two Takeaways*

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