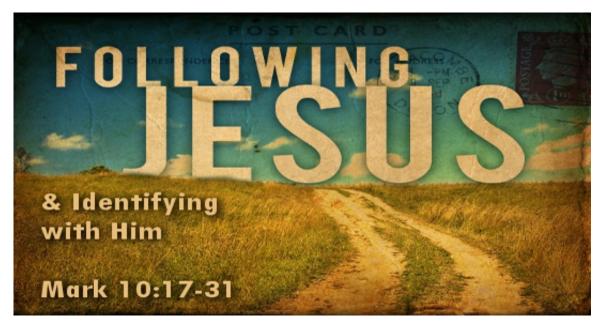
# St. Philip's United Church of Christ

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### October 17, 2021 Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost



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

#### Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost

Prelude and Wait for people to connect online

Lighting the Candles

\* Call to Worship (Responsively) We gather for worship as children of God. We come to remember who and whose we are. We gather for worship to be renewed in our faith. We come with hearts open to receive God's love. We gather for worship to catch a vision of what might be. We come ready to change what is. We gather for worship in gratitude for all we have been given. With thanksgiving, we lift our voices in songs of praise. \* Opening Hymn: "Great is Thy Faithfulness" # 86 Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father, there is no shadow of turning with thee; thou changest note, thy compassions, they fail not; as thou hast been thou forever wilt be. (Refrain) Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness! Morning by morning new mercies I see; all I have needed thy hand hath provided Great is thy faithfulness, Lord unto me! Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest, sun, moon and stars in their courses above, join with all nature in manifold witness to thy great faithfulness, mercy and love. (Refrain) Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth, thy own dear presence to cheer and to guide; strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow, blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside! (Refrain)

\* Centering Prayer (Together)

Make us wide-eyed, O God, for beauty and for our neighbor's need; widewilled for peace-making and compassion; wide-hearted for love and for the unloved. Keep us honest and tender enough to heal and tough enough to be healed. Match our appetites for privilege with the stomach for commitment that we may increasingly be like Jesus. Amen.

\* Response: "Halle-Halle-Halleluja" Hymn # 41 Halle-Halle-Halleluja. Halle-Halle-Halleluja. Halle-Halle-Halleluja. Halle-Halle-Halleluja.

Children's Time

Prayer of Preparation (Together)

Help us pay attention, O God, as your word is read that we might hear what we haven't heard before, and take delight in being awake to life anew in Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Scripture: Mark 10:35-45

- James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to him and said to him, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you." And he said to them, "What is it you want me to do for you?" And they said to him, "Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory."
  - But Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?" They replied, "We are able." Then Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared."
  - When the ten heard this, they began to be angry with James and John. So Jesus called them and said to them, "You know that among the Gentiles those whom they recognize as their rulers lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them.

But it is not so among you; but whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all. For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many."

Hymn: "His Eye is on the Sparrow" # 82
Why should I feel discouraged, why should the shadows come, why should my heart be lonely and long for heaven and home, when Jesus is my portion? My constant friend is he: his eye is on the sparrow, and I know he watches me; his eye is on the sparrow, and I know he watches me. (Refrain)
I sing because I'm happy, I sing because I'm free, for his eye is on the sparrow, and I know he watches me.

Let not your heart be troubled, his tender word I hear, and resting on his goodness, I lose my doubts and fears; though by the path he leadeth but one step I may see: his eye is on the sparrow, and I know he watches me; his eye is on the sparrow, and I know he watches me. (Refrain)

Whenever I am tempted, whenever clouds arise, when song gives place to sighing, when hope within me dies, I draw the closer to him, from care he sets me free: his eye is on the sparrow, and I know he watches me; his eye is on the sparrow, and I know he watches me. (Refrain)

Sermon: "Who Do You Think You Are?" Rev. Mike Krewson

Anthem: "Immortal, Invisible"

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) God, accept these gifts we bring today. Know that even though we struggle with our desires and our egos, we love you and want to do your will. Use our humble gifts for your greater good. Help us dedicate our lives to your kind of greatness. Amen.

\* Closing Hymn: "Tell Me The Stories of Jesus" # 190 Tell me the stories of Jesus I love to hear; things I would ask him to tell me if he were here: scenes by the wayside, tales of the sea, stories of Jesus, tell them to me.

First let me hear how the children stood round his knee, and I shall fancy his blessing resting on me; words full of kindness, deeds full of grace, all in the lovelight of Jesus' face.

Into the city I'd follow the children's band, waving a branch of the palm tree high in my hand; one of his heralds, yes, I would sing loudest hosannas, "Jesus is King!"

Benediction - Postlude

#### BOOK CLUB

We will meet on **October 17** after Church to discuss <u>Before We Were</u> <u>Yours</u>. Scheduled next is <u>The Alice</u> <u>Network</u>, by Kate Quin, a thriller about women spies during World War II. This is one of the best books I have read in the recent past.

Even if you haven't read with us before, consider joining us to read this book! We share a potluck lunch and generally have a really good time. Copies will be available on October 17.

#### MEMORIAL SUNDAY NOVEMBER 21, 2021

Memorial Sunday is a day for us to remember all of our loved ones, family and friends, who have passed on during the year. Names and prayers will be lifted up and candles will be lit for each loved one who has died the past year.

Please give the name of your loved ones to Carol, our church secretary, so that they may be honored and remembered on Memorial Sunday. Call church and leave a message or email at admin@stphilipsucc.com.

#### FALL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

The 2021 fall congregational meeting is scheduled for **October 24** immediately after church. As you know, the purpose of this meeting is to act upon the recommendations of the Finance Ministry relating to the general fund budget for the coming year. These recommendations, along with the agenda, will be available on the credenza at church two weeks prior to the meeting. If you are unable to come to church, you may call or email Carol in the church office and arrange to receive a copy.

You are encouraged to attend the meeting in person but, if you prefer, you may attend on-line. Either way you will hear the presentations of Carl Philips and Mike Shelton. Those viewing on-line will need to use the comment section on your screen to ask questions and/or to vote.

As always, you are encouraged to listen, ask questions, state your opinions, respect the opinions of others, vote your conscience and then support whatever the majority of those attending approve. Be a part of the decision-making process as we perform this important work of the church.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
17 9:30 Sunday Worship In-person, Livestream on Facebook 9:45 Sunday School In-person 10:15 Book Club Meeting	18 <b>10:00</b> Bible Study Conf Call/Zoom Mtg	6	20 <b>5:30-7:00</b> LOGOS	21	22 <b>4:30</b> Spiritual Life Zoom Meeting	23 <b>6:00-7:30</b> Trunk 'R' Treat
24 9:30 Sunday Worship In-person, Livestream on Facebook 9:45 Sunday School In-person 10:30 Fall Congregational Mtg	25 10:00 Bible Study Conf Call/Zoom Mtg	26	27 No LOGOS	28	29	30
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## Our Vision Statement

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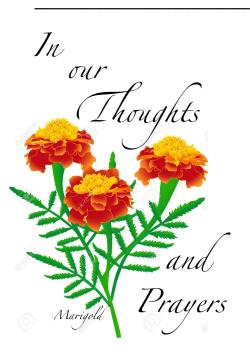
 Minds to study God's word,

 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.



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