# St. Philip's United Church of Christ

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# October 8, 2023 Nineteenth Sunday After Pentecost



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

## Eighteenth Sunday After Pentecost

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## LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

## WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS and PRAYER CONCERNS

\* CALL TO WORSHIP - Worship Ways

We come from the East, the West, the South, and the North into this sacred space to worship the living God who walks with us.

O God, we worship you for who you are, for loving and granting us your grace.

We lift our hands in praise to you and open our hearts to worship you in the fullness of who we are.

Let us worship the Lord our God with joyful and thankful hearts. AMEN!

\* OPENING HYMN: "In Christ There is no East or West" # 687 1,2,4 In Christ there is no east or west, in him no south or north, but one community of love throughout the whole wide earth.

In Christ shall true hearts everywhere their high communion find; his service is the golden cord close binding humankind.

In Christ now meet both east and west in him meet south and north; all loving hearts are one in him throughout the whole wide earth.

\* PRAYER OF INVOCATION - Worship Ways (Together)

Jesus, we ask that you bless our time together, that we may hear your words and apply them to our lives so that you will be honored and glorified. Allow your Holy Spirit to move through us so our faith grows and bears fruit. 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: Exodus 20:1-4, 7-9, 12-20

Then God spoke all these words, "I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; you shall have no other gods before me. You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above or that is on the earth beneath or that is in the water under the earth. You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the Lord your God, for the Lord will not acquit anyone who misuses his name.

Remember the Sabbath day and keep it holy. Six days you shall labor and do all your work. Honor your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the Lord your God is giving you. You shall not murder. You shall not commit adultery. You shall not steal. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor. You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, male or female slave, ox, donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor."

When all the people witnessed the thunder and lightning, the sound of the trumpet, and the mountain smoking, they were afraid and trembled and stood at a distance and said to Moses, "You speak to us, and we will listen, but do not let God speak to us, lest we die." Moses said to the people, "Do not be afraid, for God has come only to test you and to put the fear of him upon you so that you do not sin."

## SCRIPTURE: Matthew 21:33-46

"Listen to another parable. There was a landowner who planted a vineyard, put a fence around it, dug a winepress in it, and built a watchtower. Then he leased it to tenants and went away. When the harvest time had come, he sent his slaves to the tenants to collect his produce. But the tenants seized his slaves and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. Again he sent other slaves, more than the first, and they treated them in same way.

Then he sent his son to them, saying, 'They will respect my son.' But when the

tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, 'This is the heir; come, let us kill him and get his inheritance.' So they seized him, threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him.

Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?"

They said to him, "He will put those wretches to a miserable death and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the produce at the harvest time."

Jesus said to them, "Have you never read in the scriptures: 'The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; this was the Lord's doing, and it is amazing in our eyes'? Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that produces its fruits. The one who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces, and it will crush anyone on whom it falls."

When the chief priests and the Pharisees heard his parables, they realized that he was speaking about them. They wanted to arrest him, but they feared the crowds, because they regarded him as a prophet.

HYMN: "The Church's One Foundation" # 272 1, 2, 5
The church's one foundation is Jesus Christ our Lord;
we are his new creation by water and the Word;
from heaven he came and sought us to be his holy bridge;
with his own blood he bought us, and for our life he died.

Called forth from every nation, yet one o'er all the earth; our charter of salvation; one Lord, one faith, one birth. One holy name professing and at one table fed, to one hope always pressing, by Christ's own Spirit led.

We now on earth have union with God the Three in One, and mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won. Oh, happy ones, and holy! Lord, give us grace that we like them, the meek and lowly, on high may dwell with thee.

SERMON VIDEO: "Replaceable"

Rev. Laura Mignerone

ANTHEM: "Christ is our Cornerstone"

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Silence

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 OUR TITHES AND OFFERING

\* 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 - Worship Ways (Together)

Lord Jesus, we give thanks for each gift given. Bless them and multiply them so that others will be blessed, and your love will be shared worldwide. AMEN.

## CLOSING HYMN: "O For a World" # 683 1,2,5

O for a world where everyone respects each other's ways, where love is lived and all is done with justice and with praise.

O for a world where goods are shared and misery relieve, where truth is spoken, children spared, equality achieved.

O for a world preparing for God's glorious reign of peace, where time and tears will be no more, and all but love will cease.

\* BENEDICTION

\* POSTLUDE

## FALL BOOK STUDY - UPDATE

Pastor Laura just got a copy of the fall book study book, and realized that no one else needs to get a copy. She will lead the study, but no one needs to get anything or read anything ahead of time.

On Tuesdays at 2:00pm, October 17-November 21, we will gather via Zoom to work our way through "Living the Kin-dom: Exploring the Lord's Prayer as a Spiritual Practice for Social Transformation" by Riva Tabelisma.

To join from smartphone/tablet/computer: <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8352544400">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8352544400</a>

To dial in from cell phone/landline: 1-312-626-6799 and then 8352544400#

If Zoom is an issue for you, please reach out to Pastor Laura. (This winter, after Christmas, we plan to do an evening "Beer and Bible" style gathering - - so if Tuesdays at 2:00pm don't work in your schedule, fear not - - we're trying to balance schedule needs with an evening option after the first of the year!).

## IMPORTANT NOTICE FALL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING OCTOBER 15, 2023

Along with voting on the budget for the upcoming year, members will also vote on whether to call Rev. Laura Mignerone as the permanent part-time pastor of St. Philip's UCC.

The meeting will be held immediately after the church service. It's very important that you come and vote so your voice can be heard.

## ONLINE AUCTION to benefit HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

Visit

http://biddingowl.com/ucchabitat

to see all of the auction items and place your bid. Please support this fundraiser of the St. Louis area UCC churches!

## **VENDOR & CRAFT FAIR**

Friday, November 3 3:00pm - 7:00pm Saturday, November 4 9:00am - 3:00pm

Mark your calendar! Many items will be for sale at the Vendor and Craft Fair here at St. Philip's. The Friday sale runs at the same time as the Friday evening Spaghetti Dinner. Booths are available - - contact Carole Armistead for a reservation form or if you have any questions.

#### LUNCH BUNCH

Please join the Lunch Bunch on Wednesday, October 11 at noon. We will meet at Outback Steakhouse located at 5240 S. Lindbergh. Lunch Specials are available.

See the ORANGE signup sheet on the bulletin board or call Lois Decker at 314-843-0183 by Sunday, October 8th to signup.

#### LET'S ROCK!

Join us for a concert at St. Philip's UCC on Friday, October 20 at 7:00pm! We'll rock out with Eric Moeller, who, in addition to being the Associate Pastor at St. Peter's UCC in Washington, is also a very talented musician, songwriter, and performer.

His style is progressive Christian rock music, and the evening will be a worshipful experience. Good music, a good message, and a rocking fun time! Invite your friends—all are welcome!

## LOGOS HAS RETURNED!

We would LOVE to see you there!! LOGOS is a laid back, intergenerational ministry where families come together to grow in their relationship with God and each other. Every other Wednesday from 5:30-7:00 pm, join us for dinner, family centered games, a simple bible study, crafts and more. It's a great opportunity for faith and family during a busy week. Anyone is welcome! All ages!

If you are interested or have questions, please contact Andrea Tukin, St. Philip's Youth Director, at <a href="mailto:andreatukin@gmail.com">andreatukin@gmail.com</a> or (314) 566-8633.

## LOGOS MEAL SIGN UP

Would you be interested in making a meal for our LOGOS ministry? If so, we'd <u>love</u> to try your cooking (and have you join us for an evening)! Receipts may be turned in for reimbursement.

Meals that have worked for our group in the past include: chili & hotdogs, spaghetti, tacos, ham & swiss sliders, baked potatoes, etc. We'd love to try your ideas too!! See the October CRIER for details.

## LOGOS FALL SCHEDULE

October 18 November 1, 15, 29 December 13

## SAUSAGE & SAUERKRAUT DINNER

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 8TH

11:00 to 3:00

ST. JOHN UCC

920 EAST GRAVOIS, ST. CLAIR, MO 63077 636-629-3235



Serving Family Style - All You Can Eat

Dine In or Carry Out

Sausage, Sauerkraut, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Applesauce,
Dessert and Beverage



Adults \$15.00 - Children 5-12 \$7.00

Children 4 & under - Free

Be sure to visit our bazaar and bake sale!



TRUNK OR TREAT
SATURDAY,
OCTOBER 21
6:00-7:30pm
All are welcome to this event in the parking lot at St. Philip's.

Please consider hosting a 'Trunk'. For more information on this e v e n t, c o n t a c t Jacqueline Fechter in the ECC. Thank you.

## OCTOBER 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!

| Chuck Knoll          | 6  |
|----------------------|----|
| Richelle Fischer     | 9  |
| Claire Vogt          | 12 |
| Samuel Vogt          | 12 |
| Doug Stevenson       | 17 |
| Betty Moore          | 17 |
| Andrea Tukin         | 19 |
| Kevin Mahoney        | 20 |
| Linda Boucher        | 22 |
| Rev. Laura Mignerone | 23 |
| Bruce Eason          | 25 |
| Jamie Kotthoff       | 26 |
| Patrick Moran        | 29 |
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| Monday   |
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| 7:00 Church<br>Council Mtg                                     |
| 16 2:00 Fall Book Study (Zoom)                                 |
| 23 24 Happy Birthday 2:00 Fall Pastor Laura! Book Study (Zoom) |
| 30 31  4:45 ECC 2:00 Fall Board Meeting Book Study (Zoom)      |
| 6<br>7:00 Church<br>Council Mtg                                |



## 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

Iveta Boyanchek

Joyce Brand

Víctoria Dawson

Bob Eillson

Grace Heady

Virginia Hladnick

The Jennings Family

Mary Ann Krewson

Marilyn Milne

Jeanette Monroe

Jered Nagle

Shirley Nottelmann

Paul Shrout

Líly Swanson

Paula Williams



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