

# St. Philip's United Church of Christ

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October 6, 2024 (Outdoors)  
Worldwide Communion Sunday

Blessing  
- of the -  
**ANIMALS**



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

# Worldwide Communion Sunday

PRELUDE

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS and PRAYER CONCERNS

BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS

\* CALL TO WORSHIP (Inspired by Psalm 54)

Let the words of our mouths and the meditation of our hearts be acceptable to you, Holy One, our rock and redeemer.

For we seek your presence, the company of this community, and the renewal of our minds and spirits.

Let the words of our mouths and the meditation of our hearts be acceptable to you, Holy One, our rock and redeemer.

For you impart wisdom, inspire joy, and instill hope as we reflect on the past, live in the present, and consider the future.

Let the words of our mouths and the meditation of our hearts be acceptable to you, Holy One, our rock and redeemer.

For wherever we gather in your name, we find holy ground; whenever we call you, we find a fresh encounter; however we know you, we find belonging. Praise God!

\* PRAYER OF INVOCATION - Worship Ways (Together)

Triune God, make us one as you are one. As we enter worship, may our harmony extend beyond our songs. May our distinctiveness be welcomed, our identities celebrated, and our differences be a source of delight. May your church serve as a beacon for belonging and demonstrate the beloved community of the kingdom in your name this day and everyday. AMEN.

\* OPENING HYMN: "Diverse in Culture, Nation, Race" # 485 1, 2, 4  
Diverse in culture, nation, race, we come together by your grace.  
God let us be a meeting ground where hope and healing love are found.

God, let us be a bridge of care connecting people everywhere.  
Help us confront all fear and hate and lust for power that separate.

God, let us be a table spread with gifts of love and brown bread,  
where all find welcome, grace attends, and enemies arise as friends.

## 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 1:20-25

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 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.

SCRIPTURE: Matthew 6:25-34

"Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than

food and the body more than clothing? Look at the birds of the air: they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? And which of you by worrying can add a single hour to your span of life? And why do you worry about clothing?

Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you—you of little faith? Therefore do not worry, saying, 'What will we eat?' or 'What will we drink?' or 'What will we wear?'

For it is the Gentiles who seek all these things, and indeed your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well. So do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will bring worries of its own. Today's trouble is enough for today."

SERMON: "Consider the Lilies"

Rev. Laura Mignerone

HYMN: "Seek Ye First" # 354

Seek ye first the kingdom of God and God's righteousness,  
and all these things shall be added unto you. Al-le-lu, al-le-lu-ia!

Ask, and it shall be given unto you; seek and ye shall find,  
knock, and the door shall be opened unto you. Al-le-lu, al-le-lu-ia!

Seek ye first the kingdom of God and God's righteousness,  
and all these things shall be addd unto you. Al-le-lu, al-le-lu-ia!

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Silence

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.

## GIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERING

Anthem: ""

\* 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)

Gracious God, we give you thanks for all the gifts we receive from you and pray you receive our gifts for your kingdom. May they be a blessing and gift in our extended community and the world. AMEN.

## HOLY COMMUNION

### INVITATION

### WORDS OF INSTITUTION

### BREAKING, POURING, SHARING

### PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING (Together)

Lord, this special communion reminds us of being members of a global community. We have feasted at your table. As you have nourished us, may we go into your world to bring a feast of peace and hope to others, listening with loving ears and acting with loving hearts, in the name of our Savior, Jesus Christ. AMEN.

\* CLOSING HYMN: "All Things Bright and Beautiful" # 61

Refrain: (Repeat refrain before every verse)

All things bright and beautiful, all creatures great and small,  
all things wise and wonderful, in love God made them all.

Each little flower that opens, each little bird that sings,  
God made their glowing colors, and made their tiny wings.

The purple-headed mountain, the river running by,  
the sunset, and the morning, that brightens up the sky.

The cold wind in the winter, the pleasant summer sun,  
the ripe fruits in the garden, God made them every one.

\* BENEDICTION

\* POSTLUDE

## 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!*

*and God Bless You!"*

2 Jake Bobmeyer

6 Chuck Knoll

6 Mike Orzel

9 Richelle Fischer

12 Claire Vogt

12 Samuel Vogt

17 Doug Stevenson

17 Betty Moore

19 Andrea Tukin

20 Kevin Mahoney

22 Linda Boucher

23 Rev. Laura Mignerone

25 Bruce Eason

26 Jamie Kotthoff

29 Patrick Moran

## FALL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

The 2024 Fall congregational meeting is scheduled for October 20 immediately after church. As you know, the purpose of this meeting is to act upon the recommendations of the Finance Ministry relating to the general fund budget for the coming year. These recommendations, along with the agenda, will be available on the credenza at church on Sunday, October 6. If you are unable to come to church, you may call or email Carol in the church office and arrange to receive a copy.

As always, you are encouraged to listen, ask questions, state your opinions, respect the opinions of others, vote your conscience and then support whatever the majority of those attending approve. Be a part of the decision-making process as we perform this important work of the church.

## ST. PHILIP'S UCC OUTDOOR WORSHIP AND

### BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS AND WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY!

On Sunday, October 6, for our regular 9:30am worship, we will gather outside on the church grounds for an outdoor worship experience!

AND, all are invited to bring an animal to be blessed during our worship experience (leashed/restrained; please be prepared to clean up after your animal). Be as creative as you'd like as you think about an animal to bring (a pet, a picture of a pet or animal—past or present, a stuffed animal, etc.).

We'll celebrate God's magnificent creation and the animals that share it with us as we worship together outdoors! If possible, please also bring your own chairs. AND, this is also World Communion Sunday, which we will celebrate with human communion elements and treats for pets too!

TRUNK 'R' TREAT  
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26  
3:00-5:00pm

Join us for Trick-or-Treating, DJ Dance party, and To-Go Food Fundraiser from the Younger Adults from church. If you would like to decorate a car, please arrive by 2:30pm. Contact Jacqueline Fechter in ECC for more info.

FIRE & BRIMSTONE

Every other Wednesday, (October 9 & 23) all are invited to come for a time of fellowship and fun around a fire at St. Philip's!

From 5:30pm-7:00pm, there will be adult supervised playtime for the kids on the playground while the adults are invited to hang out around a fire. Pizza will be provided.

Bring your own chair, BYOB, and join us for some informal fellowship time! All are welcome! Contact Pastor Laura with questions.

FLOOR WAXING AT ST. PHILIP'S  
Floor waxing will take place in the building the weekends of October 11-13 and October 18-20. Access will be limited.

LUNCH BUNCH - OCTOBER 9

Join us for Lunch Bunch on Wednesday, October 9 at noon at Chili's Restaurant located at 1130 S. Kirkwood Rd. Please see the PINK signup sheet on the bulletin board and signup by Sunday, October 6 or call Dolores Zikes at 314-282-0197.

HEALING SERVICE!

During our regular Sunday morning worship on October 20, we will incorporate the themes of healing throughout the service, and will include an opportunity for anointing (blessing with oil on foreheads or hands—think Ash Wednesday, but with oil instead of ashes).

Following the service, Pastor Laura will remain in the sanctuary to offer individual prayers for anyone who would like to participate.

Reach out to Pastor Laura with questions.

ST. PHILIP'S OUTREACH MINISTRY  
Our Festival of Sharing project, conducted in September involved collecting dental hygiene products, which will be given to school children and clients of social service agencies throughout the state of Missouri. Thanks for your generosity.



## ST. PHILIP'S - LOGOS MEAL SIGNUP

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
- Lasagna
- Ham & cheese, Turkey & cheese Sliders
- Pulled pork & macaroni & cheese
- Enchiladas
- Chicken Alfredo
- We'd love to try your ideas too!!

Desserts are also needed. If you have questions, please let Andrea Tugin know or sign up on the bulletin board!

### LOGOS FALL SCHEDULE

October 16, & 30

November 13

December 11

A BIG thank you to all who have signed up for the Fall dates!

## BROWN BAG LUNCH

### WITH PAUL & ART

NEW opportunity for fun, food and fellowship, "Brown Bag Lunch with Paul and Art". Our member Paul Shrout is housebound and is unable to attend church services and activities, so we will bring the fun and fellowship to him!

Members and friends are invited to bring a sandwich in a brown bag and share the lunch hour with Paul and Art on Wednesday, October 30 at 12:00 noon at 10360 Concord School Road, 63128, across from Concord School. Paul and Art can seat 6 people, but there are only 4 parking spots. A signup sheet is posted on the bulletin board.

For questions call Barbara Barnes (314)843-4157.

**St. John UCC's**  
**Annual**  
**Sausage**  
**Dinner**  
**October 13**  
**11am-3pm**

## BOOK CLUB

We will meet on Sunday, October 27 after worship to discuss *Four Winds*.

Our next selection is *The Light We Carry: Overcoming in Uncertain Times* by Michelle Obama, in which she shares practical wisdom and strategies for staying hopeful and balanced in today's highly uncertain world. The date to discuss this book has not yet been set, but will be scheduled in late November or early December.

We meet after church, share a pot luck lunch, and usually have a great time!

### THANK YOU FROM PAUL & ART

Dear St. Philip's Church Family,

I want to say thanks to all of the folks who have attended the Brown Bag Lunch with Paul & Art.

You don't know what it means to me. We really have a good time together with fellowship. I always look forward to it. Even though I am unable to come to church, you come to me. You all are a loving and fine congregation.

May God bless and keep you all in his care. See you on October 6 for Blessing of the Animals.

Love and prayers,  
Paul Shrout



# TRUNK OR TREAT

OCTOBER 26TH

3:00 - 5:00 PM



JOIN US FOR TRICK-OR-TREATING, DJ DANCE PARTY, AND TO-GO  
DINNERS FROM THE CHURCH  
IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO DECORATE A CAR PLEASE ARRIVE BY 2:30 PM

# Sausage & Sauerkraut Dinner

St. John UCC – St. Clair

920 E. Gravois Ave.

Sunday, October 13<sup>th</sup> from 11:00am to 3:00pm



Dine In or Carry Out

Adults \$15.00/Children (5-12) \$5.00

Children 4 & under – Free

Menu Items: sausage, sauerkraut, mashed potatoes, green beans, applesauce, home pies and cakes, and beverages

*Be sure to visit our bazaar area with crafts and baked goods!*

***Cash or Credit Card Accepted***

# FIRE & BRIMSTONE

Join us for fellowship around the fire and  
playtime for the kids  
every other Wednesday, beginning September 25,  
5:30pm-7:00pm at St. Philip's UCC  
\*\*\*Pizza provided, BYOB, bring your chair\*\*\*

*Kids will be supervised on the playground and  
adults can connect around the fire.*

**ALL are  
welcome!**



Questions? Reach out to Pastor Laura:  
314.452.0785 or [Lmignerone@gmail.com](mailto:Lmignerone@gmail.com)

*Join us for...*

**BLESSING OF  
THE ANIMALS**

*Sunday, October 6  
9:30 am*





## Chili Dinner

### Friday, October 11th

Let Ms. Annie cook for you! Dinner orders must be placed by **October 8th**. Return this form along with cash or check payable to St. Philip's ECC to guarantee your dinner.

**Jr. Dinner:** Cup of chili, cornbread muffin, and a cookie **\$7**

**Adult Dinner:** Bowl of chili, cornbread muffin, and a cookie **\$10**

*\* Dinner orders must be placed in advance, by Tuesday, October 8th.*

### Chili Dine-In or Take-Out: Friday, October 11th

- \_\_\_\_\_ Jr. Dinner Tickets **\$7**
- \_\_\_\_\_ Adult Dinner Tickets **\$10**
- \_\_\_\_\_ Bowl of Chili Mac **\$5**



Family Name \_\_\_\_\_

#### Dine-In or Take-Out:

4:15    4:30    4:45    5:00    5:15    5:30



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
6 <b>9:30 Worship Outdoors, Pet Blessing, Worldwide Communion</b> , Facebook <b>9:45</b> Sunday School	7 <b>7:00</b> Church Council Mtg	8 Chili Dinner Orders Due	9 <b>noon</b> Lunch Bunch-Chili's <b>5:30-7:00</b> Fire & Brimstone	10	11 <b>4:00-5:30</b> Chili Dinner (Floor Wax, Limited Access)	12 (Floor Waxing, Limited Access)
13 <b>9:30</b> Worship in-person, Facebook <b>9:45</b> Sunday School	14	15	16 <b>5:30-7:00</b> LOGOS	17 <b>4:45-6:15</b> Girl Scouts	18 (Floor Waxing, Limited Access)	19 (Floor Waxing, Limited Access)
20 <b>9:30</b> Worship in-person, Facebook,Douglas Baptism <b>9:45</b> Sunday School <b>10:15</b> Fall Congregational Meeting	21	22	23 <b>5:30-7:00</b> Fire & Brimstone	24	25	26 <b>3:00-5:00</b> Trunk R Treat and ToGo Food Fundraiser
27 <b>9:30</b> Worship in-person, Facebook <b>9:45</b> Sunday School <b>10:15</b> Book Club	28 <b>4:45</b> ECC Board Meeting	29	30 <b>5:30-7:00</b> LOGOS	31	1 November	2
3 <b>9:30</b> Worship in-person, Facebook <b>9:45</b> Sunday School	4 <b>7:00</b> Church Council Mtg	5	6 <b>5:30-7:00</b> Fire & Brimstone	7	8	9





**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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*In  
our  
Thoughts*



*and  
Prayers*

LaDonna Kay Anderson

Brooke Bliss

Misty Bliss

Dave Boyanchek

Joyce Brand

Jennifer Clifton

Ron Hemingway

Virginia Hladnick

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