

Sunday, August 2, 2020

9:00 a.m. Outdoor Service in the Parking Lot Online worship is also available at: www.stpfeeds.org

Welcome

to St. Phílíp's Church! We are really glad you are here!

If you are visiting us for the first time, here are a few things to help get you oriented.

Bulletin—Everything you need for worship is in this bulletin. The bulletin is also available as a .pdf file on our website: stpfeeds.org.

Communion—All Baptized Christians are welcome to receive communion. The communion ministers will be standing at the bottom of the stairs. Please form a line and keep 6' of distance between you and the next person in line. Keep your mask on while receiving the wafer in your hands and wait to consume it until you have returned to your seat.

Offering—There will be an offering receptacle available. You can make your donation when you first arrive, during the service or at the end. You may also donate online at: stpfeeds.org/donate.

Bathrooms—If you need to use the bathrooms, please enter through the parking lot entrance to the church. Proceed through the church and follow the instructions on the bathroom doors.

Let us know you're here—Next to the offering plate there is a *Welcome* card. Please take a moment to fill it out to let us know you're here. Include any comments, questions or concerns and how we can help you—use the back if you need more space. Just drop it in the offering plate or mail it to the church.

Subscribe to our weekly newsletter, the E-pistle: To learn more about St. Philip's and to find out when and how we will be worshipping, subscribe to our email newsletter by going to stpfeeds.org.

This is a new experience for all of us. Please be patient as we figure out how to manage worship during this pandemic.

Prelude

Liturgy of the Word

Presider: The grace of the great God be upon you.

People: The grace of the Virgin Mary's Son be upon you.

Presider: God of the universe, listen to our prayers. Bend your ear to us. Let our

supplications and prayers ascend to you. In the name of the holy and

undivided Trinity. Amen.

Collect of the Day

Presider: God be with you.

People: And also with you.

Presider: Let us pray.

Let your continual mercy, O Lord, cleanse and defend your Church; and, because it cannot continue in safety without your help, protect and govern it always by your goodness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen*.

First Reading Isaiah 55:1-5

Thus says the Lord:

"Ho, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters;

and you that have no money, come, buy and eat!

Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price.

Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labor for that which does not satisfy?

Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food.

Incline your ear, and come to me; listen, so that you may live.

I will make with you an everlasting covenant, my steadfast, sure love for David.

See, I made him a witness to the peoples, a leader and commander for the peoples.

See, you shall call nations that you do not know, and nations that do not know you shall run to you,

because of the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel, for he has glorified you."

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People: Thanks be to God.

Read responsively beginning with the reader.

- ⁸ The LORD is gracious and full of compassion, * slow to anger and of great kindness.
- ⁹ The Lord is loving to everyone * and his compassion is over all his works.
- ¹⁵ The LORD upholds all those who fall; * he lifts up those who are bowed down.
- ¹⁶ The eyes of all wait upon you, O LORD, * and you give them their food in due season.
- ¹⁷ You open wide your hand * and satisfy the needs of every living creature.
- ¹⁸ The Lord is righteous in all his ways * and loving in all his works.
- ¹⁹ The LORD is near to those who call upon him, * to all who call upon him faithfully.
- ²⁰ He fulfills the desire of those who fear him; * he hears their cry and helps them.
- ²¹ The LORD preserves all those who love him, * but he destroys all the wicked.
- ²² My mouth shall speak the praise of the LORD; * let all flesh bless his holy Name for ever and ever.

The Second Reading

Romans 9:1-5

I am speaking the truth in Christ-- I am not lying; my conscience confirms it by the Holy Spirit-- I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. For I could wish that I myself were accursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my own people, my kindred according to the flesh. They are Israelites, and to them belong the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises; to them belong the patriarchs, and from them, according to the flesh, comes the Messiah, who is over all, God blessed forever. Amen.

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's churches.

People: Thanks be to God

Sequence

The Gospel Matthew 14:13-21

Priest: The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus withdrew in a boat to a deserted place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them and cured their sick. When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves." Jesus said to them, "They need not go away; you give them something to eat." They replied, "We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish." And he said, "Bring them here to me." Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven, and blessed and broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. And all ate and were filled; and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full. And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord.
People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon The Rector

<u>Iona Creed</u> All stand and together say...

We believe that God is present in the darkness before dawn; in the waiting and uncertainty where fear and courage join hands, conflict and caring link arms, and the sun rises over barbed wire.

We believe in a with-us God who sits down in our midst to share our humanity.

We affirm a faith that takes us beyond a safe place: into action, into vulnerability and onto the streets.

We commit ourselves to work for change and put ourselves on the line; to bear responsibility, take risks, live powerfully and face humiliation; to stand with those on the edge; to choose life and be used by the Spirit for God's new community of hope. Amen.

Prayers of the People

Let us offer our prayers in the name of our God who always makes things work for good and is ever ready to reach out to save us, saying: *Lord hear our prayer*.

We pray for the whole church, all leaders and ministers, and all the holy people of God. For Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Bonnie, our Bishop; Wendell and Stewart, our retired Bishops; Eric, Ann and John, our priests; Moises, Bishop of the Dominican Republic; Lutheran Bishops Elizabeth, Donald and Craig; For our diocesan household, remembering especially Christ Church Cranbrook in Bloomfield Hills; and in the Dominican Republic, Christ the Savior in Santiago and St. Peter's in Los Conucos.

That God's people may never grow discouraged despite the winds and waves against them, let us pray to the Lord. *Lord, hear our prayer.*

For this parish family,

that we may hear the voice of Jesus and live with confidence and faith, let us pray to the Lord. *Lord, hear our prayer*.

For those in places of leadership and authority, for Donald, our President, Gretchen our Governor, that they may hear God's call of wisdom and understanding and plant seeds for peace and justice,

let us pray to the Lord. Lord, hear our prayer.

For those who live and work in places of danger, including first responders and those in the military, remembering especially *Ryan, Trace, Stephanie, Dylan, Matthew, Ian* and *Dan*; and all those who work for peace, that God will still the storms of war and bloodshed and bring the human family to places of calm and cooperation, let us pray to the Lord. *Lord, hear our prayer.*

For all who sail, or who make their living on the sea, that God will protect and guide them,

let us pray to the Lord. Lord, hear our prayer.

For all who experience the storms of daily life, and all those in need of our prayers, remembering especially *Nancy* Jones, *Paul* Bozymowski, *Nancy* Jones, *Gregory* Norbet, *George* Williams, *Jason & Chelsea* Josefiak, *Deane* Tierney, *Ian* Zdral, *Karen* Bush, *Rob & Sue* Halbach, *Ryan* Brown, *Matthew* Brown, *Christie* Kane, *Char, MaryAnn* Sopko, *Jim* Steere, *Margaret* Hall, *Kinley* Bunting,

Jane Brigg-Bunting, Todd, Alena, Janet Potton; John Griffin; Liz Jones; Jan & Leo Simsic; Lee & Betty Freel; Alex Sherry; Jane; Jim; Frank Lude; Brenda Geyer; Megan Alter, Becky, Meredith Lindley, Henry, Rick, Michael Ciaramitaro, Ann, James, Connie Paton, Sean D., Rich, Janis, Sylvia, Susan, Ray, Lois, Larry Ciaramitaro, Wendy Deutsch, Jane Brown, and Kathy Meloche. Are there others?

May they be held up by the strong hand of God, let us pray to the Lord. *Lord, hear our prayer.*

For all the departed, remembering especially . . . That God will lead them safely to the haven of eternal life, let us pray to the Lord. *Lord, hear our prayer.*

Lifting our voices with all creation, with Blessed Philip and all the saints, who have borne witness to Christ, let us offer ourselves and one another to the living God through Christ in the power of the Spirit. *To you, O Lord our God.*

Celebrant: Master and monarch of wind and water, hear the prayers we offer this day for all battered by the waves of this world and bring them and us in safety to your harbor; through Jesus Christ our Savior. AMEN.

Confession and Absolution Please stand, kneel, or sit as is your custom and for your comfort.

Priest: Remembering our sins and our falling short of the way of Christ Jesus,

let us also pray for reconciliation with God and neighbor.

(Silent confession of our sins)

Priest: O Almighty God, the heavenly Father,

People: And the only-begotten Son,

Priest: Have mercy upon us, People: Have mercy upon us.

Priest: O Father, O Son, O Holy Spirit,

People: Have mercy upon us, O God, the only God,

Priest: O God of heaven, have mercy upon us.

People: Have mercy upon us, O God,

Priest: from whom and through whom is the rule of all created things, O God,

People: to whom be glory and honor, for ever and ever. Amen.

Priest: Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our

Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the

Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. Amen.

Peace All stand.

Celebrant: God makes peace within us.

People: Let us claim it.

Celebrant: God makes peace between us.

People: Let us share it.

Blessing of Birthdays and Anniversaries

Birthday Prayer

O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servant(s) as they begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their life/lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Anniversary Prayer

Almighty God, giver of life and Love; Bless those who you have joined in holy matrimony. Grant them wisdom and devotion in the ordering of their life together, that each may be to the other a strength in need, a counsellor in perplexity, a comfort in sorrow, and a companion in joy. And so knit their wills together in your will, and their spirits in your spirit, that they may show forth your love and abide in your peace all the days of their life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Announcements

Holy Communion

Offertory You may make your offering at any time before, during, or after the service.

Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant All things are yours, O God of all creation,

All And so we return our gifts to you.

Celebrant Blessed are you, O God of all creation, through whose goodness we have this

bread to offer, which earth has given and human hands have made;

All May it become for us the bread of life.

Celebrant Blessed are you, O God of all creation, through whose goodness we have this

wine to offer, fruit of the vine and work of human hands;

All May it become for us the cup of blessing.

Celebrant Receive these gifts, dear God, and accept in them the sacrifice of ourselves.

All In life and in death, may we be an offering to you forever.

Celebrant Great Creator Spirit, from whom all life comes forth,

here we gather again with bread and with wine, seeking your presence,

longing once more to be nourished, hungering for wholeness in our lives,

for unity on earth and for peace among the nations.

All Here we gather with bread and with wine, but with more than bread and wine.

Celebrant Here we gather with creation's elements all around us. With earth, air, fire, and water still expanding through the universe, with the glory of the sun, the whiteness of the moon, the glittering of heaven's lights off flowing waters.

All Here we gather with bread and with wine, but with more than bread and wine.

Celebrant So with everything that we see and sense around us, with visible and invisible energies that pulse with life, we join our souls in the song that vibrates throughout the whole of creation.

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Celebrant Blessed are you, O God of all creation, your glory knows no bounds, and your love is without end. Blessed is Jesus, who in life and death revealed your glory and lived in your love. He taught his friends that to find life was first to lose it, and he spoke of the suffering that would be his.

On the night when he was betrayed, Jesus took bread, and having blessed it, he broke the bread and gave it to his friends, saying, "Take, eat, this is my body which is broken for you. Do this in remembrance of me." In the same way he took wine and having given thanks for it, he poured it out, and gave the cup to his friends, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

(Silence is kept for a time.)

Celebrant Come upon us with your Holy Spirit, O God, and upon this bread and this wine, that we may be renewed once again, and that as the whole of life is made new, we may find your peace within and around us. We ask this in the Name of God who creates us, who redeems us, and who sustains us. *Amen.*

The Celebrant continues...

All

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses,

as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Breaking of the Bread A period of silence is kept.

Presider: The bread which we break is a sharing in the Body of Christ.

People: We being many are one bread, one body,

for we all share in the one bread.

Presider: The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Gluten free wafers are available on request. Communion is offered in one kind only (the wafer) at the bottom of the stairs. Please keep 6' of distance as you line up.

After communion, the Presider begins

Let us pray.

We give you thanks, O God, for calling us together today and for sustaining us with this holy meal. This place is sacred, this time is sacred, and in this place and this time, we have shared a mystery. May we in every place and time recognize the sacredness of life, and may we accept the mystery as we accept your love. Amen.

Blessing

Leader: Wherever we go, may the joy of God the gracious

All: **Be with us.**

Leader: Wherever we go, may the face of Christ the kindly

All: **Be with us.**

Leader: Wherever we go, may the compassing of the Spirit of grace

All: **Be with us.**

Leader: Wherever we go, the presence of the Trinity around us

All: To bless and to keep us.

Postlude

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The lamp in the sanctuary is dedicated in August to the Glory of God and in celebration of Nolen's birthday by the Joseph family.

STP's DIY PICNIC Tuesday, August 18; 12:30pm

Pack a picnic, bring a chair, then join us on the lawn for



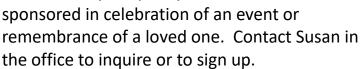
fellowship and fresh air! Missing our monthly luncheon? So are we!! So let's have a 2020-style luncheon! Pack a picnic or grab some carry out and join us by the benches under the trees near the upper parking lot. We will get together and catch up while socially distancing. Please wear a mask while walking around, set up your chairs to keep households 6' apart, and you can take off your masks once we are settled. Register online using Realm or contact the office for assistance.

FORWARD DAY-BY-DAY

The Forward Day-by-Day devotional is available on Sunday mornings. Make sure to pick one up. Contact the office if you would like to arrange to pick one up during the week.

ALTAR FLOWERS & SANCTUARY LAMP DEDICATION

The flowers on the altar and the sanctuary lamp may be



Flower sponsorship: \$45 Sanctuary Lamp: \$25



"If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceable with all."

Romans 12:18

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Realm Connect - For...

Connecting Our Community

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It's not really new, but it is a feature that we have with REALM, which we are using for registration. Download the app **REALM CONNECT** to make registering for events even easier! The app allows you to access your information on St. Philip's database. Not just events, but you can also see *your* contributions, read about upcoming events, and groups can keep in communication with their group members - not just announcements, but communicating with each other. You can also look up another member's contact information. Contact Susan at 248-651-6188 if you need more information or assistance in setting up your REALM account. In the July 29th and August 1 Epistles, there is a link to a video that is a great overview of Realm. Take a few minutes to watch to see some of the possibilities Realm offers.

Consider Realm as our new bulletin board like we have in the hall. We can sign-up for events (just like on the clipboards,) we can post pictures, and we can post everything else you are used to seeing on the bulletin board.



The Neighborhood House along with Assistance League of Southeastern Michigan and Ascension Providence Rochester Hospital are pleased to announce the Blast Off 2 School program. The Neighborhood House will again provide backpacks and grade appropriate school supplies to families in need.

This event will be held on **Saturday, August 15th** at the Neighborhood House Food Pantry located within The First Congregational Church, 1315 N. Pine Street. The Food Pantry is located at the back of the church. We are looking for volunteer assistance the day of the event plus the week leading up to the event.

Your help is needed to sort, inventory, pack and then distribute the school supplies. We also need assistance with set-up, tear down and transportation of the supplies between our Main Office and the Food Pantry.

You can sign up to volunteer on their website at www.ranh.org. Contact Mary McGee if you have any questions at Mary McGee mcmcgee56@gmail.com.

Drop-off locations:

Ram's Horn (Rochester & Hamlin)

The Rochester Hills Public Library

Neighborhood House Main Office (1720 S Livernois)

Rochester Fire Station

(277 E. 2nd St. - Daily 9am-5pm)

Auburn Hills Chamber of Commerce (3395 Auburn Rd., M-Th 9am-3pm)

St. Philip's office

(by noon on Thursday, August 6)

Wish List

- □ 3-Ring Binders: 2" or 1.5"
- □ Binder Dividers: 5 in a set
- □ Spiral 100 Sheet Notebooks: Wide and College-ruled
- Loose Leaf Notebook Paper: Wide and College ruled
- □ Index Cards
- Yellow Highlighters
- Washable Markers: Fine Tip and Wide
- □ Dry Erase Markers
- Solid Color Pocket Folders with and without prongs
- Pencil Boxes & Pouches
- Mechanical Pencils
- Pencil Sharpeners
- □ Colored Pencil 24 count
- □ Elmer's Glue Sticks
- □ Scissors: Pointed tip
- Ball Point Pens: blue, black & red
- Plastic Rulers with metrics
- Large Pink Erasers
- Composition Books

Retired Priest Associate

Administrative Assistant

Director of Music

Financial Secretary

□ Calculator: TI 30X or similar

Or purchase from their Amazon Wish List:

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