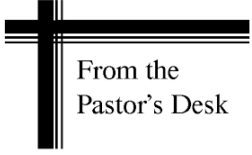


# The Crier

September 2022

St. Philip's United Church of Christ



From the  
Pastor's Desk

## Farewell

As this month begins, I will be retiring after more than 38 years as an active settled pastor. Those years have taken me to Levasy, Missouri; Defiance, Missouri; DuQuoin, Illinois; Edwardsville, Illinois; Florissant, Missouri and then four years ago to South St. Louis County.

These past four years have been filled with many blessings and challenges including the Covid-19 pandemic which has hurt churches and organizations all across our society and world. Through it all we worked to keep our congregation strong and through creativity and being flexible have achieved a good measure of success. It has been a joy!

The next few months will again be a time of change and uncertainty. Associate Conference Minister Damien Lake will be leading worship on Sunday, September 11 and the Church Council is working with him to make plans for pastoral leadership during this transition. Please keep the Church Council in your prayers.

The ethics of my profession prevent me from inhibiting the ministry of St. Philip's leaders going forward. I will decline invitations to provide pastoral care as a part of my covenant in the United Church of Christ but I will never forget you and you will be in my thoughts and prayers. You will always be a fond part of who I have become. Your influence on me will travel with me in time. It has been my honor and joy to be your partner in this ministry. We will always be connected by our faith.

Rev. 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.

## **September Birthdays**

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

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!”*

Danielle Knoll	3
Leona Gottschlich	10
Ollie Coleman	11
Jeannine Navratil	18
Ray Hoffstetter	20
Carole Armistead	20
George Brand	21
Cindy Lewis	21
Cara Schamburg	21
Sue Myers	23
Tom Nottelmann	23
Mary Dykstra	26
Susan Yung	26
Chris Fischer	28
Averi Henson	30
Hayden Henson	30



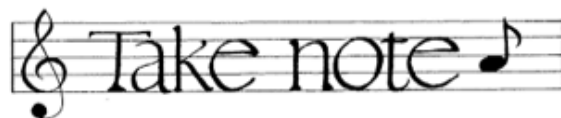
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Lily Swanson  
Paula Williams



## Choir Rehearsals - Meeting dates September 4 & 18 after Worship

The Choir rehearses the Anthem and Hymns for the upcoming Sunday worship service. 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.

### PRINTER CARTRIDGE RECYCLING

Thank you for bringing your used Canon and HP cartridges to church for recycling. Please continue to put them in the collection box in the entry space.

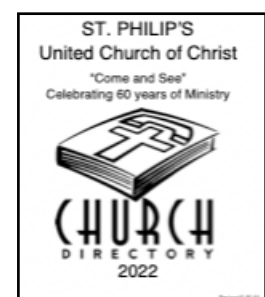
Also, we no longer recycle plastic lids. Please don't bring them to church but do continue to recycle them appropriately. All the little things, done by a lot of people, do make a difference!

### YOUNG(ER) ADULT FELLOWSHIP

On Sunday, September 11, the young(er) adults in the congregation will meet again. We plan to enjoy some food and chat. Childcare will be provided as needed.

### NEW PHONE DIRECTORIES

St. Philip's 2022 telephone directories are available on the credenza just outside the sanctuary.



## IN CASE YOU'RE WONDERING.....

Since Pastor Mike has retired, you may have questions about what will be happening next at St. Philip's. Let me assure you that Council has been working diligently to make the transition as smooth as possible. We have met with Rev. Damien Lake, the Associate Conference Minister, and are nearing completion of the profile necessary in order to have an interim. You are very fortunate to have a church council that cares so much about St. Philip's and it's members that it is willingly devoting many hours to all of the paperwork and planning.

At this stage we don't have a timeline but things do not move quickly and we have no control over that. In the meantime, we'll do our best to keep you informed and up to date on progress.

Here are the worship leaders for September:


September 4 Labor Day Weekend	Sandy Stevenson
September 11 Communion Sunday	Rev. Damien Lake Associate Conference Minister
September 18	Rev. Dori Hudson
September 25	Rev. Donna Philips

If you have questions, ask any council member. Let me know if there is anything I can do. Mainly keep supporting St. Philip's financially, by your attendance, and with your prayers. Life is full of changes and we'll be fine as long as we remain the close knit family that we are.

Sandy

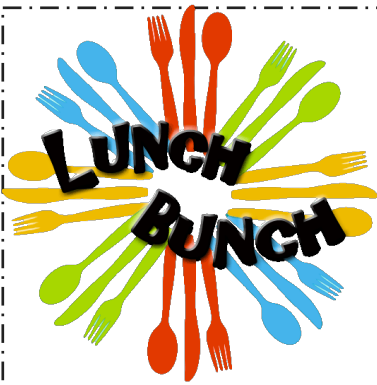
### The Angel Team

The Angel Team, a part of Outreach Ministry provides help and support to Members of the St. Philip's Family on an as-needed basis. We hope to update our information sheets and will provide blank copies for updating to those attending services.



The form includes emergency medical information and emergency contacts for members. There is also a place for you to indicate how you might be willing to provide help and support to others. For members who do not attend regularly, please contact Barbara Barnes (314-843-4157) and a form will be sent to you.





## WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

The next Lunch Bunch outing will be held on Wednesday, September 14 at **noon** at:

### Lazy River Grill

631 Big Bend Road

Manchester, MO 63021

located in the Treetop Shopping Center

Please see the GOLD signup sheet on the bulletin board and signup by Sunday, September 11.

"Love for the great outdoors, delicious food, and friendly service all come together to create the perfect clean and cozy restaurant atmosphere."

If you have any questions, contact Donna Philips at 314-494-4489.

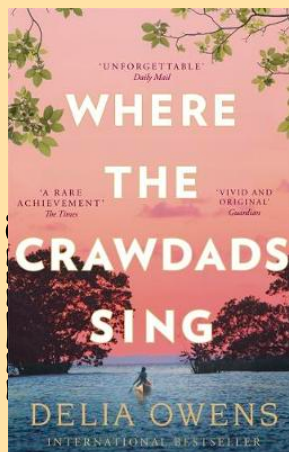


I want to thank everyone at St. Philip's that sent cards or made phone calls to me. Your concern and care has been appreciated. I've had surgery and it went well. I'll be starting radiation in a couple of weeks. Your continued prayers will be appreciated.

Sue Myers

**Sunday  
September 18  
10:15am**

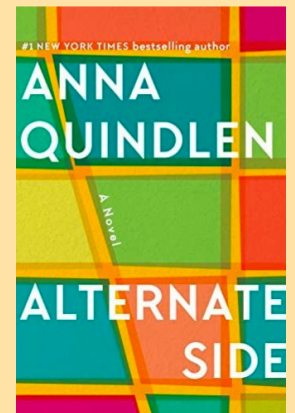
**BOOK CLUB**



We will meet on Sunday September 18 to discuss *Where the Crawdads Sing*.

Our next selection is *Alternative Side*, by Anna Quindlen.

Consider joining Book Club. We meet after church and share a potluck lunch. Having read the book is not required, and there are no tests, only laughter and a good time.



Available  
September 18

## OUTREACH MINISTRY NEWS

Festival of Sharing is right around the corner. It is a cooperative ecumenical response to hunger, poverty and injustice in Missouri with the goal of supporting projects and programs that help our neighbors experience healthy and full lives. St. Philip's has a long history of participation, with donations of many kinds. In the last two years, because of covid, we asked for cash contributions only.



Outreach Ministry has decided that we would like to resume in-kind donations and we have selected the "Student Dental Pack" Option, which provides items to needy students and their families. This year we are asking for:

- Adult toothbrushes (individually packaged or in two packs)
- Children's toothbrushes individually packaged or in 2 or 4 packs,
- Fluoride toothpaste (6 oz. or larger)
- Dental floss, any kind or size

For sanitary reasons, it is important the toothbrushes be in the original packages, please do not include large packages of toothbrushes.

We will be collecting these items through **September 11**. A basket is setup in the Gathering Space to dropoff your donations.

Thanks ahead of time for your generosity.  
Outreach Ministry

## LOGOS FALL SCHEDULE

Hello all,

I hope you've had a fabulous start to the school year! We are planning to start LOGOS at the end of September. Here are our meeting dates through the end of the year. Feel free to invite friends and let me know if you have any questions.



September 28  
October 5, 12, 19  
November 9, 16, 30  
December 7, 14

I can't wait to see everyone.  
Andrea

**July 2022 General Fund Summary**

**Receipts**

Sunday Offering	10,353.25	
Grocery cards	45.00	
Interest Income	175.71	
Recycle Income	164.36	
Hall Rental	50.00	
Early Childhood Center	<u>9,500.00</u>	
Total		20,288.32

**Expenses**

Spiritual Life Ministry	140.00	
Learning Ministry	49.56	
Financial Ministry	2,524.91	
Church Property Ministry	5,604.54	
Personnel	<u>11,817.83</u>	
Total		<u>20,136.84</u>

July Surplus	151.48
Previous Balance	<u>153.46</u>
July 31 Balance	304.94
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**July Building Fund Summary**

Beginning Balance	5,624.48
Building Fund Offering	466.00
Capital Improvement Fund	<u>(417.00)</u>
July Ending Balance	5,673.48
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**July Improvements Offering Summary**

Beginning Balance	711.37
July Offering	<u>384.00</u>
July Ending Balance	1,095.37
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>SEPTEMBER</b>						
4 9:30 Sunday Worship In-person & Facebook 9:45 Sunday School In-person 10:15 Choir Rehearsal	5 Labor Day	6	7	8	9	10
11 9:30 Sunday Worship In-person & Facebook 9:45 Sunday School In-person 10:15 Younger Adult Fellowship	12 7:00 Church Council Mtg	13	14 noon Lunch Bunch @ Lazy River Grill	15	16	17
18 9:30 Sunday Worship In-person & Facebook 9:45 Sunday School In-person 10:15 Choir Rehearsal 10:15 Book Club	19	20	21	22	23	24
25 9:30 Sunday Worship In-person & Facebook 9:45 Sunday School In-person	26 October CRIER Articles Due	27	28 5:30-7:00 LOGOS	29	30	