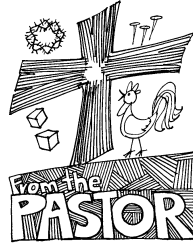


Dear Friends,

It is a strange time for me. So many endings and so many beginnings. Right now, the endings are so hard it's difficult to see the beginnings.



I have loved my time serving God with you all at St. Philip's. You are a wonderful, faithful, generous family of God. We have traveled together through mostly good times and held each other's hands during the difficult times. I have been honored to become part of your families, to share the joys and sorrows. I have so many fond memories of ministry and life and love and laughter together. Let me just list a few of my joys; worship, mission trips, dinners, women's fellowship events, Bible Study, Habitat for Humanity work days, singing in the choir, teaching, preaching, anointing, praying and meditating together. You have made my life full and I pray God's blessing on each of you.

What happens next? Well, for me, since I have not sold my place at Innsbrook, I will be taking a part-time interim position. Will we see each other? Will I visit? Sadly, the answer is "no". I understand why the departing minister needs to step out of the way and let the new minister bond with the congregation. My predecessor did that for us, and I will do the same. I will miss you all and keep St. Philip's in my prayers, but I will not be around.

And so, once again, go forth to serve the Lord this day, knowing that you are loved by the God who created you, saved by His son Jesus Christ, and you are given power by the Holy Spirit now and forever more. Amen.

Yours in Christ,
Pastor Sue

To Rev. Leary and the Congregation of St. Philip's:



I wanted to thank you for your donation to the Evangelical Children's Home in honor of my father, Rev. Glenn Martensen. We are all very proud of his legacy and the example he set by the way he lived his life. He always spoke in glowing terms about the people of St. Philip's and the warm reception he received while serving there. Many thanks.

Dean Martensen and family

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Thank you for your donation of \$100 in memory of Rev. Glenn O. Martensen to benefit the children, youth and families ECH serves. Your dedication to our mission has helped us work with many children, youth and their families over the year. We are able to offer steady, faithful and professional services that promote health and wholeness. We have notified Mr. and Mrs. Dean Martensen of this kind gesture.

(Signed) Michael P. Brennan, Executive Director
Evangelical Children's Home

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Many thanks to my wonderful St. Philip's for your support during my knee surgery and what followed. Your prayers are what gave me the courage to work hard and get to where I am in my progress; your many cards, phone calls, and Pastor Sue's visits in the hospital were my inspiration and encouragement. Thank you! I love you all.

Ann Davis

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Dear Church Family:

I am truly blessed and touched by all the cards and phone calls I have received during my recovery from surgery. I am grateful for each and everyone at St. Philip's. Your unconditional love is priceless. Many blessings.

Karen Moran

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From all of us, thank you for giving us the opportunity to clean for the church. We greatly appreciate the business and if there is anything else we may assist you with, please call at anytime.

LaFrance Cleaning Solutions, Inc.

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Dear Friends of Feed My People:

We often wonder how we can continue to help the needy when contributions are slow in coming in. In this economy more and more are coming to us for help, and sometimes it seems that we will not be able to continue our programs here.

We are very grateful for caring persons like you who want to help us to bring hope to those who are having a bad time in their lives.

Thank you so much for your thoughtful gift of a large amount of food, It certainly will be used to help those who are less fortunate.

Yours in Christ,
(signed) Carol and John DeGuire

A letter also received thanking us for the \$100.00 donation.

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Thanks to all for the school supplies. 21 backpacks went to St. John's along with extra supplies. Supplies were also taken to Epiphany. All were very appreciated.

Women's Fellowship

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KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

Our shut-ins – Helen Wright, Vernon Hornung and Betty Moore, also Paul Shroul who is having knee surgery again and Jack Eason who had surgery for a melanoma.



CHANGE OF ADDRESS

The new address for Philip and Rachel Ricks is 10124 Jane Court, River Ridge, LA 70123 in case any of you want to know.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

What a great week everyone had !!! My big THANKS again to everyone who helped. We had 74 boys and girls attend. 34 from ECC and 40 from church and the outside community.

The crew on Tuesday evenings who came to my house with salad bar ingredients, scissors and ready to work and have a good time. We started the middle of May. Our faithful workers: Janet R., Jan F., Nancy, Shirley N., Joan S., Merle, Sharon, Dorothea, Sandy, Ruth Ann, Alice, Mary Dykster. Then Shirley, my goodness, all she did: advertise, all the bookwork, registrations, and get whatever we needed for this or that.

The backdrops that Cindy did, the GIANT rocket that Mike, Bob and Jim made.

After all the preliminary work was complete, we began to set up. All day Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday afternoon. Helpers were: George, Les and Nancy, Mike, Andrea, Merle, Janet R., Beth, Cindy, Joan S., Shirley N., Pat Siewing, Jordan and Dave with the ceiling lights, and the fun working board. All the donations: Black Lights; George, Kevin, the big pieces of cardboard: Dave and Chris, the space pictures, (thanks Chris), Dolores for a monitor, Gail and Walter for the big barrels for the rocket, Brigitte for all the keyboards and Terri for lights.

Volunteers for the Stations:

Crafts – Cindy, Joan, Dottie

Snacks – Janet, Jan, Alice, Mary Dykster

Storytelling – Sandy, Dawn, Bob L., Ken, Carl P.

Discovery – Nancy, Dorothea

Posters – Merle, Carole

Games – Andrea, Harrison, Alex, Scott

Music – Shirley

Leaders of grade Level groups:

PreS –K – Barbara Barnes, Pat Siewing, Jordan

1,2,3 – Terri, Shea Hladnick, Sarah Hladnick, Connie, Madeline, Brittney

4,5,6 – Pastor Sue

Opening and Closing Assembly:

Andrea, and Madeline and Jordan (puppeteers for Galileo)

If I missed anyone, please forgive me.

I truly appreciate everyone's help and support. Without you this could have not happened for all the boys and girls to have fun and learn about God's word.

Many thanks

Virginia

KICK OFF

September 12, 2010

This is the beginning of our Fall Sunday School lessons. During worship, third graders will be presented their Bibles. Boys and girls will go to their new classes with their teachers. After church, there will be food, games, and prizes. If you would like to help with suggestions and/or help that day, we would truly appreciate this. Call Shirley or Virginia.



SOUP LUNCHESES RESUME

After a summer break, the Wednesday, "lunch bunch" will eat again! We meet/eat at noon on the second Wednesday of the month and all are welcome. The September lunch will be on the 8th at Sandy's house. Please let Virginia or Sandy know if you will be there.



MANNA MARCH

Feed My People's annual fundraiser, the Manna March, will be September 19th at Jefferson Barracks Park. It's a beautiful setting and an easy walk of your choice of 1.4 or 2.8 miles on a paved trail. There are registration forms at church if you are willing to walk, as well as a pledge sheet for contributions. Please consider supporting this worthwhile cause to help your neighbors in need.

ST. LOUIS ASSOCIATION WOMEN'S FALL GATHERING

Join women from numerous St. Louis Association UCC churches as we tour Every Child's Hope, formerly Evangelical Children's Home. We'll find out about the facility and have a great lunch prepared by their staff. Details are on the bulletin board. Sign up by September 12th so we can make the registration deadline. Have a fun day and see what your UCC does to help others.

MONDAY BIBLE STUDY



Since some of you have become accustomed to Monday morning Bible Study, we'll continue the tradition with a six-week Bible Study on patience. Perhaps you've thought about attending but haven't come before. This might be a good time to give it a try with no commitment to continue. We'll start on September 13th. Please sign the sheet on the bulletin board if you think you might be there so we'll have enough materials ready.

DINNER TO BENEFIT CAMP MO-VAL

There will be a dinner at St. John's Chesterfield UCC on October 23 to benefit Camp Mo-Val. Information is on the bulletin board. Hopefully St. Philip's will be well represented.

LYDIA'S HOUSE COMMUNITY MEAL

Once again we provided an abundant meal for Lydia's House in August. They always look forward to St. Philip's turn since we supply a lot of variety and a lot of volume! Their chaplain, Rev. Carolyn Held, will preach on September 4th and I'm sure she'll tell you how much they appreciate St. Philip's.

Many thanks to the following ladies for once again volunteering to bring delicious food for the August meal: Terri Karcher, Pat Siewing, Carole Armistead, Susan Cochran, Jan Freese, Judy Hickman, Kathy Shelton, Janet Remmers, Alice Hillyard, Sue Leary, Virginia Hladnick, Mary Lou Farrow, Hilda Leonard, Lois Decker, Nancy Krenning, Ardelle Dischinger, and Shirley Nottelmann. Thank you so much!

SEPTEMBER SUNDAY SCHEDULE

Since Pastor Sue is leaving us at the end of August, there have been some questions about what September Sundays will be like. The following is the schedule for the month:

- 9/5 Rev. Carolyn Held, chaplain at Lydia's House, will conduct the service. Communion will be served. Lydia's House pins will be available for sale.
- 9/12 Contemporary Service
- 9/19 Rev. Marc Wessel, Association Conference Minister, will preach.
- 9/26 Rev. Richard Brandon, our soon-to-be interim minister, will be here to lead us in worship.

Plans are in progress to have worshipful Sundays in October as well. We're still open for business. Come and See!

ALZHEIMER'S MEMORY WALK

Bob and Linda Kammerer will again be participating in the Alzheimer's Memory Walk, in memory of Bob's mom, who had Alzheimer's. The walk will be at T.R. Hughes Ball Park on September 18, 2010. Our team name is **Team M & L**, and our grandsons, Miles and Leyton, will be walking with us. If you would like to donate to this worthy cause and help find a cure for this terrible disease, please see Bob or Linda before or after church. Cash or checks made out to Alzheimer's Association will be accepted. Thank you for any help you can give.

WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP



Women's Fellowship has been cancelled for Tuesday, September 21st. It will be held on Thursday, September 16th at 11:30 a.m. We will be having lunch at the Historic Lustron Home in St. Charles. It is a pre-fab house built in 1948, and is completely made of steel and metal inside and outside. A video will be shown on the experimental home. Lunch is \$14.00 which includes lunch, beverage, home-made dessert and tax.

Menu

tangy pork medallions	roll and butter
twice baked potato	peach cobbler
green beans w/secret sauce	w/ice cream
house salad	beverage

Sign up sheet is on the bulletin board. Please pay Jan Freese or Alice Hillyard by Sunday, September 12th.

Meet at church at 10:15 a.m. to carpool. There will be time if anyone wants to go browsing or shopping on Main Street.



COMING EVENTS

- Sept. 5 Communion
Rev. Carolyn Held, preaching
- Sept. 6 Office closed – Labor Day Holiday
- Sept. 7 Council meeting 7 pm
- Sept. 8 Free Lunch – Sandy Stevenson’s house – noon
- Sept. 12 Contemporary Service
Birthday Sunday
Sunday School Kick-off
- Sept. 14 Bell Choir 7 pm
- Sept. 15 Choir 7 pm
- Sept. 16 Women’s Fellowship 10:15 am
- Sept. 19 Rev. Marc Wessel preaching
- Sept. 20 Crier articles due
- Sept. 21 Bell Choir 7 pm
- Sept. 22 Choir 7 pm
- Sept. 26 Rev. Richard Brandon preaching
Spiritual Life Mtg. after worship
- Sept. 28 Bell Choir 7 pm
- Sept. 29 Choir 7 pm



SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- Sept. 2 Gene Siewing
- Sept. 3 Danielle Knoll
- Sept. 4 Rob Wodicker
Joy Lopez
- Sept. 6 Lois Mohesky
- Sept. 7 Joan Schumacher
- Sept. 8 Jack Eason
Ryker Larsen
- Sept. 10 Leona Gottschlich
- Sept. 15 Sydney Siewing
- Sept. 16 Carl Meyer
- Sept. 20 Rob Kammerer
Carole Armistead



- Sept. 23 Tom Nottelmann
Tara Stevenson
- Sept. 25 Brandon Rohlifing
- Sept. 26 Susan Yung
Jackie Meeks
Oscar Wenk
- Sept. 27 Cathy Gutjahr

Sept. 21 George Brand
Cindy Lewis

Sept. 28 Kevin Nickel
Chris Fischer

LITURGISTS, USHERS, ACOLYTES AND CHILDREN’S TIME FOR SEPTEMBER

Liturgists



September 5	Bob Leber
September 12	Lois Decker
September 19	Mike Shelton
September 26	Sandy Stevenson

Welcoming Teams

September 5	Jim and Connie Caldwell
September 12	Joy Lopez
September 19	Sandy Stevenson
September 26	

Children’s Time

September 5	Sandy Stevenson
September 12	Andrea Moran
September 19	Rev. Marc Wessels
September 26	Rev. Rich Brandon



Acolytes

September 5	--
September 12	Scott Karcher
September 19	Ashley Kulich
September 26	Carley Nickel

YOUTH NOTES

Here are some youth events to put on your calendar to start us off for the year:

Senior High Events

- 9/9 Steak 'n Shake
- 9/18 Lock In or I thought it might be neat to camp out at Babler on 9/17 and then hike or something on 9/18
- 9/23 Outdoor Worship/BBQ Dinner
- 10/2 Ultimate Frisbee
- 10/7 Steak n' Shake

Junior Youth Events

- 9/10 Hang time at church/movie night 5-10 pm
- 9/23 Outdoor Worship/BBQ Dinner
- 9/26 Picnic Lunch after church @ a nearby park
- 10/16 BIG DAY! Volunteer @ St. John's, Wolf Howl @ Wolf Sanctuary 7:30 p.m., then spend the night at church

Watch the bulletin board for further events.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

- September 11 JNM Trivia Night at St. John's Mehlville 7 p.m.
- October 2 – Open House – St. John's Community Service Ministry, Inc. – 4138 N. Grand Blvd. 11 am – 4 p.m.
- October 23 Camp Mo-Val Benefit Dinner Party & Auction 6 p.m. at St. John's - Chesterfield

CHURCH HUMOR

Thanks to Dave Schiele and Janet Remmers for these:

An elderly woman walked into the local country church. The friendly usher greeted her at the door steps, "Where would you like to sit?" he asked politely.

"The front row please," she answered.

"You really don't want to do that," the usher said. "The pastor is really boring."

"Do you happen to know who I am?" the woman inquired.

"No," he said.

"I'm the pastor's mother," she replied indignantly.

"Do you know who I am?" he asked.

"No," she said.

"Good," he answered.

A well-worn one-dollar bill and a similarly distressed twenty-dollar bill arrived at a Federal Reserve Bank and as they moved along the conveyor belt to be burned, they struck up a conversation...

The twenty-dollar bill reminisced about its travels all over the country. "I've had a pretty good time. I've been to Las Vegas and Atlantic City, the finest restaurants in New York, performances on Broadway and a cruise on the Caribbean."

"Wow!" said the one-dollar bill. "You've really had an exciting life!"

"So tell me," says the twenty, "where have you been throughout your lifetime?"

"The one-dollar bill replies "Oh I've been to the Methodist Church, the Baptist Church, the Lutheran Church"....

The twenty-dollar bill interrupts, "What's a church?"

There was a very gracious lady who was mailing an old family Bible to her brother in another part of the country.

"Is there anything breakable in here?" asked the postal clerk.

"Only the Ten Commandments," answered the lady.

"Somebody has said there are only two kinds of people in the world. There are those who wake up in the morning and say, "Good morning, Lord," and there are those who wake up in the morning and say, "Good Lord, it's morning."