St. Philip's United Church of Christ

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November 20, 2022 Totenfest



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

Totenfest

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING MUSIC "It is the point where our resources fail, that God can begin to provide." UCC Daily Devotional

* CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsively)

God, for all the saints we give you thanks - for loved ones and close acquaintances, for teachers and leaders.

God, for all the saints we give you thanks -

for authors of books that have moved us, for strangers who proved an example, for our children and the children of others who have given us courage.

God, for all the saints we give you thanks for those nearest and farthest away,
for those who have died and those who are living,
for those who knew they made a difference and
for those who quietly touched our lives.

God, for all the saints we give you thanks.

* OPENING HYMN: "For All the Saints" # 637 Verses 1-3
For all the saints, who from their labors rest,
who thee by faith 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!

* MORNING PRAYER

* AN AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Together)

We believe there is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus, and we know that in everything God works for good with those who love God, who are called according to God's purpose. We are sure that neither death, nor life, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

* RESPONSE: Hymn # 439 Verse 2

Thanks we give and ad-o-ra-tion, for thy gos-pel's joy-ful sound. May the fruits of thy sal-va-tion in our hearts and lives a-bound. Ev-er faith-ful, ev-er faith-ful to the truth may we be found.

A TIME FOR THE YOUNG AND YOUNG AT HEART
Jesus loves the little children, all the children of the world.
Red and yellow, black and white, they are precious in his sight,
Jesus loves the little children of the world.

A TIME OF REMEMBRANCE AND HOPE

Our souls yearn for God's presence; our hearts and our flesh cry out for the living God.

The Mighty One is our sun and our shield.

God bestows favor and honor upon us all.

We seek God and God answers us. God delivers us from our fears.

We come into God's house. Here, even a sparrow finds a home.

Even the swallow has a nest near God's altar.

O God, how great thou art.

HYMN: "How Great Thou Art" # 33 Verses 1, 2, 4
O Lord my God! when I in awesome wonder
consider all the worlds thy hands have made,
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder,
thy power throughout the universe displayed.

Refrain

Then sings my soul, my Savior God to thee; how great thou art, how great thou art!
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When through the woods and forest glades I wander, and hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees; when I look down from lofty mountain grandeur and hear the brook, and feel the gentle breeze. (Refrain)

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation, and take me home, what joy shall fill my heart; Then I shall bow in humble adoration, and there proclaim, my God how great thou art! (Refrain)

READING OF NAMES (Tolling of the Bell and Lighting of the Candles)

Charles Letchworth - St. Philip's Member

Dorothy Vinyard - Stacey Witte's Mother and St. Philip's Member

Douglas Lee Blaylock - Pam Henson's Brother

Janet Dallavis - Samantha Mahoney's Mother

Dick Ford - Ray Hoffstetter's Dear Friend

Wilbert Karcher - Terri Karcher's Father-In-Law

Kris Osmack - Jeannine Navratil's friend

James Ploesser - Shirley Illert's Brother

Billie Jean Roark - Patty Siewing's Sister

Rachel S. - Jeannine Navratil's son's friend

Ann Thuston - Joyce Thuston's Sister-In-Law's Sister

Robyn Wright - Judy York's Niece

PRAYER

RESPONSE: "Blessed Assurance" Hymn # 543 Verse 1

Bless-ed as-sur-ance, Je-sus is mine! O what a fore-taste of glo-ry di- vine!

Heir of sal-va-tion, pur-chase of God, born of his Spir-it, washed in his blood.

This is my sto-ry, this is my song, prais-ing my Sav-iour all the day long;

this is my sto-ry, this is my song, prais-ing my Sav-iour all the day long.

SCRIPTURE READING: Psalm 100

Blessed God, you have set your Son in our midst to guide us, and to wipe away every tear from our eyes.

We give you thanks, honor, and praise.

Our hearts shall not be troubled, neither shall we be afraid.

For you are our comfort. You lead us in good ways.

Goodness and mercy shall attend us all the days of our lives.

And by your grace we shall dwell in your house forever.

SCRIPTURE READING: Colossians 1.11-20

May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, so that you may have all endurance and patience, joyfully giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation, for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

A SHORT MEDITATION

SPECIAL MUSIC

WE LIFT OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS TO GOD

Pastoral Prayer

Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.

Thy kingdom come, thy 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 thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

Prayer Response: #67 Verse 1

Our God our help in ages past, our hope for years to come. Our shelter from the stormy blast, and our eternal home.

WE SHARE OUR BLESSINGS WITH OTHERS

- * Doxology #46 "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"
 Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
 Praise God, all creatures here below;
 Praise God above, the heavenly host:
 Creator, Christ and Holy Ghost. Amen.
- * Prayer of Dedication (Together)

Gracious God, source of all blessings, words cannot express the gratitude with which we come before you. May we embody our thanks with extravagant generosity. May we offer our lives to you in acts of compassion for one another. May we walk gently upon the earth, ever mindful of your gifts of breath, love, and life eternal. Amen.

* PARTING HYMN: "Now Thank We All Our God" # 715 Now thank we all our God with heart and hands and voices, who wondrous things has done, in whom the world rejoices, who, from our mothers' arms, has blessed us on our way with countless gifts of love, and still is our today.

O may this bounteous God through all our life be near us, with ever joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us, and keep us full of grace, and guide us when perplexed, and free us from all ills in this world and the next.

All praise and thanks to God our Father and our Mother, to Christ and to the One who binds us to each other, the one eternal God, whom earth and heaven adore, for thus it was, is now, and shall be evermore.

- * BENEDICTION
- * POSTLUDE

STEWARDSHIP DRIVE 2023

The Finance Ministry Team would like to invite you to join us after church on **Sunday, November 20th** for some treats as we wrap up our 2023 stewardship drive. Our pledge responses are very low to date - below is a copy of the 2023 pledge card - We ask that you prayerfully consider your support to St. Philip's and return your pledge card either in person or mail.

If you have any questions, please reach out to: Kathy Shelton at kathyshelton@swbell.net or 314-606-8127.



"For where your treasure is, there your heart will also be"

Luke 12:34

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General Fund	Please circle one per week / month / year
Building Fund	per week / month / year
Signature	Date

BOOK CLUB

We will meet on **November 20** to discuss <u>Exit West</u>. Our next selection is <u>American Marriage</u> by Tayari Jones. which won the 2019 Women's Prize for fiction.

Consider joining to read this book. We meet after Church, share a potluck lunch, and always have a good time. Books are checked out of the library in kit forms, and can be obtained from Barbara Barnes.

HANGING OF THE GREENS SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 27

Celebrate with us as we start the Advent season. Bring your Christmas Spirit and Joy to this annual event as we decorate St. Philip's after the November 27 worship service.

All ages are welcome to join in the fun. Lunch provided if you wish to stay. See the **GREEN** signup sheet and please indicate if you will be joining us for lunch.

CHOIR REHEARSAL AFTER WORSHIP

Anyone interested in joining the Choir please join us for another rehearsal. For now, we will meet every 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month. This month we will meet on November 20.

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.

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Olivia Witte	1
Scott Remmers	3
De'Ana Holdener	9
Sarah Bobmeyer	15
Jan Freese	15
Rob Harvey	15
Samantha Mahoney	19
Shirley Jennings	28
Jamie York Schubert	30

CANDY DONATION FOR ISAIAH 58 MINISTRIES

The children and youth in LOGOS will be learning about the mission of Isaiah 58 Ministries on November 30 and putting together Christmas Bags for people who visit the food pantry. They have asked that we include an ornament, a candle and some individually wrapped candies.

The families in LOGOS will be donating money towards the purchase of ornaments and candles.

I am hoping that some of you may be willing to donate some individually wrapped Christmas candy for the bags. If you head to the store and are willing, we will collect it this Sunday and Sunday, November 27!

You are all so giving and I know this is short notice and you already give so much. So please only do what you can.

Thank you so much, Andrea

ST. PHILIP'S - YOUNG ADULT AND FAMILY FRIENDLY EVENTS

We would like to invite families and/or young adults to several events this fall and winter. Please see what's already on the calendar. More events will be sent out soon. If you have any questions, please contact Andrea Tukin at 314-566-8633 or andreatukin@gmail.com

(See Bulletin email for links for underlined RSVPs and Tickets below)

<u>Wild Lights @ St. Louis Zoo:</u> Saturday, December 17. Official details to come, but tentatively planning to meet at 4:30pm @ South Entrance. For more info and to <u>RSVP CLICK HERE</u>. Tickets are not on sale yet, but if you rsvp we will notify you when they go on sale.

OUTREACH MINISTRY

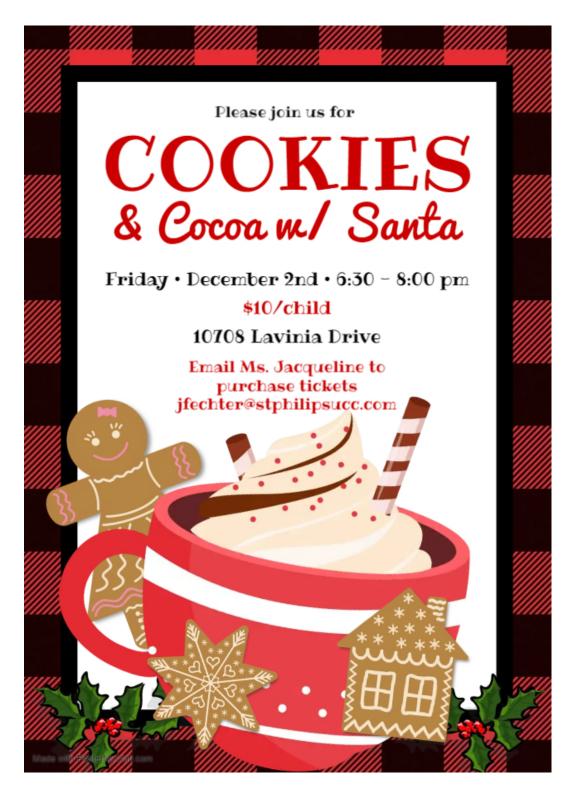
Advent is almost here!!! We will again participate in Feed My People's **Adopt a Family Program**.

We have received the names of our Feed My People "Adopt a Family" family members. They are Zemfira (47), Kasim (52), Leyla (24), Vasilya (20), Songyul (17) and Aseya (14). Given their first names, it is likely they are an immigrant family, and our gifts will surely be appreciated. Since the onset of covid, Feed My People has suggested gift cards rather than gifts in kind. We hope to collect enough to provide each family member with a \$50 gift card, and a \$50 grocery card for a special meal. If we have items on the hat mitten and scarf tree in time, I will select an item for each family member and wrap it to go along with the gift cards. If not, I will purchase a large box of Candy and wrap that to go along with the gift cards. Thanks in advance for your hospitality.

Contributions can be made in regular donation envelopes, with the amount specified to go to "Adopt a Family".

Our traditional **Hat, Mitten and Scarf Tree** will appear in the gathering area during Hanging of the Greens, so start looking for warm fuzzy items to buy, or start knitting. Items donated will go to Caroline Mission, so children's items are appreciated. Since the children have parents and older siblings, all sizes can be used.

As Thanksgiving approaches, we all have much to be thankful and grateful for. Isaiah 58 Ministries has a **"Buy a Bird" Thanksgiving program** that provides families with Thanksgiving Holiday Baskets with ingredients for Thanksgiving Dinner. For a contribution of \$30 you can feed one family, for \$300 you can feed 10 families. For details see the Poster on the bulletin board in the Gathering Space.





Christmas Poinsettias

Back again this year are beautiful poinsettia plants in your choice of red or pink, and mums in either white or yellow.

The poinsettias will decorate the sanctuary on Saturday, December 24 during the Christmas Eve service. You may take your plants home after the Christmas Eve service.

The cost is \$11.00 each plant.

Make check payable to 'Walter Knoll Florist'

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	Quantity	Color			
		Red Poinsettia			
		Pink Poinsettia			
		White Mum			
		Yellow Mum			
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You can drop your order form and payment in the offering plate or give to Carol O'Shea in the church office **by Tuesday**, **December 13**th.

FREE! THANKSGIVING DINNER

Thursday, November 24th 11:30am to 2:00pm

Affton Christian Church

9625 Tesson Ferry Road, Affton, 63123

(Approx. 1/2 mile south of Gravois at Reavis Rd.)

Come enjoy a true Thanksgiving Dinner with all the fixin's and you won't even have to clean up!

We also offer delivery or transportation to the church. Please call ahead by Nov. 22nd to see if you qualify: 314-631-5777



Saturday	26	က	10	17	24 7:00 Christmas Eve Worship
Friday	25	2 6:30-8:00 Cookies with Santa	0	16	23
Thursday	24 Thanks giving	1 December	8	15	22
Wednesday	23 NO LOGOS	30 5:30-7:00 LOGOS	7 5:30-7:00 LOGOS	noon Lunch Bunch @ Sandy's	21
Tuesday	22	29	9	13 Poinsettia Plant Orders Due	20
Monday	21	28 December CRIER Articles Due	5 7:00 Church Council Mtg	12 4:30 ECC Board Meeting	19
Sunday	20 Memorial Sunday9:30 Sunday Worship In-person, Facebook9:45 Sunday School In-person10:15 Choir Rehearsal10:15 Book Club	9:30 Sunday Worship In-person, Facebook 9:45 Sunday School In-person 10:15 Hanging of the Greens	4 9:30 Sunday Worship In-person, Facebook 9:45 Sunday School In-person	9:30 Sunday Worship In-person, Facebook 9:45 Sunday School In-person	9:30 Sunday Worship In-person, Facebook 9:45 Sunday School In-person



St. Philip's Vision Statement

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

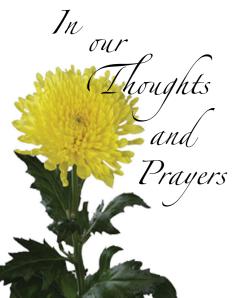
Minds to study God's word,

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.



Chrysanthemum

Gail Avery

Joyce Brand

Sandy Ganz

Grace Heady

Virginia Hladnick

Pam Kelly

Marilyn Milne

Sue Myers

Jered Nagle

Shirley Nottelmann

Janet Remmers

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