

St. Philip's United Church of Christ

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Twenty-First Sunday After Pentecost



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(text in bold read in unison)

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PRELUDE

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS and PRAYER CONCERNS

* CALL TO WORSHIP - Worship Ways - adapted from Psalm 106

Let us worship the Holy One who forms us as a people, a community, and a world!

God knows our name and looks upon us with pleasure.

Let us hear, see, and know the ways of the Lord.

God reveals Godself to us in magnificent and gentle ways.

Let us proclaim the glory, goodness, and graciousness of our Great God!

God is worthy to be praised!

* OPENING HYMN: "Lead On, O Cloud of Presence" # 633 1-3

Lead on, O cloud of presence; the exodus is come;
in wilderness and dessert our tribe shall make its home.
Our bondage left behind us, new hopes within us grow.
We seek the land of promise where milk and honey flow.

Lead on, O fiery pillar; we follow yet with fears,
but we shall come rejoicing, thou joy be born of tears.
We are not lost, though wand'ring, for by your light we come,
and we are still God's people. The journey is our home.

Lead on, O God of freedom, and guide us on our way,
and help us trust the promise through struggle and delay.
We pray our sons and daughters may journey to that land
where justice dwells with mercy and love is law's demand.

*** PRAYER OF INVOCATION - Worship Ways (Together)**

Revealing God, you show us the way of life, lead us with love, and move us to compassion. May our hearts be transformed by your Spirit and by your truth. Let our actions and attitudes demonstrate your kingdom. May justice and peace be our hope. Let repair, restoration, and reconciliation be our aim. Make your presence among us known. Let us prepare to receive it. 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 33:12-23

Moses said to the Lord, "See, you have said to me, 'Bring up this people,' but you have not let me know whom you will send with me. Yet you have said, 'I know you by name, and you have also found favor in my sight.' Now if I have found favor in your sight, please show me your ways, so that I may know you and find favor in your sight. Consider, too, that this nation is your people."

He said, "My presence will go with you, and I will give you rest." And he said to him, "If your presence will not go, do not bring us up from here. For how shall it be known that I have found favor in your sight, I and your people, unless you go with us? In this way, we shall be distinct, I and your people, from every people on the face of the earth."

The Lord said to Moses, "I will also do this thing that you have asked, for you have found favor in my sight, and I know you by name." Moses said, "Please show me your glory." And he said, "I will make all my goodness pass before you and will proclaim before you the name, 'The Lord,' and I will be gracious to whom I will be gracious and will show mercy on whom I will show mercy. But," he said, "you cannot see my face, for no one shall see me and live."

And the Lord continued, "See, there is a place by me where you shall stand on the rock, and while my glory passes by I will put you in a cleft of the rock, and I will

cover you with my hand until I have passed by; then I will take away my hand, and you shall see my back, but my face shall not be seen.”

SCRIPTURE: Matthew 22:15-22

Then the Pharisees went and plotted to entrap him in what he said. So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, “Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one, for you do not regard people with partiality. Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to Caesar or not?” But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, “Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? Show me the coin used for the tax.” And they brought him a denarius. Then he said to them, “Whose head is this and whose title?” They answered, “Caesar’s.” Then he said to them, “Give therefore to Caesar the things that are Caesar’s and to God the things that are God’s.” When they heard this, they were amazed, and they left him and went away.

HYMN: “More Love to Thee, O Christ” # 527 1,2,4

More love to thee, O Christ, more love to thee!
Hear thou the pray’r I make, on bended knee;
this is my earnest plea, more love, O Christ to thee,
more love to thee, more love to thee.

Once earthly joy I craved, sought peace and rest,
now thee alone I seek, give what is best;
this all my pray’r shall be, more love, O Christ to thee,
more love to thee, more love to thee.

Then shall my latest breath whisper thy praise;
this be the parting cry my heart shall raise,
this still its pray’r shall be, more love, O Christ to thee,
more love to thee, more love to thee.

SERMON VIDEO: “The Things that are God’s” Rev. Laura Mignerone

SPECIAL MUSIC: Michael Truong

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)

Generous God, we thank you for the gifts we receive and for the gifts we give. May they serve to make your kingdom come and your will be done. Magnify their impact so that you may be glorified and your name be praised. AMEN.

CLOSING HYMN: "Trust and Obey" # 556 1-3

When we walk with the Lord in the light of his word,
what a glory he sheds on our way!

While we do his good will, he abides with us still,
and with all who will trust and obey.

Refrain

Trust and obey, for there's no other way to be
happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey.

Not a burden we bear, not a sorrow we share,
but our toil he will richly repay;
not a grief or a loss, not a frown or a cross,
but is blest if we trust and obey. (Refrain)

But we never can prove the delights of his love
until all on the altar we lay;
for the favor he shows, for the joy he bestows,
are for them who will trust and obey. (Refrain)

* BENEDICTION

* POSTLUDE

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!

FALL BOOK STUDY - UPDATE

Please consider joining our Book Study which will be held on **Tuesdays at 2:00pm, thru 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:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8352544400>

To dial in from cell phone/landline:

1-312-626-6799 and then 8352544400#

You do not need a copy of the book and there is no need to read anything ahead of time. If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Laura.

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!).

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.

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 Tugin, St. Philip's Youth Director, at andreatugin@gmail.com or (314) 566-8633.

LOGOS MEAL SIGN UP

Would you be interested in making a meal for our LOGOS ministry? If so, we'd love 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

November 1, 15, 29

December 13

**TRUNK
OR
TREAT**

October 21st
6 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
 Arrive by 5:15
 to decorate your trunks

SEE YOU THERE!

Please consider hosting a 'Trunk'. For more information on this event, contact Jacqueline Fechter in the ECC. Thank you.

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

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
15 9:30 Worship in-person, Facebook 9:45 Sunday School 10:15 Fall Congregational Meeting	16	17 2:00 Fall Book Study (Zoom)	18 5:30-7:00 LOGOS	19	20 7:00 Concert Eric Moeller	21 5:00-8:00 Trunk R Treat
22 9:30 Worship in-person, Facebook 9:45 Sunday School 10:15 Book Club	23 Happy Birthday Pastor Laura!	24 2:00 Fall Book Study (Zoom)	25 November CRIER Articles Due	26 6:00-9:00 Quilters 6:30 Spiritual Life Mtg	27	28 Youth @ Habitat for Humanity
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5 Standard Time Begins 9:30 Worship in-person, Facebook - All Saints Day Observed 9:45 Sunday School	6 7:00 Church Council Mtg	7 2:00 Fall Book Study (Zoom)	8	9	10	11
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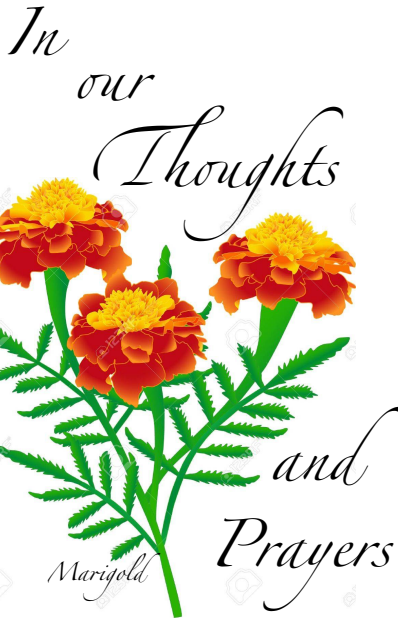
Our Vision Statement

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.



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