St. Philip's United Church of Christ

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July 31, 2022 Eighth 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) Prelude

Lighting the Candles

Announcements and Prayer Concerns

* Call to Worship (Responsively)
 Come, all who rejoice and all who weep.
 The Lord is maker of us all.
 Come, all who are hungry and all who are filled.
 The Lord is maker of us all. Let us worship God!

* Opening Hymn: "Tell Me The Stories of Jesus" # 190 Tell me the stories of Jesus I love to hear; things I would ask him to tell me if he were here: scenes by the wayside, tales of the sea, stories of Jesus, tell them to me.

First let me hear how the children stood round his knee, and I shall fancy his blessing resting on me; words full of kindness, deeds full of grace, all in the lovelight of Jesus' face.

Into the city I'd follow the children's band, waving a branch of the palm tree high in my hand; one of his heralds, yes, I would sing loudest hosannas, "Jesus is King!"

* Centering Prayer (Together)

We lift up our eyes to you, O God. We call upon you trusting that you will hear us and answer us. Thank you for your presence among us. Amen.

* Response: "Spirit of the Living God" # 259 Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me. Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me. Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me. Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

Children's Time

Prayer of Preparation (Together)

Help us, Gracious God, to hear your Word. Let it be a lamp to our feet so that we might follow your path. Amen.

Scripture: Colossians 3:1-4

So if you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on the things that are above, not on the things that are on earth, for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.

Scripture: Colossians 3:10-11

Clothe yourselves with the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge according to the image of its creator. In that renewal there is no longer Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, enslaved and free, but Christ is all and in all!

Scripture: Luke 12:22-31

He said to his disciples, "Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat, or about your body, what you will wear. For life is more than food and the body more than clothing. Consider the ravens: they neither sow nor reap, they have neither storehouse nor barn, and yet God feeds them. Of how much more value are you than the birds! And which of you by worrying can add a single hour to your span of life? If then you are not able to do so small a thing as that, why do you worry about the rest? Consider the lilies, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these.

But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, how much more will he clothe you, you of little faith! And do not keep seeking what you are to eat and what you are to drink, and do not keep worrying. For it is the nations of the world that seek all these things, and your Father knows that you need them. Instead, seek his kingdom, and these things will be given to you as well.

Hymn: "For All The Saints" # 637

For all the saints, who from their labors rest, who thee by fath before the world confessed, thy name O Jesus be forever blest, Alleluia, alleluia!

Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might; Thou Lord, their captain in the well-fought fight; thou, in the darkness drear, the one true light, Alleluia, alleluia!

O blest communion, company divine! We live and struggle, they in glory shine; yet all are one in thee, for all are thine. Alleluia, alleluia!

And when the strife is fierce, the conflict long, steals on the ear the distant triumph song, And hearts are brave again, and arms are strong. Alleluia, alleluia!

From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast, through gates of pearl streams in the countless host, Singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, Alleluia, alleluia!

Sermon: "God knows our needs" Rev. Mike Krewson

Anthem: ""

United Church of Christ Statement of Faith / Moss version (Together)

- We believe in God, the Eternal Spirit, who is made known to us in Jesus our brother, and to whose deeds we testify:
- God calls the worlds into being, creates humankind in the divine image, and sets before us the ways of life and death.

God seeks in holy love to save all people from aimlessness and sin.

- God judges all humanity and all nations by that will of righteousness declared through prophets and apostles.
- In Jesus Christ, the man of Nazareth, our crucified and risen Lord, God has come to us and shared our common lot, conquering sin and death and reconciling the whole creation to its Creator.
- God bestows upon us the Holy Spirit, creating and renewing the church of Jesus Christ, binding in covenant faithful people of all ages, tongues, and races.
- God calls us into the church to accept the cost and joy of discipleship, to be servants in the service of the whole human family, to proclaim the gospel to all the world and resist the powers of evil, to share in Christ's baptism and eat at his table, to join him in his passion and victory.
- God promises to all who trust in the gospel forgiveness of sins and fullness of grace, courage in the struggle for justice and peace, the presence of the Holy Spirit in trial and rejoicing, and eternal life in that kingdom which has no end.

Blessing and honor, glory and power be unto God. Amen.

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 seek, O God, the transformation of the world, but fear change in our own lives. Grant us trust and courage. Take these gifts as symbols of our desire to genuinely love our neighbors as ourselves. May they be used to build a better world, where your love and salvation are known by all. Amen.

* Closing Hymn: "I Would Be True" # 608
I would be true, for there are those who trust me;
I would be pure, for there are those who care;
I would be strong, for there is much to suffer;
I would be brave, for there is much to dare,
I would be brave, for there is much to dare.

I would be friend of all - the foe, the friendless; I would be giving, and forget the gift; I would be humble, for I know my weakness; I would look up, and laugh, and love, and lift, I would look up, and laugh, and love, and lift.

- * Benediction
- * Postlude

MEMBER INQUIRER ORIENTATION SESSION

Several people have expressed interest in becoming members. A Member Inquirer Orientation Session will be held after worship on **Sunday**, **July 31** to answer your questions.

Attending this session will qualify you, but not obligate you to join. Sign up by giving your name to Pastor Mike.

As always, whether you are a member or not, we are happy for you to be here. Membership is not required. Church activities are open to members and nonmembers.

CHOIR REHEARSAL SUNDAY, AUGUST 7 - AFTER WORSHIP

Anyone interested in joining the Choir please join us for another rehearsal on **Sunday, July 24 after worship**. For now, **we will meet every other Sunday**. August rehearsal dates will be on August 7 and 21.

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.

LOGOS FAMILY NIGHT AUGUST 10

We are looking forward to seeing everyone on Wednesday, August 10 for LOGOS family night! All are welcome!

We will be building our own pizzas for dinner along with having salad and veggies.

For dessert we are doing a DESSERT POTLUCK! Bring any dessert you'd like to share :)

Please let Andrea Tukin know if you plan to attend at andreatukin@gmail.com or (314)566-8633.

We will meet 5-7pm and are looking forward to seeing you.

God Bless,

Andrea

LUNCH BUNCH

Lunch, lunch it is our favorite meal to munch. Soup, salad, or BLTs on toast. we don't know which we like the most. Sandwiches, pasta, and fries we adore, plus, friends to laugh with who could ask for more! If we could choose and have our way, we'd eat lunch with the group all day!

PLEASE join the Lunch Bunch on:

Wednesday, August 10th at noon Tucker's Place Restaurant 3939 Union Road 63125

SIGN UP on the St. Philip's bulletin board or RSVP Mary Dykstra at 314-822-3981 by August 8th.

Hope you will join us so that we can mutter, "Glad you are here, now pass the butter!"

YOUNG(ER) ADULT FELLOWSHIP

On Sunday, August 14, 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 or have any questions, please text or call Pastor Mike at 618-789-2203.

JULY BIRTHDAYS

| Barbara Barnes | 3 |
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| 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 |

CHURCH PHONE DIRECTORIES

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

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

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| 31 9:30 Sunday Worship In-person, Facebook 9:45 Sunday School In-person 10:15 Member Inquirer Orientation Session | 1 August 10:00 Bible Study Conf Call/Zoom Mtg | N | თ | 4 | 5 5:30 Spiritual Life Mtg | ω |
| 7 9:30 Sunday Worship In-person, Facebook 9:45 Sunday School In-person 10:15 Choir Rehearsal | 8 10:00 Bible Study Conf Call/Zoom Mtg | ი | 10 noon Lunch Bunch 5:00-7:00 LOGOS Family Night | 1 | 12 | 13 |
| 14 Aloha Sunday 9:30 Sunday Worship In-person, Facebook 9:45 Sunday School In-person 10:15 Young(er) Adult Fellowship | 15 10:00 Bible Study Conf Call/Zoom Mtg | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 |
| 21 9:30 Sunday Worship In-person, Facebook 9:45 Sunday School In-person 10:15 Choir Rehearsal 10:15 Book Club | 22 10:00 Bible Study Conf Call/Zoom Mtg 4:30 ECC Board Meeting | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 |
| 28 9:30 Sunday Worship In-person, Facebook 9:45 Sunday School In-person | 29 10:00 Bible Study Conf Call/Zoom Mtg | 30 | 31 | 1 September | 2 | κ |

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.



Gail Avery Mary Darr Grace Heady Pam Kelly Marilyn Milne Sue Myers Jered Nagle Shirley Nottelmann Janet Remmers Paul Shrout Lily Swanson The Vinyard Family Paula Williams



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