



ST. PHILIP'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

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***"As an inclusive and caring congregation, our mission is to make disciples,
praise God, and serve the community."***

**October 4, 2026
Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost
with the Baptism of Ruby Irene Glaubman**

How Good It Is to Worship the Lord!!....Thank you for worshipping with us this morning. WE pray that you would sense Christ's presence among us as we open our spirits to God.

If You Are Visiting with Us Today ...Welcome!! Please be so kind as to sign our guest book and introduce yourself to the Pastor as you leave. We ask **everyone** to sign the red fellowship pads as they are passed down the pew. Only visitors need to put their address and phone number. Additionally, in your pew rack, there is a bible. We believe we are called not only to proclaim God's Word, but to give it away. So, should you need a copy of God's Word, we invite you to take a bible as a gift from our congregation.

Nursery Care: Jesus said, "Let the little children come." So, living in our baptismal promises, we welcome and encourage children to worship with us. However, we understand that children often wiggle during the service, so if you so desire, parents are invited to go for a walk in the narthex or to take children (thru age 4 years) to the nursery, which is in the room just off the narthex.

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Sunday Morning Schedule

8:00 A.M. Worship Service in Sanctuary

9:15 A.M. Small Groups, Youth Group Breakfast Club in the Youth Room and
Christian Education for all ages.

10:30 A.M. Worship Service in Sanctuary

** Holy Communion Celebrated Each Week at Both Worship Services

Church Office Hours:

8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. (Monday through Friday)

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The Order of Worship

Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost - October 4, 2026

The Prelude

"Christe Sanctorum" J. Bert Carlson (Epiphany)

* The Order for Confession and Forgiveness

P: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit

C: **Amen.**

P: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: **Amen.**

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

P: Most merciful God,

C: **We confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen**

P: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

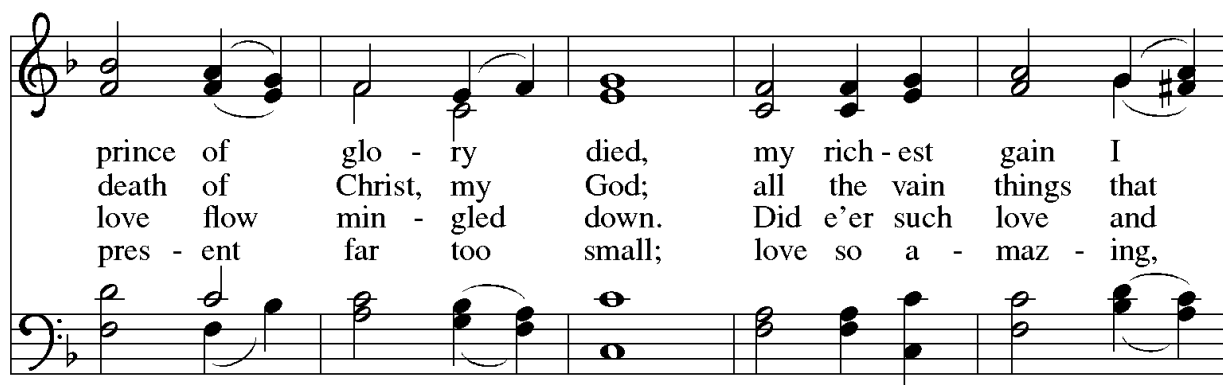
C: **Amen.**

* The Gathering Hymn *"When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"* (Hymn is on the Next Page ►)

*Indicates for all who are able to please stand



1 When I sur - vey the won - drous cross on which the
 2 For - bid it, Lord, that I should boast save in the
 3 See, from his head, his hands, his feet, sor - row and
 4 Were the whole realm of na - ture mine, that were a



prince of glo - ry died, my rich - est gain I
 death of Christ, my God; all the vain things that
 love flow min - gled down. Did e'er such love and
 pres - ent far too small; love so a - maz - ing,



count but loss and pour con - tempt on all my pride.
 charm me most, I sac - ri - fice them to his blood.
 sor - row meet, or thorns com - pose so rich a crown?
 so di - vine, de - mands my soul, my life, my all.

* The Greeting

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: **And also with you.**

* Kyrie (*Kyrie Eleison is "Lord Have Mercy"*)



Verses (Sung by Congregation)

*For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the unity of all;
For this holy house, for all who worship and praise,
Let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord. (Refrain)*

*That we may live out your impassioned response to the hungry and the poor;
That we may live out truth and justice and grace,
Let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord. (Refrain)*

*For peace in our hearts, for peace in our homes, for friends and family;
For life and for love, for our work and our play,
Let us pray to the Lord, Let us pray to the Lord. (Refrain)*

*For your Spirit to guide; that you center our lives in the water and the Word;
That you nourish our souls with your body and blood,
Let us pray to the Lord, Let us pray to the Lord. (Refrain)*

* Hymn of Praise

Refrain



Glo - ry to God in the high - est, the high - est, and



peace to God's peo - ple on earth.



1 Lord God, heav-en - ly King, al - might-y God and Fa - ther,



we wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you

Refrain



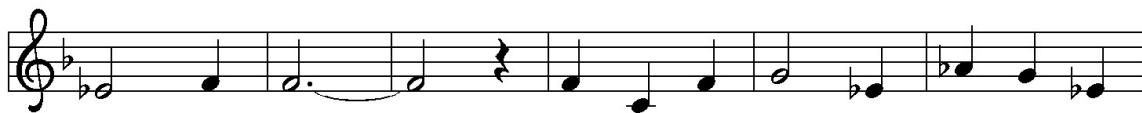
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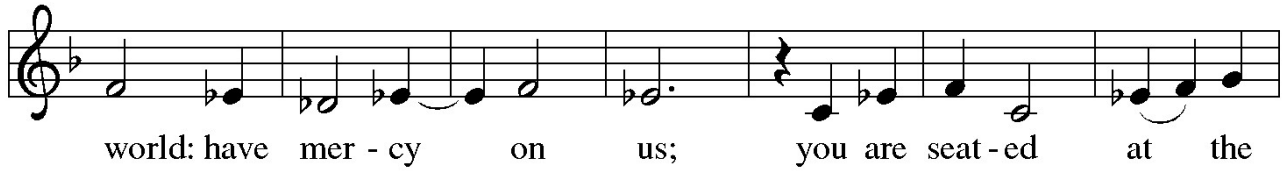


2 Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God,

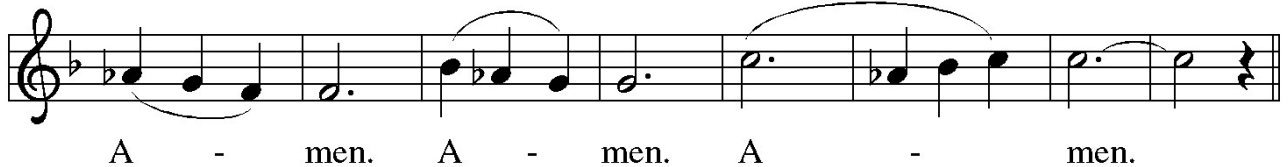
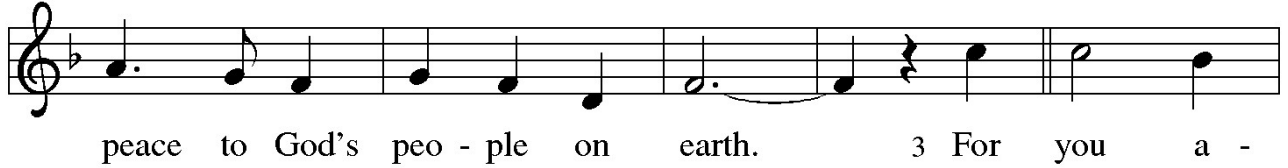
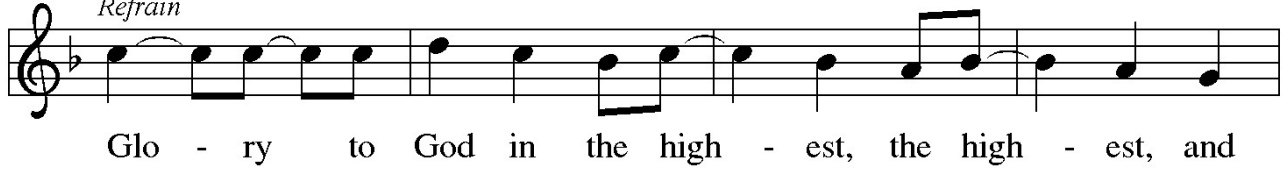


Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the

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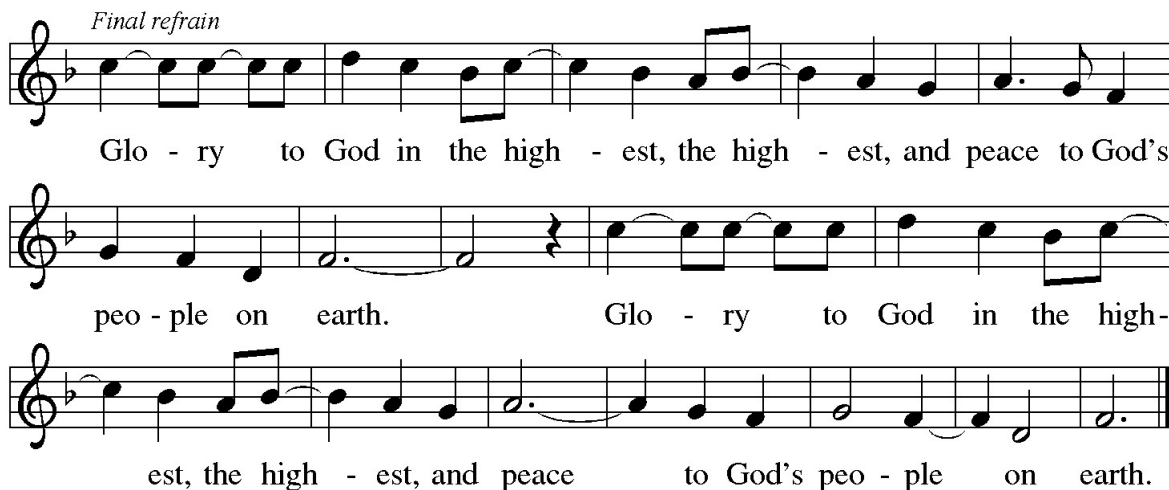


Refrain



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Final refrain



Glo - ry to God in the high - est, the high - est, and peace to God's
 peo - ple on earth. Glo - ry to God in the high -
 est, the high - est, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

* Prayer of the Day

A: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

A: Let us pray . . . Beloved God, from you come all things that are good. Lead us by the inspiration of your Spirit to know those things that are right, and by your merciful guidance, help us to do them, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: **Amen.**

Choir Anthem

"In the Garden" Larson

St. Philip's Chancel Choir

The Old Testament Lesson *Isaiah 5:1-7*

¹ Let me sing for my beloved my love-song concerning his vineyard:

My beloved had a vineyard on a very fertile hill.

² He dug it and cleared it of stones,

and planted it with choice vines; he built a watch-tower in the midst of it,

and hewed out a wine vat in it;

he expected it to yield grapes, but it yielded wild grapes.

³ And now, inhabitants of Jerusalem

and people of Judah, judge between me and my vineyard.

⁴ What more was there to do for my vineyard

that I have not done in it?

When I expected it to yield grapes, why did it yield wild grapes?

⁵ And now I will tell you what I will do to my vineyard.
I will remove its hedge, and it shall be devoured;
I will break down its wall, and it shall be trampled down.
⁶ I will make it a waste; it shall not be pruned or hoed,
and it shall be overgrown with briars and thorns;
I will also command the clouds that they rain no rain upon it.
⁷ For the vineyard of the Lord of hosts
is the house of Israel, and the people of Judah
are his pleasant planting; he expected justice,
but saw bloodshed; righteousness, but heard a cry!

A: The word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Responsorial Psalm *Psalm 80:7-15*

⁷ Restore us, O God of hosts; let your face shine, that we may be saved.

**⁸ You brought a vine out of Egypt;
you drove out the nations and planted it.**

⁹ You cleared the ground for it;
it took deep root and filled the land.

**¹⁰ The mountains were covered with its shade,
the mighty cedars with its branches;**

¹¹ it sent out its branches to the sea, and its shoots to the River.

**¹² Why then have you broken down its walls,
so that all who pass along the way pluck its fruit?**

¹³ The boar from the forest ravages it, and all that move in the field feed on it.

**¹⁴ Turn again, O God of hosts; look down from heaven, and see;
have regard for this vine, ¹⁵the stock that your right hand planted.**

The New Testament Lesson *Philippians 3:4b-14*

^{4b} If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: ⁵circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; ⁶as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless.

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⁷ Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. ⁸More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ ⁹and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. ¹⁰I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, ¹¹if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

¹² Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. ¹³Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, ¹⁴I press on towards the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

A: The word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

* Gospel Acclamation

"Alleluia"

Al-le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the

words of e - ter - nal life. Al-le - lu - ia.

Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia.

Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

* The Gospel Lesson *Matthew 21:33-46*

P: A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew the twenty-first chapter.

C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

[Jesus continued to speak to the Chief priests and elders, saying to them . . .] ³³ ‘Listen to another parable. There was a landowner who planted a vineyard, put a fence around it, dug a wine press in it, and built a watch-tower. Then he leased it to tenants and went to another country. ³⁴When the harvest time had come, he sent his slaves to the tenants to collect his produce. ³⁵But the tenants seized his slaves and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. ³⁶Again he sent other slaves, more than the first; and they treated them in the same way. ³⁷Finally he sent his son to them, saying, “They will respect my son.” ³⁸But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, “This is the heir; come, let us kill him and get his inheritance.” ³⁹So they seized him, threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him. ⁴⁰Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?’ ⁴¹They 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.’

⁴² Jesus said to them, ‘Have you never read in the scriptures:

“The stone that the builders rejected

become the cornerstone;

this was the Lord’s doing,

it is amazing in our eyes”?

⁴³Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that produces the fruits of the kingdom. ⁴⁴The one who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces; and it will crush anyone on whom it falls.’

⁴⁵ When the chief priests and the Pharisees heard his parables, they realized that he was speaking about them. ⁴⁶They wanted to arrest him, but they feared the crowds, because they regarded him as a prophet.

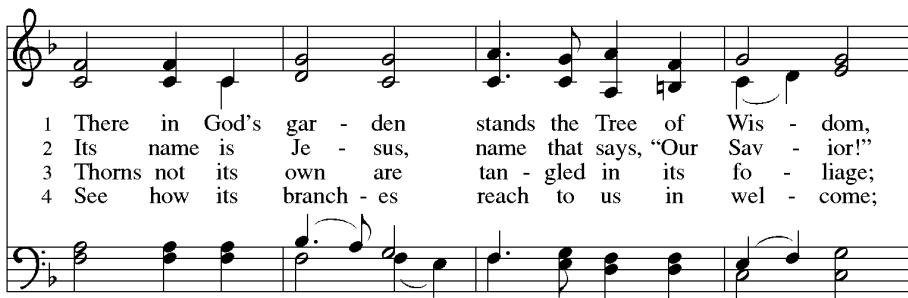
P: The Gospel of the Lord

C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Children’s Sermon and Growing in the Gospel *(Growing in the Gospel are at the 10:30 a.m. Worship Service and is for children through 3rd Grade.)*

The Sermon

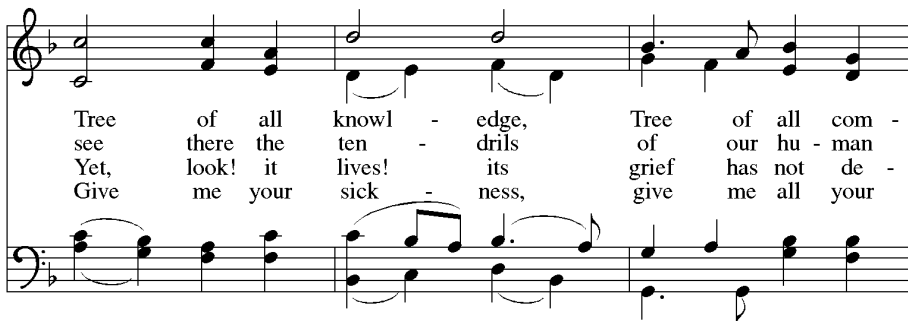
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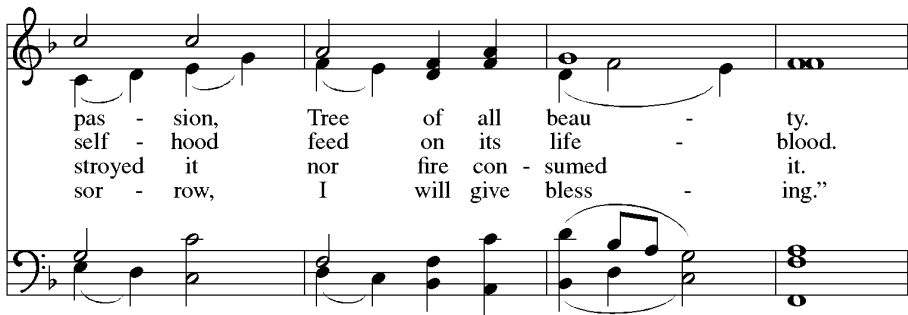
1 There in God's gar - den stands the Tree of Wis - dom,
 2 Its name is Je - sus, name that says, "Our Sav - ior!"
 3 Thorns not its own are tan - gled in its fo - liage;
 4 See how its branch - es reach to us in wel - come;



whose leaves hold forth the heal - ing of the na - tions:
 There on its branch - es see the scars of suf - f'ring;
 our greed has starved it, our de - spite has choked it.
 hear what the Voice says, "Come to me, ye wea - ry!



Tree of all knowl - edge, Tree of all com -
 see there the ten - drills our hu - man
 Yet, look! it lives! its grief has not de -
 Give me your sick - ness, give me all your



pas - sion, Tree of all beau - ty.
 self - hood feed on its life - blood.
 stroyed it nor fire con - sumed it.
 sor - row, I will give bless - ing."

5 This is my ending,
 this my resurrection;
 into your hands, Lord,
 I commit my spirit.
 This have I searched for;
 now I can possess it.
 This ground is holy.

6 All heav'n is singing,
 "Thanks to Christ whose passion
 offers in mercy
 healing, strength, and pardon.
 Peoples and nations,
 take it, take it freely!"
 Amen! My Master!

Sacrament of Holy Baptism

(at the 10:30 a.m. Worship Service)

This morning, Ruby Irene Glaubman is presented for the Sacrament of Holy Baptism.

Ruby's parents are Andrew Todd and Caitlyn Irene Glaubman and her sponsors are Christopher Longo and Natalie Longo.

Sponsors: We present Ruby Irene to receive the Sacrament of Holy Baptism.

P: This child has been presented before us for baptism that she might become a child of God.

C: **Through Baptism we are made children of God!**

P: Martin Luther, in his Small Catechism, teaches that "Baptism brings about forgiveness of sins, redeems us from death and the devil, and gives eternal salvation to all who believe it, as the Word and promise of God declare."

C: **Through Baptism we are made children of God!**

P: "But how can water do such great things? Clearly water does not do it, but rather the Word of God which is with, in, and among the water, and faith, which trusts this Word of God in the water. For without the Word of God the water is plain water and not a baptism, but with the Word of God it is a Baptism, that is grace-filled water of life and a 'bath of the new birth of the Holy Spirit.'"

C: **Through Baptism we are made children of God!**

P: "This baptism signifies that each day the old person in us with all our sins and evil desires is to be drowned through sorrow for sin and repentance, and that each day a new person is to come forth and rise up to live before God in righteousness and purity forever."

C: **Through Baptism we are made children of God!**

P: But Ruby is just a baby! She doesn't know what's going on.

C: **God knows.**

P: How will this child know what God has done for her?

C: **Her parents, family, friends, and we, the church, have the responsibility of teaching her, so that she grows to understand what God has done for her.**

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- P: Do you, parents, sponsors, and members of Christ's church, accept this responsibility: to bring Abigail to the services of God's house; to teach her the Lord's Prayer, the Creed, and the Ten Commandments; to place in her hands the Holy Scriptures and provide for her instruction in the Christian faith?
- C: **We do.**

Those Who Are Able Are Invited To Stand For Prayer

*Congregation responds to each petition with: **Hear our prayer.***

The Congregation May Be Seated

- P: The Lord be with you.
- C: **And also with you.**
- P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**
- P: We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and you created the world by your Word, calling forth life in which you took delight. By the waters of the flood you saved those whom you had chosen, Noah and his family. Through water you led your people Israel from slavery in Egypt to freedom in the promised land. In the waters of the Jordan Jesus was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection you have delivered us from the power of sin and death and set us free to live in you. Send your Holy Spirit upon this water and upon this child who is washed in it that she may be given new life. Wash away the sin of this child who is cleansed by this water and bring her forth as an inheritor of your glorious kingdom. To you be given honor and praise through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.
- C: **Amen.**

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P: I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the Church, the faith in which we baptize. Parents and Sponsors, do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God?

Parents and Sponsors: We do.

P: Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God?

Parents and Sponsors: We do.

P: Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God?

Parents and Sponsors: We do.

P: Let us confess our faith and the faith that Ruby is given now.

**I believe in God, the Father almighty
maker of heaven and earth.**

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.**

He descended into hell.

On the third day he rose again.

**He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

(The Baptism service continues on the Next Page ►)

- P: Ruby Irene, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit
- C: **Amen.**
- P: God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, we give you thanks for freeing your sons and daughters from the power of sin and for raising them up to a new life through this Holy Sacrament. Pour out your Holy Spirit upon Ruby Irene: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence.
- C: **Amen.**
- P: Ruby Irene, you have been sealed with the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever.
- P: This lighted candle is given to Ruby to remind her that the Light of the World has come into her life.
- A: Let your light so shine before others that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in Heaven.
- P: Let us pray . . . O God, giver of all life, look with kindness upon the father and mother of this child. Let them ever rejoice in the gift you have given them. Make them teachers and examples of righteousness for their child. Strengthen them in their own baptism so they may share eternally with their child the salvation you have given them, through Jesus Christ our Lord.
- C: **Amen.**
- P: People of St. Philip's Lutheran Church: there are two things you can do for this family. You can pray for Ruby and her parents; and you can welcome and accept her as a fellow member of the body of Christ.
- C: **We promise to pray for you, Ruby, and your family. We welcome you into the Lord's family and as a fellow member of the body of Christ, a child of the same heavenly father, and a worker with us in the Kingdom of God.**

Presentation of Ruby Irene to the Family of God.

* The Prayers of the Church

(at the 8:00 a.m. Worship Service)

*Congregation responds to each petition with: **Hear our Prayer.***

* Sharing of the Peace

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: **And also with you.**

The congregation is invited to share a sign of God's peace with your neighbors in whatever way you are mutually comfortable with: handshakes, hugs, elbow bumps, "peace signs," or words of peace and grace.

Greetings and Announcements

At this time the pastors will lift up some of the relevant events/happenings in the congregation. Offering plates are no longer passed around. Instead the offering plate is near the baptismal font. At some point this morning you may deposit your offering in the offering plate or you may continue to mail, automatically deposit, or use the website to continue your generous giving. Thank you so much for all you do for the ministry we are all a part of here at St. Philip's.

* Offertory Prayer

P: Let us pray . . . God of life,

C: **you give us these gifts of the earth, these resources of our life and our labor. Take them to set a table that will heal the whole creation; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Light. Amen.**

* The Great Thanksgiving

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: **We lift them to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

P: It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places . . . We praise your name and join their unending hymn of praise.

* Sanctus (*"Holy, Holy, Holy"*)



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,



heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry, full of your glo-ry. Ho -



san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high -



est. Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -



san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

P: You are indeed holy, almighty and merciful God, and great is the majesty of your glory. You so loved the world that you gave your only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but have eternal life. We give you thanks for his coming into the world to fulfill for us your holy will and to accomplish all things for our salvation.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this in the remembrance of me. Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this in the remembrance of me.

P: For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, together we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

C: **Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.**

P: Remembering Christ's salutary command, his life-giving passion and death, his glorious resurrection and ascension, and the promise of his coming again, we give you thanks, O Lord God Almighty, not as we ought but as we are able; we ask you mercifully to accept our praise and thanksgiving and with your Word and Holy Spirit to bless us, your servants, and these your own gifts of bread and wine, so that we and all who share in the body and blood of Christ may be filled with heavenly blessing and grace, and, receiving your grace and mercy, may be formed to live as your holy people sharing our inheritance with all your saints. To you, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory in your holy church, now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

*** The Lord's Prayer**

P: In confident hope of God's love and saving grace, let us pray as Jesus taught us:
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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us;
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

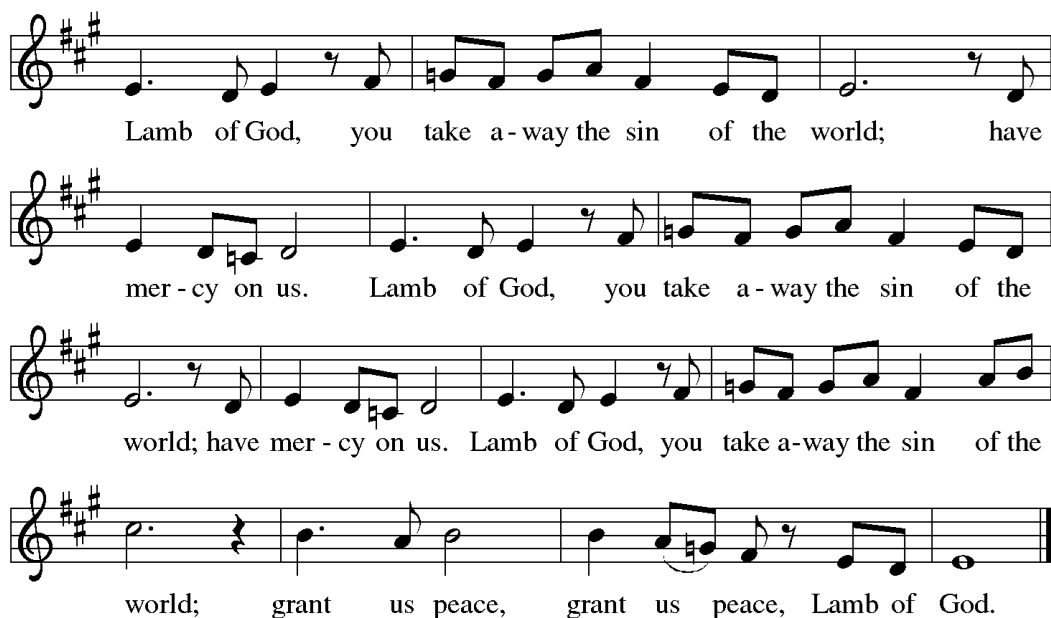
P: Christ invites you to this table. All who are thirsty, all who are hungry, come!

C: **Thanks be to God**

The congregation may be seated.

Agnus Dei

("Lamb of God")



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the
world; grant us peace, grant us peace, Lamb of God.

The Reception of Communion

The pastors will give direction on how communion will proceed this morning. Remain seated until directions are given.

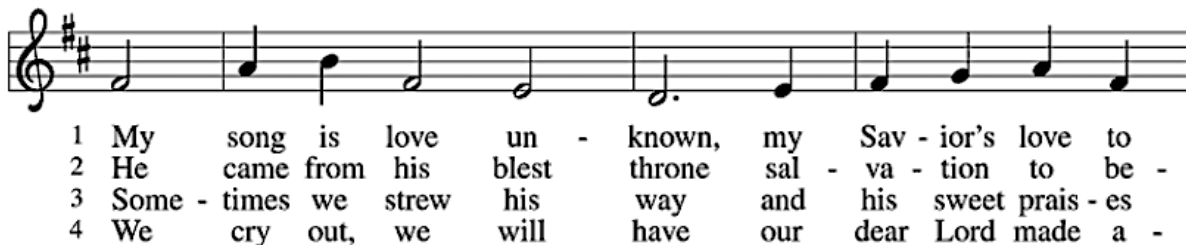
Communion Distribution Hymn

As you are waiting to come forward to receive the bread and the wine and/or after you are seated again, we ask you to join us in singing together the following hymns during the distribution of the Eucharist.

Communion Hymn

"My Song Is Love Unknown"

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1 My song is love un-known, my Sav-ior's love to
2 He came from his blest throne sal-va-tion to be-
3 Some-times we strew his way and his sweet prais-es
4 We cry out, we will have our dear Lord made a-

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me, love to the love - less shown that they might
stow; the world that was his own would not its
sing; re - sound - ing all the day ho - san - nas
way, a mur - der - er to save, the prince of

love - ly be. Oh, who am I that
Sav - ior know. But, oh, my friend, my
to our king. Then "Cru - ci - fy!" is
life to slay. Yet cheer - ful he to

for my sake my Lord should take frail flesh and die?
friend in - deed, who at my need his life did spend!
all our breath, and for his death we thirst and cry.
suf - f'ring goes that he his foes from thence might free.

5 In life no house, no home
my Lord on earth might have;
in death no friendly tomb
but what a stranger gave.
What may I say? Heav'n was his home
but mine the tomb wherein he lay.

6 Here might I stay and sing—
no story so divine!
Never was love, dear King,
never was grief like thine.
This is my friend, in whose sweet praise
I all my days could gladly spend!

Communion Hymn

"Thine the Amen"

ELW 826

1 Thine the a - men thine the praise al - le - lu - ias an - gels raise
2 Thine the life e - ter - nal - ly thine the prom - ise let there be
3 Thine the tru - ly thine the yes thine the ta - ble we the guest
4 Thine the king - dom thine the prize thine the won - der full sur - prise
5 Thine the glo - ry in the night no more dy - ing on - ly light

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thine the ev - er - last - ing head thine the break-ing of the bread
thine the vi - sion thine the tree all the earth on bend - ed knee
thine the mer - cy all from thee thine the glo - ry yet to be
thine the ban - quet then the praise then the jus - tice of thy ways
thine the riv - er thine the tree then the Lamb e - ter - nal - ly



thine the glo - ry thine the sto - ry thine the har - vest then the cup
gone the nail - ing gone the rail - ing gone the plead-ing gone the cry
then the ring - ing and the sing - ing then the end of all the war
thine the glo - ry thine the sto - ry then the wel - come to the least
then the ho - ly ho - ly ho - ly cel - e - bra - tion ju - bi - lee



thine the vine - yard then the cup is lift - ed up lift - ed up.
gone the sigh - ing gone the dy - ing what was loss lift - ed high.
thine the liv - ing thine the lov - ing ev - er - more ev - er - more.
then the won - der all in - creas - ing at thy feast at thy feast.
thine the splen - dor thine the bright - ness on - ly thee on - ly thee.

* Post Communion Prayer

P: Let us pray . . . We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life; we pray that in your mercy you would strengthen us through this gift, in faith toward you and fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: **Amen**

Blessing

P: May the Lord Bless you and keep you.
May the Lord make his face to shine on you and be gracious to you.
May the Lord look upon you and + give you peace.

C: **Amen**

* Closing Hymn

"The Church of Christ, in Every Age"

ELW 729



1 The church of Christ, in ev - 'ry age be - set by
 2 A - cross the world, a - cross the street, the vic - tims
 3 Then let the ser - vant church a - rise, a car - ing
 4 For he a - lone, whose blood was shed, can cure the
 5 We have no mis - sion but to serve in full o -



change, but Spir - it - led, must claim and test its
 of in - jus - tice cry for shel - ter and for
 church that longs to be a part - ner in Christ's
 fe - ver in our blood, and teach us how to
 be - dience to our Lord; to care for all, with -



her - i - tage and keep on ris - ing from the dead.
 bread to eat, and nev - er live be - fore they die.
 sac - ri - fice, and clothed in Christ's hu - man - i - ty.
 share our bread and feed the starv - ing mul - ti - tude.
 out re - serve, and spread his lib - er - at - ing word.

* Sending

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Postlude *"At the Name of Jesus" R. Powell*



**Baptism of
Ruby Irene Glaubman
Sunday, October 4, 2026**

Remember Us When You Pray

We believe in the power of prayer, so please remember to keep the following persons and their families in your prayers. Even if you do not know them it means so much to them to know that they are remembered in our daily prayer lives. Also, it would be a wonderful gift for them to hear from their church family:

We Pray for the Members of St. Philip's:

John and Barb Williams, Charles and Ruth Bowles, Carol Ruckle, Sharon Smith, Louise James, Helga Kissell, Sherry Thompson, Dave Frampton, Amy Papili, Donna Hokanson, Lynn Pouser, Elizabeth Stirk, Jeff Stirk, Charlie Boss, Ellen Lenker, Phyllis Bolgiano, Gary Kennedy, Yvonne Cilento, Danny Mason, Kim Longo, Mark Davis, David Nevins, Kelly Krapf, Trudy Gilgenast, David Kenney, Allison Hewitt, Cynthia Hamlin, Nancy Zinnato, John Frink, Jeff Rash, Shirley Rash, Carol Oesterbo

We Pray for our Loved Ones: *(Though we do not explicitly name these beloved ones in worship during our prayer time, please lift up their names in prayer aloud or silently during the time set aside for other intercessions):* **Our soldiers serving overseas and their families; Ruth DiDonato**, family of Linda Burkum; **Emily Ruckle & Tina Davis**, family of Carol Ruckle; **John & Carly Hoeni**, family of Lynn Muller; **Beckie McNelly**, sister of Bob Gibble & Barb Williams; **Louise Cookson**, grandmother & **Beth Cookson**, mother of Nick Cookson; **Dorothy Owens**, sister of Ruth Henry; **Stuart Emerson & Family**, friends of the Swift Family; **Linda Allen**, friend of Faith Simpers; **Joe Cilento, Jr.**, son and **Quintin Barrett**, grand-nephew of Yvonne Cilento; **Lee Craig**, friend of The Budds; **Diane Balinski & Debra Jennings**, family of Donna Hokanson; **Norman Richards & Phyllis Mensinger**, family of Mark Davis; **Mildred Marine**, grandmother of Heather Stirk; **Anna Longo**, mother of John Longo; **Craig Shechter**, father of Amanda DeWeese; **Alistair Black**, grandson of Bob & Delores Wardwell; **Carol Henzy**, sister of Beth Molnar; **Doris S. & Kathleen K.**, friends, & **Caleb Houtmann**, grandson of Anne Hamilton; **Frank Kulick**, brother of Ruth Bowles; **Christopher Longo**, son of John & Kim Longo; **Lisa Santak**, daughter of Marion Santak; **The Family of Maddy G.**, friends of Angela Klemens; **Rick Ricciardi**, brother of Nancy Warner; **Chuck Stirk**, son of Elizabeth Stirk; **John Stachowski & Family**, friends of Tom Krapf, **Lael Zinnato**, granddaughter of Nancy Zinnato; **George Rice**, son of Vicky Rice; **Bob Gilmour**, friend of John and Jodi Newcomer; **Kevin Hewitt**, brother of Rebecca Litterst; **Rory Manhard**, granddaughter of Suzanne Bradley; **Kate Drake**, granddaughter of Shirley Rash; **Martin Page**, friend of the Stevens Family; **Joann Post**, Aunt of Kelly Sparrow; **Victoria Frattarola**, granddaughter of Virginia Frattarola; **Heidi Bennett**, daughter of Hilde Crothers

What's Happening At St. Philip's

Today's Altar Flowers are dedicated to the glory of God and in loving memory of my son, Ron Parke, Jr., by Anita Sterling.

Today's Piano Vase is dedicated to the glory of God and in memory of my beloved, Gerry, by Les Butler.

Making Disciples

Koinonia: If you're looking for a small group that has fellowship, food and support for one another a koinonia group (Greek for fellowship) might be right for you! The **first Koinonia Group** meets at church on the **second Wednesday** of the month from **Noon - 1:30 p.m.** The next gathering date is **October 14th in Room #031**. New people are welcome!! Contact Sharon Kittle. A **second group** is meeting Sundays after church. **The next meeting will be Sunday, November 1st**. Grab a lunch and come over to the Mueller's after the 10:30 Worship Service. Discussion will start around **Noon**. Crystal Solie will be leading, discussing some hymns and their origin and meaning. She did a great job on her Saints presentation. All are welcome to join this great conversation. Questions, ask Gigi Mueller.

Attention Widows, Widowers, and Those Who Have Lost Loved Ones!! If you have lost a spouse, partner, or close loved one and would like to have some fellowship and support, there is now a support group meeting for fellowship and to provide comfort and support through this life transition. The next gathering is **October 8th at 12:30 p.m. lunch/1 p.m. meeting** in Room #031 here at church. If you are interested in being a part or learning more, contact Sally Krapf.

The **Daytime Women's Book Group's** next book for **October 20th** is *Small Great Things*, by Jodi Picoult. For **November 17th** it is *The Winemaker's Wife*. On **December 15th at Noon**, we will have a Christmas Potluck in the Fellowship Hall. Weather permitting, September will meet at Gigi Mueller's house.

The Women's Evening Book Club meets on the second Friday of the month at 7 pm in the Fellowship Hall or individual homes. Our time together is much like a happy hour with good friends! Feel free to bring a snack or beverage to share. Upcoming reads: For **October 9th** - *The Correspondent* by Virginia Evans, **November 13th** - *Judge Stone* by James Patterson and Viola Davis, **December 11th** will be our annual - POETRY and Cookie Exchange, and for **January 8th** - *Theo of Golden* Allen Levi, David Morse, et al. If you have any questions, please contact Dawn Downes or Donna Daugherty. Mark your calendars . . . We hope you will join us. Everyone is welcome!

Making Disciples (continued...)

St. Philip's Fall Men's Retreat will be from **October 15th to 18th**. If you are interested in joining this Band of Brothers for the weekend in Central Pennsylvania, please contact Chuck Cory for information.

Beginning in October: GRACE AND GRUB! Taking inspiration and spring-boarding off of our OWLS group, we have created something new that will combine the best of the best: amazing presentations and experiences, along with lunch (soup, bread and salad)! This will be a group open to everyone of every age on the *second Tuesday of every month from 11:30am-1:00pm in Fellowship Hall*. Come join us for our upcoming events like: wine-tastings, trivia, chair yoga, ice cream tastings, & more! You won't want to miss what's coming! **Our first event will be with Pr. Patrick as he presents a new and **exclusive** supplement class to his Sunday Adult Class: "Rock and Roll, and the Christian Faith"! Join us on **Tuesday, October 13th from 11:30am-1:00pm**. Lunch will be provided. See you there!

PUB THEOLOGY IS BACK!! The format is simple: beer, conversation, and God. Come and bring your questions and thoughts, bring a friend, pull up a chair, and join Pastor Amy. You'll be able to share your own wrestling's and thoughts while learning something new along the way, and hey— there's likely to be a good craft beer you haven't tried yet! *We meet every 3rd Thursday of each month. Come join us! You won't regret it. Join us: **Thursday, October 15, 2026!** We will be meeting at Chuck Lager from 6:30-8:30pm. See you there!! All are welcome.

Looking for a Way to Serve Without a Weekly Commitment? Consider joining our **Growing in the Gospel** volunteer team! We're looking for volunteers to help lead these lessons, which provide additional teaching of the Gospel message for our youth during the sermon at each **10:30 a.m. service**. Serving with Growing in the Gospel is flexible and easy: 1. Choose the dates that work best for you. 2. Lessons and all necessary supplies are provided. 3. No weekly commitment is required. Interested or want to learn more? We'd love to have you join us! Please contact Pastor Amy, Pastor Patrick, Sharon Kittle or Kelly Sanderson for more information.

Praising God

Worship and Music Team has had a lot of changes lately due to members of the team having life changes that has required them to retire from their jobs. If you are interested in helping out with this team which helps plan worship services through the year, we can use your help. You don't need to know anything about worship. Pastor Patrick is currently chairing the team—let him know if you can help.

Worship Assistants Are Needed!!! In particular we are in need of Assisting Ministers. This is an easy job because the pastor helps you during the entire service. Assisting with communion and the prayers. Let Pastor Patrick know if you are interested.

Praising God (continued...)

Calling all singers!!! Cantata season is upon us and we would love your voice to join us in the choir! We will begin rehearsals on **Monday October 5th at 6:30 pm** in the choir room. Rehearsal will be approximately 35-40 minutes and increase slightly as we near the Cantata in December. Please share with friends or family outside of our congregation who you think might be interested in joining! The performance will be Sunday, December 13th at 7:00pm. Please feel free to contact Lauren or Stephen with any questions!

Serving the Community

Food Insecurity continues to be a problem in our community! Can you help? Food demand still continues to be very high. If you are at the grocery store or if someone goes for you, you can pick up needed items and drop them in the box in the narthex. We are especially in need of: **Shelf Stable Milk** – Again, the Dollar Store is a good source), **Cereal, Spaghetti (dry noodles), Peanut Butter, Baked Beans, Toilet Paper**. Thank you so much for your generosity!!

PET FOOD DONATIONS - We are asking for pet food donations for the individuals and families in Grocery Club. It can be a one-time donation, a monthly donation or however many times you would like to donate. If you don't want to shop for the food yourself, you can donate a gift card from Petco, PetSmart or Concord Pet and I will shop for you! If you are interested in helping, please email Nancy Zinnato for a list of what is needed.

HELP WITH MINOR REPAIRS! Are you retired and looking for a way to support St. Philip's work? you handy with tools and doing minor repairs and small building projects? Come join our group on the **3rd Thursday morning of each month, from 8:30 until ?** a little fellowship and simple refreshments followed by an hour or two of "fixup" type project work around the church property. Contact Dave Thompson if you can help.

Care Kits for Those Experiencing Homelessness—During September we will be gathering items to replenish supplies for our Care Kits. This is one small way to show our love and concern for those challenged by a lack of adequate housing. plan to assemble 60 kits to have on hand as we approach the colder weather. Please leave items in the bin under the coat rack in the Narthex. Below is a sign-up genius:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050949A9A62CA3FC1-65332693-homeless>

Alzheimer's/Dementia Caregiver Support Group Continues to Meet at St. Philip's - The Alzheimer's Assn. of the Delaware Valley is sponsoring a monthly support group for anyone who has a loved one with any form of dementia, including Alzheimer's. Living with or caring for a person with dementia can be extremely challenging, overwhelming and exhausting. Free and open to the public, the group will meet on the **second Tuesday of the month**. The next meeting will be on **October 13th at 1 p.m.** in Room #129. For more information, contact Erica Holmes.

ST PHILIP'S KIDS CLUB
2026-2027

POWERED BY THE SPIRIT. MADE TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE.

SIGN UP HERE!

GALATIANS 5:22-23

LOVE	JOY	PEACE	PATIENCE	KINDNESS	GOODNESS	FAITHFULNESS	GENTLENESS	SELF-CONTROL
I care like Jesus.	I choose happiness.	I am calm and trust God.	I wait and don't give up.	I treat others with care.	I do what is right.	I can be counted on.	I am caring and kind.	I make good choices.

GROWING STRONGER IN FAITH. MAKING THE WORLD BETTER.
★ ONE FRUIT AT A TIME. ★

★ **CONTACT ANNA GRIEDER OR PASTOR AMY IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS** ★

ST PHILIP'S KIDS CLUB

Mission Kids & Youth Group

DIA DE LOS MUERTOS
Movie Night

REMEMBER * CELEBRATE * BELONG

Sunday, Nov 1st
4:00 - 8:00 PM

St. Philips Fellowship Hall and Parking Lot

DINNER AND SNACKS WILL BE PROVIDED!

FEATURED MOVIE: COCO

Questions?
Contact Pastor Amy, Anna, or Liz



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YOU + H SUNDAY

***Reformation Sunday + Youth Sunday - Sunday, Oct. 25th!**

In celebrating the Reformation and the Lutheran faith we have, we are enhancing it by having the Youth Group lead both worship services and present all about their summer trip to Work Camp in Mount Gilead, OH at the "Together in Faith"! It is a Sunday where we take time to recognize the impact our youth have in our worship and life of the Church.

Why a "Youth Sunday"? Originating from the Youth Group members, the notion of our young people leading worship was one they came up with and we are here to make it happen and support them! This is an incredible group who "makes disciples, praises God, and serves the community" together! They are such a blessing and what better day to celebrate and learn from them than on a day where we recognize where the Lutheran church began and where it is now!



*We had a fantastic time helping and working in Ohio and we want to share it with you! The presentation will be all about their trip, what they learned, saw, experienced, etc.!

Come check it out in the Fellowship Hall on Sunday, Oct. 25th from 9:15- 10:15am!

*Don't forget to wear your "Reformation Red"!

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LIMITED TIME OFFER **SEPT. 13 - OCT. 18**

AVAILABLE NOW!

- ☐ Fill out order form & turn in envelope with payment
- ☐ Orders ready for pick-up by early December

All proceeds will go towards helping to build a girls dorm in Kenya. This dorm will help provide them with safety and support their continued education. This dorm will impact girls for generations to come!

**by Women's Ministry "WINGS"*

***DON'T FORGET:** From Sept. 13th through Sunday, October 18th we are offering something new: **limited edition St. Philip's Lutheran Church apparel** that was put together by Women's Ministry. There is something for everyone: **athletic quarter-zip, golf shirts, fleece zip-up, and t-shirts (available in adult sizes, t-shirt sizes available for adult and youth sizes)**. Items perfect for going to the gym, cozying up on those cool evenings, hitting the golf course, or for casual everyday wear. All items are high-quality with embroidered design to last for years to come. Items should be ready for pick-up right before the holidays. All proceeds will go towards helping to build a girls dorm in Kenya. This dorm will help provide them with safety and support their continued education. This dorm will impact girls for generations to come! **Thank you so much for your support!**

Calling All Sauerkraut Makers!

*It's that time of year once again . . . we'll be getting our annual sauerkraut sale ready to go for the New Year. But first we need to make the sauerkraut!! So, we are tentatively looking at either **Friday, October 30th or Saturday, October 31st** to make the sauerkraut. Alternative dates would be **Friday, November 6th or Saturday, November 7th** depending on volunteer availability. If you are interested in helping, please contact Tony and Deana Calvarese.*



A group of various domestic animals including a ferret, a rabbit, a cat, a dog, and a puppy, with a large green paw print in the background.

TODAY at 1:00 p.m.

Lutheran Campus Ministry (LCM) at University of Delaware Fall Fundraiser

St. Philip's will host LCM's 75th Anniversary & Fall Fundraiser.

- When: Saturday, October 17, 2026, at 2:00 p.m. (doors open at 1:15 p.m.)
- Where: St. Philip's Fellowship Hall
- What: Raffle baskets, live auction, and light refreshments

This special event will celebrate **75 years of LCM's mission** at UD, highlighting its role in fostering faith, community, and service on campus. It will be a fundraising opportunity to support LCM's ongoing programs and initiatives. Bishop Gohl will be the auctioneer. He always makes this a fun event.

Volunteers are needed to provide baked goods, assist with setup before the event, help with cleanup afterward, and keep the snack tables replenished. Please see sign up poster in the Narthex.

For more information, please see Pam Cory or Susan Mack.

All Saints’ Sunday—Alpha and Omega Saints!!!
November 1, 2026

On November 1, 2026, at our worship services, we will recognize the annual celebration of All Saints’ Sunday. In the past, on All Saints’ Sunday we have celebrated our connection as members of the Body of Christ to all those saints who have gone before us as witnesses to the same Gospel that we celebrate today. These people, like us, are children of God and have been provided an important gospel witness to us through their faith and life. In that sense, we could call them “Omega” Saints . . . “Omega” being the last letter at the end Greek Alphabet and these “Saints” being at the end of their journey with us on earth. However, we proclaim as people of faith that our God is the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. So, in addition to recognizing the “Omega” Saints who have completed their journey on earth, we will also be recognizing the “Alpha” Saints - those who have been born this year and are beginning their journey with us as “Saints”: those claimed by Christ.

So, on this day, during our worship services, we will be remembering all those saints who have been born this past year and those who have died before us whether during the past year or any time prior. If there is a loved one, friend, or family member that you would like to have named and/or remembered by name on this special day, please clearly write their name and either their date of birth or date of death below. We will read the names of those who were born or who have died this year and will print and remember all names during our prayer time on this very special day.

Detach the bottom of this form and return it to the church office or place it in the offering plate. If you prefer to submit online, use the following link: <https://forms.gle/sdnHHbX7GwFzGCcKA>

Please Recognize the Following Saints:

Alpha Saint Name:	Date of Birth:

Omega Saint Name:	Date of Death:

THOSE WHO SERVE

PRESIDING MINISTER	Rev. Amy Wright	
PREACHER	Rev. Amy Wright	
DIRECTOR OF MUSIC	Dr. Stephen Benscoter CAGO	
CHOIR DIRECTOR/VOCALIST	Dr. Lauren Conrad	
ASSISTING MINISTER	Beth Molnar	(8:00 a.m.)
	Crystal Solie	(10:30 a.m.)
LAY READER	Phil Duncan	(8:00 a.m.)
	Pam Brenneman	(10:30 a.m.)
USHERS	Mary Duncan and	
	Bob Gibble	(8:00 a.m.)
	Sharon and	
	Harold Holeman	(10:30 a.m.)
GREETERS	Mary Duncan	
	and Bob Gibble	(8:00 a.m.)
	Elizabeth Stirk and	
	Linda Burkum	(10:30 a.m.)
ACOLYTE	Allie Pouser	(10:30 a.m.)
GROWING IN THE GOSPEL	Elizabeth Stirk	(10:30 a.m.)

THIS WEEK AT ST. PHILIP'S

Sunday, October 4 Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost	8:00 a.m.	Worship Service at St. Philip's <i>(Also, Livestreams on YouTube (Available All Day))</i>
	9:15 a.m.	Large Group in the Fellowship Hall
	9:15 a.m.	Kids Club in the Christian Ed Wing
	9:15 a.m.	Youth Breakfast Club in the Youth Room
	10:30 a.m.	Worship Service at St. Philip's <i>(Also, Livestreams on YouTube (Available All Day))</i> with Baptism of Ruby Irene Glaubman
	1:00 p.m. 4:50 p.m.	Blessing of the Pets in the North Parking Lot Youth Group Bonfire and Hayride at Linvilla Orchards
Monday, October 5	6:30 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal in the Choir Room
Tuesday, October 6	9:00 a.m.	Staff Meeting
	6:30 p.m.	Silver Pine Garden Club in Room #031
	6:30 p.m.	Kenya Outreach Team in Room #127
	7:00 p.m.	Property Team Meeting in Room #128
Wednesday, October 7	8:00 a.m.	YWCA Breakfast at DuPont Country Club
Thursday, October 8	12:30 p.m.	Grief Group in Room #031
Friday, October 9	7:00 p.m.	Women's Evening Book Group location TBD
Sunday, October 11 Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost Commitment Sunday	8:00 a.m.	Worship Service at St. Philip's <i>(Also, Livestreams on YouTube (Available All Day))</i>
	9:15 a.m.	Large Group in the Fellowship Hall
	9:15 a.m.	Kids Club in the Christian Ed Wing
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