St. Philip's United Church of Christ

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August 15, 2021 Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost



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*indicates that you may rise as comfortably able (text in bold read in unison)

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Prelude and Wait for people to connect online

Lighting the Candles

* Call to Worship (Responsively)

God is waiting for us with a tender heart and a searching question.

God is ready for us with truth and wisdom from a deep well.

God invites us into springs of living water, to sing and pray.

God is here. Let the conversation begin.

* Opening Hymn: "Jesus Shall Reign" # 95

Jesus shall reign where'er the sun, does its successive journeys run; his love shall spread from shore to shore, till moons shall wax and wane no more

To Christ shall endless prayer be made, and endless praises crown his head; his name like sweet perfume shall rise, with every morning sacrifice.

People and realms of every tongue dwell on his love with sweetest song; and infant voices shall proclaim their early blessings on his name.

Blessings abound where'er he reigns; all prisoners leap to lose their chains, the weary find eternal rest, and all who suffer want are blest.

Let every creature rise with song; honor and praise to Christ belong; angels descend with songs again, and earth repeat the loud amen!

* Centering Prayer (Together)

Once darkness threatened, O God, but now in Jesus light beacons us. Help us to live as children of light— so the fruit of the light is found in all we do. We want to please you. As we meet in your presence we rejoice in the light. Amen.

* Response: "Breathe on Me, Breath of God" # 254 - Verse 1 only Breathe on me, Breath of God, fill me with life anew.

That I may love what thou dost love, and do what thou wouldst do.

Children's Time

Prayer of Preparation (Together)

Draw us close, Holy Spirit, as the Scriptures are read and the Word is proclaimed. Let the word of faith be on our lips and in our hearts, and let all other words slip away. May there be one voice we hear today — the voice of truth and grace. Amen.

Scripture: Ephesians 5:8-10

For once you were darkness, but now in the Lord you are light. Live as children of light— for the fruit of the light is found in all that is good and right and true. Try to find out what is pleasing to the Lord.

Scripture: Ephesians 5:15-20

Be careful then how you live, not as unwise people but as wise, making the most of the time, because the days are evil. So do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is.

Do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery; but be filled with the Spirit, as you sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs among yourselves, singing and making melody to the Lord in your hearts, giving thanks to God the Father at all times and for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Hymn: "More Love to Thee, O Christ" # 527

More love to thee, O Christ, more love to thee! Hear thou the pray'r I make, on bended knee; this is my earnest plea, more love, O Christ to thee, more love to thee, more love to thee.

Once earthly joy I craved, sought peace and rest, now thee alone I seek, give what is best; this all my pray'r shall be, more love, O Christ to thee, more love to thee, more love to thee.

Let sorrow do its work, send grief and pain; sweet are thy messengers, sweet their refrain, when they can sing with me, more love, O Chriswt, to thee, more love to thee, more love to thee.

Then shall my latest breath whisper thy praise; this be the parting cry my heart shall raise, this still its pray'r shall be, more love, O Christ to thee, more love to thee, more love to thee.

Sermon: "Live in the Light"

Pastor Mike Krewson

Anthem: "Be Thou My Vision"

Prayer Time:

Wordless Meditation
Pastoral Prayer

Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be your name.
Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

Our Gifts

Response "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"
Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host:
Creator, Christ and Holy Ghost. Amen.

* Prayer Dedicating our gifts (Together)

Touch us deeply as we worship, O God. Move us to generosity and accept these gifts for your service. Strengthen our faith and bless our gifts that they may renew our community and world. Amen.

* Closing Hymn: "Living for Jesus" # 610

Living for Jesus a life that is true, striving to please him in all that I do; yielding allegiance, gladhearted and free, this is the pathway of blessing for me.

Refrain

O Jesus, Lord and Savior, I give myself to thee, for thou, in thy atonement, didst give thyself for me; I own no other master, my heart shall be thy throne, my life I give, henceforth to live, O Christ, for thee alone.

Living for Jesus who died in my place, bearing on Calvary my sin and disgrace; such love constrains me to answer his call, follow his leading and give him my all. (Refrain)

Living for Jesus through earth's little while, my dearest treasure - the light of his smile; seeking the lost ones he died to redeem, bringing the weary to find rest in him. (Refrain)

Benediction

Postlude

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

Jackie Thurmond	1	Chris Armistead	15	Wally Knoll	28
Ken Holdener	1	Megan Comstock	16	Harry Headley	30
Terri Karcher	2	Tammy Knoll	18	Joe Williams	30
Leetah Nickel	8	Hilda Leonard	19	Judy York	31
Peggi Werner	11	Debbie Hudson	24	•	

BOOK CLUB

On August 15, after church, we will discuss Hidden Figures. We hope to meet in person and have lunch in the conference room. However, if covid guidelines change, we may need to go back to a Zoom format. As the time gets closer, we will keep members informed as best we can.

Our next selection is "The Nature of the Beast", a murder mystery set in Quebec

Hope that the group will enjoy Louise Penny as much as I do.

Barbara Barnes

ALOHA SUNDAY

Next Week - August 22, 2021

Get into the spirit of "Aloha" by wearing a Hawaiian shirt or any flowered or bright colored shirt.

If you have a lei, wear that too! If not, we are happy to provide you with a lei. There will be a box of leis at church. We are asking you to choose a lei to wear, but not to return it to the box. Please take it home with you. We cannot recycle the leis at this time.

Not attending church services yet? We invite you to wear a Hawaiian shirt at home and be part of the spirit of Aloha!

LOGOS NIGHT - All are welcome! Wednesday, August 18 5:30-7:00pm

Hello everyone,

We will be having a LOGOS Family night Wednesday, August 18. All families, members, and friends are welcome! We can't wait to catch up and play some games with you and your families!!! Our dinner will be ordered from Psghettis, so please RSVP to Andrea Tukin so we have a count

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LUNCH BUNCH WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8th

Lunch Bunch will begin our monthly gettogethers at **noon on September 8th** at Pietro's located at 3801 Watson Road, 63109. We are asked to wear our masks inside except at our tables. I have asked for a private room, however, that may not be possible.

We are looking forward to this get-together. Please see the pink signup sheet on the bulletin board or call Virginia at 843-3605.

Everyone who has been fully vaccinated is welcome to come, have good food, and enjoy our time visiting.

Please signup by September 5.

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Wednesday	18 5:30-7:00 LOGOS Family NIght	25		&
Tuesday	17	24 September Crier Articles Due	31	2
Monday	16 10:00 Bible Study Conf Call/Zoom Mtg 4:30 Spiritual Life Zoom Mtg	23 10:00 Bible Study Conf Call/Zoom Mtg	30 10:00 Bible Study Conf Call/Zoom Mtg	6 Labor Day 10:00 Bible Study Conf Call/Zoom Mtg
Sunday	9:30 Sunday Worship In-person, Livestream on Facebook 9:45 Sunday School In-person 10:15 Book Club	22 ALOHA Sunday 9:30 Sunday Worship In-person, Livestream on Facebook 9:45 Sunday School In-person	29 9:30 Sunday Worship In-person, Livestream on Facebook 9:45 Sunday School In-person	5 9:30 Sunday Worship In-person, Livestream on Facebook 9:45 Sunday School In-person



St. Philip's Vision Statement

We are called to the body of Jesus Christ, with:

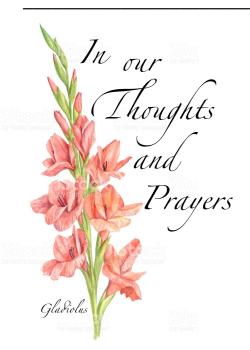
Minds to study God's word,

Mouths to proclaim the Gospel,

Eyes to see the needs of others,

Arms to welcome all,

Hearts big enough to share God's love with all God's children.



Paul Harvey

Judy Hickman

Russ Hickman

Ray Hoffstetter

Deb Hudson

Harry Jennings

Pam Kelly

Brian Malin

Marilyn Milne

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