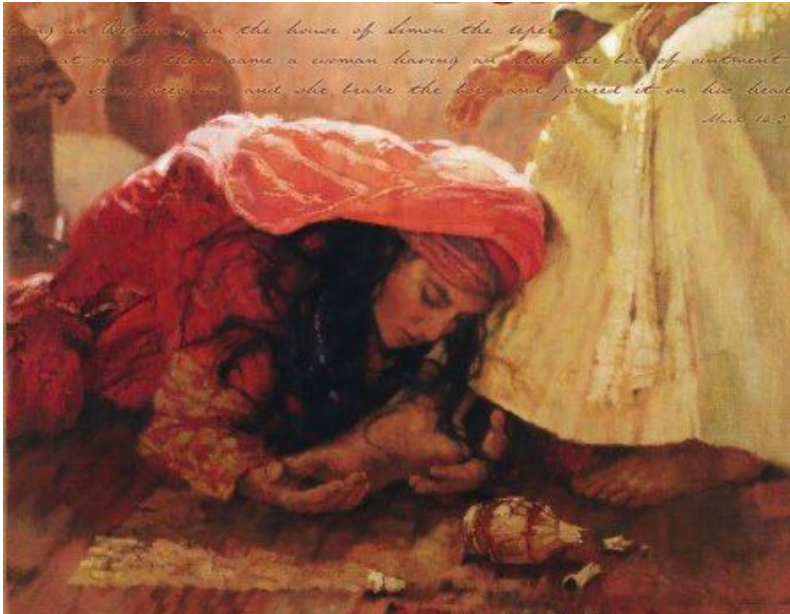


# St. Philip's United Church of Christ

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April 3, 2022

## Fifth Sunday of Lent



Pastor: Rev. Michael (Mike) Krewson  
Administrative Assistant: Carol O'Shea

Council President: Sandy Stevenson  
Youth Director: Andrea Tukin

Music Director: Mike Orzel

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

## Fourth Sunday of Lent

Prelude

Lighting the Candles

Announcements and Prayer Concerns

Birthday Celebration

\* Call to Worship (Responsively)

The Lord is doing a new thing!

**The Spirit is blowing. God is breathing new life in us.**

The old ways served their purposes, but a different chapter is beginning.

**We were not meant to remain the same. God intends for us to grow and change.**

The Lord is doing a new thing!

**We want to be part of it!**

\* Opening Hymn: "Take Time to be Holy" # 572

Take time to be holy, speak off with thy Lord,

abide in him always, and feed on his word,

Make friends of God's children; help those who are weak,

forgetting in nothing God's blessing seek.

Take time to be holy, the world rushes on;

spend much time in secret, with Jesus alone,

By looking to Jesus, like him thou shalt be;

thy friends in thy conduct his likeness shall see.

Take time to be holy, be calm in thy soul;

each thought and each motive beneath his control;

thus led by his spirit to fountains of love,

thou soon shalt be fitted for service above.

\* Call to Confession (Pastor)

\* Prayer of Confession (Together)

**Forgive us, Generous God, when we waste our time, talents and resources on the things of this world; Things that moths eat, rust destroys and thieves steal. Help us to be wise like Mary and be extravagant when it comes to you. Grant us your grace that we may move forward in joy. 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)

**Wake us up, O God, if we are asleep. Calm our storm if we are overwhelmed. Open our hearts and minds to hear your voice as you speak a new and life-changing word. Amen.**

Scripture: Deuteronomy 17:10-11

You must act according to the decisions they give you at the place the Lord will choose. Be careful to do everything they instruct you to do. 11 Act according to whatever they teach you and the decisions they give you. Do not turn aside from what they tell you, to the right or to the left.

Scripture: John 12:1-8

Six days before the Passover, Jesus came to Bethany, where Lazarus lived, whom Jesus had raised from the dead. Here a dinner was given in Jesus' honor. Martha served, while Lazarus was among those reclining at the table with him. Then Mary took about a pint of pure nard, an expensive perfume; she poured it on Jesus' feet and wiped his feet with her hair. And the house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume.

But one of his disciples, Judas Iscariot, who was later to betray him, objected,

“Why wasn’t this perfume sold and the money given to the poor? It was worth a year’s wages.” He did not say this because he cared about the poor but because he was a thief; as keeper of the money bag, he used to help himself to what was put into it.

“Leave her alone,” Jesus replied. “It was intended that she should save this perfume for the day of my burial. You will always have the poor among you, but you will not always have me.”

Hymn: “Break Thou the Bread of Life” # 321

Break thou the bread of life, dear Lord, to me,  
as thou didst break the loaves beside the sea;  
beyond the sacred page I see thee, Lord  
my spirit pants for thee, O living Word.

Bless thou the truth, dear Lord, to me, to me,  
as thou didst bless the bread by Galilee;  
then shall all bondage cease, all fetters fall;  
and I shall find my peace, my all in all.

O send thy Spirit, Lord, now unto me;  
touch thou my longing eyes that I may see;  
Give me to eat and live with Thee above;  
Teach me to love thy truth, for Thou art love.

Sermon: “We are Finite”  
Rev. Mike Krewson

Anthem: “”

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)

**Fill our spirits, God of extravagant love, with your love. Place in our hearts your call to serve all in your name. We dedicate these gifts and our lives to faithful service and ministry. 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. The cup that you pour out, is your vitality and life given for all.

**Break into our lives, O God, and transform these elements, that they may be for us your substance, and that, as we receive, we may be restored to wholeness in You. 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: "In The Cross of Christ I Glory" # 207

In the cross of Christ I glory, towering o'er the wrecks of time;  
all the light of sacred story gathers round its head sublime.

When the woes of life o'er-take me, hopes deceive, and fears annoy,  
never shall the cross forsake me; lo! it glows with peace and joy.

When the sun of bliss is beaming light and love upon my way,  
from the cross the radiance streaming adds new luster to the day.

Bane and blessing, pain and pleasure, by the cross are sanctified;  
peace is there, that knows no measure, joys that through all time abide.

\* Benediction

\* Postlude

## **SPRING CONGREGATIONAL MEETING** **Sunday, April 24, 2022**

Please plan to attend this very important meeting to be held immediately following the April 24 worship service. New committee and Church Council members will be voted on. If you have any other business you would like to add to the agenda, please let Sandy know by March 30, 2022.

Reports will be available on Sunday, April 10 just outside the sanctuary so that you can review them prior to the meeting.

## UKRAINE RELIEF

Dear Friends,

As the crisis in Ukraine continues, the refugees need so much help and support. St. Philip's would like to begin a Special Fund to help these people. Funds will go to UCC Global Ministries, which will provide food, shelter, transportation, and other services for refugees, and people left behind, including the elderly and those needing emergency medical care.

If you would like to contribute, you can do so by including a check payable to St. Philip's in your offering envelope, putting it in the collection plate, or mailing it to Kathy Shelton. Please be sure to put UCC Ukraine Fund on the memo line of the check and on the outside of the envelope, so it can be credited properly. Donations will appear on your giving statements and can be tax deductible. We are confident that the money will be well used to help these desperately cold and hungry people. God Bless them.

Thank you so much,  
Virginia Hladnick and Barbara Barnes

## YOUNG(ER) ADULT FELLOWSHIP

On Sunday, **April 10**, the young(er) adults in the congregation will meet again. We plan to enjoy some food and chat. Childcare will be provided as needed.

If you are interested in joining us, please see the YELLOW signup sheet on the bulletin board. Contact Pastor Mike if you have any questions.

## BOOK CLUB

We will meet on April 10 to discuss Elinor Oliphant is Completely Fine. If Covid number remain good, we will share a potluck lunch. Our next selection is The Life and Times of the Thunderbolt Kid by Bill Bryson. Described as "Warm and laugh-out-loud funny", it should be a nice break from the more serious books we read, and a nice break from the news.

Consider joining us to read this book. We always have a good time. Books are checked out in kit form from the library, and will be available for pick up on April 10, or by delivery to your home as needed. Contact Barbara Barnes for details at 314-843-4157.

## 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!



### Easter Flowers

Let's help beautify the sanctuary with spring flowers for Easter. Easter Lilies, Azaleas, and Hydrangeas are available.

The spring flowers will decorate the sanctuary on Easter Sunday, April 17<sup>th</sup>.

You may take your plants home after the Easter Sunday service or make arrangements to pickup the following week if unable to attend.

Make check payable to 'Walter Knoll Florist'

Name \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Easter Lilies \$ 15.00

\_\_\_\_\_ Azalea -  
Shades of Pink \$20.00

\_\_\_\_\_ Hydrangea - Pink \$20.00

\_\_\_\_\_ Hydrangea - Blue \$20.00

In honor of \_\_\_\_\_

In memory of \_\_\_\_\_

You can drop your order form and payment in the offering plate or turn in to Carol in the church office **by noon on Monday, April 11<sup>th</sup>**

### ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING

This Lenten Offering supports disaster and refugee services and supports development of new UCC Churches in impoverished communities. Special Offering envelopes will be included in the Bulletin and collected through April 24.

### LIGHT EASTER BRUNCH

We will have a light brunch Easter morning in the Gathering Space available at 8:30am before worship and after worship. All are welcome!



## EASTER EGG HUNT

St. Philip's is hosting their annual Easter Egg Hunt this year on Saturday, April 16 at 10am. We hope you and your family & friends can join!

We are still collecting individually wrapped candy to put into Easter Eggs. There is a bunny basket in the Gathering Space.

If you'd be willing to volunteer to help hide eggs, sit at a craft table or lead a game, please let Andrea Tukin know at [andreatukin@gmail.com](mailto:andreatukin@gmail.com) or by call/text (314) 566-8633. I could really use some church members to help out.



## GOOD FRIDAY WORSHIP

On Good Friday, April 15, 2022 St. Philip's UCC will hold worship at noon.

We will remember the crucifixion of our Lord and prepare our hearts for the Resurrection in a somber service of worship, prayer, and sermon.

## EASTER SUNDAY MUSIC

On Easter Sunday, Mike Orzel will be playing music 10 minutes prior to the service.

Please come early to enjoy, or tune in to our livestream at 9:20.

## LUNCH BUNCH

Welcome to Spring, so join the Lunch Bunch for lunch on Wednesday, April 13 at Maggie O'Brien's located at 3828 South Lindbergh in Sunset Hills at 12 noon.

See the BLUE sign up sheet on the bulletin board (by April 10 please) or call Lois Decker at 314-843-0183. Please leave a message. Hope to see you there!

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR...

Please note the upcoming dates:

Palm Sunday - April 10

Book Club - April 10

Young(er) Adult Fellowship - April 10

Easter Lily Flower Orders Due - April 11

Good Friday Worship - April 15

Easter Egg Hunt - April 16

Easter - April 17

Spring Congregational Meeting - April 24

## LOGOS SPRING SCHEDULE

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

### Spring 2022 LOGOS Dates

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

## APRIL BIRTHDAYS

April Schillinger	1
Ben Kotthoff	3
Steve Werner	4
Gwen Swanson	8
Judy Parkinson	10
Stan Parkinson	10
Karen Walker	15
Rev. Mike Krewson	19
Al Bowles	23
Steve Hladnick	24
Eloise Schamburg	25
Lucy Vogt	27
Kate Hausman	28
Mary Darr	28

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
3 <b>9:30</b> Sunday Worship In-person, Livestream on Facebook <b>9:45</b> Sunday School In-person	4 <b>10:00</b> Bible Study Conf Call/Zoom Mtg <b>7:00</b> Church Council Meeting	5	6 <b>5:30-7:00</b> LOGOS	7	8	9
10 Palm Sunday <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 <b>10:15</b> Young(er) Adult Fellowship	11 <b>10:00</b> Bible Study Conf Call/Zoom Mtg <b>noon</b> Easter Flower Orders Due	12	13 <b>noon</b> Lunch Bunch @ Maggie O'Brien's No LOGOS (Holy Week)	14	15 <b>noon</b> Good Friday Worship	16 <b>10:00</b> Easter Egg Hunt
17 Easter Sunday <b>8:30</b> or <b>10:30</b> Light Easter Brunch <b>9:30</b> Sunday Worship Slavik Baptism In-person, Livestream on Facebook <b>9:45</b> Sunday School In-person	18 <b>10:00</b> Bible Study Conf Call/Zoom Mtg <b>4:30</b> ECC Board Meeting	19	20 <b>5:30-7:00</b> LOGOS	21	22	23
24 <b>9:30</b> Sunday Worship In-person, Livestream on Facebook <b>9:45</b> Sunday School In-person <b>10:15</b> Spring Congregational Meeting	25 <b>10:00</b> Bible Study Conf Call/Zoom Mtg	26	27 <b>5:30-7:00</b> LOGOS	28	29	30



# **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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Gail Avery

Mary Darr

Grace Heady

Judy Hickman

Russ Hickman

Deb Hudson

Harry Jennings

Pam Kelly

JoAnn Leber

Brian Malin

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Wendy Remmers

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