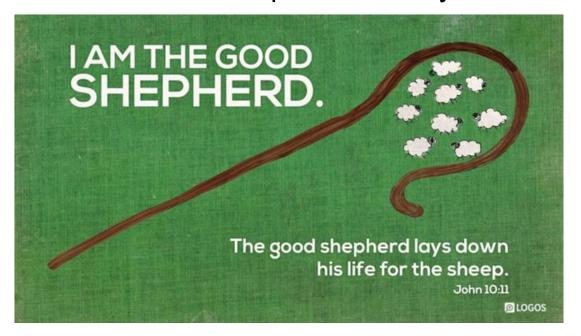
# St. Philip's United Church of Christ

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April 21, 2024 Good Shepherd Sunday



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

## Good Shepherd Sunday

### **PRELUDE**

### LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

### WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS and PRAYER CONCERNS

\* CALL TO WORSHIP

The Good Shepherd invites us to green pastures.

We are refreshed beside still waters.

We have been given everything we need.

We are comforted and reassured.

God leads us in the right paths.

Our cups are filled to overflowing.

\* OPENING HYMN: "My Shepherd, You Supply My Need" # 80 My Shepherd, you supply my need; most holy is your name; in pastures fresh you make me feed, beside the living stream. You bring my wand'ring spirit back, when I forsake your ways; you lead me, for your mercy's sake, in paths of truth and grace.

When through the shades of death I walk, your presence is my stay; one word of your supporting breath drives all my fears away. Your hand, in sight of all my foes, does still my table spread; my cup with blessings overflows, your oil anoints my head.

Your sure provisions, gracious God, attend me all my days; O may your house be my abode, and all my work be praise. Here would I find a settled rest, while others go and come; no more a stranger, nor a guest, but like a child at home.

## \* MORNING PRAYER (Together)

God of life and love, whom Jesus knew as a caring parent, remind us of your commandments that they may become our heart's most earnest desire—to pass on your love in truth and action. Grant us the courage to risk life itself, that others may see Christ abiding in us, and thus come to know your goodness and mercy. Amen.

### RESPONSE: #251 v.5 New Century Hymnal

Our hope is all in you and you a - lone;

we trust the prom - ise that your word makes known.

O dear Re - dem - er, make us calm and sure,

that in your strength we ev - er - more en - dure.

### A TIME FOR THE YOUNG AND YOUNG AT HEART

Je - sus loves the lit - tle chil - dren, all the chil - dren of the world.

Red and yel - low, black and white, they are pre - cious in his sight,

Je - sus loves the lit - tle chil - dren of the world.

### SCRIPTURE READINGS:

## Psalm 23 (Read together in unison)

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside still waters.

He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.

Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

#### John 10 11-18

'I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away—and the wolf

snatches them and scatters them. The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. I am the good shepherd.

I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd.

For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it up again. I have received this command from my Father.'

MESSAGE: "The Good Shepherd and His Sheep" Rev. Donna Kendrick-Philips

HYMN: "Such Perfect Love, My Shepherd Shows" # 248 vs. 1-6 New Century Hymnal

Such perfect love my shepherd shows, whose goodness fails me never, Whose hand all things I need bestows and watches me forever.

Where streams of living water flow, my loving shepherd leads me, And where the verdant pastures grow with food from heaven freeds me.

When vain and foolish oft I strayed, you, faithful Shepherd sought me, and on your shoulder gently laid, then home rejoicing brought me.

I do not fear death's shadowed vale when you are here beside me, Your rod and staff and strength prevail to comfort and to guide me.

You spread a table in my sight, your gifts of grace bestowing; And from your chalice I delight to taste your mercy flowing.

And so through all the length of days your goodness fails me never; Good Shepherd, may I sing your praise within your house forever.

### WE LIFT OUR HEARTS TO GOD IN PRAYER

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: #259 Chalice Hymnal

Spir – it of the liv – ing God, fall a – fresh on me.

Spir – it of the liv – ing God, fall a – fresh on me.

Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.

Spir – it of the liv – ing God, fall a – fresh on me.

### WE SHARE OUR BLESSINGS WITH OTHERS

Anthem: "Like A Shepherd He Feeds His Flock"

\* 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)

You fill our cups to overflowing, O God, and empower us for good deeds. Be pleased to use these gifts of love we offer for the sake of your whole flock and creation. May our gifts serve to bring others into your fold and equip us all to live fully as your own. Amen.

\* PARTING HYMN: "Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us" # 558 Savior, like a shepherd lead us, Much we need thy tender care, In thy pleasant pastures feed us; For our use thy folds prepare.

Refrain: Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,
Thou hast bought us, thine we are;
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,
Thou hast bought us, thine we are

We are thine; do thou befriend us; Be the guardian of our way; Keep thy flock; from sin defend us; Seek us when we go astray. (Refrain)

Early let us seek thy favor; Early let us do thy will; Blessed Lord and only Savior, With thy love our spirits fill. (Refrain)

- \* BENEDICTION
- \* POSTLUDE

# St. Philip's SUMMER KICKOFF ...

# Sunday, May 5 10:30am

Join us for games, taco bar, bounce house, face painting, and snow cones for our Summer Kickoff!

(Worship and Sunday School are at 9:30am)

ALL ARE WELCOME!

### **MAY 19 WORSHIP**

Join us for a special Pentecost worship experience on **Sunday**, **May 19 at Camp MoVal at 10:30am!** Many of us will already be down at MoVal for our shared retreat with St. John UCC on May 18, and we will close out our time together that weekend with a wonderful worship experience (in the Fireside Room--FULLY accessible, climate controlled, accessible bathrooms, etc.).

Because of this special opportunity to worship together with our sister church, ALL are invited to come to MoVal Sunday morning for worship (even if you don't come to any of the rest of the retreat--no cost to come Sunday morning for worship!). **CARPOOLING Sunday, May 19** -

We already have a few volunteers to carpool and shuttle folks from St. Philip's parking lot to MoVal that morning. Leave: 9:15am and Return: no later than 1:00pm. Signup sheet located on easel just outside the sanctuary.

There will NOT be worship at St. Philip's building location on May 19 (nor will there be worship at St. John's building location). We will plan to record the worship experience at MoVal and upload it to Facebook LATER (the internet isn't strong enough at MoVal to livestream).

And, if carpooling or catching the service online later still aren't the best options for you, we invite you to find a nearby congregation to worship with that morning (there are several UCC congregations just a few miles in any direction from St. Philip's)--bring greetings from St. Philip's on our behalf and imagine how we might build up a partnership with a UCC neighbor!

If you need assistance figuring out the best option for you/your family for May 19, please reach out to Pastor Laura.

# WILLING WORKERS MEETING APRIL 25 noon

We will meet on **Thursday**, **April 25 at noon** at Virginia's house to continue working on Vacation Bible School decorations. Please bring a sandwich and your scissors.

### **LOGOS MINISTRY**

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.

Need ideas on feeding 30 people? Here are some meals we've had in the past that have been successful for our group:

- Spaghetti, garlic bread, salad
- Baked potato bar with soup
- Chili & hot dogs
- Taco night! (beef, chicken or pork)
- Build your own sub/sandwich night
- Ham or Turkey & Cheese Sliders
- Pulled pork & macaroni & cheese
- Enchiladas
- Chicken Alfredo
- We'd love to try your ideas too!!

Lasagna

If you are interested, please see the schedule on the Bulletin Board.

Thank you for your support,

Andrea Tukin

# ST. PHILIP'S LUNCH BUNCH MAY 8

Please join the Lunch Bunch on Wednesday, May 8 at Bandana's BBQ located at 11750 Gravois Road in Sunset Hills. Due to their 'no reservation' policy, we will be meeting at 11:30am to ensure seating.

See the RED signup sheet on the bulletin board and signup by Sunday, May 5.

If you have any questions, contact Ray Hofstetter at 314-843-9403.

## **APRIL BIRTHDAYS**

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## BOOK CLUB APRIL 21 10:15am

We will meet on April 21 after church to discuss The Broken Heart of America.

Our next selection is Grandma Gatewood's Walk, the inspiring book about Emma Gatewood, the first woman to hike the Appalachian Trail, a remarkable 2100-mile journey through 13 states.

All are welcome! We have a potluck lunch and always have a good time. Contact Barbara Barnes for more info.

# SUNDAY SCHOOL & BABYSITTING ON SUNDAYS

Babysitting is available during the church service in the first classroom on the right in the Early Childhood hallway. If you are interested in teaching Sunday School or helping with the younger children, please contact Andrea Tukin or see the GREEN signup sheet on the bulletin board. There is also a PINK sign up on the bulletin board to do Children's Time during the service. Lessons can be provided for you.



# VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

We hope you can join us at **Camp** Firelight for some fun, faith, and adventure!

We are currently in need of volunteers. If you are interested in being a "camp counselor" (really just helping out how/when you can) please fill out the following google form! VBS Volunteer Interest Form (google.com)

We appreciate your continuous love and support as we enrich the lives of our youth!

Sincerely, The Learning Ministry



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
21 9:30 Worship in-person, Facebook 9:45 Sunday School 10:15 Book Club	22 <b>4:45</b> ECC Board Meeting	23	24 <b>5:30</b> LOGOS	25 noon Willing Workers @ Virginia's	26	27
28 9:30 Worship in-person, Facebook 9:45 Sunday School	29	30	1 May	2 5:30 Final Retreat Planning Meeting	б	4
5 9:30 Worship in-person, Facebook 9:45 Sunday School 10:30 Summer Kickoff	6 <b>7:00</b> Church Council Mtg	2	8 11:30 Lunch Bunch @ Bandanas 5:30 LOGOS	9 <b>5:00-6:00</b> Girl Scouts	10	Ŧ
12 9:30 Worship in-person, Facebook 9:45 Sunday School	13	14	15	16	17	18 Camp MoVal Spring Retreat
19 NO IN-PERSON WORSHIP Camp MoVal Spring Retreat noon-4:00 MPR Rental	20	21	22	23	24	25



# 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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