

St. Philip's United Church of Christ

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November 14, 2021

Twenty-Fifth 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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Lighting the Candles

Announcements and Prayer Concerns

Prelude

* Call to Worship (Responsively)

We are called to bring a new understanding of God: that God so loves the world.

We are the salt of the earth. We are the light of the world.

Come, let us love one another with the love of God.

Let us join together in our love of God to worship and follow Jesus.

* Opening Hymn: "We Gather Together" # 276

We gather together to ask for God's blessing,
to turn to a wisdom surpassing our own;
the pow'rs that oppress us now cease to distress us.
O God, be present with us, and make your will known.

Beside us to guide us, O God, we perceive you
ordaining, maintaining the power of life.

Yes, yours be the glory; let all tell the story.

Our God, be ever with us, in gladness and strife.

May all sing your praises, Redeemer triumphant,
defend us, befriend us, whatever may be.

May your congregation escape tribulation,
Your name be praised forever, O God, make us free.

* Centering Prayer (Together)

**To you, O God, we lift up our souls. We offer our praise and
thanksgiving. Make your ways known to us. Show us the path on
which we should walk. Lead us in your truth for you are the one we
trust. Amen.**

* Response: "Halle-Halle-Halleluja" Hymn # 41
Halle-Halle-Halleluja. Halle-Halle-Halleluja.
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Children's Time

Prayer of Preparation (Together)

You know all that we face, O God, so we give our cries and concerns to you. Thank you for loving us and knowing us so deeply. As we open your word, bring hope to our discouragement and joy to our sorrow. Amen.

Scripture: Mark 13:1-8

As he came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, "Look, Teacher, what large stones and what large buildings!" Then Jesus asked him, "Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down."

When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately, "Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be accomplished?" Then Jesus began to say to them, "Beware that no one leads you astray. Many will come in my name and say, 'I am he!' and they will lead many astray.

When you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is still to come. For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birth pangs.

Hymn: "Open My Eyes, That I May See" # 586

Open my eyes, that I may see glimpses of truth thou hast for me;
place in my hands the wonderful key that shall unclasp and set me free.
Silently now I wait for thee, ready, my God, thy will to see.
Open my eyes, illumine me, Spirit divine!

Open my ears, that I may hear voices of truth thou sendest clear;
and while the wavenotes fall on my ear, everything false will disappear.
Silently now I wait for thee, ready, my God, thy will to see.
Open my ears, illumine me, Spirit divine!

Open my mouth, and let me bear gladly the warm trust everywhere;
open my heart and let me prepare love with thy children thus to share.
Silently now I wait for thee, ready, my God, thy will to see.
Open my heart, illumine me, Spirit divine!

Sermon: "Trusting our future to God"
Rev. Mike Krewson

Anthem: "In the Garden"

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)

**Because we live in uncertain times, O God, with eagerness and hope
we bring our gifts to you. Use them to equip us not only to survive,
but to prosper and give witness to your work in the world. Amen.**

* Closing Hymn: “God, Dismiss Us With Your Blessing” # 439

Lord, dismiss us with your blessing; fill our hearts with joy and peace;
let us each, your love possessing, triumph in redeeming grace.
O refresh us, O refresh us, traveling through this wilderness.

Thanks we give and adoration for your gospel’s joyful sound.
May the fruits of thy salvation in our hearts and lives abound;
ever faithful, ever faithful to the truth may we be found.

Benediction

Postlude

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.

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 was 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!



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WHERE 9920 Kennerly Road, St. Louis, MO 63128

WHEN Wed, Nov 17th

FROM 4:00pm - 8:00pm

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You can also bring this flyer or show a digital version to the cashier when ordering at the cafe to ensure your organization gets a portion of the proceeds.

WE'RE COMMITTED TO YOUR SAFETY.

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

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.

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!

HANGING OF THE GREENS SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 28

Celebrate with us as we start the Advent season. Bring your Christmas Spirit and Joy to this annual event as we decorate St. Philip's after the November 28 worship service.

All ages are welcome to join in the fun. Lunch provided if you wish to stay. See the **green signup sheet** & please indicate if you will be joining us for lunch.

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

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

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

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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
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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

Brian Malin

Marilyn Milne

Jered Nagle

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