

St. Philip's United Church of Christ

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August 14, 2022
Tenth Sunday after Pentecost



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

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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 calling word invites us to service and ministry, to praise and thanksgiving.

**We worship the living God touched by joyous music and the power of
God's love.**

* Opening 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!

* Centering Prayer (Together)

**Once darkness threatened, O God, but now in Jesus light beacons us.
Help us to live as children of light— so the fruit of the light is found in
all we do. We want to please you. As we meet in your presence we
rejoice in the light. Amen.**

* Response Hymn: “Breathe on Me Breath of God” # 254

Breathe on me, Breath of God, fill me with life anew.
That I may love what thou dost love, and do what thou wouldst do.

Breathe on me, Breath of God, fill me with life anew,
until with thee I will one will to do and to endure.

Breathe on me, Breath of God, till I am wholly thine,
until this earthly part of me glows with thy fire divine.

Breathe on me, Breath of God, so shall I never die,
but lie with thee the perfect life of thine eternity.

Children's Time

New Members - Kevin & Samantha Mahoney, Emily Meininger

**Congregational Response: We welcome you with joy in the common life of
this church. We promise you our friendship and prayers as we share the
hopes and labors of the church of Jesus Christ. By the power of the Holy
Spirit may we continue to grow together in God's knowledge and love and
be witnesses of our risen Savior.**

Prayer of Preparation (Together)

**Draw us close, Holy Spirit, as the Scriptures are read and the Word is
proclaimed. Let the word of faith be on our lips and in our hearts, and
let all other words slip away. May there be one voice we hear today —
the voice of truth and grace. Amen.**

Scripture: Isaiah 5:1-4, 7

I will sing for my beloved my love song concerning his vineyard: My beloved had a vineyard on a very fertile hill.

He dug it and cleared it of stones and planted it with choice vines; he built a watchtower in the midst of it and hewed out a wine vat in it; he expected it to yield grapes, but it yielded rotten grapes.

And now, inhabitants of Jerusalem and people of Judah, judge between me and my vineyard.

What more was there to do for my vineyard that I have not done in it? When I expected it to yield grapes, why did it yield rotten grapes?

For the vineyard of the Lord of hosts is the house of Israel, and the people of Judah are his cherished garden; he expected justice but saw bloodshed; righteousness but heard a cry!

Scripture: Luke 12:49-52, 54-56

“I have come to cast fire upon the earth, and how I wish it were already ablaze! I have a baptism with which to be baptized, and what constraint I am under until it is completed! Do you think that I have come to bring peace to the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division! From now on five in one household will be divided, three against two and two against three;

He also said to the crowds, “When you see a cloud rising in the west, you immediately say, ‘It is going to rain,’ and so it happens. And when you see the south wind blowing, you say, ‘There will be scorching heat,’ and it happens. You hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of earth and sky, but why do you not know how to interpret the present time?”

Scripture: Hebrews 12:1-2

Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God.

Hymn: "What A Friend We Have in Jesus" # 585

What a friend we have in Jesus, all our sins and griefs to bear!
What a privilege to carry everything to God in prayer!
Oh, what peace we often forfeit, oh, what needless pain we bear,
all because we do not carry everything to God in prayer.

Have we trials and temptations? Is there trouble anywhere?
We should never be discouraged; take it to the Lord in prayer!
Can we find a friend so faithful, who will all our sorrows share?
Jesus knows our every weakness; take it to the Lord in prayer!

Are we weak and heavy laden, cumbered with a load of care?
Precious Savior, still our refuge, take it to the Lord in prayer!
Do your friends despise, forsake you? Take it to the Lord in prayer.
In his arms he'll take and shield you; you will find a solace there.

Sermon: "Interpreting history"

Rev. Mike Krewson

Anthem: "Amazing Grace"

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)

Touch us deeply as we worship, O God. Move us to generosity and accept these gifts for your service. Strengthen our faith and bless our gifts that they may renew our community and world. Amen.

* Closing Hymn: "Open My Eyes, That I May See" # 586

Open my eyes, that I may see glimpses of truth thou hast for me;
place in my hands the wonderful key that shall unclasp and set me free.
Silently now I wait for thee, ready, my God, thy will to see.
Open my eyes, illumine me, Spirit divine!

Open my ears, that I may hear voices of truth thou sendest clear;
and while the wavenotes fall on my ear, everything false will disappear.
Silently now I wait for thee, ready, my God, thy will to see.
Open my ears, illumine me, Spirit divine!

Open my mouth, and let me bear gladly the warm truth everywhere;
open my heart and let me prepare love with thy children thus to share.
Silently now I wait for thee, ready, my God, thy will to see.
Open my heart, illumine me, Spirit divine!

* Benediction

* Postlude

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.

CHOIR REHEARSAL SUNDAY, AUGUST 21 - AFTER WORSHIP

Anyone interested in joining the Choir please join us for another rehearsal on **Sunday, August 21**. For now, **we will meet every other Sunday**. September rehearsal dates will be on September 4 and 18.

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.

NEW MEMBER SUNDAY

On **Sunday, August 14** we expect to have 3 new members: Kevin & Samantha Mahoney, and Emily Meininger. Plan to stay after worship to briefly welcome them.

ALOHA SUNDAY August 14, 2022

Get into the spirit of "Aloha" by wearing a Hawaiian shirt or any flowered or bright colored shirt.

If you have a lei, wear that too! If not, we are happy to provide you with a lei. There will be a box of leis at church. We are asking you to choose a lei to wear, but not to return it to the box. Please take it home with you. We cannot recycle the leis at this time.

Not attending church services yet? We invite you to wear a Hawaiian shirt at home and be part of the spirit of Aloha!

BOOK CLUB

On August 21, after church, we will discuss *The Baker's Secret*, and share a potluck lunch.

Our next selection is *I Know Where the Crawdads Sing* by Delia Owens. This best seller has been described as fast paced story with keen and insightful observations of our society. We will meet after church and share a potluck lunch.

PASTOR MIKE KREWSON RETIREMENT CELEBRATION POT LUCK LUNCH - SUNDAY, AUGUST 28

Please join us to celebrate Pastor Mike Krewson's 4 years at St. Philip's after the August 28 worship service for a pot luck lunch in the MPR. More details to follow.

OUTREACH MINISTRY UPDATE

Festival of Sharing is right around the corner. It is a cooperative ecumenical response to hunger, poverty and injustice in Missouri with the goal of supporting projects and programs that help our neighbors experience healthy and full lives. St. Philip's has a long history of participation, with donations of many kinds. In the last two years, because of covid, we asked for cash contributions only.

Outreach Ministry has decided that we would like to resume in-kind donations and we have selected the "Student Dental Pack" Option, which provides items to needy students and their families. This year we are asking for:

- Adult toothbrushes (individually packaged or in two packs)
- Children's toothbrushes individually packaged or in 2 or 4 packs,
- Floride toothpaste (6 oz. or larger)
- Dental floss, any kind or size

For sanitary reasons, it is important the toothbrushes be in the original packages, please do not include large packages of toothbrushes.

We will be collecting **August 21 and 28, and September 4 and 11**. A basket will be setup in the Gathering Space to dropoff your donations.

Thanks ahead of time for your generosity.

Outreach Ministry

THE ANGEL TEAM

The Angel Team, a part of Outreach Ministry provides help and support to Members of the St. Philip's Family on an as-needed basis. We hope to update our information sheets and will provide blank copies for updating to those attending services.

The form includes emergency medical information and emergency contacts for members. There is also a place for you to indicate how you might be willing to provide help and support to others. For members who do not attend regularly, please contact Barbara Barnes (314-843-4157) and a form will be sent to you.

AUGUST 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!”*

Jackie Thurmond	1
Ken Holdener	1
Terri Karcher	2
Peggi Werner	11
Chris Armistead	15
Megan Comstock	16
Sloane Slavik	17
Tammy Knoll	18
Hilda Leonard	19
Debbie Hudson	24
Wally Knoll	28
Paul Shrout	28
Joe Williams	30
Judy York	31



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
14 Aloha Sunday and New Member 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 Festival of Sharing 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 Festival of Sharing 9:30 Sunday Worship In-person, Facebook 9:45 Sunday School In-person 10:15 Pastor Mike's Retirement Pot Luck Lunch	29 10:00 Bible Study Conf Call/Zoom Mtg	30	31	1 September	2	3
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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.



*In
our
Thoughts
and
Prayers*

Gail Avery
Joyce Brand
Mary Darr
Grace Heady
Pam Kelly
Marilyn Milne
Sue Myers

Jered Nagle
Shirley Nottelmann
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