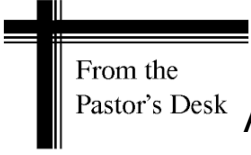


The Crier

August 2021

St. Philip's United Church of Christ



From the
Pastor's Desk

As your pastor, I strongly recommend the COVID-19 vaccine.

The United States Centers for Disease Control (CDC) says all available options for the vaccine are safe. They were developed using science that has been around for decades.

COVID-19 vaccines are not experimental. They went through all the required stages of clinical trials. Extensive testing and monitoring have shown that these vaccines are safe and effective.

COVID-19 vaccines have received and continue to undergo the most intensive safety monitoring in U.S. history. You can learn more about how federal partners are ensuring COVID-19 vaccines work at:

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/effectiveness.html>

All the available COVID 19-vaccines are effective. They can keep you from getting and spreading the virus that causes COVID-19. COVID-19 vaccines also help keep you from getting seriously ill even if you do get COVID-19.

Getting vaccinated yourself may also protect people around you, particularly people at increased risk for severe illness from COVID-19.

Jesus said:

"No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends." (John 15:13)

Please, protect our loved ones, healthcare workers and give our community a chance for economic recovery.

Pastor Mike Krewson



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*



St. Philip's Vision Statement

**Our
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.

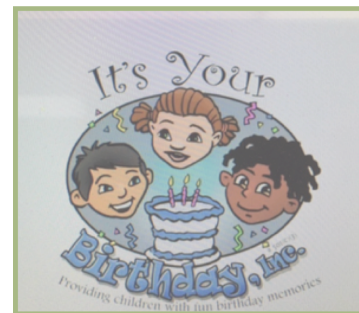
August Birthdays

Happy Birthday to our members who will be celebrating a birthday in August.

The following words will be heard on the 1st Sunday of each month....

*“Happy Birthday to You!,
Happy Birthday to You!,
Happy Birthday Everybody!,
and God Bless you!”*

Jackie Thurmond	1	Hilda Leonard	19
Ken Holdener	1	Connie Caldwell	22
Terri Karcher	2	Debbie Hudson	24
Leetah Nickel	8	Wally Knoll	28
Peggi Werner	11	Harry Headley	30
Chris Armistead	15	Joe Williams	30
Megan Comstock	16	Judy York	31
Tammy Knoll	18		



Contact the Pastor



Feel free to call Pastor Mike anytime:

Cell (618) 789-2203

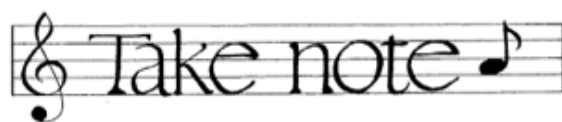
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Russ Hickman
Ray Hoffstetter
Harry Jennings
Pam Kelly
Brian Malin
Marilyn Milne
Jered Nagle
Alice Noland
Janet Remmers
Dottie Vinyard
Paula Williams
Judy York



Choir Rehearsals

We will notify you when Rehearsals resume

The Choir rehearses the Anthem and Hymns for the upcoming Sunday worship service, however, are not meeting in person at this time. New members are always welcome. There is no audition – anyone with a love for music and a desire to sing is invited to join. Rehearsal lasts usually about an hour and we always have fun! Contact Mike Orzel, our Music Director, for more information.

LITURGISTS (in-person worship)

The Liturgist reads the scriptures during worship. We will provide the reader with the scriptures via email or USPS mail several days prior to the service allowing you time to become comfortable in reading to the congregation.



If you are interested in serving as a liturgist, see the **RED** signup sheet on the bulletin board, or let Tammy, the Office, or Pastor know and indicate the method of receiving the readings.

Thank you for your consideration,
Tammy Knoll





LOGOS NIGHT (All are welcome!) Wednesday, August 18 5:30-7:00pm

Hello everyone,

We will be having a LOGOS Family night Wednesday, August 18. All families, members, and friends are welcome! We can't wait to catch up and play some games with you and your families!!! Our dinner will be ordered from PsgheTTis, so please RSVP to Andrea Tukin so we have a count.

Andrea Tukin
Andreatukin@gmail.com
314-566-8633

Sunday
August 15
11:30am



On August 15, after church, we will discuss Hidden Figures. We hope to meet in person and have lunch in the conference room. However, if covid guidelines change, we may need to go back to a Zoom format. As the time gets closer, we will keep members informed as best we can.

Our next selection is "The Nature of the Beast", a murder mystery set in Quebec. Louise Penny is one of my favorite authors. While a murder is always at the center of her stories, they are about so much more than the crime. People magazine commented "Penny sustains her high-wire act, creating characters of remarkable depth in an exhilarating whodunit."

Hope that the group will enjoy Louise Penny as much as I do.

Barbara Barnes

OUTREACH MINISTRY NEWS

Thanks to all for your generous contributions to Feed My People. With Pam's addition of two large cartons of paper products, we had about 80 items, which were delivered to the LeMay Feed My People location. Your generosity is appreciated!



ALOHA SUNDAY - August 22, 2021

Get into the spirit of "Aloha" by wearing a Hawaiian shirt or any flowered or bright colored shirt.



If you have a lei, wear that too! If not, we are happy to provide you with a lei.

There will be a box of leis at church. We are asking you to choose a lei to

wear, but not to return it to the box. Please take it home with you. We cannot recycle the leis at this time.



Not attending church services yet? We invite you to wear a Hawaiian shirt at home and be part of the spirit of Aloha!

STONE SOUP SUMMARY

It might take a village to raise a child but it also takes a lot of willing people to make a Stone Soup Sunday successful. Many thanks to the following people, in no specific order, who had a part in the making the service meaningful: George Brand, Lois Decker, Emily Coleman, Libby Coleman, Carole Armistead, Pam Henson, Andrea Tukin, Ray Hoffstetter, and Dori Hudson who willingly filled in a vacant spot in addition to what she had agreed to do. If I missed anyone, I apologize. Also, thanks to George and Joyce Brand who cleaned up afterwards and Aileen Boyer who sanitized the area, Mike Orzel for his usual musical support and, of course, Chef Jeff. By the way, the soup was delicious!



CONFERENCE CALL BIBLE STUDY - MONDAYS in August 10:00am

Each week on Monday at 10:00am you are invited to Bible Study and conversation. You may join online (Zoom) or by phone. Call any of the numbers below ahead of time for help in joining.

We will study scriptures for the next Sunday, and check in with each other. You don't have to read ahead.

Pastor Mike Krewson

618-789-2203 or 314-843-5100

Pam Henson 314-520-3663

Please consider joining us to keep in touch with other members.

Please join us for Sunday School. We would love to have you!



Younger children, elementary and below, will **meet in-person at 9:45**. We try to keep things shorter for the younger kids (around 20 minutes).

If you have any questions or would like more information, please let me know.

Peace, Andrea

June 2021 General Fund Summary

Receipts

Weekly Offering	7,266.25	
Grocery Cards	83.50	
Early Childhood Center	<u>9,500.00</u>	
Total		16,849.75

Expenses

Financial Ministry	2,106.04	
Church Property Ministry	4,692.79	
Personnel	<u>11,760.65</u>	
Total		<u>18,559.48</u>
June Deficit		(1,709.73)
Previous Balance		<u>9,453.91</u>
June 30 Balance		7,744.18 =====

June Building Fund Summary

Beginning Balance	4,937.21	
Building Fund Offering	333.25	
Capital Improvement Fund	<u>(417.00)</u>	
April Ending Balance		4,853.46 =====

June Improvements Offering Summary

Beginning Balance	1,525.00	
June Offering	<u>226.00</u>	
June Ending Balance		1,751.00 =====

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
1 9:30 Sunday Worship In-person & Facebook 9:45 Sunday School In-person	2 10:00 Bible Study Conf Call/Zoom Mtg 7:00 Church Council Mtg	3	4	5	6	7	
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22 9:30 Sunday Worship In-person & Facebook 9:45 Sunday School In-person	23 10:00 Bible Study Conf Call/Zoom Mtg	24	25	26	27	28	
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