

May 10th, 2026

Sixth Sunday of Easter



*St. Philip's
Episcopal Church*
BUFFALO, NEW YORK

Prayer List

Alan Clifford Brown

Dalea Moncrieffe

Lutisha Eddy

Linda Brown

William Miles

Father John Paul Boyer

Mary Ann Prentis

Herndon Family

Emily

Samuel Family

Requests to be added to the bulletin prayer list are welcomed. Please contact the church office at 716-833-0442 or email - specbuffalo@gmail.com

In Loving Memory

Edward Herndon

Funeral was held Saturday April 25th, 2026

Condolences may be sent to:

Gigi Herndon
33 Burbank Terrace
Buffalo, NY 14214

Norwood Samuel

Funeral to be held Saturday **June 13th**, 2026

10:00am Visitation, 11:00am Service, Repass to follow

Condolences may be sent to:

Dawn and David Samuel
1127 Woodstock Ave
Tonawanda, NY 14150

Order of Service

Opening (Collect and Hymn)
Word of God (Readings and Sermon)
Prayer
Announcements
Holy Communion
Dismissal

The Collect

O God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as surpass our understanding: Pour into our hearts such love towards you, that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

The First Lesson

Acts 17:22-31

Paul stood in front of the Areopagus and said, “Athenians, I see how extremely religious you are in every way. For as I went through the city and looked carefully at the objects of your worship, I found among them an altar with the inscription, ‘To an unknown god.’ What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. The God who made the world and everything in it, he who is Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in shrines made by human hands, nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mortals life and breath and all things. From one ancestor he made all nations to inhabit the whole earth, and he allotted the times of their existence and the boundaries of the places where they would live, so that they would search for God and perhaps grope for him and find him—though indeed he is not far from each one of us. For ‘In him we live and move and have our being’; as even some of your own poets have said,

‘For we too are his offspring.’

Since we are God’s offspring, we ought not to think that the deity is like gold, or silver, or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of mortals. While God has overlooked the times of

human ignorance, now he commands all people everywhere to repent, because he has fixed a day on which he will have the world judged in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed, and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead.”

The Psalm

Psalm 66:7-18

Jubilate Deo

- 7 Bless our God, you peoples; *
 make the voice of his praise to be heard;
- 8 Who holds our souls in life, *
 and will not allow our feet to slip.
- 9 For you, O God, have proved us; *
 you have tried us just as silver is tried.
- 10 You brought us into the snare; *
 you laid heavy burdens upon our backs.
- 11 You let enemies ride over our heads;
 we went through fire and water; *
 but you brought us out into a place of refreshment.
- 12 I will enter your house with burnt-offerings
 and will pay you my vows, *
 which I promised with my lips
 and spoke with my mouth when I was in trouble.
- 13 I will offer you sacrifices of fat beasts
 with the smoke of rams; *
 I will give you oxen and goats.
- 14 Come and listen, all you who fear God, *
 and I will tell you what he has done for me.
- 15 I called out to him with my mouth, *
 and his praise was on my tongue.
- 16 If I had found evil in my heart, *
 the Lord would not have heard me;
- 17 But in truth God has heard me; *
 he has attended to the voice of my prayer.
- 18 Blessed be God, who has not rejected my prayer, *
 nor withheld his love from me.

The Epistle

1 Peter 3:13-22

Now who will harm you if you are eager to do what is good? But even if you do suffer for doing what is right, you are blessed. Do not fear what they fear, and do not be intimidated, but in your hearts sanctify Christ as Lord. Always be ready to make your defense to anyone who demands from you an accounting for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and reverence. Keep your conscience clear, so that, when you are maligned, those who abuse you for your good conduct in Christ may be put to shame. For it is better to suffer for doing good, if suffering should be God's will, than to suffer for doing evil. For Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were saved through water. And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you—not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

The Gospel

John 14:15-21

Jesus said, "If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you.

"I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me; and those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them."

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Register for the East Side Garden Walk

Deadline by **May 15th** <https://www.gardensbuffaloniagara.com/esgw>

Garden Walk dates – July 18th and 19th from 10am-4pm

Registration closes this week!

Announcements



Community Garden Meeting

Tuesday May 12th at 6:00pm in the lower Parish Hall



Buffalo Girlchoir Concert at St. Philip's

Please Join us for a performance by the Buffalo Girlchoir Group
Accompanied by Tim Socha

Wednesday May 13th at 7:00 pm in the Sanctuary
The girls will bring donations for our Food Pantry!



Buffalo Girlchoir
Strong Voices. Strong Girls.

May 14th Remembrance Memorial

All are invited to join members of St. Philip's for a time of prayerful remembrance marking the anniversary of the racial massacre that took place on May 14th, 2022. We will gather on **May 14th, 2026 at 2:00 p.m.** at the Tops Market on Jefferson Ave. to honor the lives lost and stand together in solidarity with those continuing to face racial injustice and profiling.

What is an Episcopalian?

Learn about our: Core beliefs, Worship and Sacraments, Community and Governance, Lifestyle and Mission.

Evening Classes to begin soon. Preparation for confirmation and full membership. Let the Pastor know if you are interested!

Healing Hearts - Grief and Loss Support Group

Facilitator - Deacon Lillian Davis-Willson

Are you grieving some form of loss? Come and join us
2nd Tuesday of each month at 6pm

St. Philip's Parish Hall **NEXT MEETING: May 12th**



Weekly NA and AA Meetings at St. Philip's

NA – Morning After – Weekdays from 9-11am
NA – The End of the Road – Fridays 8-10pm
NA – Back to Basics – Saturdays 5-6:30pm
AA – Fresh Start – Sundays 8pm

BOSS - Buffalo Own Smooth Steppers

Detroit-style Urban Ballroom Dance Class
Thursdays – 6-7:30pm
716-200-9702
igotart@hotmail.com

East Side Parkway Restoration Meetings

1st and 3rd Thursdays, 5:45pm to ~ 7:30pm – **NEXT MEETING: May 21st**
New Location Frank E Merriweather Jr Library - 1324 Jefferson Ave

May 11th- May 17th

Monday 11th	5:00 pm	Evening Prayer Meeting ID: 116-359-399 PW: spec
Tuesday 12th	5:00 pm 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm 6:00 pm	Evening Prayer Healing Hearts Community Garden Meeting
Wednesday 13th	10:00 am - 2:00 pm 5:00 pm 7:00 pm	Food Pantry Evening Prayer Buffalo Girlchoir Concert
Thursday 14th	5:00 pm	Evening Prayer
Friday 15th	5:00 pm	Evening Prayer
Saturday 16th	9:30 am - 10:30 am	Addie's Bible Study Meeting ID: 825-4215-3167 Passcode: bible
Sunday 17th	9:30 am - 11:00 am 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm	Sunday Worship Service Greater Joy Church
Upcoming Events	Tuesday May 19 th Wednesday June 3 rd Saturday June 13 th	Vestry Meeting UBE Meeting Norwood Samuel Funeral

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