St. Philip's United Church of Christ

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

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PRAYER CONCERNS

* CALL TO WORSHIP - Worship Ways (Responsively)

The Spirit descends like a dove, bringing peace to unite the world in a just and caring community.

The Spirit comes like a breath, bringing life to renew the people of God. The Spirit spreads like fire, bringing energy for witnessing to the love of God. Spirit of the living God, come to us and transform our lives by your power.

 * OPENING HYMN: "Sweet, Sweet Spirit" # 261 Sing twice There's a sweet sweet Spirit in this place, And I know that it's the Spirit of the Lord; There are sweet expressions on each face, And I know they feel the presence of the Lord. Sweet Holy Spirit, Sweet heavenly Dove, stay right here with us,

Filling us with Your love; and for these blessings we lift our hearts in praise; Without a doubt we'll know that we have been revived when we shall leave this place.

* PRAYER OF INVOCATION - UCC BOW (Together)

We thank you, compassionate God, that you sent your Spirit to encourage those whom Jesus left behind that they might not be alone. Through the comfort of your presence, you empowered them to witness to your love. Today we also seek the encouragement of your presence. Do not leave us alone, O God, but send your Spirit to us that we may worship and serve you with joy; through Jesus our crucified and risen Savior. AMEN.

A TIME FOR THE YOUNG AND YOUNG AT HEART

RESPONSE: "Jesus Loves the Little Children" 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.

SCRIPTURE: Acts 2:1-21

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. Now there were devout Jews from every people under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs-in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power."

All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine." But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Fellow Jews and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: 'In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams. Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit, and they shall prophesy. And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day. Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'"

SCRIPTURE: John 7:37-39

On the last day of the festival, the great day, while Jesus was standing there, he cried out, "Let anyone who is thirsty come to me, and let the one who believes in me drink. As the scripture has said, 'Out of the believer's heart shall flow rivers of living water.'" Now he said this about the Spirit, which believers in him were to receive, for as yet there was no Spirit because Jesus was not yet glorified.

HYMN: "Spirit" # 249 Verses 1, 2, 4

Spirit, Spirit of gentleness, blow through the wilderness, calling and free, Spirit, Spirit of reslessness, stir me from pacidness, wind, wind on the sea.

You moved on the waters, you called to the deep, then you coaxed up the mountains from the valleys of sleep, and over the eons you called to each thing, "Awake from your slumbers and rise on your wings."

You swept through the dessert, you stung with the sand, and you gifted your people with a law and a land, when they were confounded with idols and lies, then you spoke through your prophets to open their eyes. You call from tomorrow, you break ancient schemes, from the bondage of sorrow the captives dream dreams; our women see visions, our men clear their eyes, With bold new decisions your people arise.

SERMON: "Pentecost" Rev. Laura Mignerone

ANTHEM: "River of Glory"

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Silent Prayer

Pastoral Prayer

Lord's Prayer

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

Your 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.

GIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERING

Offertory

* 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, ye heavenly host:

Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

* Prayer of Dedication - Worship Ways (Together)

Accept these offerings now placed on your altar, O God, the giver of every good and perfect gift. Grant that they may be symbols of our love and of ourselves now offered more fully to you. Use these gifts and us, we pray, to the end that your realm may come and your will be done on earth, even as it is done in heaven; through Jesus Christ our Savior. AMEN.

* CLOSING HYMN: "I've Got Peace Like a River" # 530 I've got peace like a river, I've got peace like a river, I've got peace like a river in my soul. (Repeat)

I've got joy like an ocean, I've got joy like an ocean, I've got joy like an ocean in my soul. (Repeat)

I've got love like an ocean, I've got love like an ocean, I've got love like an ocean in my soul. (Repeat)

* **BENEDICTION**

* POSTLUDE

PENTECOST SUNDAY, MAY 28 WEAR RED

The main sign of Pentecost is the color red. The symbols of Pentecost are those of the Holy Spirit and include flames, wind, the breath of God and a dove.

This is an invitation to wear red to church this Sunday, May 28.

FLOOR WAXING SCHEDULE May 26-29: No access to MPR or office bathroom - must use MPR bathroom

LUNCH BUNCH

Please join the St. Philip's Lunch Bunch on Wednesday, June 14 at noon. We will meet at Pasta House located at 6214 S. Lindbergh.

See the BLUE signup sheet on the bulletin board or call Dolores Zikes at 314-282-0197 by Sunday, June 11th to signup.

BOOK CLUB

We will meet after church on Sunday, May 28 to discuss 'The Great Alone' by Kristin Hannah. It is a a historical novel which follows a family's move to the Alaskan wilderness and the ensuring challenges they face there.

Consider joining us to read this book. Having read the book is not necessary to attend the meeting and we always have a good time!

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN HELPING MAKE OUR VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL THIS YEAR A SUCCESS?? THEN SEE BELOW!

Ways you can help make the week successful:

- Help decorate on Saturday, July 8 (we will be there 9 until about 1). There will be food for volunteers (bagels, coffee, juice and then lunch). If you can only come for an hour, we'll take you! <u>SIGN UP</u> <u>HERE or on Sign up Sheet</u> on bulletin board.
- Consider volunteering one morning or all during VBS: take a part in the bible story skit, help distribute snacks, help at crafts, help lead recreation games, be a group leader and go to stations with children. <u>Give your availability/interests HERE.</u>
- Help create decorations (use survey above or talk with Andrea Tukin)

Questions? Please contact Andrea Tukin at <u>andreatukin@gmail.com</u> or (314)566-8633 or any of the below Learning Ministry Team Members

Thank you for your support, Missy Ruffino, Andrea Tukin, Cindy Lewis, Jordan Lewis, Rachel Fischer, and Pastor Laura ~ Learning Ministry

LITURGISTS NEEDED!

St. Philip's is in need of liturgists for the Sundays Pastor Laura is physically at "the other church".

A sign up sheet is up on the bulletin board. THANK YOU to those who have volunteered already! If you're considering it, please reach out to Pastor Laura with any questions or concerns you might have. Having proactive volunteers sign up instead of needing to scramble to find someone the week of makes God smile (Pastor Laura can only assume \odot).

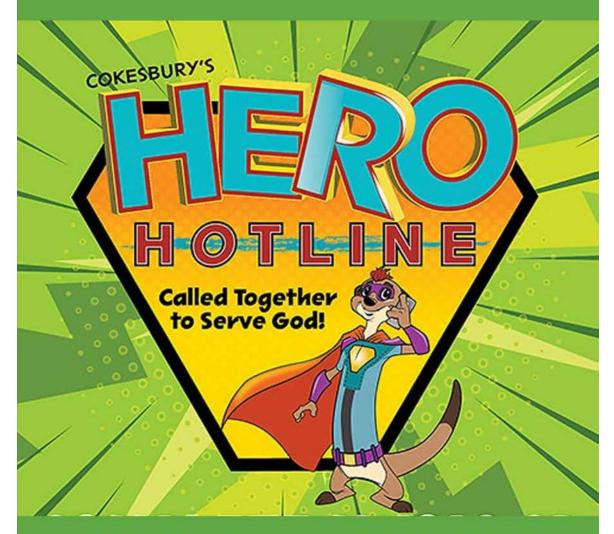
WORSHIP LISTENING DEVICES

Listening devices used during worship are now available in the Admin Assistant Office as you walk in the door to the right.

MAY BIRTHDAYS

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ST. PHILIP'S UCC PRESENTS



JOIN US JULY 10-14 FROM 9AM - 11:30AM \$20/ PER CHILD (\$35 MAX PER FAMILY)

PRE - K (AGE 3) THRU 6TH GRADE REGISTRATION INFO AT STPHILIPSUCC.COM OR RETURN FORM AT ST. PHILIP'S CHURCH OFFICE 10708 LAVINIA DRIVE ST. LOUIS MO 63123 CALL 314.843.5100 FOR MORE INFORMATION

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Saturday	3 MPR Rental	10	17	24	1 July
Friday	7	o	16	23	30
Thursday	1 June 6:30 Spiritual Life Mtg	ω	15	22	29
Wednesday	31	2	14 noon Lunch Bunch @ Pasta House	21	28
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Monday	29 Memorial Day Floors Waxed	5 7:00 Church Council Mtg	12	19	26
Sunday	 28 Pentecost Sunday- Wear Red 9:30 Worship in-person, Facebook 9:45 Sunday School 10:15 Book Club Floors Waxed 	4 9:30 Worship in-person, Facebook 9:45 Sunday School	11 9:30 Worship in-person, Facebook 9:45 Sunday School	18 Father's Day 9:30 Worship in-person, Facebook 9:45 Sunday School	25 9:30 Worship in-person, Facebook 9:45 Sunday School

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.



Ken Behnen Joyce Brand Víctoría Dawson Grace Heady Vírginia Hladnick Marílyn Mílne Jeanette Monroe Jered Nagle Shírley Nottelmann Paul Shrout Líly Swanson Paula Willíams



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