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St. Philip's UCC

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St. Philip's Mission Statement

St. Philip's United Church of Christ is a loving Christian community believing in Jesus Christ and empowered by the Holy Spirit to share God's love with all people.

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.*

“ *God is still speaking*



From the Pastor

Awe came upon everyone, because many wonders and signs were being done by the apostles. All who believed were together and had all things in common.

Acts 2:43-44

Dear Friends and Partners in the Gospel,

These words describe the extraordinary community of the Spirit that was celebrated in the early church. There may be reason to question whether or not the actuality of the church's fellowship ever reached the level of sharing described in the exuberant descriptions found in the Book of Acts; but there is no question whatsoever that this early body of Christians knew what kind of community they dreamed about being. So should we.

At St Philip's Church, at the invitation of our pastoral search committee, we've been meeting in small gatherings to celebrate the gifts within our congregation and to talk with one another about our hopes and dreams. Like the early church, we've been sharing meals together and praying for spiritual discernment about how God is calling our church to mission in the coming years. As we develop common themes out of the thoughts that are shared in these gatherings, we will be formulating a sense of what it is that we share in common as our church's special offering to God.

Allen M. Fluent, Transitional Pastor

Acts Bible Study

Remember to participate in our summer study of the Book of Acts throughout July and August. We've gotten off to a slow start because of some scheduling problems, but we'll be meeting again after worship on Sunday, July 9 and through the remaining summer weeks. We welcome you to participate in our face-to-face Bible conversations after church, but we also encourage you to use the printed materials that are available both as inserts in the Sunday bulletin and as messages on our church web page. These messages are called "Think Abouts." and they are a way to think about the story in Acts either by yourself, or in family conversations, or in our Sunday morning gatherings.



Paula Williams, Jay Williams, Ben Metz, Ben Armistead,
Janet Remmers, Lois Decker, Tom and Pam Kelley and Rev. Doug Anders

Schnucks Grocery Card

These cards are not bought like the others we use... You get this one free from the Service counter at a store or ask the people selling cards some Sunday... On the card are the directions you use to register it then keep the registered card(s) with you when you shop there. You get one wallet sized card and one key chain sized card. Registration can all be done with a toll free call. A small sheet of paper that has all the information you will need about the church to register it is also available with your new cards picked up at church. Once it's registered you just show it to the cashier BEFORE they start to ring you out... The purchase amount with their contribution to us is automatically added to our monthly check from them... Some of you only purchase from Schnucks part of the time but would be surprised to see how these infrequent visits add up... IF YOU BUY AT SCHNUCKS BE SURE TO HAVE A CARD TO USE.... "The Sales Crew"



Pastor's Office Hours

Mondays: 10:00AM - 2:00PM
Tuesdays: 10:00AM - 2:00PM

Please feel free to call for an appointment (314) 971-9041 Cell

Rev. Fluent has changed his primary email. Please send future emails to fluentallen1@gmail.com.

***ECC would like to thank
St. Philip's for making their
"1st annual Bake Sale" a success.
They have donated their entire profit
of \$130 to the church.***





Women's Fellowship

On July 18th, at 10:00, we will be measuring and bagging beans and rice for St. John's Community Services Pantry on St Louis Ave. (originally St. John's Community Center on N. Grand) This will be taken to the Community Center when we take the back packs and the supplies from VBS.

There is a sign up sheet for the 18th.

Virginia

Outreach Ministry News: Our newest project, The Prayer Shawl Ministry has been organized by Jeannine Navratil. Shawls, knitted or crocheted by members and friends of St. Philips are blessed, and then given to those experiencing illnesses. Paula Williams and Ben Armistead have been the first recipients. We wish to thank those who have made the shawls: Janielle Schmidt, Shirley Nottlemann, and Clarine Burrow. If you are interested in making a shawl, contact Jeannine.

New Room Reservation Policy

All reservations for church rooms should be made through Marsha Jacques, church secretary. Please do not just write on the calendar.

Thank you!

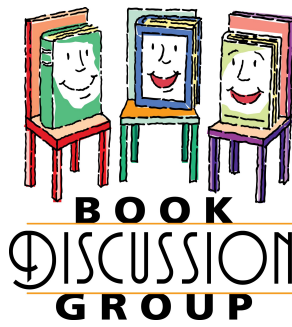


Volunteers needed for VBS set up

On Sat., July 22, at 10:00 we will be needing volunteers to help set up the displays for VBS. Bring your own sandwich. We will have snacks, drinks, and dessert.

A big thanks for your help.

Virginia



Book Club News: On July 16 we will discuss The Secret Chord, a Pulitzer award winning novel about King David. All are welcome to attend, and I believe that the discussion will be interesting even for those who have not read the book. We meet after church and enjoy a light informal potluck lunch (we always have more food than we need, and new members do not need to bring food). Our next selection is American Heiress the story of Patty Hearst. If you would like to read it with us, copies will be available on Sunday July 16. Other upcoming selections are Leaving Time by Jodi Picoult, and My Life in France by Julia Childs. Barbara Barnes

New directory!

**Thank you for your updates.
The new directory will be out in the month of**



LITURGIST AND CHILDREN'S TIME SIGN UPS

We need liturgists and Children's Time leaders every Sunday. If you missed signing up on the bulletin board or if you needed to check your calendar before committing to a Sunday, you can always shoot an email to Tammy Knoll at tammy@wkf.com or Marsha Jacques in the office at stphilipsucc1@gmail.com.

We all appreciate your time.

Tammy Knoll

Youth

The youth will present their Service trip in worship on July 23rd.



Sweet Celebrations
 Little Celebrations * Big Impact

Celebrate  Birthdays

Happy Birthday to our members who will be celebrating
 (we will sing Sweet Celebrations on the 1st Sunday of the month)

Barbara Barnes	3	Angie Thomas-Lamprich	13
Dolores Zikes	3	Dawn Williamson	15
Blaise Azzara	6	Judy Hickman	19
Matt Lawler	6	William Matthews, Jr	20
Ellen Bell	8	Jacob Nickel	24
Joshua Brym	8	Merle Schuette	25
Erin Hickman	8	Sydney Stevenson	27
Pat Siewing	10	Shirley Ashton	28

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL



“Hero Central”

WHERE: *St. Philip’s United Church of Christ*
10708 Lavinia Drive St. Louis, MO 63123

WHEN: *July 24 thru July 28, 2017*

TIME: *9 am - 12 noon daily*

REGISTRATION FEE: *\$ 15.00*

Children will discover ways they can experience and live out God’s love in their lives. Through drama, crafts, science, music, games and snacks, they will learn that God wants us to move, act, care, follow and share!

FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL: 314-843-5100



NOTICE!

St. Philip's and Early Childhood Care will be closed for the holiday, on Monday, July 3rd & Tuesday, July 4th.

Rev. Fluent can be reached on his cell @ 314-971-9041.

