

THE COMMUNITY OF ST. PHILIP  
AT WORSHIP  
AUGUST 25, 2019 | 11:00 A.M.  
ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

**Preparation for Worship**

*Write our blessed name, O Lord,  
Upon my heart,  
There to remain so indelibly engraven,  
That no prosperity,  
No adversity,  
Shall ever move me from your love.  
Be to me a strong tower of defense,  
a comforter in tribulation,  
a deliverer in distress,  
a very present help in trouble,  
And a guide to heaven through the many temptations  
And dangers of this life. Amen.*

-Thomas à Kempis (c. 1380-1471)

**Tolling of the Hour**

**Greeting**

*Please sign and pass the friendship folder.*

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

**Voluntary**

*Praeludium in A minor*  
BuxWV 153

Dietrich Buxtehude  
(1673-1707)

**Introit**

*God Be in My Head*

H. Walford Davies  
(1869-1941)

God be in my head, and in my understanding;  
God be in mine eyes, and in my looking;  
God be in my mouth, and in my speaking;  
God be in my heart, and in my thinking;  
God be at mine end, and at my departing.  
Life of all things gloriously created!

## ✦ Call to Worship

### ✦ Hymn 610

*O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing*

AZMON

## ✦ Prayer of Confession

O Lord our God,  
you call us to work for a world  
where all will be fed and have dignity,  
but we find ourselves distracted by our own desires.  
You call us to seek justice and peace,  
but we are satisfied with injustice and discord.  
You call us to bring liberty to the oppressed,  
but we do not insist on freedom for all.

Forgive us, O Lord.

Turn us to your will by the power of your Spirit,  
so that all may know your justice and peace;  
through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Savior.

*(silent prayer)*

Holy One, in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

## ✦ Declaration of Forgiveness

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

## ✦ Response

All heav'n is sing - ing, "Thanks to Christ whose pas - sion  
of - fers in mer - cy heal - ing, strength, and par - don.  
Peo - ples and na - tions, take it; take it free - ly!"  
A - men! My Mas - ter!

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SHADES MOUNTAIN  
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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—Blessing of the Backpacks

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

## Prayer for Illumination

**First Reading**

Jeremiah 1:4-10

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Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.****Anthem***O Holy Spirit, Lord of Grace*Christopher Tye  
(c. 1505-1573)

O Holy Spirit, Lord of grace, eternal source of love,  
 inflame, we pray, our inmost hearts with fire from heav'n above.  
 As thou dost join with holiest bonds the Father and the Son,  
 so fill us all with mutual love and knit our hearts in one.

**Gospel Reading**

Luke 13:10-17

N.T. pg. 76

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

Omar Rouchon

*The sermon is followed by a brief time of silence and stillness.*✦ **Hymn 628***Praise, I will Praise You, Lord*

JE LOUERA IL'ÉTERNEL

✦ **Affirmation of Faith**

**In life and in death we belong to God.  
 Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
 the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit,  
 we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel,  
 whom alone we worship and serve.**

**We trust in God,  
 whom Jesus called Abba, Father.  
 In sovereign love God created the world good  
 and makes everyone equally in God's image,  
 male and female, of every race and people,  
 to live as one community.**

**But we rebel against God; we hide from our Creator.  
 Ignoring God's commandments,  
 we violate the image of God in others and ourselves,  
 accept lies as truth, exploit neighbor and nature,  
 and threaten death to the planet entrusted to our care.  
 We deserve God's condemnation.**

**Yet God acts with justice and mercy to redeem creation.  
 In everlasting love,  
 the God of Abraham and Sarah chose a covenant people  
 to bless all families of the earth.**

**Hearing their cry,  
 God delivered the children of Israel  
 from the house of bondage.**

**Loving us still,  
 God makes us heirs with Christ of the covenant.  
 Like a mother who will not forsake her nursing child,  
 like a father who runs to welcome the prodigal home,  
 God is faithful still.**

**With believers in every time and place,  
 we rejoice that nothing in life or in death  
 can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.  
 Amen.**

# Prayers of the People

## The 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.**

## Offering

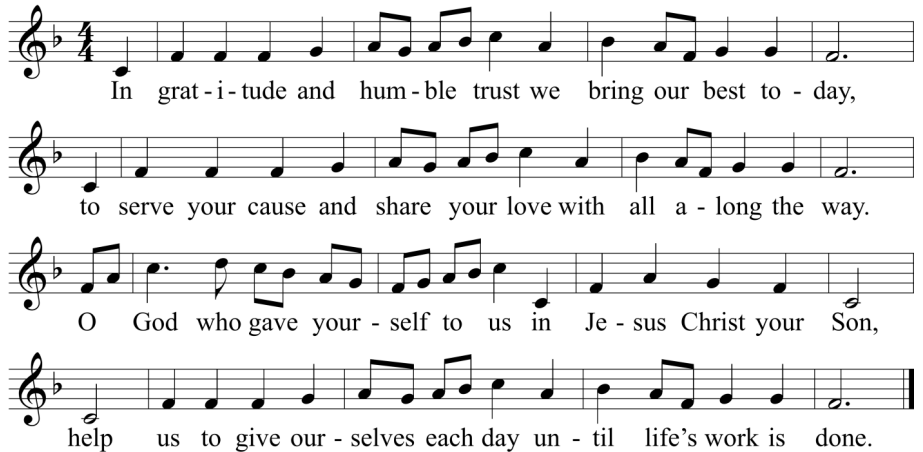
*Gifts may be given anytime at [www.saintphilip.net](http://www.saintphilip.net)  
or text "SPPC" to 73256 and follow the prompts.*

## Offertory Anthem *O come, ye servants of the Lord*

Christopher Tye

O come, ye servants of the Lord, and praise his holy name;  
From early morn to setting sun his might on earth proclaim.  
His laws are just and glad the heart; he makes his mercies known:  
Ye princes come, ye people too, and bow before his throne.

## ✦ Response



In grat-i-tude and hum-ble trust we bring our best to - day,  
to serve your cause and share your love with all a - long the way.  
O God who gave your - self to us in Je - sus Christ your Son,  
help us to give our - selves each day un - til life's work is done.

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MUSIC: English folk melody; arranged by Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1906

FOREST GREEN  
CMD

## ✦ Prayer of Thanksgiving

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

Eternal God, we offer our gratitude for all you have freely given,  
and for all the ways you care for us.

**We offer our gifts to you, and pray that they will further  
your will for a world where all of creation is whole,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

✦ Hymn 839

*Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine!*

ASSURANCE

✦ Charge and Blessing

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

✦ Closing Voluntary

*Dialogue sur les Grands Jeux*

Pierre DuMage  
(1674-1751)

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

 SERVING TODAY

LITURGIST

Roderick James

CHANCEL GUILD

Diana Weiss

GREETERS

Welcoming and Membership  
Committee

MUSICIANS

St. Philip Choir

Nicholas Rathgeb, introit soloist

Matthew Dirst, organist

Randall Swanson, conductor

PASTORS

John W. Wurster  
*(on sabbatical)*

Keatan King

Omar Rouchon

 FLOWERS

The flowers are given by Jane Cooper to the glory of God and in thanksgiving for all of those who helped her in the last two years during her recovery from Harvey.

 WORSHIP NOTES

Today's readings from the Revised Common Lectionary are:

Jeremiah 1:4–10—*The Lord calls young Jeremiah: Before you were born, I knew you.*

Psalms 71:1–6—*In you, O Lord, I take refuge; upon you I have leaned from my birth.*

Hebrews 12:18–29—*Worship with reverence and awe; our God is a consuming fire.*

Luke 13:10–17—*Jesus heals a woman on the Sabbath; a synagogue leader objects.*

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◆ 2010



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**Aaron Tan**  
ORGAN



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