

St. Philip's United Church of Christ

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Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost



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(text in bold read in unison)

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Lighting the Candles

Announcements and Prayer Concerns

Prelude

Birthday Celebrations

* Call to Worship (Responsively)

God comes to us in the midst of turmoil.

The Spirit lights a way for us.

Even in tough times we can rely on God.

With our confidence and our questions we come to worship.

* Opening Hymn: "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God" # 65

A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing,
our present help amid the flood of mortal ills prevailing.
For still our ancient foe doth seek to work us woe, his craft and power great;
and armed with cruel hate, on earth without an equal.

Did we in our own strength confide, our striving would be losing,
but there is one who takes our side, the one of God's own choosing.
You ask who that may be? Christ Jesus, it is he; with mighty power to save
victorious o'er the grave, Christ will prevail triumphant!

And though this world with devils filled, should threaten to undo us,
we will not fear for God has willed the truth to triumph through us.
the powers of darkness grim, we tremble not for them; their rage we can
endure,
for lo, their doom is sure: One little word shall fell them.

God's word above all earthly powers, no thanks to them abideth.
The Spirit and the gifts are ours, through Christ, who with us sideth.
Let goods and kindred go, this mortal life also, The body they may kill,
God's truth abideth still, God's reign endures forever.

* Invitation to Confession (Pastor)

* Prayer of Confession (Together)

We know, O God, that you are still speaking even in this chaotic time. Yet we confess that we sometimes fail to hear your voice. We confess that too often we sacrifice what is sacred for that which is ordinary. Forgive us, O God. Restore us with humility and awaken us anew to your presence and your promise. Amen.

* Assurance of Grace (Pastor)

* Response: "Glory Be to the Father" # 35

**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. Amen.**

Children's Time

Prayer of Preparation (Together)

**We open your Word, O God that we might follow you in faith and
obedience. Give us understanding as our hearts seek you. Amen.**

Scripture: Mark 12:38-44

As he taught, he said, "Beware of the scribes, who like to walk around in long robes, and to be greeted with respect in the marketplaces, and to have the best seats in the synagogues and places of honor at banquets! They devour widows' houses and for the sake of appearance say long prayers. They will receive the greater condemnation."

He sat down opposite the treasury, and watched the crowd putting money into the treasury. Many rich people put in large sums. A poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which are worth a penny. Then he called his disciples and said to them, "Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the treasury. For all of them have contributed out of their abundance; but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on."

Scripture: Psalm 127:1

Unless the Lord builds the house, those who build it labor in vain.

Unless the Lord guards the city, the guard keeps watch in vain.

Hymn: "Come, Share the Lord" # 408

We gather here in Jesus' name,

his love is burning in our hearts like living flame;

for through the loving Son the Father makes us one:

Come, take the bread, come, drink the wine, come, share the Lord.

No one is a stranger here, everyone belongs;

finding our forgiveness here, we in turn forgive all wrongs.

He joins us here, he breaks the bread,

the Lord who pours the cup is risen from the dead;

the one we love the most is now our gracious host:

Come, take the bread, come, drink the wine, come, share the Lord.

We are now a family of which the Lord is head;

thou unseen he meets us here in the breaking of the bread.

We'll gather soon where angels sing;

we'll see the glory of our Lord and coming King;

now we anticipate the feast for which we wait:

Come, take the bread, come, drink the wine, come, share the Lord.

Sermon: "Two copper coins"

Rev. Mike Krewson

Anthem: "We Give Thee But Thine Own"

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)

**You have made us for yourself, O God, and set us apart not for
privilege but for service. Transform us, from investing our days in
the temporary rather than the eternal. Thank you for the call to be
yours and for the grace to live that call. Amen.**

THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

INVITATION (Responsively)

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

And also with you.

The risen Christ is with us.

Praise the Lord!

PRAYER (Responsively)

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no
secrets are hidden. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration
of your Holy Spirit, that we may love you with our whole selves.

We see your goodness in heaven and earth and in Jesus.

We remember when you showed your risen self to the disciples and we

**remember the loaf you broke. The bread you give, is your body.
Break into our lives, O God, and transform these gifts, that they may be
for us your substance, and that as we receive, we may be restored as
his body for the world. Amen.**

THE BREAKING and THE POURING

SHARING THE BREAD (Pastor)

With this bread, O God, we remember your Word dwelling among us, full of
grace and truth. (Prayerful pause as we meditate on the Bread)

Take and Eat; (Partake of the Bread)

With this bread, O God, we integrate your substance into the living of our
lives. (Prayerful pause as we meditate on the actions of faithful living.)

SHARING THE DRINK (Pastor)

With this drink, O God, we visualize our new wholeness born of this
sacrament. We look with hope for his coming. (Prayerful pause as we
connect to the Drink)

Take and Drink; (Partake of the Drink)

With this drink, O God, we integrate your substance into the living of our lives.
(Prayerful pause as we meditate on actions of faithful living.)

THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING (Together)

**Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery
in which you have given yourself to us.**

**Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit,
to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

* Closing Hymn: "O God, Our Help in Ages Past" # 67

O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come,
our shelter from the stormy blast and our eternal home!

Under the shadow of thy throne still may we dwell secure;
sufficient is thine arm alone, and our defense is sure.

Before the hills in order stood, or earth received its frame,
from everlasting, thou art God, to endless years the same.

A thousand ages, in thy sight, are like an evening gone;
short as the watch that ends the night before the rising sun.

Time, like an everrolling stream, soon bears us all away;
we fly forgotten, as a dream dies at the opening day.

O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come;
be thou our guide while life shall last, and our eternal home.

Benediction

Postlude

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.

LUNCH BUNCH CAFE TELEGRAPH WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 10 NOON

Lunch Bunch will meet at Cafe Telegraph located at 2650 Telegraph Road in Lemay, Missouri.

Please see the gold signup sheet on the bulletin board and signup by Sunday, November 7.

If you have any questions, contact Dolores Zikes at 314-282-0197.

PANERA FUNDRAISER
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 17 4:00 - 8:00pm

St. Philip's will be holding a fundraiser at the South County/Tesson Ferry/Kennerly Road location (across from Mercy South) at 9920 Kennerly. Please see the flyer on the next page of this bulletin. A pdf of the flyer will be sent out via email and copies will be available on the credenza just outside the sanctuary. In order for St. Philip's to get the proceeds, please see the following instructions.

NOTE: A printed flyer or an electronic version of the flyer on a mobile phone or tablet must be presented when ordering. The flyers cannot be passed out onsite the night of the event - - you must do this ahead of time. You can order online at panerabread.com and enter code PRFUND at checkout.

Thank you for your support!

MEMBER ORIENTATION SESSION

Several people have expressed interest in becoming members. A Member Orientation Session will be held after worship on Sunday, November 14 to answer your questions.

Attending this session will qualify you, but not obligate you to join. Sign up by giving your name to Pastor Mike.

As always, whether you are a member or not, we are happy for you to be here. Membership is not required. Church activities are open to members and non-members.

BOOK CLUB

On November 21, after church, we will discuss *The Alice Network*. As usual, we will share a potluck lunch and thoughts about the book.

Our next selection, *The Book That Matters Most*, by Ann Hood, is scheduled for discussion on Sunday, December 21. It is described as an enthralling novel about love, loss, secrets, friendship, and the healing power of literature. The book will be available for pick up on November 21.

Consider joining us to read this book. There are no tests, and you do not have to have read the book to attend. We always have a good time!



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WHEN Wed, Nov 17th

FROM 4:00pm - 8:00pm

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We offer a variety of ordering options so you can support the cause in whichever way you feel most comfortable. Services vary by cafe.

OUTREACH MINISTRY

Our Advent project will again focus on Feed My People's Adopt a Family Program. Given continued concerns about covid, Feed My People suggests donations of gift cards for family members to select their own gifts.

Last year contributions covered purchase a \$50 gift card for each family member, a \$100 grocery card, and funds for the family to pay down overdue utility bills. As you may remember, we received a lovely note expressing gratitude. Contributions can be made during Advent. If you write a check, please put "Adopt a Family" on the subject line.

Our traditional Cap, Mitten and scarf tree will appear in the Gathering Space on the Day of Hanging of the Greens. Please help us "decorate" it throughout Advent. Thanks in advance for your generosity.

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

**Happy Birthday to our members
who will be celebrating this month.**

We will sing on the 1st Sunday
of each month.

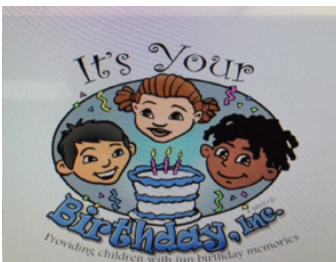
"Happy Birthday to You!,

Happy Birthday to You!,

Happy Birthday Everybody!,

and God Bless You!"

Olivia Witte	1
Scott Remmers	3
De'Ana Holdener	9
Sarah Bobmeyer	15
Jan Freese	15
Rob Harvey	15
Shirley Jennings	28
Jamie York Schubert	30



YOUTH & FAMILIES
FALL HIKE WITH OUTDOOR DEVOTIONAL AND PICNIC LUNCH
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 7

We will leave after church around 10:30am or you can meet at Castlewood State Park at 11:00am. Please bring your own sack lunch.

Castlewood Trail is a 1.5 mile moderately trafficked loop trail located near Valley Park, Missouri that features a river and is good for all skill levels. The trail offers a number of activity options.

For more information or to RSVP, contact Andrea Tugin at (314) 566-8633 or andreatugin@gmail.com

STEWARDSHIP DRIVE

Please return your pledge card on Sunday, November 7th. If you have any questions, please contact Kathy Shelton at kathyshelton@swbell.net.




**Daylight Saving time
will end at**

2:00am on

Sunday, November 7

**Set clocks back 1 hour
before you go to bed**

**Change batteries in your
smoke detectors too!**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
7 9:30 Sunday Worship In-person, Livestream on Facebook Stewardship Pledges Due 9:45 Sunday School In-person Stewardship Pledge cards due 11:00 Youth Hike @ Castlewood State Park	8 10:00 Bible Study Conf Call/Zoom Mtg 7:00 Church Council Mtg	9	10 noon Lunch Bunch @ Cafe Telegraph 5:30-7:00 LOGOS	11	12 4:00-6:00 Spaghetti Take-out Dinner	13
14 9:30 Sunday Worship In-person, Livestream on Facebook 9:45 Sunday School In-person 10:30 Member Orientation Session	15 10:00 Bible Study Conf Call/Zoom Mtg	16 4:30 ECC Bpard Mtg	17 5:30-7:00 LOGOS 4:00-8:00 Panera Fundraiser	18	19	20
21 Memorial Sunday 9:30 Sunday Worship In-person, Livestream on Facebook 9:45 Sunday School In-person 10:15 Book Club Meeting	22 10:00 Bible Study Conf Call/Zoom Mtg	23 December CRIER Articles due	24 No LOGOS	25 	26	27
28 9:30 Sunday Worship In-person, Livestream on Facebook 9:45 Sunday School In-person 10:30 Hanging of the Greens	29 10:00 Bible Study Conf Call/Zoom Mtg	30	1 December 5:30-7:00 LOGOS	2	3	4



Our Vision Statement

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.

*In our
Thoughts
and
Prayers*



Chrysanthemum

Judy Hickman
Russ Hickman
Deb Hudson
Harry Jennings
Pam Kelly
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Marilyn Milne
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