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Dear God,

As I carve my pumpkin, help me say this prayer:

Open my mind so I can learn about You;
(Cut the top of the pumpkin)

Take away all my sin and forgive me for the wrong things I do;
(Clean out the inside)

Open my eyes so Your Love I will see;
(Cut eyes shaped like hearts)

I'm sorry for turning up my nose to all You've given me;
(Cut a nose in the shape of the cross)

Open my ears so Your Word I will hear;
(Cut ears shaped like the Bible)

Open my mouth so I can tell others You're near;
(Cut mouth in the shape of a fish)

Let Your Light shine in all I say and do!
(Place a candle and light)

Amen

FROM FATHER TED



Why do we pray for the dead at St. Philip's Church?

Have you ever wondered why we pray for the dead in our Prayers of the People on Sundays? Here is an example from Prayer V, Rite II:

For all who have died in the communion of your Church, and those whose faith is known to you alone, that, with all the saints, they may have rest in that place where there is no pain or grief, but life eternal, we pray to you, O Lord. BCP

You may have noticed that I often recite the names of my family members at this point in the prayers. We also specifically name our deceased loved ones in prayers on All Saints Day (Nov. 1), All Souls Day (Nov. 2), and All Saints Sunday (Sunday immediately following All Saints Day)? On page 9 in this Newsletter, there is a form for you to list your deceased loved ones to be remembered at the altar on All Saints Day (Wednesday, Nov 1) and All Saints Sunday (Sunday, Nov 5) this year. Please complete it and turn it in.

This practice is confusing to some Christians because they believe that salvation is fixed at the time of death. I would ask, when do we think God hears our prayers? Does God only hear the prayer when we utter it within our own temporal framework? Or does God, who is not constrained by time or space, hear and know our prayers before the creation of time and the universe? Ephesians 6:18 encourages us: "And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord's people."

Praying to the Dead? In Anglican/Episcopal spirituality, theology, and worship, we do NOT pray to the dead. And we don't listen for them to answer us from the grave. God alone can answer our prayers. But we do pray for the dead as you can tell from the prayers of the people in our prayer book. We also pray with the dead as you can tell from our ancient eucharistic prayers like this section of the prayer:

Therefore, we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name: BCP

Every time we celebrate the Holy Eucharist, we join with all the living saints, and all those who have died, to pray and praise God in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. As St. Paul says in the 14th chapter of his epistle to the Romans:

We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. For to this end Christ died and lived again, so that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living. Epistle to the Ephesians

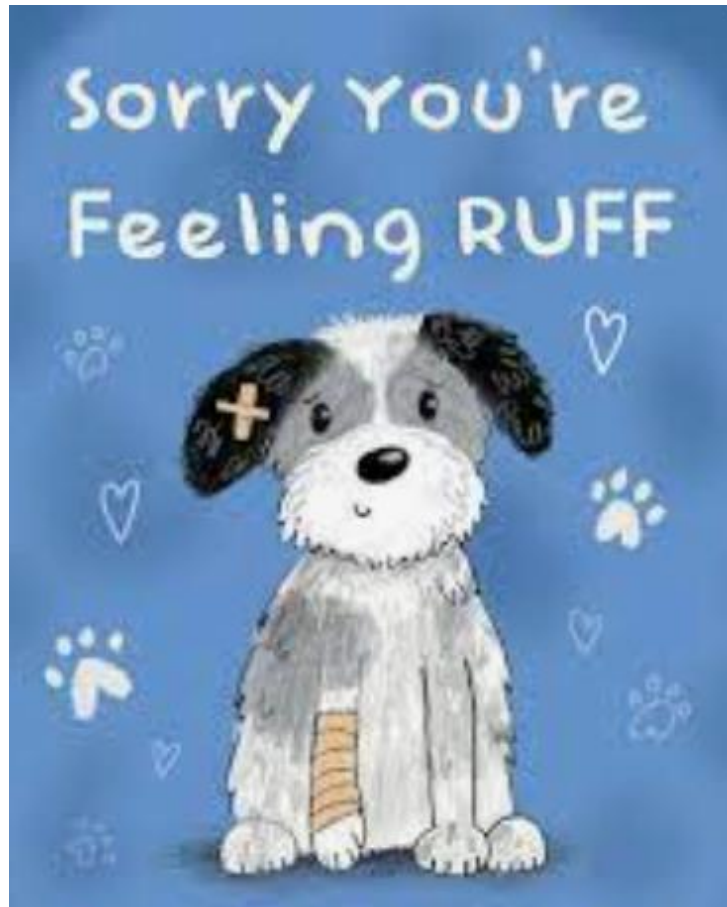
In the epistle to the Hebrews, this mass of Saints who have gone to be with the Lord are referred to as "the great cloud of witnesses." We join with them in praising God.

Want to Learn More? On All Saints Sunday, November 5, I will teach about the Communion of Saints and this topic of praying for and with the Church Triumphant at the 9am Adult Forum. Join us with your questions and thoughts about this interesting topic.

FROM DEACON CAROL



Deacon Carol is recovering from shoulder surgery – we wish her a speedy recovery and anxiously await her return.



FROM OUR ORGANIST - CALEB



“Come, Labor On” is a hymn, set to the tune Ora Labora, that many of us know and love. It is hymn no. 541 in the hymnal 1982 and is one of my favorite hymn tunes. I had the pleasure of arranging a version of this hymn for SATB choir and premiered it at Saint Philip’s on September 24, 2023. The text, written by Jane Laurie Borthwick (1813-1897) matched perfectly with the scripture (Mathew 20:1-16) for that Sunday due to the text discussing laboring throughout the day. While the Gospel reading for that Sunday was the opposite, stating how each of us gets an equal wage in heaven, this hymn suggests that we all need to put in our fair share of work to reach enlightenment in death. The text also serves as a metaphor for the harvest of souls from the Book of Revelation (Revelation: 14:14-20).

Many of you noticed that my arrangement of the hymn was not far removed from the original source material composed by Thomas Tertius Noble (1867-1953). The creation of this arrangement was simple: take an existing melody and wonderful accompaniment, and dress it up. This meant that the first two verses were unaltered from the original source material in terms of melodic and harmonic material. The difference between the original and my arrangement exists with the voicing. Noble has the voicing as Unison throughout. I elected to have the second verse be sung by the Tenors and Basses of the choir. The rationale for this came from the text itself as it discusses keeping watch (Mathew 24:42-44, Psalm 130:6).

The third verse is when my approach to the hymn begins to take form. Verse three is when all four voice parts are singing their individual four-part lines. The main melody is unchanged, however, the altos, tenors, and basses now sing in harmony against the sopranos. To further facilitate this, the organ is simplified and lends greater assistance to the choral parts.

Verse four was sopranos and altos singing the main melody. This has to do with their voice part being the higher ones, and it lined up with the text “claim the high calling.” Underneath the sopranos and altos was a vastly altered organ part. Instead of beginning on an Ab major chord, the organ begins on a C minor chord, and complexity reharmonizes from the original accompaniment. For instance, the melody is hidden as various chord members and is often below what the organ was playing. This was to create an ethereal effect to match the mood of the text.

Verse five brings a brief return to the main melody and harmonies, however, shortly after the commencement of the verse a soprano countermelody took shape above the main melody. This melody was created using various chord and non-chord tones found within the melody and harmony of the verse. This lead allowed for a thickening of the texture of the work, and also a reharmonization using a B half-diminished 7 chord in the first inversion. This works well in this verse due to the text “till the long shadows, o’er our pathway lie.” The final change within this verse was within the final chord, previous measures ended with an imperfect cadence which allowed for repetition. I changed this with the soprano counter-melody. Instead of ending on C with the rest of the choir, the sopranos ended on a high Ab allowing for a perfect authentic cadence to conclude the work.

One of the considerations I had when arranging this hymn-anthem for our choir, was making it as approachable as possible while still allowing for complexity and challenge. It was an act of love and a gift to be able to arrange this work for our choir, and I look forward to writing and arranging many more works for them in the future.

For the Choir of Saint Philip's Church, Joplin

Come Labor On Ora Labora

Jane Laurie Bothwick (1813-1897), alt.

SW: Gambe, Celeste, Flûte 8

GT: Open Diapason 8, Stopped Diapason 8, Octave 4, Flute 4, Trumet 8

CH: Open Diapason 8, Stopped Diapason 8, Octave 4, Fifteenth 2'

PED: Bourdon 16, Open Diapason 16

Couplers: CH-GT, CH-PED

T. Tertius Noble (1867-1953)

arr. Caleb R. Klinzing (b. 2000)

The image shows a musical score for the organ part of the hymn 'Come Labor On'. The score is written for a grand staff with a treble clef on the upper staff and a bass clef on the lower staff. The key signature has two flats (B-flat and E-flat), and the time signature is 4/4. The organ part is marked 'Organ' and 'CH'. The music consists of several measures of chords and moving lines, primarily in the bass clef, with some notes in the treble clef. The final measure shows a cadence with a whole note chord in the bass clef and a whole note chord in the treble clef.

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.**

FALL FESTIVAL – COMING VERY SOON

Date: Saturday, November 11, 2023 Time: 9AM to 2PM

Location: St. Philip’s Parish Hall

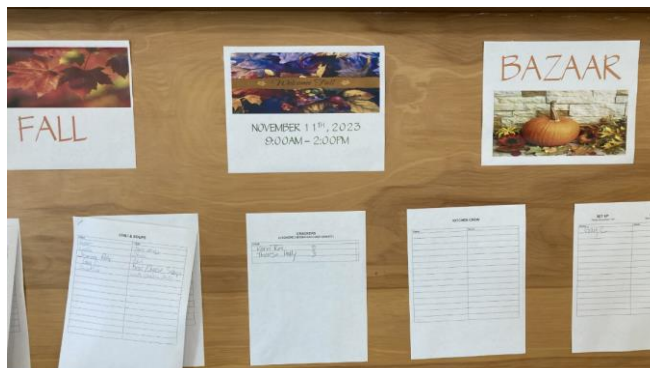


Each year, the Women of St. Philip’s (WOSP) host a fall bazaar. The money raised at the bazaar supports community outreach. Examples of previous recipients include Watered Gardens, Souls Harbor, Community Clinic, Lafayette House, and MSSU Food Pantry.

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).



1st DINNER AND BINGO NIGHT

The first dinner and Bingo night was held on, September 13th following the Wednesday evening services. This event was triggered after the Family Retreat in August. The kids enjoyed playing Bingo and they thought it would be a good way to get everyone from the church involved in a fun activity. This is a new monthly inter-generational activity that 'kids' of all ages can participate in. The dinner and the games are simple and casual.

If you didn't join the 1st Bingo night, [come and join the next one to be held on Wednesday night, October 11th](#). It's an excellent way to get to know our young families and the children who are bringing energy and excitement to our congregation.



2024 WILL SOON BE HERE – VESTRY NOMINATIONS

We will need 2 new vestry members as Phil Metz and Blake Webster's terms are expiring. Consider whether this is a calling you may have to serve St. Philip's. If so, please reach out to Fr. Ted or one of the current vestry members to get additional information.

FORGIVENESS

The Sunday adult forum is exploring the process of forgiving. Come join the discussion and learn more about the process of forgiving. "Forgiveness is the act of the *offended person*, whether or not the offender admits to, or asks forgiveness for, the offensive action." Forgiveness allows you to free yourself from the control that the pain, fear, anxiety, or anger of the offense, or the offender holds over you.



MINISTRY MOMENTS

Beginning October 1, parishioners will share a Ministry Moment with the congregation during Sunday announcements. These Ministry Moments will highlight a ministry the person does at St. Philip's Church and how it blesses them and serves our mission.

What is a Ministry Moment?

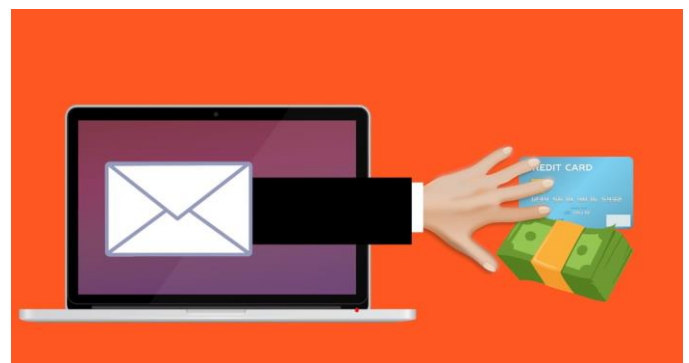
- It is a brief (90 to 120 Second) moment in which a parishioner shares their experience by:
 - Telling the congregation what the ministry is that they do. (1 minute)
 - Describing how the ministry affects lives and fits within the overall mission of the church. They usually tell a brief, inspirational story about their experience because stories are remembered and carry impact. (1 minute)
 - Giving information on how people can become involved through their prayers and their participation. (30 seconds)
 - Thanking the congregation for their financial support through giving God's tithes and their offerings to make the ministry a reality. (30 seconds)
 - Members are encouraged to keep their Ministry Moment tight and clear

Vestry Members take the lead. Our vestry members are doing the first 7 Ministry Moments. They are very excited to do this and all signed up for spots during our last vestry meeting.

What is your Ministry Moment? We want you to tell your story. It only takes a moment to tell and you're sharing it with your friends at church. Contact Maria Dermott at mpdermott@sbcglobal.net to sign up for sharing your Ministry Moment. You'll be glad you did

WARNING & REMINDER

Fr. Ted will never use email or Facebook to ask you to buy GIFT CARDS or SEND MONEY to help the unfortunate. Some of our members received these SCAM messages purportedly from our priest this last week. Facebook posts also shared that a priest from a KCMO church and a Bishop in another diocese have had SCAM messages sent in their name. When in doubt, just call the church or Fr. Ted.



OCTOBER UPDATE ON RECTOR SEARCH COMMITTEE

Parish Survey

- Phil Metz & Judy Turner are providing information to the consulting firm that is developing our parish survey.
 - The Vestry will “test drive” the survey to be sure it works for us.
 - When approved, the survey will be provided to all members. Please be sure you have your input in our search by completing your survey.
 - This information will be used to develop a Parish Profile which will be published in order to solicit applications from clergy interested in serving as St. Philip’s next permanent rector.
 - An accurate profile helps clergy applicants and Vestry recognize if the applicant and the parish are a good fit.
 - Expect more information as it develops.
- **Rector Search Committee**
 - Fr. Marks, diocesan transition officer, has advised the Vestry that they should form the Rector Search Committee after the Parish Survey is completed.
 - Further information about the work of the Search Committee, qualifications for serving, and how to apply will be published when the Parish Survey is complete.

ALL SAINTS’ DAY – NECROLOGY FORMS DUE NOVEMBER 1st

All Saints' Day commemorates all saints, known and unknown, on November 1. Traditionally we read a Necrology of our friends and family during the Holy Eucharist on All Saints Sunday. Please complete the form below and turn it into the parish office if you wish to have friends and family member remembered at the altar of St. Philip’s on All Saints Sunday, November 5th, 2023.

All Saints Remembered

It is again that time of year when we specifically remember our loved ones who have gone on to glory.

Deadline for inclusion of names on list will be Wednesday,
November 1st 1:00 p.m.

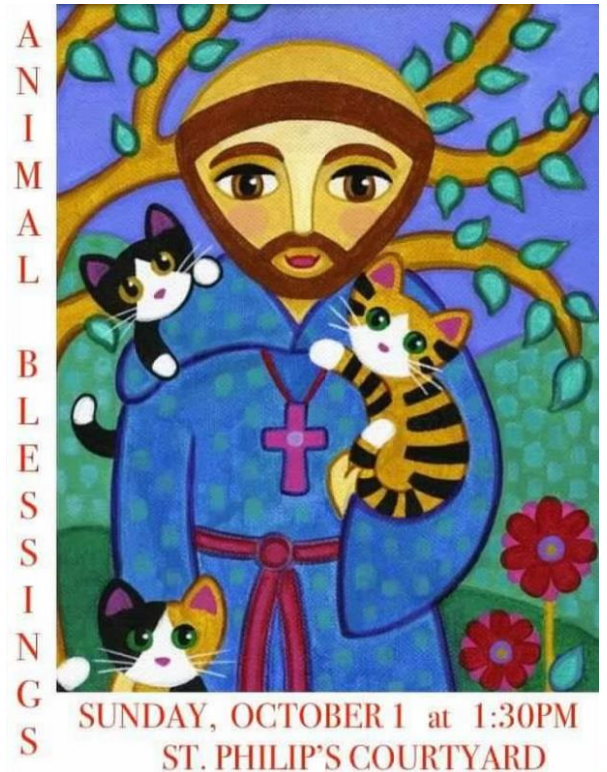
If you wish to have your loved one's name printed and mentioned in our service on November 5, 2023 for All Saints' Sunday. Please give us your name _____ and your phone number _____ and list your names here [Please write legibly...and if the name has an unusual pronunciation, please give us that information also].

Turn this form into the office by putting it in the secretary's mailbox just outside the parish office or in the offering plate or email [saintphilips706@gmail.com] to the parish office (be sure to put All Saints' list in the subject line).

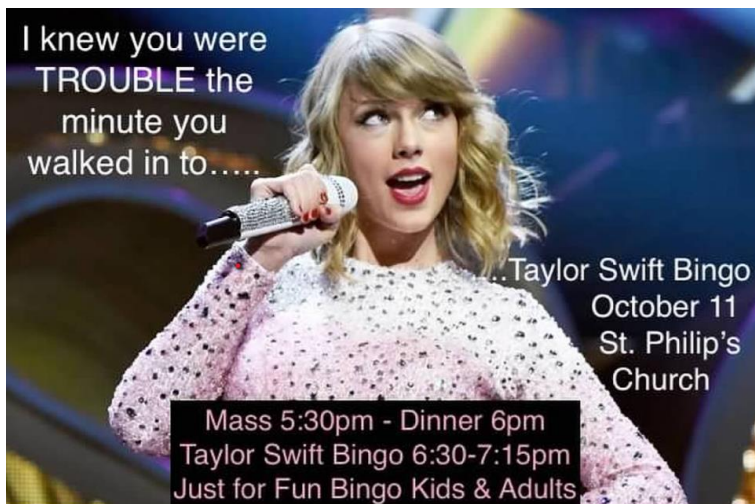
ST FRANCIS OF ASSISI AND BLESSING OF ANIMALS – OCTOBER 1ST

October 1st is St. Francis of Assisi day and traditionally St. Philip's holds a blessing of the animals on that day. Join us at 1:30PM in the church courtyard to celebrate the feast of St. Francis of Assisi. Invite family and friends to bring their family pets for blessing as well. All animals should be well controlled as they will be around people and pets they don't know. Leashes and crates are encouraged. FOR NERVOUS ANIMALS - feel free to bring a picture or phone image for blessing if actual attendance would be difficult for your furry, finned, or feathered friend.

Pet exorcisms are by appointment only, no walk-ins!



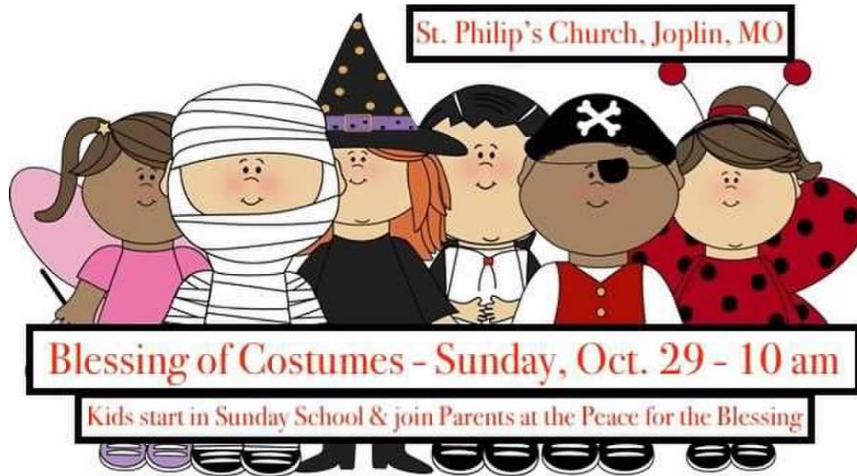
DINNER AND BINGO NIGHT – WEDNESDAY – OCT 11TH



The 2nd dinner and Bingo night will be held after Wednesday **evening services on October 11th from 6PM – 7:15PM.** Please accept this opportunity to get more acquainted with our amazing youth.

ANNUAL COSTUME BLESSING – OCT 29TH

Kids are invited to wear their church/school appropriate costumes for blessing. Gr. K-6 Kids will go to Sunday School at 10AM. At about 10:40AM they will join their parents in the Church during the Peace. Fr. Estes will then bless their costumes and pray for a safe celebration for all. This Sunday will remind us that Jesus has overcome everything which scares or threatens us.



ANNUAL PUMPKIN CARVING FEST – OCT 29TH

Join us on October 29 after the 10am service for our annual Pumpkin Carving Fest. Bring your own Pumpkin Carving Tools and your imagination. Will your Jack-O-Lantern be Spooky, Goofy, or Grumpy? We can't wait to see what you create.



ABOUT OUR YOUTH

Sunday School's message on September 24th was Generosity. Sharing God's love and caring with the world. Some kids met in the playground after services for a little 'bubble fun'.



ANNUAL O'HARE BONFIRE BY THE CREEK



WHEN: Sunday, October 22, 2023

TIME: 5:30pm-8:00pm

WHERE: 2769 Dolliver Lane
Joplin MO 64804

WHAT: Bring your family & yourself!

Be prepared to roast hot dogs and smores over a fire! Enjoy some hot chocolate too!

Join us & make some memories!



- **Wednesday night services begin at 5:30PM now.**
- **October 1st - blessing of the animals AT 1:30PM in the church courtyard.**
- **October 11th from 6PM – 7:15PM – 2nd dinner and Bingo night – Taylor Swift Bingo?**
- **Garden and Grounds meet the 1st Saturday morning of each month from 9AM – Noon – please come help for any or all of that time**
- **Outreach Team meets the 2nd Sunday of each month following the service**
- **October 22nd – 5:30PM – 8PM - Annual Bonfire at the O'Hares**
- **October 29th – Halloween costumes to be blessed during Sunday services.**
- **November 11th – FALL BAZAAR – 9AM – 2PM**

CELEBRATIONS!

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

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|---------------------|-----------------------|
| 2 Leecia Bloss | 22 Kim Sapp |
| 2 Gaddie Stephenson | 23 Craig Campbell |
| 5 Jane Hoover | 23 Maria Dermott |
| 6 Daniel Chism | 24 Pam Volkl |
| 11 Lily Farmer | 24 Benjamin Webster |
| 13 Kasey Currence | 26 Lisa Daugherty |
| 15 Ebert Salzer | 27 Sayre Shilkett |
| 17 Blake Webster | 27 Nicolas A Smith |
| 18 Bob Larson | 27 Tom Kearney |
| 19 Adam Turney | 27 Tyler King |
| 21 T J Zinn | 30 Dylan Austin Smith |
| 21 Anna Kay Grayson | |



OCTOBER ANNIVERSARIES

- 5 Jacob and Heidi Volkl
- 6 Levi and Sara (Volkl) Mareth
- 17 Andy and Darlene Campbell



Altar Flowers

October 1st

- The high altar flowers are given to the glory of God by Jacquie McConnell for the joy our pets bring to us.
- The children altar flowers are given to the glory of God by Kaie and Wayne Stephenson in celebration of Gaddie's birthday.

October 8th

- The high altar flowers are given to the glory of God by Gay Currence in memory of mom and dad and in honor of Kasey's birthday.

October 15th

- The high altar flowers are given to the glory of God by Brady and Ryland Dermott in honor of Dr. Steve's birthday.
- The children's altar flowers are given to the glory of God by Ann Turney in honor of Adam Turney's birthday.

October 22nd

- The high altar flowers are given to the glory of God by Andy and Darlene Campbell in honor of their wedding anniversary.
- The children's altar flowers are given to the glory of God by Blake and Leslie Webster in celebration of Benjamin's 10th birthday.

October 29th

- The high altar flowers are given to the glory of God by Jon Dermott in memory of Courtney.
- The children's altar flowers are given to the glory of God by Lyter and Tom Isenmann in memory of mother, Courtney Dermott.
- The sanctuary candle is given to the glory of God by Meredith and Josh McManis in memory of 'M'.

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: 75th 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

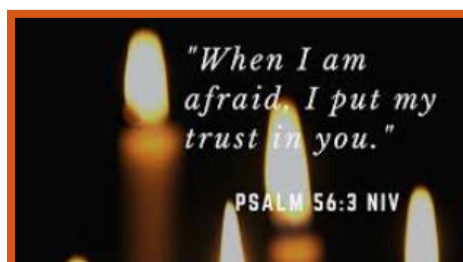
Pray for those who are sick (announced) ***

Hailey Burge, Jim Collins, Fr. Ted Estes, Matt Fick, Jeff Green, Christin Kamees, Bethanie Knoll, Matthew Law, Sarah and Piper Mareth, Phil Metz, Deacon Carol Peterson, Doug Olinyk, Andrea White, Ron Winnett, Kathy Yeaman, 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.**



OCTOBER 2023 – St. Philip’s Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Proper 21 10:00AM HE – Rite II 1:30 PM St. Francis Animal Blessing			5:30 PM HE w/unction			9AM – noon Ground & Garden work morning
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Proper 22 9:00 AM Adult Forum 10:00 AM HE – Rite II Supply Priest After Service Outreach Meeting		6:30PM Choir Practice	5:30 PM HE w/unction 6-7:15PM Taylor Swift Bingo and Dinner 			9:30AM St. Ann’s 10:30AM WOSP
Fr Ted at Clergy						
Foundation Repair this week.						
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
Proper 23 9:00 AM Adult Forum 10:00AM Sunday School 10:00AM HE – Rite II	6:00PM Vestry	6:30PM Choir Practice	5:30 PM HE w/unction			
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
Proper 24 9:00 AM Adult Forum 10:00AM Sunday School 10:00AM HE – Rite II 5:30 – 8 PM Bonfire at the O’Hare’s		6:30PM Choir Practice	5:30 PM HE w/unction Newsletter Deadline	Serve Meal at Watered Gardens		
29	30	31	Nov 1	Nov 2	Nov 3	Nov 4
Proper 25 9:00 AM Adult Forum 10:00AM Sunday School 10:00AM HE – Rite II After Service Costume Blessing & Pumpkin Carving after Church		6:30PM Choir Practice 	5:30 PM 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.

October 1 Proper 21	October 8 Proper 22	October 15 Proper 23	October 22 Proper 24	October 29 Proper 25
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Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, Camera Streamers – GAYLE TUCK, Coordinator

10AM – John Moback EM – Michael DeGuerre	10AM – Jane Hoover EM – Gayle Tuck	10AM – Mark Kiger EM – Sharrock Dermott	10AM – Pam Volkl EM – Judy Turner	10AM – Youth Service EM – Alex Curchin
Camera – John Messick	Camera – John Messick	Camera – John Messick	Camera – John Messick	Camera – John Messick

Wednesday Service – 5:30PM

Wed, Oct 4 HE w/unction – Harvey Hutchinson	Wed, Oct 11 HE w/unction – Judy Turner	Wed, Oct 18 HE w/unction - Ramona Shields	Wed, Oct 25 HE w/unction – Harvey Hutchinson	Wed, Nov 1 HE w/unction – TBD – Judy Turner
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Counters – Parish Secretary, Coordinator

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
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Acolytes – Rebecca Fick, Coordinator

Crucifer – Lily Farmer 1st Server – Micheal Fick 2nd Server – Louisa Curchin Gospel Book – Alex Curchin	Crucifer – Gaddie Stephenson 1st Server – Lily Farmer 2nd Server – TBD Gospel – Leo Farmer	Crucifer – Micheal Fick 1st Server – George Webster 2nd Server – Ben Webster Gospel – Walt Webster	Crucifer – Gaddie Stephenson 1st Server – Brenner Kumbier 2nd Server – Grey Kumbier Gospel Book - Sophia DeGuerre	Crucifer – TBD 1st Server – TBD 2nd Server – TBD Gospel Book – TBD
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Altar Crew – Cindy Curchin/Marilyn Johnston, Co-Directress

Cindy Curchin Marilyn Johnston June Davis	Gayle O’Hare – chief Gail Campbell Jacquie McConnell Rose Paul Marilyn Johnston June Davis	Gayle O’Hare – chief Gail Campbell Jacquie McConnell Rose Paul Marilyn Johnston June Davis	Gayle O’Hare – chief Gail Campbell Jacquie McConnell Rose Paul Marilyn Johnston June Davis	Gayle O’Hare – chief Gail Campbell Jacquie McConnell Rose Paul Marilyn Johnston June Davis
Wed, Oct 4 Marilyn Johnston June Davis	Wed, Oct 11 Marilyn Johnston June Davis	Wed, Oct 18 Marilyn Johnston June Davis	Wed, Oct 25 Marilyn Johnston June Davis	Wed, Nov 1 TBD

Ushers – Andrew Campbell, Coordinator

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	Jim Paul Andy Campbell
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FINANCIALS

STEWARDSHIP - ST. PHILIP'S FINANCIAL INFORMATION

August 2023

Line #	AUGUST	YTD
ORDINARY INCOME		
1 From Regular Support for Operations.....	\$ 15,714	\$ 127,349
2 Interest from Operating account.....	\$ 3	\$ 30
3 From Investments Used for Operations.....	\$	\$ 12,500
4 Transfer from Endowment.....	\$ -	\$ -
5 Total Ordinary Income (add lines 1,2,3,4..... *\$678 from kitchen & reception income	\$ 15,717	\$ 140,558
ORDINARY EXPENSES		
6 From Regular Monthly activities.....	\$ 29,337	\$ 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] ..	\$ (13,621)	\$ (35,408)

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/UCBjRZSfuzB3UStCbTlxdtBQ/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

Vestry Meeting Minutes

Sunday, August 20, 2023 2:02PM

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

Absent: Calvin Cassady

Others: Fr. Ted Estes, Melinda Estes, Jacquie McConnell, Deacon Carol Peterson, Rex Hunt, Dan Mata, Kim Siers

Andy Campbell led the invocation.

Agenda – Judy Turner moved to adopt the agenda with additions and moving Dan Mata’s presentation to start of meeting, Maria Dermott seconded. All in favor. No abstention.

Additions to agenda for new business: Holy Cow Assessment and HR Team

Dan Mata with Foundation Recovery System gave a presentation of what they would do to stabilize the foundation of the Parish Hall building. They will hand dig and install 35 Settlestop Push Piers around the four sides of the building. They have a lifetime warranty and for the first 5 years will come and do an inspection to make sure the building hasn’t moved any. After the 5 years we can choose to extend for an additional 5 years.

Have also received other bids. One for 3 sides of the building with a 10-year warranty and one for one side of the building.

Andy Campbell moved that we proceed with fixing the foundation, Chris Smiley seconded. All in favor. No abstentions

Andy Campbell moved that we accept Foundation Recovery Systems bid, Maria Dermott seconded. All in favor. No abstentions.

Maria Dermott moved to pay the 25% down out of the investment account and do financing of 0% 0payments for 1 year and then pay off the amount from the investment account, Andy Campbell seconded. All in favor. No abstentions.

Last month’s vestry minutes – Maria moved to accept the agenda with correction on pg. 3 changing Rory to Jory, Chris smiley seconded. All in favor. No abstentions.

Treasurer’s Report: July 2023 Notes & Changes Greater Than \$1,000

Balance Sheet:

1. Account #1110 SMB Checking Account down \$10,508.31 from June. The two key causes of this were Regular Support for Operations being down \$3,640 and a \$1,545 Columbarium disbursement.
2. Account #1120 Stifel Investment up \$13,572.50 from June. Account #1130 Stifel Endowment up \$17,750.00 from June.
3. Account #3129 Columbarium down \$1,545. \$1,545 check written to West Chestnut Monument in July for first half of 25 stones for Garden Columbarium.

Income Statement:

1. Account #4110 Pledge Payments down \$5,580.
2. Account #4115 Unpledged Donations up \$1,710.
3. Account #6110 Church Building Repairs & Main down \$1,048.49. \$511.93 was paid in July to Next Generation Plumbing for parts and labor for repair to hydrant.
4. Account #6040 Telephone and Account #6050 Internet Service were \$0 in July. The payments that would've normally been made in July were made August 2.
5. The \$979.50 Miscellaneous Administrative increase is a check written in July to the IRS for penalties due to untimely first quarter payroll tax payments that we have since started paying on time. There should not be any further IRS penalties for this reason.
6. Account #5710 Income and Distributions down \$1,935.27 and Account #5720 down \$10,451.27. However, the Stifel accounts have done well the last two months, helping to show an overall net income of \$8,339.39 through July 31.

Phil Metz moved to accept the financial reports, Maria Dermott seconded. All in favor. No abstentions.

Calendar – Maria Dermott moved to accept calendar with additions, Phil Metz seconded. All in favor. No abstentions.

Additions:

- Change Wednesday service time to 5:30
- Add St. Ann's meeting on Sept 9th
- No adult forum on Sept 3rd
- Sept 10th Welcome Back Sunday

Jr. Warden Report – Roofs are still leaking, on the metal roof need a diversion on east corners of roof to stop water from coming in. Flat roof under warranty so Joplin Roofing has been called.

TEC additions to original AV bid. One to move streaming to Acolyte room and one to replace the soundboard.

Maria Dermott moved to accept bid #24992 move to Acolyte room and bid #24998 to replace soundboard, Blake Webster seconded. All in favor. No abstentions.

TEC fire additions: beam detector in church and heat detector by furnace in the basement

Phil moved to accept bid #24885 to install beam detector in church and heat detector by furnace in the basement, Maria Dermott seconded. All in favor. No abstentions.

Altar rail wobbly – possibly put in wooden supports. Windows in staircase to belfry need to possibly be taken out due to water damage and windows boarded up until can be repaired. Altar corners are sharp, see about rounding the corners and staining.

Sr. Warden Report – No report

Deacon's Report – Dcn. Carol reported that the Church Retreat was a great success. As a result of the retreat, we are going to start having Dinner & Bingo once a month on a Wednesday. Bingo was a huge hit with the kids.

Dcn. Carol will be having rotator cuff surgery on Sept 15th and will not be able to serve for 4-6 weeks.

Gardens & Grounds: Deacon is asking the people who did Grace Episcopal Church in Carthage Garden to come over and look at our courtyard to see if they might have some suggestions. Also asking Dante our lawn guy for a quote to pull up the bushes on 7th street so we can plant grass instead.

Outreach: Maybe having a partnership with Watered Gardens and serving once a month there.

Rector's Report – Fr. Ted stated that Saturday mass at the church retreat was attended by 35 and we had at church on Sunday for mass was 55. May start partnering with Grace Church in Carthage for youth events.

Suggestion Box – None

Old Business – None

New Business – Need 2 additional check signers. Had 2 suggestions. Will contact and vote on once we hear back from.

Building use request from the Kiwanis for Friday, February 9th, Harvey Hutchinson is their church contact. Chris moved to approve the building use request; Judy Turner seconded. All in favor. No abstentions.

Memorial Gift was offered in the form of a new refrigerator, Maria will get more information.

Grant Application for Cragin Trust: can be used for brick and mortar. Maria Dermott moved to fill out the grant application for help with roof issues, Judy Turner seconded. All in favor. No abstentions.

Holy Cow Assessment: Andy Campbell moved to sign up for Holy Cow Assessment in Sept. with the cost up to \$1200.00 to be paid out of the investment account, Blake Webster seconded. All in favor. No abstentions. Phil will contact Fr. Chas Marks to get started.

Search Committee: Going to create an application that can be filled out and submitted to the vestry for consideration to be on the search committee.

HR Team: need to create a HR Team to look at jobs – descriptions/benefits etc. Possible candidate for committee Gayle Tuck.

Stewardship Program: Maria Dermott introduced the Expect the Unexpected Stewardship Program. Her presentation outlined steps designed to raise commitment to our church and fund the ministries of St. Philip's Church. Her proposal extends from September 2023 through 2024. Vestry was unanimous in accepting the proposal and to allocate funds to support the project. Ms. Dermott will work with Fr Estes to build a budget and recruit more team members.

Action Items:

- Kim put blessing box on agenda for September, forgot to put on August agenda
- Andy contact Joplin Roofing about warranty for flat roof
- Andy let TEC know bid additions to AV and Fire have been accepted
- Andy let Foundation Recovery Systems know that we have accepted their bid
- Phil move 10531.53 from the investment account to be put in checking account to cover 25% down payment to Foundation Recovery Systems
- Andy to ask David Kumbier about rounding corners on the altar
- Fr Ted will check Foundation Recovery Systems reference in Camdenton
- Maria to get more information on memorial gift
- Phil will talk to Fr Chas about getting Holy Cow Assessment started.
- Talk to TEC possibly about addition training on setting alarm when leaving
- Maria & Fr. Ted to build budget for Stewardship Program

Respectfully Submitted
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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

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WE WILL REVIEW ANYTHING SUBMITTED IN THE NEXT VESTRY MEETING

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