

St. Philip's United Church of Christ

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June 4, 2023
Trinity Sunday



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

Trinity Sunday

PRELUDE

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PRAYER CONCERNS

BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

* CALL TO WORSHIP - Worship Ways (Responsively)

After Jesus' death and resurrection he called the eleven to a mountaintop in Galilee and they went.

Let us be attentive to the voice of Jesus and bravely go when called.

Once the eleven saw Jesus they doubted but still worshipped him.

Let us forgive ourselves when we doubt, and remain open to understanding as we encounter Jesus.

As they worshipped, Jesus declared his authority and charged the eleven to go to all people. He instructed them to build community with all people, be willing to touch all people, and be willing to minister to all people.

Let us bravely go to all people, especially those society often tries to ignore.

Jesus instructed the eleven to use their voice, their stories, and their authentic truth as a witness to those whom they ministered to.

Let us stand in authenticity empowered by the Holy Spirit as we bravely share our story to help others find the love of Jesus.

Jesus assured the eleven to remember that he would always be with them.

Let us bravely live, work, and go in authenticity as we do the work of connecting people with the love of Jesus. Let us remember that his love, peace, and hope are always with us.

* OPENING Hymn: "For The Beauty of the Earth" # 56 Verses 1-3

For the beauty of the earth, for the glory of the skies,
for the love which from our birth over and around us lies.
Lord of all, to thee we raise, this our hymn of grateful praise.

For the beauty of each hour of the day and of the night,
hill and vale, and tree and flower, sun and moon, and stars of light.
Lord of all, to thee we raise, this our hymn of grateful praise.

For the joy of ear and eye, for the heart and mind's delight,
for the mystic harmony linking sense to sound and sight,
Lord of all, to thee we raise, this our hymn of grateful praise.

* PRAYER OF INVOCATION - UCC BOW (Together)

We thank you, living God, that in Jesus Christ you have built a house not made with hands, a people among whom you live. We thank you that you have called us and that we belong to you. We come now, longing to know the touch of your Spirit that we may be encouraged to serve you in the world. Come to us that we may recognize you and sing your praise; through the grace of Jesus Christ. 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: Genesis 1:1 - 2:4a

When God began to create the heavens and the earth, the earth was complete chaos, and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. Then God said, "Let there be light," and there was light. And God saw that the light was good, and God separated the light from the darkness. God called the

light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

And God said, "Let there be a dome in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters." So God made the dome and separated the waters that were under the dome from the waters that were above the dome. And it was so. God called the dome Sky. And there was evening and there was morning, the second day.

And God said, "Let the waters under the sky be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear." And it was so. God called the dry land Earth, and the waters that were gathered together he called Seas. And God saw that it was good. Then God said, "Let the earth put forth vegetation: plants yielding seed and fruit trees of every kind on earth that bear fruit with the seed in it." And it was so. The earth brought forth vegetation: plants yielding seed of every kind and trees of every kind bearing fruit with the seed in it. And God saw that it was good. And there was evening and there was morning, the third day.

And God said, "Let there be lights in the dome of the sky to separate the day from the night, and let them be for signs and for seasons and for days and years, and let them be lights in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth." And it was so. God made the two great lights—the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night—and the stars. God set them in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth, to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good. And there was evening and there was morning, the fourth day.

And God said, "Let the waters bring forth swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the dome of the sky." So God created the great sea monsters and every living creature that moves, of every kind, with which the waters swarm and every winged bird of every kind. And God saw that it was good. God blessed them, saying, "Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds

multiply on the earth.” And there was evening and there was morning, the fifth day.

And God said, “Let the earth bring forth living creatures of every kind: cattle and creeping things and wild animals of the earth of every kind.” And it was so. God made the wild animals of the earth of every kind and the cattle of every kind and everything that creeps upon the ground of every kind. And God saw that it was good. Then God said, “Let us make humans in our image, according to our likeness, and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over the cattle and over all the wild animals of the earth and over every creeping that that creeps upon the earth.” So God created humans in his image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them. God blessed them, and God said to them, “Be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth and subdue it and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth.”

God said, “See, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is upon the face of all the earth and every tree with seed in its fruit; you shall have them for food. And to every beast of the earth and to every bird of the air and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food.” And it was so. God saw everything that he had made, and indeed, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.

Thus the heavens and the earth were finished and all their multitude. On the sixth day God finished the work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all the work that he had done. So God blessed the seventh day and hallowed it, because on it God rested from all the work that he had done in creation. These are the generations of the heavens and the earth when they were created.

SCRIPTURE: Matthew 28:16-20

Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. When they saw him, they worshiped him, but they doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

HYMN: "I Was There to Hear Your Borning Cry" # 75

I was there to hear your borning cry, I'll be there when you are old;
I rejoiced the day you were baptized, to see your life unfold.

I was there when you were but a child, with a faith to suit you well;
in a blaze of light you wandered off to find where demons dwell.

When you heard the wonder of the word I was there to cheer you on;
you were raised to praise the living God, to whom you now belong.

If you find someone to share your time and you join your hearts as one,
I'll be there to make your verses rhyme from dusk till rising sun.

In the middle ages of your life, not too old, no longer young,
I'll be there to guide you through the night, complete what I've begun.

When the evening gently closes in and you shut your weary eyes,
I'll be there as I have always been with just one more surprise.

I was there to hear your borning cry, I'll be there when you are old.
I rejoiced the day you were baptized, to see your life unfold.

SERMON: "Holy Imagination"

Rev. Laura Mignerone

ANTHEM: "All Things Bright and Beautiful"

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)

We offer these gifts to the God of all people. We cheerfully give our treasure to bring love, peace, hope, joy, justice, and healing to those who are hurting. May these gifts be blessed and used to provide ministry for those who are too often forgotten in our society. Let the generosity represented here be magnified and amplified to stretch beyond our mortal thought and imagination. AMEN.

HOLY COMMUNION

INVITATION

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

BREAKING, POURING, SHARING

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING (Together)

We give thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us at your table by granting us the presence of Jesus Christ. Strengthen our faith, increase our love for one another, and send us forth into the world in courage and peace, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit; through Jesus Christ our Savior, AMEN.

* CLOSING HYMN: "I Love to Tell the Story" # 480

I love to tell the story of unseen things above,
of Jesus and his glory, of Jesus and his love.
I love to tell the story, because I know 'tis true;
it satisfies my longings as nothing else can do.
I love to tell the story, 'twill be my theme in glory,
to tell the old, old story of Jesus and his love.

I love to tell the story; 'tis pleasant to repeat
what seems, each time I tell it, more wonderfully sweet,
I love to tell the story, for some have never heard,
the message of salvation from God's own holy word.
I love to tell the story, 'twill be my theme in glory,
to tell the old, old story of Jesus and his love.

I love to tell the story; for those who know it best
seem hungering and thirsting to hear it like the rest.
And when, in scenes of glory, I sing the new, new song,
'twill be the old, old story that I hae loved so long.
I love to tell the story, 'twill be my theme in glory,
to tell the old, old story of Jesus and his love.

* BENEDICTION

* POSTLUDE

Wanna go to the Zoo SUNDAY, JUNE 4

St. John UCC is headed to the St. Louis Zoo this afternoon Sunday, June 4 and would be thrilled to have some friends from St. Philip's join them!

We'll meet near the fountain just inside the South Entrance at 12:30pm. All are invited for an informal day of fellowship and fun while wandering around the zoo! (*All children must be accompanied by a responsible adult for the duration of the day)

Questions? Reach out to Pastor Laura.

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.

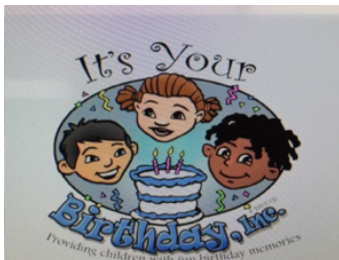
See the BLUE signup sheet on the bulletin board or call Dolores Zikes at 314-282-0197 by Sunday, June 11th to signup.

JUNE 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!”*



	Kathy Shelton	13
	Art Kuhn	13
	Jean Paul Thibodeaux	16
	Kent Kotthoff	17
	Dawn Schillinger	18
	Don Siewing	20
	Ruthann Nuelle	22
	Jordan Lewis	23
	Gary Schamburg	23
David Knoll	1	
Christine Vogt	1	
Rhett Schamburg	2	
Sheryl Treaster	9	

Rev. Mary Nelson, MMSC Transitional Minister, Bike Ride... to St. Philip's!

Our Missouri Mid-South Conference Minister, Mary, is riding her bicycle across the state of Missouri the first week of June, ending in St. Louis on **Saturday, June 10**, to raise funds for the MMSC Strengthen the Church Fund.

On June 10, she'll be making a loop around the St. Louis area, stopping by at as many UCC churches as possible along the way. St. Philip's is a planned stop along the way that morning (**tentatively around 10am**), where Mary would stop for just a few minutes for a water break. All are invited to gather at St. Philip's that morning to wave, give high fives, and say hi! It'll be a brief stop, but a fun way to be involved and support our Conference.

Hope you'll consider coming to hang out that morning at St. Philip's! Please reach out to Sandy Stevenson with questions.

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!** [SIGN UP HERE or on Sign up Sheet](#) 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. [Give your availability/interests HERE.](#)
- **Help create decorations** (use survey above or talk with Andrea Tugin)

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

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

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
4 9:30 Worship in-person, Facebook 9:45 Sunday School	5 7:00 Church Council Mtg	6	7	8	9	10
11 9:30 Worship in-person, Facebook 9:45 Sunday School	12	13	14 noon Lunch Bunch @ Pasta House	15	16	17
18 Father's Day 9:30 Worship in-person, Facebook 9:45 Sunday School	19	20	21	22	23	24
25 9:30 Worship in-person, Facebook 9:45 Sunday School 10:15 Book Club	26 4:30 ECC Board Meeting	27	28	29	30	1 July
2 9:30 Worship in-person, Facebook 9:45 Sunday School	3	4	5	6	7	8



**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.



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