

# Welcome September!

May this month bring you satisfaction, peace and joy.

May all the desires of your heart be granted.

May this be the beginning of new things in your life.

Stay strong, be positive and fulfill your dreams

Happy new month friends!



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## FROM FATHER TED



### WELCOME BACK SUNDAY - SEPTEMBER 10

Join us **Sunday, September 10**, for WELCOME BACK SUNDAY! Summer vacations are over, school has started, and the Fall Church Program is just beginning. Several opportunities are available for you to grow spiritually, relationally and in community at St. Philip's Church this fall.

**Theme: Growing Healthy in Heart, Mind, and Spirit** will be a theme for our journey of faith this Fall. This journey includes young and old, singles, couples, families, and friends. Activities, service to others, Christian education for people of all ages, opportunities to serve at church and in the community, worship and prayer in church and in our homes will support this positive growth.

**Connections: Grow your Heart with Connections.** Make connections with your friends and family and invite them to church. **Who? ME?** Yes, you are an important part of the lives of your family and friends. It's funny. We easily recommend restaurants and tattoo parlors but become tongue-tied when it comes to sharing our church. And our friends often follow our recommendations. Isn't it better to recommend an encounter with the living God, rather than a lifetime of regret with a third-rate tattoo? Make connections for yourself as well. Social times for building relationships with others are also a part of our life together. **Family Fun Night** begins Wednesday, September 13, to help people have fun and get to know each other better. There are amazing people and experiences available at St. Philip's Church. Don't miss out. (See **Family Fun Night** in this newsletter for more information)

**Learning: Grow your Mind with Learning.** We are growing our opportunities to learn about God and living spiritually this fall. Sunday School for Children Grades K-6 begins on Sunday, September 10, at 10am in the upstairs classrooms. We have increased the number of classes for this year. We are always looking for additional teachers/helpers. Bible stories and songs are used with toddlers in our Nursery. Adult Forum meets at 9am in the Parish House (enter through the parking lot doors). Topics addressed in this open adult setting focus on faith, bible, prayer, Christian history and practical application of the faith to our lives. Other opportunities for learning will occur throughout the year. (See **Give it a WHIRL** article in this newsletter for more information)

**Worship & Practice: Grow your Spirit with Worship & Practice.** We grow spiritually by participating in prayer, group worship, service to others, and in the sacraments. Like growing our muscles, our spirit grows strongest through regular spiritual exercise. Daily prayer, weekly worship, and daily service to others are part of our life at St. Philip's Church. Join with us in building spiritual muscle that advances God's plan of faith, justice and mercy for the world. Be ready to connect to God, our community, and the world.

**Expect to Meet New People:** Expect to meet new people at church. Several new individuals and families have come to St. Philips in the last several weeks. Have you reached out and connected with visitors? Have members returning after a long time shown up, if so, connect again. If not, connect next Sunday.

Blessings Fr. Ted

# FROM DEACON CAROL

## Important & Exciting Parish Updates



**Dinner & Bingo Once-a-Month:** Starting Wednesday September 13 at 6:00 pm we will be having once-a-month Dinner & Bingo nights in the parish hall! This idea came out of the retreat in August. The kids LOVED bingo and the parents thought it would be great to keep that going. These evenings are for everyone – all ages. And they will be an easy way for us to invite others to join us for fun & fellowship. The dinners should be easy meals (tacos, spaghetti, pizza, etc.). So, mark your calendars for the third Wednesday of each month and join in! September's meal will be sponsored by our Children's Ministry team. Please consider volunteering your church group (i.e., WOSP, vestry, choir, Altar Guild, etc.) to sponsor an upcoming month and let Kaie Stephenson or Deacon Carol know.

**Wednesday Evening Chapel Services – New Start Time:** Starting Wednesday Sept. 6th, chapel services will be moving to 5:30 pm (has been at 6:00).

**Outreach Activity of the Month:** WOSP and Outreach are partnering to focus our efforts on activities that help the needy and support families & children. So, this year each month will have one activity that the whole parish can support. August was children's backpacks. For September we are asking for donated items for Giving Bags (see list in parish hall) and Blankets. October will be Hats, Scarves & Gloves. Look for drop off stations in the parish hall.

**Loving Our Neighbors:** We have been in contact with Watered Gardens and soon will be signing up to, once each month, prepare a meal (at their kitchen) and serve the meal for 60-70 folks who show up to eat dinner at their outreach center. Each month we will put together a team to go to their site to do this. More details to come soon!

**RAISE (Refugee and Immigrant Services & Education):** Both Outreach and Children's Ministry have expressed an interest in us serving as a Welcome Team &/or ESL support for families re-locating to the Joplin area through the RAISE program. RAISE is a federal program with the goal of helping limited English speakers successfully relocate to our community. The goal is to help the families achieve self-sufficiency within 90 days. Families come from many locations such as Afghanistan, Ukraine, Haiti, etc. and they may be Christians, Muslim or of no religion. Other local partners include Crowder College and several local churches. More details to come soon!

Please Note: The last two items above are especially important because they are opportunities for us to interact with and develop relationships with those we seek to serve. While charity, (collecting and donating items for the needy) is important, to engage in a ministry of service some of what we do needs to be face-to-face with those we seek to serve. I'm excited that our parish is willing to engage in this type of ministry! The Holy Spirit is at work in our midst!

## St Philip's Needs YOU!

September (the month when things gear back up again) is rapidly approaching! With Fr Ted and Philip both being out the past few weeks, the parish retreat and planning for the fall, etc. - we have been busy lately. So, now is a good time for all of us to re-examine how we might be called to serve and help support our parish family.

We need some more folks to step up in variety of areas. Below is a list of things that I'm aware of that we need help with:

- Volunteers to help paint the upstairs kid Sunday school rooms (see David Kumbier)
- Volunteers to help clean & put the Sunday School rooms together
- Volunteers to help water and weed courtyard garden
- Someone to spray grass & weeds in parking lot across the street, in the sidewalk, etc.
- More ushers (see Andy Campbell)
- Teachers and helpers for children's Sunday School (see Mindy Estes or Kaie Stephenson)
- Someone to clean and organize the Sunday School supply room
- Someone to clean and organize the pageant costumes
- Folks to help the Jr Warden with tasks (i.e., sanding and painting the black metal railings by the red doors, repair/replace broken downspouts and place concrete downspout splash blocks, fix wiggling altar rail, etc.)
- People to help WOSP prepare for the Fall Harvest Festival (see Gail Campbell)
- Folks to touch up playground area, repaint the basketball stripes, fix the fencing around the play area, pull weeds, etc.)
- Someone to wash all the acolyte robes (parents may want to do the ones their individual children have picked out).
- Folks to coordinate the meal for the Dinner & Bingo nights (See Kaie Stephenson or Stephanie Kumbier)
- Folks to help deliver things collected through one of the Outreach Activity of the Month projects (see Gail Campbell or Deacon Carol)
- People to clean out the garage and haul the stuff off.
- And we could always use more folks in the choir!

This is just a list of the things I'm aware of. Fr Ted or Andy Campbell probably have their own lists. Perhaps you have seen something else that needs attention? Or, perhaps you have a special talent or skill that you'd like to put to good use, or you want to help but just don't know where to start/plug in, or if you need help discerning how you can help? If so – please – visit with Fr Ted or Andy or me. There is a way for everyone to contribute!

St Philip's needs YOU to help keep our parish rolling along smoothly! It's YOUR church! Let's all do our part!

Blessings, Deacon Carol Peterson

## FROM OUR ORGANIST - CALEB



**Happy New Year!**

**Well... almost, Happy Choir New Year!**

Over the last three months, the choir has been working in the off-season to prepare some fantastic music for the seasons of Advent and Christmas. It may be odd to think about these seasons this early, but in the world of music, much like a carefully crafted Christmas dinner, much time, talent, and effort is invested into the work of preparing a worthy offering. Ms. Julie and I are very excited to share the hard and dedicated work of our venerable choristers this choral season.

As such, we are excited to bring back to Saint Philip's a service of Advent Lessons and Carols. This beautiful service is the Third Sunday of Advent during the 10:00 mass. It will allow us to take a moment during the busy holiday rush and reflect on the true meaning of salvation through Christ. This service will allow you to meditate on scripture readings, with responding carols and choral anthems. The choir is excited to share this music with you, your loved ones, and your friends.

We are also excited to announce that the choir is growing, and will keep growing! We ask that you take time and reflect on the role music has in your life, both sacred and secular. If you have ever had the feeling or calling to sing, please contact either Ms. Julie, or myself. We would be delighted to make music with you. If you do not feel the calling to join us, but love music, consider making a donation to the music program. We would love to grow our program even further, but cannot do it without your financial help.

I look forward to another season of making wonderful music to glorify God with you!

Caleb R. Klinzing

"He who sings, prays twice"

- St. Thomas Aquinas



## IN MEMORY

### MARILYN GIBSON

Marilyn Sue Gibson went to be with her Lord Jesus Christ on July 29, 2023 at the age of 75. Marilyn was born to George M. Cummins and Evelyn R. McCulloch Cummins on September 23, 1947, both of whom preceded her in death.

Marilyn graduated from Joplin High School in 1965 and soon went to work for Southwestern Bell where she worked for 22 years. After returning to Joplin, she entered the insurance business and retired from The Insurance Center in 2011.

Marilyn married Jerry Gibson on February 15, 1980. Marilyn and Jerry were married until he passed in June of 1992. Later she married Reuben White who preceded her in death in August of 2012.

Marilyn is survived by her sister Linda Englert, her nephew Scott Daniels, her niece Leslie Daniels and her cat Izzy all of Joplin.

A grave side service will be held, by Parker Mortuary, on Friday, August 4<sup>th</sup>, 10:00a.m. at Ozark Memorial Park Cemetery where her ashes will be interred beside her husband Jerry. Deacon Carol Peterson of St. Philips Episcopal Church will officiate.

We, the family, would like express our gratitude to the administration and staff of Foxberry Terrace Assisted Living for the wonderful and loving care they provided Marilyn in her last days. We would also like to express our appreciation to the administration and staff of Compassus and Gentiva hospice groups of Joplin and those from Cornerstone Caregiving Home Care all of whom supported Marilyn and our family.

In lieu of flowers, please make a donation in to Golden Paw Pet Rescue at 2300 N. Main St. in Joplin.

# NEWS BRIEFS

## NEWS FROM WOSP – WOMENS OF ST. PHILIP’S

WOSP is the local St. Philip’s group of the National Episcopal Church Women, ECW. The ECW champions women’s rights and the Christian Foundation of God and Family. We are a ministry of the Episcopal Church. **All women in St. Philip’s are members of WOSP and all are invited and welcome to attend meetings and participate in planning events and outreach projects.**

## BACKPACKS FOR KINDERGARTNERS



After the WOSP meeting on Saturday, August 5<sup>th</sup>, members stuffed **40** donated backpacks with school supplies to help kindergartners in the Joplin school district start the school year with the right tools. We helped 8 teachers who had requested assistance for their students.

A thought – some stores now have their backpacks on sale. This author purchased 10 at 40% off and has them tucked away for next year. How many will we be able to donate next year?



## BLANKET BRIGADE

As with every year, after fall comes winter. Every year WOSP gathers donations of blankets to distribute to those who are in need. Donated blankets of any size or type are welcomed. Those in need of repair will be repaired. We do ask that they be laundered. Please bring your donations to the parish hall. We thank Vicky Cleveland for her ongoing dedication to this project.



# FALL FESTIVAL – PLANS UNDERWAY ALREADY!

Special Invitation to: St. Philip’s Annual Fall Bazaar

**Date: Saturday, November 11, 2023 Time: 9AM to 2PM**  
**Location: St. Philip’s Parish Hall**

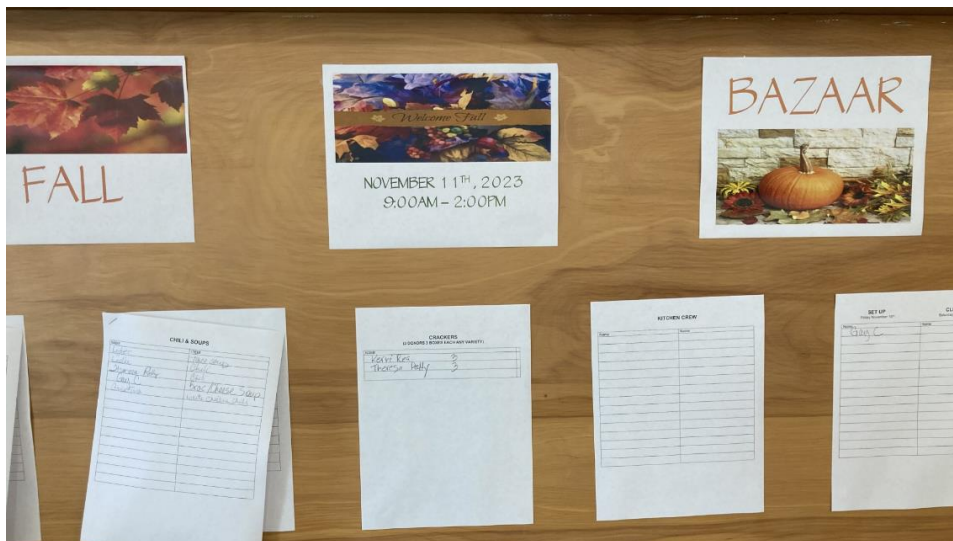


Each year, the Women of St. Philip’s (WOSP) host a fall bazaar. The money raised at the bazaar supports community outreach. Examples of previous recipients include Watered Gardens, Souls Harbor, Community Clinic, Lafayette House, and MSSU Food Pantry.

**Please come join us this year for the fellowship! We need volunteers to sign up in several categories so please know each of you are welcome and needed!** There are opportunities for both women and men plus youth of St. Philip’s to participate for making the 2023 Fall Bazaar an excellent success! Come sign up in the Parish Hall for one or more of these opportunities: set up for the Bazaar, clean up after the Bazaar, make a soup or chili, make a dessert specifically for the luncheon, help serve in the kitchen, be a vendor and show off your talent(s), put together a gift basket, bake a sweet or sugar free treat for the bake shop, and cash donations are always appreciated.

The Committee Members for the 2023 Fall Bazaar are: Kerri Rea, Theresa Petty, Ramona Shields and Phyllis Sapp. Listed below are the individuals that will chair areas of the bazaar: Gayle O’Hare = Kitchen, Melissa Braun = Bake Sale, Phyllis Sapp and Rose Paul = Luncheon Desserts, Kerri Rae and Theresa Petty = Vendors, Michael Fick = Youth Area and Nancy Messick = Advertising.

There will be a soup and chili luncheon served that will include a dessert plus ice tea for a very good buy at \$7.00 for adults, \$5.00 for children 12 and under. Veterans will eat free and vendors receive a complimentary lunch. Vendors will pay \$25.00 per table and will need to obtain a City of Joplin license costing \$5.00. St. Philip’s Youth will be selling popcorn. There will be a cash drawing (\$1.00 per ticket) and tickets will be sold for chances to win gift baskets. Examples include: Spa, Wine and Cheese, Holiday Sparkles, Momma and Baby, Coffee and Tea, and Tool Time (Kitchen and Garden).



**Please sign up to help and make this a great success!**



## SAFE CHURCH COURSE – Required for ALL Key Holders

**ALL KEY HOLDERS (Phone or Fob)** for entry to St. Philip's Campus are required by the Denomination to have **SAFE CHURCH-Safe Communities Training**. This training addresses how we keep vulnerable people safe at church. Those we seek to protect include children, older adults and others. Keyholders take the basic training. People with other roles (choir director, secretary, organist, priest, deacon, etc.) have additional training.

**PRAESIDIUM ACADEMY** is the Episcopal Church's national provider for Safe Church training. Praesidium will email you a link to the online training. After finishing the training, can print your training certificates. Our church secretary, Kim Siers, will be able to print a transcript of all completed courses for every member who takes them for our records.

**The training is required of all key holders. This requirement is new and is mandatory whether we use physical or digital keys. Ms. Siers can help you with the process if you want help. Jr. Warden, Andrew Campbell, has already completed his training. If you do not wish to do the training, we will need to have your fob back or your phone access to locks suspended.**

**See – “Did You Know?” article in this newsletter for more details**



## September 2023 Rector Search Report from Vestry

- **Parish Survey**
  - The Vestry is working with Transition Minister, Fr. Chas Marks, to set up a Parish Survey to be completed by our members.
  - The Survey results will be used to build a Parish Profile.
  - The Profile is published in order to solicit applications from clergy interested in serving as St. Philip's next permanent rector.
  - The greater the participation in completing the survey, the better will be the results. These results support a clear and complete Parish Profile.
  - An accurate profile helps clergy applicants and Vestry recognize if the applicant and the parish are a good fit.
  - Expect more information about the survey later in September.
- **Rector Search Committee**
  - Fr. Marks has advised the Vestry that they should form the Rector Search Committee after the Parish Survey is completed.
  - Further information about the Search Committee and how to apply will be available in the October Newsletter.

## PARISH HALL FOUNDATION

Nick Matta of Foundation Recovery Systems (FRS) made a presentation to the Vestry at the August 20, 2023 meeting about the pattern of settling in the parish hall that has resulted in wall cracks. Mr. Matta and Jr. Warden, Andy Campbell, shared about the need to stabilize the foundation of the Parish Hall with concrete piers down to bedrock.

Vestry members asked pertinent questions which were answered by Mr. Mata. Key points were:

- A pattern of foundation settling is present in the Parish Hall
- This pattern is showing significant damage to the building.
- The damage is in an early stage that allows for stabilization instead of remediation.
- Foundation Recovery Systems (FRS) proposal addresses all 4 sides of the building.
- FRS will monitor the building for settling with a laser on an annual basis and at our request for 5 years.
- We can add additional years of annual monitoring.
- The warranty is lifetime.
- Excavation next to the building is necessary and will be by hand.

Vestry considered two other bids. Company 1 only bid stabilizing the East side of the Parish Hall and Company 2 only addressed 3 sides.

Vestry approved a contract with FRS to stabilize the foundation as proposed. First Baptist Church of Camdenton, MO was contacted as a recent client of FRS. Mr. Littrel of First Baptist shared that the work was performed to their satisfaction, communication was good, and they recommend the company and would use them again.

## EXPECT THE UNEXPECTED - STEWARDSHIP Program

Maria Dermot introduced the [Expect the Unexpected Project](#) to the Vestry at their regular meeting on Sunday, August 20. The [Expect the Unexpected Project](#) is designed to raise commitment to our church and fund the ministries of St. Philip's Church. Look for more information coming to you soon in many [Unexpected ways](#). Think about [Unexpected ways](#) you can support St. Philip's Church. Who Knows? Maybe you are being called to work on the [Expect the Unexpected Team](#) with Maria and Fr. Ted to build a stronger church.

## FAMILY FUN NIGHT

Come join the fun – have dinner and play BINGO. A new inter-generational event begins this month. Once a month, following the Wednesday evening service (which will begin at 5:30PM in September) come spend time with the St. Philip's family. Our kids had so much fun playing BINGO during the retreat they want to share the fun with the rest of us. The first family fun night will be September 13<sup>th</sup> at 6PM. [Come and get to know our fabulous youth and have some fun with them!](#)

## GRADUATION ANNOUNCEMENT

Former St. Philip's members, Bill and Yan Trudeau's daughter, Kelli, graduated from Oregon University in Marine Biology and Japanese Studies. Bill and Yan Trudeau and daughter Keli were an active part of our St. Philip's family for many years. They moved to Ohio and now live in Albany, Oregon. Bill designed and gave the gift of the Christ window in the back hallway. He was on the vestry. Gayle and Phil O'Hare visited them this summer. They remember our parish fondly and appreciate the years in Joplin.

# ABOUT OUR YOUTH

## Shoal Kirk Youth/Family Retreat through the eyes of Brenner Kumbier

Friday, we got to the camp and picked out our bunk beds or loft area for sleeping. Several of us wanted to go fishing right away, so we did! Then after fishing we went to the pavilion to get the splash pad going, because it was hot. While the kids were running around playing, the adults were making dinner. We had a taco bar for dinner with ice cream and brownies for dessert. After dinner there was karaoke and a couple practice rounds of bingo. Then we went back up to the lodge for bed, but people stayed up late. Saturday morning, we woke up to a great sausage and pancake breakfast that the moms made. After breakfast, Julie, Blake, and Conrad led a morning sing-a-long. Our Saturday included wiffle ball, fishing, swimming in the creek, learning about leaches (thanks for removing them from George's foot Deacon Carol), football, splash pad, and hiking. Then Saturday night we had outdoor church, hot dog and hamburger dinner, and bingo with prizes. Even though it was hot, Wayne and my dad still built a campfire for s'mores. After s'mores we played UNO until midnight. I almost forgot; we had lots of golf cart rides. I think that was Sophia's favorite thing! Thanks to everyone that contributed to make it fun or us.









## GIVE IT A WHIRL

Whirl is a Lectionary Sunday School Program. This school year children K to grade 6 have the option to go to the classrooms during the service. From 10AM to about 10:40 the children will focus on a lesson that will be similar to what is going on in the service. Then during the peace children will return to the Sunday service with their parents.



The Whirl lesson will provide children a story, discussion, short video and activity that follow the scripture used in the Sunday readings and homily. This gives the parents an opportunity to discuss the scripture with their children after church or during the week. In fact, the Whirl tools provide a pamphlet for children to take home that has ideas for activities and discussion with parents.

Just a peak, into the classroom on Sunday.

All children will begin in the same room. The children and teachers will read the scripture together. Then the children can watch the Whirl cartoon video together. This group will take 2-5 minutes to talk about how the cartoon connects to the scripture. Then the groups will split. One group of students, Kindergarten to grade two. The other group will be grade three to grade six. Each group will take 2-5 min to review and discuss the scripture and how it related to them at their age. Then each group will have an activity or craft that goes along with the lesson. The schedule for this lesson will be written in chronological order for the teachers each Sunday with a detail of the available resources.

In a very short time, the teachers and children will be very comfortable with the program.

YOU can follow a lesson and teach one Sunday each month!

Our goal is to have 2 classrooms during the service. One classroom will have Kindergarten to grade 2. The other classroom will have grade 3 to grade 6. Our goal is to have 4 adults each Sunday, or two adults in each classroom. If you can teach the same Sunday each month it will give our children consistency, which is important when they are learning about Jesus and an everlasting life.

**This means we need 16 adults that have the desire to be part of the solution for where are children are now and where they are going.**

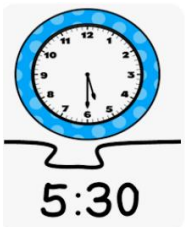
*In addition....*

*Bible stories and songs are used in the nursery for our babies and toddlers.*

# Did You Know?

- The choir is back to the normal schedule – practice on Tuesday evenings at 6:30PM
- Garden and Grounds will be meeting the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday morning of each month from 9AM – Noon – please come help for any or all of that time
- Outreach Team meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of each month following the service.
- If you are a key holder, you should have received an email dated July 11th from PRAESIDIUM ACADEMY – the subject line is “You're Invited to Praesidium Academy/ Estás invitado a Praesidium Academy” (You may want to check your junk folder; If you can't find the email contact Kim Siers.)

- The email provides the link and instructions for the on-line training that is required if you wish to continue having a key to the building. (See previous article in this newsletter regarding the Safe Church Course.)



- Wed night services will change to a start time at 5:30PM starting in September

- A new multi-generational monthly event will begin on September 13<sup>th</sup> – Dinner and Bingo after Wednesday evening services from 6PM – 7PM



- WELCOME BACK SUNDAY – SEPTEMBER 10<sup>TH</sup> –

- A new Sunday School year begins – We NEED teachers – can YOU volunteer?
- A BIG welcome back to FR. Ted who returns to celebrate Holy Eucharist with us again

- Ushers needed! Please see Andy Campbell if you would be willing to serve as an usher. This is a great way to meet new guests and get acquainted with others.

# CELEBRATIONS!

## SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- |                     |                         |
|---------------------|-------------------------|
| 3 James Barlos      | 18 Brett Schwab         |
| 4 Nancy Jennings    | 19 Mark Kiger           |
| 4 Miff Dikeman      | 20 Blaine Bond          |
| 6 Andrea Land       | 22 Cindy Curchin        |
| 6 Ann Turney        | 22 Allie Marie Alsager  |
| 10 Karen Ames       | 23 Vicki Cassady        |
| 11 Nancy McReynolds | 28 Ron Robson           |
| 12 Frank Shagets    | 28 Felicia Zinn Rivette |
| 12 Missy Larson     | 28 Bohdi Webster        |
| 14 Sophia DeGuerre  | 29 Janet Hackney        |
| 16 Carole Pryor     |                         |



## SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

- 8 Mark and Glenda Kiger  
 10 Sharrock and Maria Dermott  
 25 Matt and Rebecca Fick



### Altar Flowers

#### September 3<sup>rd</sup>

- The high altar flowers are given to the glory of God by Tom and Lyter Isenmann for many blessings received
- The children altar flowers are given to the glory of God by Ann Turney in honor of Miff Dikeman's birthday

#### September 10<sup>th</sup>

- The high altar flowers are given to the glory of God by Gayle Tuck in honor of all September anniversaries
- The children's altar flowers are given to the glory of God by Darlene and Andy Campbell in memory of Kristy

#### September 17<sup>th</sup>

- The children's altar flowers are given to the glory of God by Jane Hoover in honor of her daughter's birthday

#### September 24<sup>th</sup>

- The high altar flowers are given to the glory of God by Sara Newman in memory of Joe Newman

### Flower Dedications

To honor, celebrate, or remember your loved one, we provide an opportunity to put flowers on the altar each Sunday. These are ordered by Maria Dermott and will be billed directly to you by The Wildflower.

You may also dedicate the sanctuary candle for \$10.

A flower chart is posted in the parish hall listing each Sunday. You can browse through and find your special day. Just put your name and notation there. We will take care of the rest.

Donated flowers are gifts to the church. Typically, the children's altar flowers are relocated to St. James chapel for mid-week services. If you have a request for who should receive your donated high altar flowers, please note the chart. If there is no written request, they will be donated to someone who can enjoy the blooms.



**To put a name on the PRAYER CHAIN....** Please call Nancy Messick on her cell phone. We will pray for each of the names on the list. Names are kept confidential. The PRAYER CHAIN IS different from the announced prayer list (see below).

**Pray for Members of our Military**

Nick Grady, Travis Hutchinson, Adam Lewis, Josh Linn, Joel Nowlin, Zach Sutton

**Pray for our Joe, our President; Mike, our Governor; Ryan, our Mayor**

**Pray for: 75<sup>th</sup> Military Police Companies United States Army Reserve, The Joplin National Guard Armory, and their family members as well as Past and Present Veterans**

**Pray for First Responders, Fire Fighters, EMS, Health Workers**

**Pray for those who are sick (announced) \*\*\***

Hailey Burge, Calvin Cassady, Fr. Ted Estes, Jeff Green, Carol Harter, Harvey Hutchinson, Christin Kamees, Matthew Law, Sarah and Piper Mareth, Phil Metz, Clara, Peyton, Susan

**Pray for those who are in Elder Care or Assisted Living**

Nancy Jennings

**\*\*\* PLEASE CONTACT THE OFFICE IF YOU HAVE SOMEONE TO ADD OR REMOVE FROM THE LIST. Help us keep the list up-to-date.**





# SEPTEMBER 2023 – St. Philip’s Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Aug 27	Aug 28	Aug 29	Aug 30	Aug 31	Sept 1	Sept 2
<b>Proper 16</b>  <b>10:00AM</b> HE – Rite II			<b>6:00 PM</b> HE w/unction			<b>9AM – noon</b> Ground & Garden work morning
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
<b>Proper 17</b>  <b>10:00 AM</b> HE – Rite II	<b>LABOR DAY</b>    <b>PARISH OFFICE CLOSED</b>	<b>6:30PM</b> Choir Practice	<b>5:30PM</b> HE w/unction			<b>9:30AM</b> St. Ann’s  <b>10:30AM</b> WOSP
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
<b>Proper 18</b>  <b>9:00 AM</b> Adult Forum  <b>10:00AM</b> HE – Rite II  <b>WELCOME BACK!!</b>  After Service Outreach Meeting		<b>6:30PM</b> Choir Practice	<b>5:30PM</b> HE w/unction  <b>6PM – 7PM</b> Dinner and Bingo  			
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
<b>Proper 19</b>  <b>9:00 AM</b> Adult Forum  <b>10:00AM</b> HE – Rite II	<b>6:00PM</b> Vestry	<b>6:30PM</b> Choir Practice	<b>5:30PM</b> HE w/unction  Newsletter Deadline			
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
<b>Proper 20</b>  <b>9:00 AM</b> Adult Forum  <b>10:00AM</b> HE – Rite II		<b>6:30PM</b> Choir Practice	<b>5:30PM</b> HE w/unction			

## Schedules for Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, Camera Streamers, Acolytes, Counters, Altar Guild, Ushers

*Please mark your calendar for the days you are to serve; if you have a conflict, please arrange to change with someone and then let the parish secretary know.*

September 3 Proper 17	September 10 Proper 18	September 17 Proper 19	September 24 Proper 20	October 1 Proper 21
<b>Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, Camera Streamers – GAYLE TUCK, Coordinator</b>				
10AM – Nancy Messick EM – Michael DeGuerre	10AM – Jane Hoover EM – Gayle Tuck	10AM – Mark Kiger EM – Judy Turner	10AM – Pam Volkl EM – Sharrock Dermott	10AM – TBD EM – TBD
Camera – John Messick	Camera – John Messick	Camera – John Messick	Camera – John Messick	Camera – TBD
<b>Wednesday Service - 6PM</b>				
<b>Wed, Sept 6</b> HE w/unction – Harvey Hutchinson	<b>Wed, Sept 13</b> HE w/unction – Ramona Shields	<b>Wed, Sept 20</b> HE w/unction – Judy Turner	<b>Wed, Sept 27</b> HE w/unction – Harvey Hutchinson	<b>Wed, Oct 4</b> HE w/unction – TBD
<b>Counters – Parish Secretary, Coordinator</b>				
If any count team needs a replacement, feel free to contact Gay Currence or Judy Turner. They cannot count together -- only separately with another individual. Their numbers can be found in the Parish Directory or call the church office.				
Ramona Shields Judy Turner	Rose Paul Gayle O'Hare	Gayle Tuck Gail Campbell	Ann Turney Miff Dikeman	Ramona Shields Judy Turner
<b>Acolytes – Rebecca Fick, Coordinator</b>				
<b>Crucifer –</b> Lily Farmer <b>1<sup>st</sup> Server –</b> Brenner Kumbier <b>2<sup>nd</sup> Server –</b> Grey Kumbier <b>Gospel Book –</b> Leo Farmer	<b>Crucifer –</b> Micheal Fick <b>1<sup>st</sup> Server –</b> Gaddie Stephenson <b>2<sup>nd</sup> Server –</b> Louisa Curchin <b>Gospel –</b> Alex Curchin	<b>Crucifer –</b> George Webster <b>1<sup>st</sup> Server –</b> Ben Webster <b>2<sup>nd</sup> Server –</b> Walt Webster <b>Gospel –</b> Sophia DeGuerre	<b>Crucifer –</b> Micheal Fick <b>1<sup>st</sup> Server –</b> Gaddie Stephenson <b>2<sup>nd</sup> Server –</b> Bohdi Webster <b>Gospel Book -</b> Beck Webster	<b>Crucifer –</b> TBD <b>1<sup>st</sup> Server –</b> TBD <b>2<sup>nd</sup> Server –</b> TBD <b>Gospel Book –</b> TBD
<b>Altar Crew – Cindy Curchin/Marilyn Johnston, Co-Directress</b>				
Nancy Messick Rose Paul Melissa Braun	Gail Campbell Marilyn Johnston Gayle O'Hare	Maria Dermott Meredith McManis Lyter Isenmann	Ann Turney Leslie Daniels Stacy Turney	TBD
<b>Wed, Sept 6</b> Marilyn Johnston	<b>Wed, Sept 13</b> Ramona Shields	<b>Wed, Sept 20</b> Judy Turner	<b>Wed, Sept 27</b> Jacquie McConnell	<b>Wed, Oct 4</b> TBD
<b>Ushers – Andrew Campbell, Coordinator</b>				
Wayne Stephenson Harvey Hutchinson Andy Campbell	Melissa Braun Blake Webster Phil O'Hare	Katie Clark-Bacon Jim Paul Andy Campbell	Wayne Stephenson Blake Webster Jim Paul	Wayne Stephenson Harvey Hutchinson Andy Campbell

# FINANCIALS

## STEWARDSHIP - ST. PHILIP'S FINANCIAL INFORMATION

July 2023

Line #	JULY	YTD
<b>ORDINARY INCOME</b>		
1 From Regular Support for Operations.....	\$ 13,810	\$ 111,636
2 Interest from Operating account.....	\$ 3	\$ 28
3 From Investments Used for Operations.....	\$	\$ 12,500
4 Transfer from Endowment.....	\$ -	\$ -
5 Total Ordinary Income (add lines 1,2,3,4..... *429from kitchen & reception income	\$ 14,241	\$ 124,842
<b>ORDINARY EXPENSES</b>		
6 From Regular Monthly activities.....	\$ 20,063	\$ 146,628
7 Transferred to the Endowment Account (B/S item	\$ -	\$ -
8 Less Investments Used for Operations.....	\$ -	\$ -
9 NET PLEDGED INCOME (LOSS) [line 5 less lines 6,7,8] ..	\$ (5,822)	\$ (21,787)

## LET'S STAY CONNECTED – 2023 update

### St. Philip's Website - <https://stphilipschurchjoplin.diowestmo.org/>

The church website contains links to the church calendar, live-streamed services, and our other social media sites. The site also contains some lovely pictures of the biblical mural and the stained-glass windows. A donation button was added recently to allow online donation to the church by credit card.

#### Coming in 2023 - New Website!

The Diocese of West Missouri is changing its web hosting platform, and all its churches including St Philip's will move to a new site hosted by the Diocese rather than a commercial provider. As a result, the look, feel and features of the website will change considerably. All the familiar information will be there, but the Communications, Digital Ministry and Social Media team will be looking at ways to improve and ways to add new features.

To facilitate the changeover the old stphilipsjoplin.com name is being used for the new site (you won't see very much if you go there right now). Ultimately the dot-com and diocesan web addresses will all point to the same site. Please excuse our mess while we renovate!



### St. Philip's on YouTube - <https://www.youtube.com/@stphilipsjoplin>

Live streams - <https://www.youtube.com/@stphilipsjoplin/streams>

Connect to the live stream - <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCBjRZSfuzB3UStCbTlxdBQ/live>

Around a years' worth of recorded streams are kept on the site



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### St. Philip's on Facebook - <https://www.facebook.com/StPhilipsJoplin>

The church presence on Facebook. All Facebook users are encouraged to "like" the page if you haven't already done so. Daily prayers, links to live streamed services and news from around the Episcopal Church, The Diocese of West Missouri and elsewhere.

You may be interested to know there is a discussion group called "Talk About St Philip's" on Facebook too – the link is on the St. Philip's Facebook page, and all the Facebook friends of St Philip's are welcome to join.



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# MINUTES OF THE VESTRY

**Monday, July 17, 2023 6:00PM**

Attendees: Phil Metz, Blake Webster, Maria Dermott, Andy Campbell, Judy Turner, Calvin Cassady, Chris Smiley

Others: Dcn. Carol Peterson, Jax Petty, Jacquie McConnell, Caleb Klingzing, Katie Bacon, Kim Siers  
Dcn. Carol led the invocation. Andy Campbell will lead next month's invocation.

Maria Dermott moved to move Caleb Klingzing to the beginning of the agenda, Chris seconded. All in favor.

Caleb presented a handout about the need for organ repair/replacement. The technician and Caleb recommend replacing the keyboard. The price for a used keyboard is approximately \$1,000. Caleb also discussed the possibility of creating an organ fund to replace the current organ. He would like to be able to raise \$1,000 a month towards organ replacement.

Chris moved to purchase used keyboard for up to \$1200.00 and be installed by Robert Spoon, and use money from the investment account, Blake Webster seconded. All in favor.

Caleb also wanted to discuss his contract. Chris moved to go into a brief closed session to discuss personnel matters, Blake seconded. All in favor

Results of closed session. Accepted information that Caleb Klingzing provided. Tabled until executive session. Andy Campbell so moved, Chris seconded. All in favor.

Agenda – Maria moved to accept the agenda as is, Chris Smiley seconded. All in favor.

Last month's vestry minutes – Andy Campbell moved to approve last month's minutes, Maria Dermott seconded. All in favor.

Katie Bacon spoke about a project she would like the church to consider. Children's Haven's kitchen is under construction. Katie requested the vestry's permission to offer them the use of the kitchen. The vestry requested more details regarding how the kitchen would be used. Katie and Kim will contact Children's Haven to see what needs they have and if the kitchen would help. They will submit findings to the vestry for them to vote on the building usage.

Katie Bacon also asked for time at next month's meeting to make a presentation regarding a possible Wednesday night youth group. Chris Smiley moved to add Weds. Night Youth Group to new business on agenda for August Meeting, Maria Dermott seconded. All in favor.

Treasurer's Report – June 2023 Notes & Changes Greater Than \$1,000

Balance Sheet:

1. Account #1110 SMB Checking Account down \$9,475.27 from May. Pledge payments were up \$8,630 from April but there was a \$6,386 payment to Total Electronics Contracting for fire alarm upgrades and a \$3,577 payment to Commercial Doors, Inc. for replacement of west kitchen door to alley.

2. Account #1120 Stifel Investment up \$11,444.98 from May. Account #1130 Stifel Endowment up \$32,264.06 from May.

3. Account #3124 Memorial down \$9,963. The \$6,386 Total Electronics Contracting payment and the \$3,577 Commercial Doors, Inc. payment both came out of the Memorial Fund.

4. Account #3129 Columbarium up \$1,000 from contributions.

5. Account #3214 Garden & Grounds up \$1,049.64. \$2,150 in contributions to the fund and \$1,100 in expenses for garden supplies, plants, labor, etc.

Income Statement:

1. Account #4110 Pledge Payments up \$8,630.

2. Account #4220 Transfer from Investment Acct down \$12,500 as there were no investment transfers in May.

3. Account #6010 Electric was \$0 in June. The payment that would've usually been made in June was made on May 31.

4. Account #6110 Church Building Repairs & Main up \$1,477.87. \$925 payment for filters, refrigerant, service and \$680 for a new window.

5. Account #6140 Property Insurance down \$2,527.50.

Judy Turner moved to accept the financial reports, Maria Dermott seconded. All in favor.

Calendar – Andy Campbell moved to accept the calendar with additions, Maria Dermott seconded. All in favor.

Jr. Warden Report – Front facade is separating from the parish hall building and cracks are forming. Waiting on bids to see what it will cost. Will also check to see if insurance would cover some and also check with Diocese about grant or loan to help with the cost.

Received bid to increase height of fence to 6 feet and put working locks on gates. Received bid for \$2500.00. Dcn. Carol will check to see if bid still good. Also received a bid from M/W Fence to replace the fence for a cost of \$10,705.81. The fence will be put on hold until building is fixed.

Received bid of \$1500.00 to raise door stoop so wheelchairs can go over and lift sidewalk in courtyard in 3 places. Andy moved to accept bid to repair and pay out of general fund, Calvin seconded. All in favor.

TEC is resubmitting bid for the audio/visual improvements to include moving the streaming facilities to Acolyte room.

Sr. Warden Report – None

Deacon's Report – Garden's & Ground's

We now have an operating spigot by the church sign and the spigot outside of Fr. Ted's office will be fixed this week. Phil will bring in a couple times to set up to soaker hoses in part of the courtyard. On 7th street would like to pull up what is there and just put down a strip of grass. This project will be ongoing the next few months and may take up to a year before completing it. The Gardens & Grounds Committee will have a work day the first Saturday of the month going forward.

Garden Columbarium markers have been ordered but the placing of them has been put on hold until the parish hall building has been repaired.

Outreach

Had good conversations and discussions of projects we might want to be involved in. Had a presentation about Raise and maybe doing something with them. Will be having an Outreach meeting the second Sunday of the month from now going forward.

She also discussed Rory's discernment and if the Vestry will recommend him. Dcn. Carol will find out what information is needed to complete the recommendation. Blake Webster moved to approve Jory to move forward with his discernment/process, Maria Dermott seconded. All in favor.

Rector's Report – No Rector report, Fr. Ted is on vacation in Paris. We were informed that Fr. Ted fell on the stairs at the Louvre and broke his leg. Having surgery Tuesday to put in pins and plate.

Suggestion Box – None

Old Business – Alcohol policy, Chris will email his report.

New Business – Chris Smiley visited St. Mary's in Galena. Had a good visit spoke with the Sr. Warden. They would like to develop a connection with us. They have a quarter time rector and around 25 members.

Chris Smiley moved to put blessing box on August agenda under new business, Maria Dermott seconded. All in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Kim Siers  
Parish Secretary

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Jr. Warden – Andy Campbell

Blake Webster, Maria Dermott, Judy Turner, Calvin Cassady, Chris Smiley

**OUR MISSION...**

*is to worship God, follow Christ, and love our neighbor.*

**OUR VISION...**

*is to continue to build our community of faith, according to Christ's teachings, where all truly belong and are encouraged and enabled to participate in our mission.*

**Sunday:** 9:00AM Adult Forum 10:00AM HE Rite II (also live-streamed)

**Wednesday:** 5:30PM HE/with unction

**Secretary's Office Hours:** Monday thru Thursday - 8:00AM - 2:00PM Friday - 8:00AM -11:00AM

**HAVE A COMMENT? IDEA? SUGGESTION?**

**FEEL FREE REACH OUT TO ONE OF YOUR VESTRY MEMBERS**

**WE WILL REVIEW ANYTHING SUBMITTED IN THE NEXT VESTRY MEETING**

Because we wish to protect the security and privacy of our members, we are not publishing phone numbers or email addresses of our Vestry members in this Newsletter. If you need a phone number or email and do not have a current telephone directory, call the office and we will happily supply you with the desired information.



**PLEASE NOTE:** We love pictures and videos, and we love sharing what we do. When attending any of our events or services, you agree to our using pictures of you and any children in your charge on social media and elsewhere. If you are not comfortable with this, please inform a member of staff **before** we start taking pictures or recording.