

# St. Philip's United Church of Christ

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Fourth Sunday After Epiphany

**LOVE**

IS **PATIENT & KIND**

DOES NOT **ENVY**  
**BOAST**

IT IS NOT PROUD

**IT DOES NOT DISHONOR OTHERS**

**IT IS** SELF-SEEKING

**NOT** EASILY ANGERED

**KEEPS NO RECORD OF WRONGS**

LOVE DOES NOT DELIGHT IN EVIL

BUT REJOICES WITH THE TRUTH

1 CORINTHIANS 13:4-8

**LOVE** ALWAYS **PROTECTS**  
TRUSTS **HOPES**

**NEVER FAILS** **PERSEVERES**

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

## Fourth Sunday After Epiphany

Prelude

Lighting the Candles

Announcements and Prayer Concerns

\* Call to Worship (Responsively)

The word of God comes into our lives in many ways.

**God's word calls us to action and to new life.**

God's word calls us now, here in our worship.

**God's calling word invites us to service and ministry, to praise and thanksgiving.**

\* Opening Hymn: "He Leadeth Me" # 545

He leadeth me: O blessed thought! O words with heavenly comfort fraught!

What-e'er I do, where-e'er I be, still 'tis God's hand that leadeth me.

(Refrain)

He leadeth me, he leadeth me, by his own hand he leadeth me:  
his faithful follower I would be, for by his hand he leadeth me.

Lord, I would place my hand in thine, nor ever murmur nor repine;  
by waters still, o'er troubled sea, still 'tis thy hand that leadeth me.

(Refrain)

And when my task on earth is done, when, by thy grace, the victory's won,  
e'en death's cold wave I will not flee, since God thro' Jordan leadeth me.

(Refrain)

\* Centering Prayer (Together)

**Guide us, O Lord, in our desire for justice and peace. Grant us a strong sense of your presence and renew our spirits with strength and faith. Help us be faithful disciples, living and serving in your world. Amen.**

\* Response: "This is the Day" Hymn # 286

This is the day, this is the day that the Lord has made, that the Lord has made; we will rejoice, we will rejoice and be glad in it, and be glad in it.

This is the day that the Lord has made; we will rejoice and be glad in it.

This is the day, this is the day that the Lord has made.

## Children's Time

### Prayer of Preparation (Together)

**As we hear your word, O God, reach out your hand and touch our mouths. Help us make our words be grounded in your words so that - all we speak might be to your glory. Amen.**

Scripture: 1 Corinthians 13:1-13

If I speak in the tongues of mortals and of angels, but do not have love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. If I give away all my possessions, and if I hand over my body so that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing.

Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant or rude.

It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice in wrongdoing, but rejoices in the truth. It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

Love never ends. But as for prophecies, they will come to an end; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will come to an end. For we know only in part, and we prophesy only in part; but when the complete comes, the partial will come to an end. When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child; when I became an adult, I put an end to childish ways. For now we see in a mirror, dimly, but then we will see face to face. Now I know only in part; then I will know fully, even as I have been fully known. And now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; and the greatest of these is love.

Scripture: Jeremiah 1:4-10

Now the word of the Lord came to me saying, "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations." Then I said, "Ah, Lord God! Truly I do not know how to speak, for I am only a boy." But the Lord said to me,

"Do not say, 'I am only a boy'; for you shall go to all to whom I send you, and you shall speak whatever I command you. Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you to deliver you, says the Lord." Then the Lord put out his hand and touched my mouth; and the Lord said to me,

"Now I have put my words in your mouth. See, today I appoint you over nations and over kingdoms, to pluck up and to pull down, to destroy and to overthrow, to build and to plant."

Hymn: "Just As I Am" # 339

Just as I am, without one plea, but that thy blood was shed for me,  
and that thou bid'st me come to thee, O Lamb of God, I come, I come!

Just as I am, though tossed about with many a conflict, many a doubt;  
fightings and fears within, without, O Lamb of God, I come, I come!

Just as I am, thou wilt receive, wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve;  
because thy promise I believe, O Lamb of God, I come, I come!

Just as I am, thy love unknown, has broken every barrier down;  
now, to be thine, yea, thine alone, O Lamb of God, I come, I come!

Sermon: "Touched by God"  
Rev. Mike Krewson

Anthem: "Though I May Speak"

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 offer to you, O God, our gifts in gratitude that we can be a part of  
something far greater than ourselves. We offer our gifts so that your  
path might open to others not only through us, but because of us.  
We give our gifts with gratitude. Amen.**

\* Closing Hymn: "How Firm a Foundation" # 618

How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord,  
is laid for your faith in God's excellent word!  
What more can be said than to you God has said,  
to you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?

Fear not, I am with thee, oh, be not dismayed,  
for I am thy God, and will still give thee aid.  
I'll strengthen thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand,  
upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand.

When through the deep waters I call thee to go,  
the rivers of woe shall not thee overflow;  
for I will be near thee, thy troubles to bless,  
and sanctify to thee thy deepest distress.

When through fiery trials thy pathway shall lie,  
my grace, all sufficient, shall be thy supply.  
The flame shall not hurt thee; I only design  
thy dross to consume, and thy gold to refine.

The soul that on Jesus still leans for repose,  
I will not, I will not desert to its foes;  
that soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,  
I'll never, no never, no never forsake!

Benediction

Postlude

### **IN CASE OF SNOW...**

If worship services are canceled due to inclement weather, please watch for the announcement on Channel 2 or 11. We will be listed as:

St. Philip's UCC

As a courtesy, please call anyone you know who might need this information.  
Cancelations will also be posted on Facebook.

### **RECYCLE INKJET CARTRIDGES**

We are still collecting original Hewlett Packard and Canon inkjet cartridges (no generic, refilled, or damaged). It will keep the cartridges out of the landfill and earn cash for St. Philip's as well. Look for the marked box in the Gathering Space.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
30 9:30 Sunday Worship In-person, Livestream on Facebook 9:45 Sunday School In-person	31 10:00 Bible Study Conf Call/Zoom Mtg	1 February	2	3	4	5
6 9:30 Sunday Worship In-person, Livestream on Facebook 9:45 Sunday School In-person	7 10:00 Bible Study Conf Call/Zoom Mtg 7:00 Church Council Meeting	8	9	10	11	12
13 9:30 Sunday Worship In-person, Livestream on Facebook 9:45 Sunday School In-person	14 10:00 Bible Study Conf Call/Zoom Mtg	15	16	17	18	19
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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.

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Pam Kelly  
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