

St. Philip's United Church of Christ

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Second Sunday after Epiphany



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*indicates that you may rise as comfortably able
(text in bold read in unison)

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PRELUDE

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS and PRAYER CONCERNS

* CALL TO WORSHIP - Worship Ways

We praise you, O God, for you are our God, and we are your people.

Wonderful are your works, O God, we know them very well!

Search and know us, Creator, remove us from shadows into your presence.

Wonderful are your works, O God, we know them very well!

Place your hand upon us, Gracious One, as we worship you and minister in your name.

Wonderful are your works, O God, we know them very well!

* PRAYER OF INVOCATION - Worship Ways (Together)

Sovereign One, we acknowledge your presence among us. Stir up the gifts you have planted among us. Hold us in your care and present a mirror before us so that we may know ourselves as you have known us. Strengthen us in your mercy and let your grace propel us to renewal and righteousness. Lift us so that might arise in spirit and in truth for your glory. AMEN.

* OPENING HYMN: "Here I Am, Lord" # 452 1-3

I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry.

All who dwell in deepest sing my hand will save

I who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright,

Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?

(Refrain)

Here I am, Lord, Is it I, Lord? I have heard you calling in the night.

I will go, Lord, if you lead me. I will hold your people in my heart.

I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my people's pain.
I have wept for love of them, they turn away.
I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love alone.
I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send? (Refrain)

I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.
I will set a feast for them, my hand will save.
Finest bread I will provide till their hearts be satisfied.
I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send? (Refrain)

A TIME FOR THE YOUNG AND YOUNG AT HEART

RESPONSE: "Jesus Loves the Little Children"

Jesus loves the little children, all the children of the world.
Red and yellow, black and white, they are precious in his sight,
Jesus loves the little children of the world.

SCRIPTURE: 1 Samuel 3:1-10

Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the Lord under Eli. The word of the Lord was rare in those days; visions were not widespread. At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his room; the lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the Lord, where the ark of God was.

Then the Lord called, "Samuel! Samuel!" and he said, "Here I am!" and ran to Eli and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call; lie down again." So he went and lay down.

The Lord called again, "Samuel!" Samuel got up and went to Eli and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call, my son; lie down again." Now Samuel did not yet know the Lord, and the word of the Lord had not yet been revealed to him.

The Lord called Samuel again, a third time. And he got up and went to Eli and said, "Here I am, for you called me." Then Eli perceived that the Lord was calling the boy. Therefore Eli said to Samuel, "Go, lie down, and if he calls you, you shall say, 'Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening.'"

So Samuel went and lay down in his place. Now the Lord came and stood there, calling as before, "Samuel! Samuel!" And Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant is listening."

SCRIPTURE: John 1:43-51

The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him "Follow me." Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. Philip found Nathanael and said to him, "We have found him about whom Moses in the Law and also the Prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth." Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see." When Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him, he said of him, "Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!" Nathanael asked him, "Where did you get to know me?" Jesus answered, "I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you." Nathanael replied, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" Jesus answered, "Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these." And he said to him, "Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man."

SERMON: "Come and See"

Rev. Laura Mignerone

HYMN: "Open Me Eyes, That I May See" # 586

Open my eyes, that I may see glimpses of truth thou hast for me;
place in my hands the wonderful key that shall unclasp and set me free.
Silently now I wait for thee, ready, my God, thy will to see.
Open my eyes, illumine me, Spirit divine!

Open my ears, that I may hear voices of truth thou sendest clear;
and while the wavenotes fall on my ear, everything false will disappear.
Silently now I wait for thee, ready, my God, thy will to see.
Open my ears, illumine me, Spirit divine!

Open my mouth, and let me bear gladly the warm truth everywhere;
open my heart and let me prepare love with thy children thus to share.
Silently now I wait for thee, ready, my God, thy will to see.
Open my heart, illumine me, Spirit divine!

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Silence

Pastoral Prayer

Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.

Your 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.

GIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERING

Anthem: "Jesus Calls Us O'er The Tumult"

* Doxology #46 "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below;

Praise God above, the heavenly host:

Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

* Prayer of Dedication - Worship Ways (Together)

Generous God, cultivate and nurture gratitude and trust in us. May our gifts be used for the benefit of the kingdom and all creation in your name. AMEN.

* CLOSING HYMN: "God Be With You Till We Meet Again" # 434 1-3

God be with you till we meet again; loving counsels guide, uphold you,
with a shepherd's care enfold you; God be with you till we meet again.

Refrain

Till we meet, till we meet, till we meet at Jesus feet;

till we meet, till we meet, God be with you till we meet again.

God be with you till we meet again; unseen wings, protecting, hide you,
daily manna still provide you; God be with you till we meet again. (Refrain)

God be with you till we meet again; when life's perils thick confound you,
put unfailing arms around you; God be with you till we meet again. (Refrain)

* BENEDICTION

* POSTLUDE

2024 OFFERING ENVELOPES

Offering envelopes are available for pickup from the table just outside the Sanctuary. Please pick up your neighbors too, as it is costly to mail the envelopes.

Pickup hours during the week are Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday from 10:00-2:00. Call Carol in the Church Office at 314-843-5100 to notify her you're stopping by.

CONSIDER JOINING OUR ALTAR COMMITTEE TEAM

We are looking for a few more Altar Committee members. You can volunteer for 1 or 2 months out of the year or as a helper. It usually takes approximately 30-45 minutes a week or less. Tasks consist of getting the sanctuary ready for our Sunday worship service which includes:

- Changing the banner and paraments
- Replacing candles
- Checking pew supplies

For more information, please contact Patty Siewing at 314-974-4498.

BOOK CLUB SUNDAY, JANUARY 14 10:15am

We will meet on **January 14** after church to share a potluck lunch and to discuss *Girl Waits with Gun*.

Our Next selection is *Flight Behavior* by Barbara Kingsolver, which tells the story of a 28 year old woman who feels trapped by her role as a housewife, and difficult relationships with her in-laws. Then a miraculous experience changes everything.

Consider joining us to read this New York times best seller and nominee for Best Book of the Year. Books are available in kit form and can be picked up or delivered to you after January 14. We are always ready to welcome new members, and we always have a good time.

LOGOS MINISTRY

Would you be interested in making a meal for our LOGOS ministry? If so, we'd love to try your cooking (and have you join us for an evening)! Receipts may be turned in for reimbursement.

Need ideas on feeding 30 people?

Here are some meals we've had in the past that have been successful for our group:

- Spaghetti, garlic bread, salad
- Baked potato bar with soup
- Chili & hot dogs
- Taco night! (beef, chicken or pork)
- Build your own sub/sandwich night
- Lasagna
- Ham or Turkey & Cheese Sliders
- Pulled pork & macaroni & cheese
- Enchiladas
- Chicken Alfredo
- We'd love to try your ideas too!!

If you are interested, please see the schedule on the Bulletin Board.

Thank you for your support,
Andrea Tukin

YOUNG ADULT APPETIZER PARTY

Children are welcome too!

Join us for an evening of appetizers and fellowship at the Tukins! Bring an appetizer to share and BYOB. There will also be some kid friendly foods along with soda, lemonade, and tea.

Saturday, January 27
4-8pm

[RSVP HERE](#) or to Andrea Tukin

ST. PHILIP'S GAME DAY - JANUARY 21

Join us on **Sunday, January 21, immediately following worship**, for a Game Day! Bring your favorite board games and a finger food appetizer/snack to share. We'll munch while we play!

All are invited to join the fun!

**YOUNG ADULTS
LUNCH GET-TOGETHER
SATURDAY, MARCH 9**

The Young Adults group will be getting together at The Armory on **Saturday, March 9th at 11:00am** for lunch and to hang out for anyone who wants to join! The Armory is located at 3660 Market Street, 63110.

If you can't find a sitter for this kid-free event, the Armory is kid-friendly until 6:00pm.

No need to make reservations or RSVP....folks can just show up and we'll be there!

Contact Cara Schamburg at 501-265-9677 if you have any questions.

**JANUARY
BIRTHDAYS**

Leo Ruffino	1
Charles Zikes	2
Walter Knoll	3
John Mikusch	3
Carl Schillinger	4
Libby Coleman	6
Caylie Armistead	7
Emily Coleman	8
Paula Williams	9
Andrew Knoll	12
Robin Knoll	17
Jeff Stevenson	18
Marilyn Eason	23
Lois Decker	28
Beth Hickman	29
Joyce Brand	31

SUNDAY SCHOOL & BABYSITTING ON SUNDAYS

Babysitting is available during the church service in the first classroom on the right in the Early Childhood hallway.

If you are interested in teaching **Sunday School** or helping with the younger children, please contact Andrea Tukin or see the GREEN sign-up sheet on the bulletin board.

There is also a PINK sign up on the bulletin board to do **Children's Time** during the service. Lessons can be provided for you.

Save the Date! St. Philip's and St. John will be hosting a spring retreat at Camp Mo-Val Saturday May 18-May 19. Day only or overnight options are available. Stay tuned for more information!

IN CASE OF SNOW...

If worship services are canceled due to inclement weather, please watch for the announcement on Channel 2 or 11. We will be listed as:

St. Philip's UCC

As a courtesy, please call anyone you know who might need this information.

Cancellations will also be posted on Facebook.

SALVAGING UNWANTED CHRISTMAS CARDS

Instead of recycling or throwing away your unwanted, used or new Christmas cards, I will be collecting them. They will be repurposed for craft projects. Old vintage or newer cards are welcome.

You can drop-off your unwanted cards in the marked box on the credenza just outside the Sanctuary during the months of January and February.

Thank you,
Carol O'Shea

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
7 9:30 Worship in-person, Facebook 9:45 Sunday School 10:15 Un-decking the Halls	8 4:45 ECC Board Mtg 7:00 Church Council Mtg	9	10 noon Lunch Bunch Brunch @ Golden Oak Pancake House	11 5:00-6:00 Scouts GS	12	13
14 9:30 Worship in-person, Facebook 9:45 Sunday School 10:15 Book Club 1:00 Joint Worship Pling Mtg	15	16	17 5:30-7:00 LOGOS	18	19	20 11:00-4:00 Bldg Rentl 2:00 Hertenstein Memorial Svc
21 9:30 Worship in-person, Facebook 9:45 Sunday School 10:15 Game Day	22	23	24	25	26	27 8:30-3:00 Building Rental
28 9:30 Worship in-person, Facebook 9:45 Sunday School	29	30	31 5:30-7:00 LOGOS	1 February	2 6:00-9:00 MPR Rental	3
4 9:30 Worship in-person, Facebook 9:45 Sunday School	5	6	7	8	9	10

**Our
Vision
Statement**

St. Philip's 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.



*In
our
Thoughts
and
Prayers*

Iveta Boyanchek
Joyce Brand
Lou Cherry
Grace Heady
Ron Hemingway
Virginia Hladnick
LaDonna Kay
Mary Ann Krewson

The Mignerone and
Hertenstein Families
Marilyn Milne
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