

# St. Philip's United Church of Christ

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March 6, 2022  
First Sunday of Lent



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

## First Sunday of Lent

Prelude

Lighting the Candles

Announcements and Prayer Concerns

Birthday Celebration

\* Call to Worship (Together)

**We call out to you, O God, in praise or in distress—as life goes.**

**Whether we perceive it or not, you are here.**

**Open us this day to your presence**

**in the smile of a friend, in the call of a bird—**

**in the simple and good enough moments that fill our days. Amen.**

\* Opening Hymn: “Holy, Holy, Holy” # 4

**Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!**

**Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee;**

**holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty,**

**God in three persons, blessed Trinity!**

**Holy, holy, holy! all the saints adore thee;**

**casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;**

**cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,**

**God everliving, through eternity.**

**Holy, holy, holy! though the darkness hide thee,**

**though the sinful human eye thy glory may not see;**

**only thou art holy; there is none beside thee,**

**perfect in power, in love, and purity.**

**Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!**

**All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea;**

**Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty,**

**God in three persons, blessed Trinity!**

\* Invitation to Confession (Pastor)

\* Prayer of Confession (Together)

**Forgive us, O God, when the temptations of our “not enough” world depress us. We hunger for many things advertisers promise will satisfy. Fame and influence tempt us to take short cuts around truth and morality. Help us, O God, cling instead to you and to your love. Help us revere each ordinary moment and happening. 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)

**As we open the treasure of your word, O God, bless us with grace  
enough to hear. Help us find enough truth to set us free and move us  
toward wholeness in you. Amen.**

Scripture: Deuteronomy 26:1-2a, 5-9

When you have entered the land the Lord your God is giving you as an inheritance and have taken possession of it and settled in it, take some of the firstfruits of all that you produce from the soil of the land the Lord your God is giving you and put them in a basket. Then go to the place the Lord your God will choose as a dwelling for his Name.

Then you shall declare before the Lord your God: “My father was a wandering Aramean, and he went down into Egypt with a few people and lived there and became a great nation, powerful and numerous. But the Egyptians mistreated us and made us suffer, subjecting us to harsh labor. Then we cried out to the Lord, the God of our ancestors, and the Lord heard our voice and saw our misery, toil and oppression. So the Lord brought us out

of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with great terror and with signs and wonders. He brought us to this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey.

Scripture: Luke 4:1-13

Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, left the Jordan and was led by the Spirit into the wilderness, where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing during those days, and at the end of them he was hungry.

The devil said to him, "If you are the Son of God, tell this stone to become bread."

Jesus answered, "It is written: 'Man shall not live on bread alone.'"

The devil led him up to a high place and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world. And he said to him, "I will give you all their authority and splendor; it has been given to me, and I can give it to anyone I want to.

If you worship me, it will all be yours."

Jesus answered, "It is written: 'Worship the Lord your God and serve him only.'"

The devil led him to Jerusalem and had him stand on the highest point of the temple. "If you are the Son of God," he said, "throw yourself down from here. For it is written: "'He will command his angels concerning you to guard you carefully; they will lift you up in their hands, so that you will not strike your foot against a stone.'"

Jesus answered, "It is said: 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'" When the devil had finished all this tempting, he left him until an opportune time.

Hymn: "Because He Lives" # 562

God sent his Son, they called him Jesus; he came to love, heal, and forgive;  
he lived and died to buy my pardon, an empty grave is there to prove my Savior  
lives

(Refrain)

Because he lives, I can face tomorrow; because he lives, all fear is gone;  
because I know he holds the future, and life is worth the living just because he  
lives.

How sweet to hold a new born baby, And feel the pride and joy that gives;  
but greater still the calm assurance, this child can face uncertain days because  
he lives. (Refrain)

And then one day I'll cross the river;  
I'll fight life's final war with pain;  
and then as death gives way to victory;  
I'll see the lights of glory and I'll know he reigns. (Refrain)

Sermon: "Ordinary lives can be holy"  
Rev. Mike Krewson

Anthem: "Lord Who Throughout These Forty Days"

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)

**Help us, O God, not slip from the desire to have enough into having  
more than others. As we strive to embrace a life that is good  
enough, help us pray and work for justice as well. 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)

We see your goodness in heaven and earth, O God, in Jesus.

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

**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.**

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  
to wholeness in Jesus. Amen.**

## THE BREAKING and THE POURING

## SHARING THE BREAD AND CUP

## 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: "Be Thou My Vision" # 595

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;  
naught be all else to me, save that thou art  
thou my best thought by day or by night,  
waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word;  
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord;  
thou my redeemer, my love thou hast won,  
thou in me dwelling, and I with thee one.

Great God of heaven, my victory won,  
may I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's Sun!  
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,  
still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

## Benediction

## Postlude

### COMMUNION

In the United Church of Christ we practice Open Communion which means anyone who wants to partake in the sacrament of the Lord's Table is invited and encouraged to do so. There is also no pressure or judgment if you choose not to participate.

When the Pastor calls for people to come forward, please walk forward by the center aisle, take a piece of the bread, step to the tray of cups, take a cup and then return to your seat by the side isle on the side on which you were seated. The pastor will invite the congregation to partake together when all have received.

Inner ring of cups in the cup tray is grape juice, the outer ring is wine.

## **LUNCH BUNCH RETURNS**

With the Covid positivity figures going down, we're going to resume our monthly lunches for those who feel safe in attending. Please use your own discretion in deciding what is best for you.

The next get-together will be at **noon** on **Wednesday, March 9** at Concord Grill, 11427 Concord Village Avenue. Please sign up on the bulletin board if you are coming so that the restaurant will be prepared to accommodate us. Also, since parking is at a premium there, perhaps you can arrange to carpool from church.

## **YOUNG(ER) ADULT FELLOWSHIP**

On Sunday, **March 13** a group of us would like to get together after church as the young(er) adults in the congregation and get to know each other. We plan to enjoy some food and chat. Childcare will be provided as needed.

If you are interested in joining us (on the 13th or in the future), please fill out the survey using the link in the emailed version of this bulletin article or talk to Pastor Mike.

## **OUTREACH LENTEN PROJECT**

Our Lenten project will benefit Feed My People. Staff there indicated that Personal Care items such as shampoo, conditioner, toothpaste, brushes, deodorant, and feminine care items are needed most. During Lent, donations can be placed in a basket in the gathering space. Thanks in advance for your generosity!

## **BOOK CLUB NEWS**

We will meet on Sunday, March 20 after church to discuss Arrowood. If Covid number continue to improve, we will resume the Potluck lunch.

Our next selection is Eleanor Oliphant is Completely Fine by Gail Honeyman. The winner of the 2017 Costa Debut Novel Award, it centers on Eleanor Oliphant, a social misfit with a traumatic past and her transformational journey towards a fuller understanding of herself and of life.

Copies of the book will be available on March 20. For more information contact Barbara Barnes at 314-843-4157.



## **LOGOS HAS RESUMED**

Hello friends,

Here is the LOGOS schedule for the rest of the school year.

### **Winter/Spring 2022 LOGOS Dates**

March

- 9 (No LOGOS)
- 16 LOGOS meets - St. Patrick's Day Celebration - Wear Green
- 23 (No LOGOS - Spring Break)
- 30 LOGOS meets

April

- 6 LOGOS meets
- 13 (No LOGOS - Holy Week)
- 20 LOGOS meets
- 27 LOGOS meets

May

- 4 LOGOS meets - "May the 4th Be With You" - Wear Star Wars!
- 11 Last LOGOS for the School Year

### **Summer LOGOS Family Nights**

Wednesday, June 15      Wednesday, July 13      Wednesday, August 3

## **PRINTER CARTRIDGE RECYCLING**

Thank you for bringing your used Canon and HP cartridges to church for recycling. One cartridge may not bring in much money but it does add up, plus you're helping the environment by keeping them out of the landfills and helping our finances at the same time. Please continue to put them in the collection box in the entry space.

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR...

Please note the upcoming dates:

Lunch Bunch - March 9 (noon @ Concord Grill)

Daylight Saving Time begins - March 13

Girl Scout Sunday - March 13

Young(er) Adult Fellowship - March 13

Palm Sunday - April 10

Easter Lily Flower Orders Due - April 11

Good Friday - April 15

Easter Egg Hunt - April 16

Easter - April 17

Daylight Saving  
time

will begin at

2:00am on

Sunday, March 13

Set clocks ahead

1 hour before

you go to bed

## MARCH 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!”*

Mary Ann Krewson	1
Karen Moran	2
Pam Schiele Stang	4
Joyce Thuston	5
Dawn Knoll	11
Scott Karcher	14
Frances Kalbfleish	15
Jason Karcher	21
Clara Hornung	26
Meghan Mikusch	27
Elaine Kimker	28
Kali Hladnick	29
Shirley Nottelmann	29
Shirley Illert	30



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>6</b> <b>9:30</b> Sunday Worship In-person, Livestream on Facebook <b>9:45</b> Sunday School In-person	<b>7</b> <b>10:00</b> Bible Study Conf Call/Zoom Mtg	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> <b>noon</b> Lunch Bunch @ Concord Grill No LOGOS	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> Set your clocks forward before bed
<b>13</b> Girl Scout Sunday <b>9:30</b> Sunday Worship In-person, Livestream on Facebook <b>9:45</b> Sunday School In-person <b>10:30-11:45</b> Young(er) Adult Fellowship	<b>14</b> <b>10:00</b> Bible Study Conf Call/Zoom Mtg	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b> <b>5:30-7:00</b> LOGOS	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>
<b>20</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	<b>21</b> <b>10:00</b> Bible Study Conf Call/Zoom Mtg	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> No LOGOS (Spring Break)	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>
<b>27</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	<b>28</b> <b>10:00</b> Bible Study Conf Call/Zoom Mtg	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b> <b>5:30-7:00</b> LOGOS	<b>31</b>	<b>1 April</b>	<b>2</b>



# 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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*Violets*



Mary Darr

Grace Heady

Judy Hickman

Russ Hickman

Deb Hudson

Harry Jennings

Pam Kelly

JoAnn Leber

Brian Malin

Marilyn Milne

Jered Nagle

Janet Remmers

Wendy Remmers

Lyle Schmidt

Eleanor Schmitt

Paul Shrout

The Slavik Family

Dottie Vinyard

Paula Williams

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