St. Philip's United Church of Christ

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July 3, 2022 Fourth Sunday after Pentecost



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 after Pentecost

Prelude

Lighting the Candles

Announcements and Prayer Concerns

* Call to Worship (Responsively)

God is waiting for us with a tender heart and a searching question.

God is ready for us with truth and wisdom from a deep well.

God is blessing us with springs of living water.

God invites us to pray and bear one another's burdens.

* Opening Hymn: "God of The Ages, Whose Almighty Hand" # 725

God of the ages, whose almighty hand leads forth in beauty all the starry band of shining worlds in splendor through the skies, our grateful songs before thy throne arise.

Thy love divine hath led us in the past; in this free land with thee our lot is cast; be thou our ruler, guardian, guide, and stay, thy Word our law, thy paths our chosen way.

From war's alarms, from deadly pestilence, be thy strong arm our ever sure defense; thy true religion in our hearts increase; thy bounteous goodness nourish us in peace.

Refresh thy people on our toil-some way; lead us from night to never-ending day; fill all our lives with love and grace divine, and glory, laud, and praise be ever thine.

- * Invitation to Confession (Pastor)
- * Prayer of Confession (Together)

We have sometimes been unkind, O God, and thought only of ourselves. Free us from holding grudges and help us never pour shame upon another, but instead love and peace. You have given us such grace and mercy; help us to extend the same to our brothers and sisters. Please forgive us, gracious God. 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)

Calm us as we open your word, O Lord. Grant us a quietness that heals and listens. Speak to us in clear tones so that we might feel the need of our neighbor and be ready to bear each other's burdens. Amen.

Scripture: Galatians 6:1-6

My brothers and sisters, if anyone is detected in a transgression, you who have received the Spirit should restore such a one in a spirit of gentleness. Take care that you yourselves are not tempted. Bear one another's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ. For if those who are nothing think they are something, they deceive themselves. All must test their own work; then that work, rather than their neighbor's work, will become a cause for pride. For all must carry their own loads.

Those who are taught the word must share in all good things with their teacher.

Scripture: Luke 10:1-11

After this the Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. He said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. Go on your way; I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves.

Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals, and greet no one on the road. Whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace to this house!' And if a person of peace is there, your peace will rest on that person, but if not, it will return to you. Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the laborer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house.

Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; cure the sick who are there, and say to them, 'The kingdom of God has come near to you.' But whenever you enter a town and they do not welcome you, go out into its streets and say, 'Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet, we wipe off in protest against you. Yet know this: the kingdom of God has come near.'

Hymn: "O Beautiful for Spacious Skies" # 720
O beautiful for spacious skies, for amber waves of grain, for purple mountain majesties, above the fruited plain!
America! America! God shed full grace on thee.
and crown thy good with servanthood from sea to shining sea.
O beautiful for heroes proved in liberating strife, who more than self their country loved, and mercy more than life!
America! America! May god thy gold refine, till all success be nobleness and every gain divine.

O beautiful for patriot dream that sees beyond the years, thine alabaster cities gleam, undimmed by human tears! America! God mend thine every flaw, confirm thy soul in self control, thy liberty in law.

Sermon: "Carrying our load & bearing each other's burdens"

Rev. Mike Krewson

Anthem: "Glory, Glory Hallelujah"

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)

The needs of the world are great, abundant God, and our gifts alone do not solve them all. Grant us a mustard-seed faith, trusting that you bring the harvest. You multiply our gifts and abilities; through you, amazing things are possible. We dedicate these gifts and our lives to your service. Amen.

THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

INVITATION (Responsively)

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

And also with you.

The love of God and the communion of the Spirit is with us. **Thank you, Holy Spirit, for your presence here!**

PRAYER (Responsively)

O God, You have brought Good News for all the people and we strive to live from that truth.

We are hungry for your love which surpasses all our understanding; we are thirsty for your spirit that never runs dry.

Nourish our souls in this meal, feed our minds, encourage our deepest callings to serve you by bearing each other's burdens and so give you glory each day. Amen.

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. 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)

Your love, O God, knows no bounds. We have gathered here, female and male, young and old. Where we have been divided, your love has made us one. This we know for we have received the tangible assurance that this love is real through the gift of the bread and cup. Let us rise from this table and walk forward in the light of Christ. Amen.

* Closing Hymn: "This is My Song" # 722

This is my song, O God of all the nations,
A song of peace for lands afar and mine.

This is my home, the country where my heart is;
Here are my hopes, my dreams, my holy shrine.
but other hearts in other lands are beating
with hopes and dreams as true and high as mine.

My country's skies are bluer than the ocean, and sunlight beams on cloverleaf and pine; but other lands have sunlight too, and clover, and skies are everywhere as blue as mine. O hear my song, thou God of all the nations, a song of peace for their land and for mine.

This is my prayer, O Ruler of all nations: let thy reign come; on earth thy will be done. In peace may all earth's people draw together, and hearts united learn to live as one. O hear my prayer, thou God of all nations; myself I give thee; let thy will be done.

^{*} Benediction

^{*} Postlude

CHOIR REHEARSAL SUNDAY, JULY 10 AFTER WORSHIP

Anyone interested in joining the Choir please join us for another rehearsal on **Sunday, July 10 after worship**. For now, **we will meet every other Sunday**. For the month of July, we will rehearse on the 10th and 24th.

The Choir rehearses the Anthem and Hymns for the upcoming Sunday worship service. New members are always welcome. There is no audition – anyone with a love for music and a desire to sing is invited to join. Rehearsal lasts usually about an hour and we always have fun! Contact Mike Orzel, our Music Director, for more information.

JULY 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!"

Barbara Barnes	3
Dolores Zikes	3
Ellen Bell	8
Joshua Brym	8
Erin Hickman	8
Patty Siewing	10
Judy Hickman	19
William Matthews, Jr	20
Merle Schuette	25
Sydney Stevenson	27
Jim Wodicker	30



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL - CRAFT ITEMS NEEDED July 11-15

Vacation Bible School is looking for donations of any **cotton batting and/or fiberfill** that we might use for snow! We are also collecting **empty toilet paper or paper towel tubes** for crafts. We will have a box labeled VBS in the gathering space beginning Sunday, June 19.

In addition, we are looking for volunteers who may be interested in helping out one morning... or five! Whatever you can do. We'd love to have you. There's a need for people to participate in retelling the bible story through a skit, help with snack time, and crafts. If you are interested, please let Andrea Tukin know at andreatukin@gmail.com or (314)566-8633.

Thank you so much, The Learning Ministry

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 the collection plate, or mail 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

LOGOS FAMILY NIGHT

Please join us Wednesday, July 20 for LOGOS Family Night! All are welcome!

We are going to be having a pool party at Virginia Hladnick's house: 11004 Valdamere Drive. Come around to the back of the house when you get there! There will be a downstairs bathroom available for changing/restroom if needed

We will be having hamburgers, hotdogs, potato salad, chips, veggies/dip, and fruit with ice cream sundaes for dessert.

Please let Andrea Tukin know if you are going to be able to attend at andreatukin@gmail.com

We will meet 5:00-7:00pm....can't wait to see everyone!

God Bless,

Andrea 314-566-8633

LUNCH BUNCH WEDNESDAY, JULY 13

12:30pm (new time)

Lunch Bunch will meet on Wednesday, July 13th at Caruso's Restaurant located at 3152 Osceola Street, 63111. The time has been changed to 12:30pm to accommodate those helping with Vacation Bible School that morning.

Transportation can be arranged for those wishing to carpool. See the signup sheet on the bulletin board and signup by Sunday, July 10. If you have any questions, contact Sandy Stevenson at 636-333-2244.

CHURCH PHONE DIRECTORIES

Copies of the updated church phone directories are available on the credenza just outside the sanctuary. Please pick up your copy!

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
3 9:30 Sunday Worship In-person, Livestream on Facebook 9:45 Sunday School In-person	4 Independence Day	5 10:00 Bible Study Mtg 7:00 Church Council Mtg	9	7	8	o o
10 9:30 Sunday Worship In-person, Livestream on Facebook 9:45 Sunday School In-person 10:15 Younger Adult Fellowship 10:15 Choir Rehearsal	9:00-11:30 Vacation Bible School	12 9:00-11:30 VBS	13 9:00-11:30 VBS 12:30 Lunch Bunch @ Caruso's	14 9:00-11:30 VBS	15 9:00-11:30 VBS	16
17 9:30 Sunday Worship In-person, Livestream on Facebook 9:45 Sunday School In-person	18 10:00 Bible Study Conf Call/Zoom Mtg	19	20 5:00-7:00 LOGOS Family Night	21	22 August Crier Articles Due	23
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St. Philip's Vision Statement

We are called to the body of Jesus Christ, with:

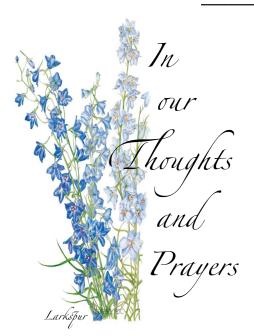
Minds to study God's word,

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.



Gail Avery

Mary Darr

Grace Heady

Pam Kelly

Marilyn Milne

Jered Nagle

Shirley Nottelmann

Janet Remmers

Paul Shrout

Lily Swanson

Dottie Vinyard

Paula Williams



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