

THE COMMUNITY OF ST. PHILIP AT WORSHIP SEPTEMBER 8, 2019 | 11:00 A.M. THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Preparation for Worship

Loving God,

Be a shield against all that might deceive us. Be a healer for all that might harm us. Be a witness of all that might trouble us. Be a friend to all who are dear to us, from this day until we meet in glory. Amen.

Tolling of the Hour

Greeting *Please sign and pass the friendship folder.*

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Voluntary

Carillon

William Mathias (1934-1992)

Introit

Spirit of God

Simon Lole (b. 1957)

Spirit of God enfold me, Spirit of God wash me, Spirit of God fire me, Spirit of God love me.

Call to Worship

+ Hymn 305

Come Sing, O Church, in Joy!

DARWALL'S 148th

Prayer of Confession

Majestic Creator, we fail to believe we carry your image and we fail to behave as those who belong to you. Mighty Savior, we turn away from your path of sacrificial love, and we turn toward our personal preferences. Merciful Spirit, we forget your call to righteousness, and we forget our need of you. In our sinfulness, Triune God, we seek now your forgiveness, praying that you will relieve the burden of our regrets by the power of your patient love.

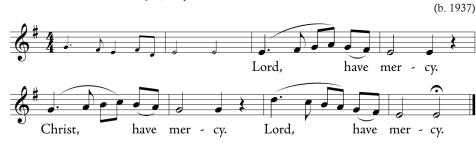
(silent prayer)

Holy One, in your mercy. Hear our prayer.

John Weaver

† Response

Lord, Have Mercy | Kyrie

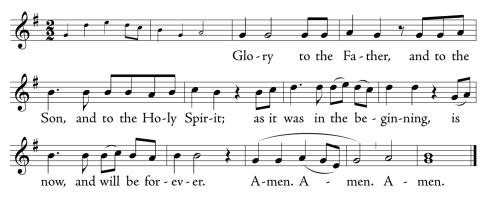


Declaration of Forgiveness

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

Response

Glory to the Father | Gloria Patri John Weaver



† 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 and Teacher Commissioning

Afterwards, children may stay with their parents, or infants to age 4 may go to child care in Room 106. At this point during the 11:00 service, children pre-k through first grade may go to Children's Chapel.

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18 O.T. pgs. 577-578

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

Anthem Thou knowest, Lord, the secrets of our hearts Henry Purcell (1659-1695)

> Thou knowest, Lord, the secrets of our hearts; shut not thy merciful ears unto our prayers; but spare us, Lord most holy, O God most mighty.

O holy and most merciful Savior, thou most worthy Judge eternal, suffer us not at our last hour, for any pains of death, to fall from thee. Amen.

— Book of Common Prayer (1662)

Sermon

Within God's Hand

Keatan King

The sermon is followed by a brief time of silence and stillness.

† Hymn 28

You Are Before Me, Lord SURSUM CORDA (Smith)

Affirmation of Faith

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. 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;

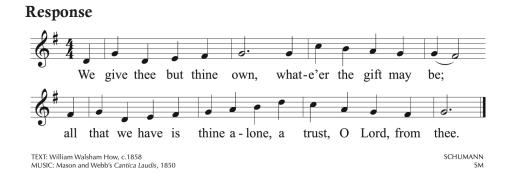
for Thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Offering

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

Offertory Voluntary

Allein Gott in der Höh sei Ehr BWV 676 Johann Sebastian Bach ("All Glory Be to God on High") (1658-1750)



Prayer of Thanksgiving

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

Give us such awareness of your mercies, O God, that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise, not only with our lips but in our lives, by giving up ourselves to your service, and by following Jesus our redeemer, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory now and forever. Amen.

Hymn 547 *Go, My Children, with My Blessing* AR HYD Y NOS

Charge and Blessing

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

Closing Voluntary	O Jesu Christe, wahres Licht	Helmut Walcha
2 .	("Jesus, the One True Light")	(1907-1991)

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



LITURGIST

Jane Larkin

CHANCEL GUILD

Caryn Bahruth

GREETERS

St. Philip Youth

MUSICIANS St. Philip Choir Matthew Dirst, organist Randall Swanson, conductor

PASTORS

John W. Wurster (on sabbatical)

Keatan King

Omar Rouchon

FLOWERS

The flowers are given by Janet and Denis Martin to the glory of God and in loving memory of Helen Marie Pickens, Janet's mother.



WORSHIP NOTES

Today's readings from the Revised Common Lectionary are:

Jeremiah 18:1–11—At the potter's house, God says: Like clay, the people are in my hand. Psalm 139:1–6, 13–18—O Lord, you have formed me; I am fearfully and wonderfully made

Philemon 1–21—Paul writes to Philemon about Onesimus: welcome him as a brother. Luke 14:25–33—Speaking of towers and battles, Jesus explains the cost of discipleship.

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