

# St. Philip's United Church of Christ

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## November 21, 2021 Memorial Sunday



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

# Memorial Sunday

Lighting the Candles

Announcements and Prayer Concerns

Prelude

\* Call to Worship (Responsively)

We are God's handiwork,

**Fashioned out of dust so we might never lose touch with our mother  
Earth,**

Shaped by God so we might never forget to whom we belong,

**Created with a heart to feel the bonds of love between us.**

Made with a deep yearning to live God's Way.

**We are God's delight and we rejoice to worship.**

\* Opening Hymn: "Come, Ye Thankful People, Come" # 718

Come, ye thankful people, come, raise the song of harvest home;

all is safely gathered in, ere the winter storms begin;

God, our Maker, doth provide for our wants to be supplied;

come to God's own temple, come, raise the song of harvest home.

All the world is God's own field, fruit as praise to God we yield;

wheat and tares together sown are to joy or sorrow grown;

first the blade and then the ear, then the full corn shall appear;

Lord of harvest, grant that we wholesome grain and pure may be.

These to thee, our God, we owe, source whence all our blessings flow;

and for these our souls shall raise grateful vows and solemn praise.

Come, then, thankful people, come, raise the song of harvest home;

come to God's own temple, come, raise the song of harvest home.

\* Centering Prayer (Together)

**Remind us, O God, that you are our true home. You are the source of our life and breath. In you we are fully known and completely loved. Help us to remember your grace and compassion that continually draws us back. Amen.**

\* Response: "Now Thank We All Our God" # 715

All praise and thanks to God our Father and our Mother,  
to Christ and to the One who binds us to each other,  
the one eternal God, whom earth and heaven adore,  
for thus it was, is now, and shall be evermore.

Children's Time

Prayer of Preparation (Together)

**Lead us, righteous one, as we turn to your word. Reveal your ways of justice and peace, that each may live for all and all may care for each. Amen.**

Scripture: Revelation 1:4-6

John to the seven churches that are in Asia:

Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth.

To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

Scripture: John 18:33-38

Then Pilate entered the headquarters again, summoned Jesus, and asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" Jesus answered, "Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?" Pilate replied, "I am not a Jew, am I?"

Your own nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me. What have you done?"

Jesus answered, "My kingdom is not from this world. If my kingdom were from this world, my followers would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here." Pilate asked him, "So you are a king?" Jesus answered, "You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice." Pilate asked him, "What is truth?"

Hymn: "Now Thank We All Our God" # 715

Now thank we all our God with heart and hands and voices,  
who wondrous things has done, in whom the world rejoices,  
who, from our mothers' arms, has blessed us on our way  
with countless gifts of love, and still is ours today.

O may this bounteous God through all our life be near us,  
with ever joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us,  
and keep us full of grace, and guide us when perplexed,  
and free us from all ills in this world and the next.

All praise and thanks to God our Father and our Mother,  
to Christ and to the One who binds us to each other,  
the one eternal God, whom earth and heaven adore,  
for thus it was, is now, and shall be evermore.

Sermon: "Longing to Live God's Way"  
Rev. Mike Krewson

Anthem: "For the Beauty of the Earth"

Memorial Honoring of Loved Ones - at this time you are invited to remember a loved one, as candles are lit.

Jeri Allen  
Sharon Berg  
Jeff Campbell  
Robert Christmann  
Andrew Dogherty  
Robert J. Hauck  
Michael M. Herrera

Bernice Hilgert  
Matthew Kelly  
Gail Lee Knoll  
George Krewson  
Bob Leber  
Bud Leonard  
Lois Mohesky

Allen Nelson  
Tallie Nelson  
Alice Noland  
Ellen Pena  
Dewey Schiele  
Kenneth Walden

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)

**We come, O God, with gratitude for the gift of life and the abundance that is ours. Grant us the grace to respond to our bounty and blessings with generosity that others might know of your love through us. Amen.**

\* Closing Hymn: "Let All Things Now Living " # 717

Let all things now living a song of thanksgiving  
to God our Creator triumphantly raise;  
who fashioned and made us, protected and stayed us,  
by guiding us on to the end of our days.  
God's banners are o'er us, pure light goes before us,  
a pillar of fire shining forth in the night:  
till shadows have vanished, all fearfulness banished,  
as forward we travel from light into Light.

By law God enforces. The stars in their courses,  
the sun in its orbit obediently shine;  
the hills and the mountains, the rivers and fountains,  
the depths of the ocean proclaim God divine.  
We, too, should be voicing our love and rejoicing  
with glad adoration, a song let us raise;  
till all things now living united in thanksgiving,  
to God in the highest, hosanna and praise.  
truth may we be found.

Benediction

Postlude

## **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 advance for your generosity.

## 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
21 <b>Memorial Sunday</b> <b>9:30</b> Sunday Worship In-person, Livestream on Facebook <b>9:45</b> Sunday School In-person <b>10:15</b> Book Club Meeting	22 <b>10:00</b> Bible Study Conf Call/Zoom Mtg	23 December CRIER Articles due	24 No LOGOS	25 	26	27
28 <b>9:30</b> Sunday Worship In-person, Livestream on Facebook <b>9:45</b> Sunday School In-person <b>10:30</b> Hanging of the Greens	29 <b>10:00</b> Bible Study Conf Call/Zoom Mtg	30	1 December <b>5:30-7:00</b> LOGOS	2	3	4
5 <b>9:30</b> Sunday Worship In-person, Livestream on Facebook <b>9:45</b> Sunday School In-person	6 <b>10:00</b> Bible Study Conf Call/Zoom Mtg <b>7:00</b> Church Council Meeting	7	8 <b>5:30-7:00</b> LOGOS	9	10	11
12 <b>9:30</b> Sunday Worship In-person, Livestream on Facebook <b>9:45</b> Sunday School In-person	13 <b>10:00</b> Bible Study Conf Call/Zoom Mtg <b>4:30</b> ECC Board Meeting	14	15 <b>5:30-7:00</b> LOGOS	16	17	18



# 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.

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*In our  
Thoughts  
and  
Prayers*



*Chrysanthemum*

Judy Hickman  
Russ Hickman  
Deb Hudson  
Harry Jennings  
Pam Kelly  
Brian Malin  
Marilyn Milne  
Jered Nagle

Janet Remmers  
Wendy Remmers  
Paul Shrout  
Dottie Vinyard  
Paula Williams



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