

THE COMMUNITY OF ST. PHILIP AT WORSHIP JULY 21, 2019 — 11:00 SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Preparation for Worship

O God of heaven, you are present on earth. O God of the stars and planets, you are in the midst of the city. O God above all things, you are in the depths of our being. Let us be glad to be bearers of your eternity. Let us be glad to find you in one another.

-J. Philip Newell

Tolling of the Hour

Greeting

Please sign and pass the friendship folder.

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Voluntary	Aria on a Chaconne	Joel Martinson
* Call to Worship		(b. 1961)

Hymn 10

Sing Glory to the Name of God LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Prayer of Confession

Dear God, we offer ourselves to you, aware that our sins are many. Sometimes we go too fast. Sometimes we sit too still. We worry about the wrong things and neglect what is important. We struggle to find the right balance. We seek your forgiveness.

Help us find the right measures of worship and service, of caring for ourselves and caring for others, as we seek to follow the example of Jesus.

(silent prayer)

Holy One, in your mercy. Hear our prayer.

Declaration of Forgiveness

Believe the Good News. In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.





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The Peace

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you. And also with you.

Signs of peace and reconciliation may be exchanged.

Conversation with Children

Afterwards, children may stay with their parents, or infants to age 4 may go to child care in Room 106.

Prayer for Illumination

Gospel Reading

Luke 10:38-42

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Word of God, word of life. Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Choosing Welcome

John W. Wurster

Silence and stillness

† Hymn 628

Praise, I Will Praise You, Lord

Affirmation of Faith

This is the good news which we have received, in which we stand, and by which we are saved, if we hold it fast: that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day, and that he appeared first to the women, then to Peter, and to the Twelve, and then to many faithful witnesses. We believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God. Jesus Christ is the first and the last, the beginning and the end; he is our Lord and our God. Amen.

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

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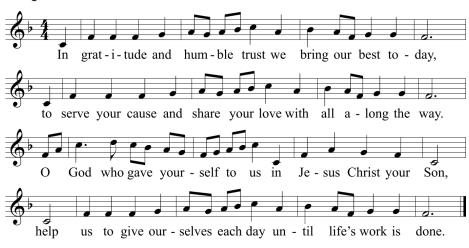
Response

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.

Offering	Gifts may be given anytime at www.saintphilip.net or text "SPPC" to 73256 and follow the prompts.

Offertory *"There is a Spirit that delights to do no evil..."*

Ned Rorem (b. 1923)



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Prayer of Thanksgiving

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

God of all mercies. we give you thanks for your goodness to us and to all people. We bless you for your creation and for the redemption of the world by Jesus Christ. Give us such an awareness of your mercies, that with thankful hearts we may show forth your praise; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

† Hymn 295 Go to the World! SINE NOMINE

Congregational Meeting

Charge and Blessing

Kindly remain in silence during the closing voluntary, or depart very quietly.

Closing Voluntary Trumpet Tune in D David N. Johnson (1922-1987)

> *Indicates worshipers are invited to stand in either body or spirit. Words in **bold** type are to be read or sung together.



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FLOWERS

The flowers are given today by the St. Philip Congregation in honor of John Wurster & Deb Burks on your upcoming sabbatical. We send you with joyous best wishes and blessings of safety, relaxation, and renewal.



Today's readings from the Revised Common Lectionary are:

- Amos 8:1–12—The end has come; the Lord condemns those who prey on the needy.
- Psalm 52—Why do you boast of your evil? God will uproot and destroy you.
- Colossians 1:15–28—Christ is the image of the invisible God; now the mystery is revealed.
- Luke 10:38–42—Mary sits and listens to Jesus, while Martha is busy with many tasks.

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CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

The Session has called a congregational meeting for **today** following the 11:00 service. The purpose of the meeting is to elect Ruling Elders in the Class of 2022. The nominating committee will present the following persons for election: Betsy Boston, Kip Frautschi, Judye Hartman, Judith Hiott, Dick Nunn, Ruthie Waldrop, and Curt Webb. Additional nominations may be made during the meeting with prior consent from those being nominated.

MONDAY EVENING STUDY GROUP

Everyone is welcome to the continuing summer meetings of the Monday evening study group! Our next meeting is **July 22**, from 5:30 to 7:00 pm. Join your fellow St. Philippians for refreshments and a brief devotional as we continue talking about *Meeting Jesus Again for the First Time* (by Marcus Borg). We gather in the Dining Room (in the Administration Building, at the south end of campus), and will be covering chapter 5, "Jesus, the Wisdom of God: Sophia become flesh."

SABBATICAL SHOW AND TELL

Join John Wurster and Deb Burks as they share some plans, hopes, and pictures in advance of John's upcoming sabbatical. These "show and tell" presentations are scheduled for Sunday, **July 28**, at 9:45 in Room 201 and Wednesday, **July 31**, at 10:00 in the Dining Room. John's sabbatical begins **August 5**.

PUB CLUB

Pub Club is a group for men in the church who like to enjoy fellowship, stories and spirited discussion once a month at a local pub. Pub Club meets the fourth Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. Our next gathering is Tuesday, **July 29**, at Kenneally's Irish Pub, 2111 S. Shepherd Dr., 77019. Men interested in attending may eat beforehand or order food from the pub. For more information or questions, please contact Tim Burgess at: TimRB1987@gmail.com.

SUMMER LECTURE SERIES

The Education Committee is excited to bring Dr. Cynthia Rigby to St. Philip for the summer lectures on Saturday, **August 17**. Dr. Rigby is Professor of Theology at Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary. The Men's Fellowship, Monday Evening Study Group, and SPa have discussed her books in the past. Her lectures—*Nevertheless!* will explore how hope deepens our grief, remedies our despair, expects the impossible, and compels us to act in ways that change the world for the better. Dr. Rigby will preach at both services on Sunday, **August 11**. Register on MyStPhilip or ChurchLife.

LITURGIST CAMP

Calling all worship leaders! Join Keatan King for a summer class on cultivating skill in serving as a liturgist. Whether you love any opportunity to lead liturgy or you're a first timer seeking coaching, this is your chance to learn what makes for good liturgical leadership, to practice at the lectern, and to sign up for Sundays to lead. Come to a single-session class at 10:00 a.m. on **August 25** in the Sanctuary. All ages and skill levels welcome!

WOMEN'S MONTHLY BOOK GROUP

A monthly interest group for women who like to read books, socialize, and have a night out meets monthly at 7:00 p.m. Our next meeting on **August 8** will be a social at Bellagreen—2305 W. Alabama, 77098. This self-led, interactive group produces lively discussions and wonderful fellowship. For more information contact Sarah O'Dell at sarah.odell6@gmail.com.

SUMMER OFFICE HOURS

Continuing through **August 9**, the church office will be closed on Fridays. This schedule helps us conserve energy and better cover staff vacations. We will return to regular Friday office hours (8:30-4:00) on **August 16**.

SUNDAY SERVICES

During July we have a Sunday worship schedule with services at 9:00 and 11:00. The 9:00 service will include communion each week. The 11:00 service will include communion on the first Sunday of the month. Both services will include a children's conversation and a sermon, but the 9:00 service will have a sparser liturgy with fewer hymns and sung responses.



POOL TABLE

The youth rooms are undergoing some changes with new furniture acquired from Interface Samaritan Counseling Center. After review of the use of the room, it has been determined that the pool table does not best serve faith formation of the youth. If you or someone you know would be interested in making a monetary donation to the youth program, it can be yours/theirs. Please notify Lorrie Castle at 713-622-4807 or lorrie@saintphilip.net by August 16, at that time the table will be listed for public sale.

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In Our Prayers

St. Philippians and their families—John Bobbitt; Lance Wilmarth; Max Wennenweser; Keith Fletcher; Bonnie Moore; Guy Aldrich; Toto McGehee; Rita Hannah; Virginia Lemen; Nita Davis; Jim Bratton; Walter Baker; T.E. "Joe" Keever; Susan Leonard; Arlette Keene; Betty Golemon; Joyce Fox; Yvonne Hayes mother of Lorrie Castle; Terry Kelso—daughter of Jeanne West; Dona Rowe mother of William Rowe; John Palisin—brother of Peg Palisin; Carolyn Jones sister of Cynthia Shoup; Bessie Johnson—mother of Pat Lindsay; Elizabeth Carlton Lithio—granddaughter of Jeanie Flowers; Ralph Arlinghaus—father of Paul Arlinghaus; Rusty Howard; Phillip McDaniel; Carol Paine Kendrick; Ann Morgan—sister of Dorothy Blackwell; and Hollie Bailey—niece of Peg Palisin.

Always in our prayers are the homebound members of St. Philip.

Friends of St. Philippians—Willie Jo Schaefer—friend of Pam Rush; Shirley Stubblefield—caregiver to Rusty Howard; and Grady Reed—friend of Stephen Paine.