



# St. Philip's Life

## ***A Prayer Welcoming Fr. Ryan Williams to St. Philip's***



*Heavenly Father,*

*We gather today with hearts full of gratitude and joy as we welcome Fr. Ryan Williams to St. Philip's Episcopal Church. We thank You for guiding him to our community, and we ask for Your blessings upon him as he begins his ministry with us.*

*Lord, we pray that You fill Fr. Ryan with Your wisdom, strength, and compassion. May he lead us in our mission to Worship You, Follow Christ, and Love our Neighbor. Grant him the grace to inspire and nurture our faith, and to guide us with humility and love.*

*As we embark on this new journey together, may our hearts be open to the teachings and guidance of Fr. Ryan. Help us to support him with our prayers, our presence, and our actions, so that together we may grow in faith and service.*

*We ask this in the name of Your Son, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.*

*Amen.*

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## FROM FATHER RYAN



This may seem silly, but this is quite possibly the hardest item I have ever had to write. How do I introduce myself as your new rector in a pithy 500-600 words (gauging the average word count of Fr. Ted's impeccable entries in this space the past couple years)? How do I express my vision for ministry, tell a little about myself, brag on my beautiful family and adorably neurotic dog Scout (they are and she is), give you insight to my formation, share something profound, maybe something a little funny or charming, quote a long dead saint or other great Christian thinker, pepper in some scripture, and wrap it all up in a neat nice bow ready to do it all again next month... Meanwhile I have already wasted 130, 131, 132 words (you get the idea) commiserating this reality! And I thought slimming down my sermons from 45 minutes in my former life as a Baptist pastor to the palatable 12-15 minutes for Episcopal ears was a challenge...!

One of the best pieces of advice I received regarding preaching and sermon prep as a young seminarian came from a guest lecturer (forgive me, I don't remember his name) in one of my preaching classes. He told us to treat the preaching week to week like telephone poles along a highway. I don't know if you played this backseat road trip game like I did as a child — I would try to focus my eyes on the oncoming telephone pole as I sat bored in the back of the family minivan as my dad zoomed down the highway. I would focus intently on the pole tracking it with my eyes so that it remained clear in focus as it got closer and closer. As soon as the pole and our van crossed paths and the telephone sped past us, my eyes would immediately jump to the next pole in the line, and I would try to focus my eyes all over again.

This is how my guest lecturer encouraged us to view the preaching life. Each week, the Sunday service comes barreling towards me. Each week I give our time and effort and attention to crafting a sermon that lets the scriptures speak and leaves room for the Holy Spirit to move us all. With focus and attention and intention I seek to do my level best, but as soon as Sunday passes by I let the last service pass by in the rear view and turn my attention to the next week ready to give it full attention. I might bring lessons from the previous week to help me in the upcoming week, but I don't dwell on any failures and foibles because last week's sermon is in the rear view, and I have more work to do as the next Sunday is coming down the line. There's always another telephone pole zooming down the side of the highway.

So that's the good news — I don't have to do all the work of introduction now in this one newsletter entry, just like I don't have to do all the work of ministry in the next sermon, or the next adult ed. class, or the next liturgical season. I am here for the long game. I look forward to getting to know each and every one of you and sharing myself with you as well as we close out ordinary time and begin our preparations for the excitement and anticipation of Advent. In the week-in and week-out of the day-to-day and the Sunday-to-Sunday there's is plenty of space to do the work. It doesn't all happen all at once.

To that end — I want to get coffee, grab lunch, go out to dinner, go on a bike ride, etc. with YOU. I want to hear from each and every one of you and get to know you. This is my first goal as your new rector. I want to set up some time with each of you in the next 6 months to a year to hear a little about you and what makes you, you. I want to get to know the unique Imago Dei that exudes from each of you, and I want to hear your hopes and dreams for St. Philip's. Before this was my parish it has been yours, so I know each of you have your own particular perspectives that I greatly value.

So, I'll be reaching out. To wit — there's a lot of you and only one of me, which means it is going to take some time. If you don't like how long it is taking for me to get around to you, then give me a call, shoot me an email or grab me at church and let's set up a date. Because I am serious when I say as your rector, I want to know you.

Maybe the second-best advice I got in seminary came from one of my theology professors, Amy Laura Hall. Being a pastor's kid herself (from the Methodist tradition) she said her dad always told her that to actually have church you have to know how your pastor smells. And I believe the reverse is true as well. If I am going to be even halfway effective as your rector I need to know how my parishioners smell. Or maybe to put it more delicately, as C.S. Lewis writes in *The Four Loves*, "Friendship is unnecessary, like philosophy, like art.... It has no survival value; rather it is one of those things which give value to survival." That's what we find in the Church — those relationships, those companionships of divine origin, those experiences and fidelities that make up "those things which give value to survival."

We've got to be in each other's lives, if we are going to get on with this thing called Church — sharing all that God has for us, all that God is shaping us to be, all the fears and hopes and heartaches and hurts — the joys and the mysteries and the mirth along the way. So, reach out, let's grab coffee. If you don't first, then I will. Grace and peace.

## FROM DEACON CAROL



### A Great Cloud of Witnesses

On Wednesday Sept. 18, I was asked to substitute for Fr Jim at the 5:30pm service in the Chapel. One of the resources used for this service is a book titled *A Great Cloud of Witnesses*. This book lists Bible readings (OT, Psalm, NT and Gospel) for every day of the year. Each day a person (sometimes well-known sometimes obscure) is remembered along with a collect that focuses on a holy attribute or spiritual gift that person possessed and the designated readings then go on to expound on that.

The person designated for Sept. 18 was Dag Hammarskjold. Some of you may remember him. He died in a plane crash while serving as a peace negotiator in Africa in 1961. He was a remarkable person who, in 1953 at age 47, became the youngest person to serve as the Sec. General of the UN. President John F. Kennedy called him “one of the great peacemakers of our time.” He was also the first person to be awarded the Nobel Peace Prize posthumously.

Dag was the son of a former Swedish prime minister, and his family included people who had distinguished careers in law, banking, and as clergy. He himself studied linguistics, history, law, and economics. Dag is remembered for his belief in “preventative” diplomacy. He is remembered for his work toward the reconstruction of Europe post-WWII, the restructuring the UN to make it more efficient, developing the UN peacekeeping operations, and helping to avert numerous crises from China to the Middle East (most notably the Suez Canal). He was a skilled negotiator and was also known for his talents in art and poetry.

He was a remarkable person who lived a life of service to the world. We are still the beneficiaries of his positive impact today. I believe he had such a great impact due to his deep belief that in the Gospels it clearly points out that “all humans are equals as children of God.”

We are all called by God, through the scriptures, to be peacemakers – to break down the dividing walls between us – to foster forgiveness and reconciliation. However, we find this difficult to actually do because .... some people are difficult to deal with ... many people today are very angry, and they feel justified in their anger ... many people are just unkind and others, are just plain rude or for a multitude of other reasons. However, as disciples of Christ we are called to strive to “be perfect as your Father in Heaven is perfect.” We are called to manifest the love of God for all persons – our enemies as well as our friends. This has nothing to do with a reciprocal relationship. It is about loving with no thought of getting anything in return.

So – let’s keep Dag Hammarskjold in mind as we reflect on the Ministry of the Laity (BCP pg.855). It states you are called to “bear witness to Christ, wherever you may be, according to the gifts given you and to carry out Christ’s work of reconciliation in the world.”

Dag Hammarskjold certainly lived into his call as a Lay Minister of the Church. Please pray about how *you* are being called to work with God to foster peace in your families, our church, our community, our nation and the world. Dag is a reminder that we have a great cloud of witnesses cheering us on!

God’s Peace, Deacon Carol Peterson

## FROM OUR ORGANIST - CALEB



Over the past few months, my newsletter articles have explored the connections between the hymns and other music chosen for worship. While this is important, it raises the question of how these selections are made and why specific hymns are chosen. It's not just a matter of flipping through the hymnal and picking hymns that fit a narrative. The purpose of music in worship is not only to enhance the experience for the congregation but also to deepen understanding of the readings.

When I do my job effectively, each hymn is linked to a line of scripture or a thematic idea for that particular Sunday. The Hymnal 1982 is a rich collection with 720 hymns for congregational singing, each referencing scripture, a collect prayer, or a theme. Mastering this hymnal and knowing which hymn corresponds to which reading is quite a challenge. Fortunately, there are resources to assist music directors in this process. The music director edition of the hymnal includes a scriptural index that indicates which hymns align with specific readings. Additionally, there's a resource called *Liturgical Music for the Revised Common Lectionary* that offers suggestions for each Sunday across the three liturgical years. However, choosing hymns involves more than just consulting these tools; there's a specific "flow" to worship that can feel off if not executed properly, even if it's hard to pinpoint why.

For example, the opening hymn should welcome the congregation and set the mood for the day. It's typically the second piece of music heard and the first that captures attention. I often aim to connect the opening hymn to the collect, as it establishes the prayerful tone of worship. The subsequent pieces, such as the offertory hymn, should more directly relate to the scripture readings, sometimes being reflective or jubilant. These may not always be familiar favorites (I refer to them as "asparagus hymns" because they nourish us in a different way). The closing hymn should send us forth into the world to fulfill God's calling, reflecting on the readings and allowing us to process our church experience.

Selecting music is no small task. Each Sunday requires hours of planning. The music director must meditate on the readings and grasp their significance to choose hymns that truly enhance the worship experience.

If you have any questions about my process, please feel free to reach out!

## IN MEMORY



### **Nancy J Jennings - September 4, 1946 - September 5, 2024**

Nancy Jeanne Jennings, age 78 of Joplin, Missouri, passed peacefully on Thursday, September 5, 2024 at Carthage Health and Rehab. Nancy was born September 4, 1946 in Glendale, California to the late Albert and Bernice Stokes Sulzner.

Nancy graduated college and began a career of teaching art for the Diamond School District. She later became a Case Worker with the Division of Family Services where she retired after a long and enjoyable career.

Nancy was very active in the community, including involvement with the Heartland Opera and the Spiva Art Center. She was not just a talented artist, Nancy was a talented vocalist as well. She used her gifts with her church, St. Philip's Episcopal Church of Joplin and was a part of the St. Ann's Altar Guild.

Nancy is survived by her extended family and a special long-time friend, Ramona Shields and her husband, Hugh.

Other than her parents, Nancy is preceded in death by a sister, Chris Senter.

Burial of ashes will take place at a later date at St. Philip's Church of Joplin.

Cremation arrangements are under the direction of Parker Mortuary, Joplin, Missouri.

## **MIFF DIKEMAN - September 4, 1941 - September 12, 2024**



Merry "Miff" Dikeman, a cherished mother, grandmother, and esteemed community leader, passed away on September 12, 2024, in Joplin, MO. She was born on September 4, 1941.

Miff's early years in Santa Fe, New Mexico, laid the foundation for a life marked by service and leadership. Married on September 2, 1964, to Mason Dikeman, they came to Joplin in 1970; where she became a pillar of the community. Her strategic thinking and charismatic leadership left an indelible mark on Joplin's community.

Her contributions to the community included Membership Chairman of Joplin Little Theatre Board of Directors, President of the Joplin Historical Museum, Joplin Chamber of Commerce Leadership Joplin Committee, and Spiva Art Center Board. She was a long-time member of St. Philip's Episcopal Church, serving on St. Margaret's Guild and the Women of St. Philips. Miff was a past President of Chapter FI PEO Sisterhood. Under her guidance as the first woman to serve as General Chairman of the United Way Campaign; the organization achieved a historic fundraising milestone, surpassing the fundraising goal. As President of the Thomas Hart Benton Permanent Exhibit, she worked tirelessly to preserve and promote the legacy of the renowned artist, coordinating the display of his large scale mural depicting Joplin in 1900.

Along with her local community involvement, she was instrumental in the Missouri State Republican Party. In 1988, Miff was elected Missouri State Committee Woman to the Missouri Republican Party 32nd Senatorial District for Jasper, Newton, Dade, and Barton Counties. She organized a "Dole for President" Rally for Senator Bob Dole in Joplin.

She was Co-owner and Corporate President of Exclusively Her, Inc., a fine clothing store in Joplin. Later, Miff served as the station manager for KOZJ, Ozarks Public Television, where she championed quality programming and educational content. Retiring from corporate life; she trained to become a Licensed Nail Technician owning and operating a successful business and building a dedicated clientele.

Miff's legacy is carried on by her loving children. Survivors include a son, Glenn Dikeman; a daughter Kristina Ritter; son-in-law Todd Ritter; and grandchildren, Henry Dikeman, Etta Dikeman, Nick Ritter and Travis Ritter. She was preceded in death by her parents, Dr. John and Ruth Glenn; her devoted husband, Mason Dikeman; and her sister, Barbara Sue Walker.

Miff's life was a testament to her unwavering commitment to her family, her community, and the causes she held dear. Her leadership, generosity, and indomitable spirit will be profoundly missed by all who had the privilege of knowing her. Miff Dikeman's memory will continue to inspire future generations to live with purpose and to serve with passion.

**A Memorial Service will be held on Thursday, September 26th at 5:30 p.m. at St. Philip's Episcopal Church in Joplin, MO.** It will be officiated by Father Ted Estes. There will be a reception immediately following in the parish hall. In lieu of flowers, please send donations to St. Philip's Episcopal Church.

## 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.**

### FAST APPROACHING - THE FALL BAZAAR - **Saturday, November 9<sup>th</sup>**

St. Philip's Episcopal Church  
706 Byers Avenue; Joplin, MO 64801

**"St. Philip's Fall Bazaar"**

Date: November 9, 2024  
Time of Event: 9:00 am - 2:00 pm  
Lunch Served: 11 :00 am - 2:00 pm

**Event will include:**  
Delicious Bake Sale – 50/50 Cash Drawing  
Specialty Raffle Baskets  
Vendors with Outstanding Handmade Items  
Delightful Lunch

Soup & Chili Lunch (*Several Varieties*)  
Plus Tasty Desserts and Beverage  
(*Carry Out Available*)

Cost of Meal  
**\$7.00 Adults**  
**\$5.00 Children**  
(*Ten Years of Age or Younger*)  
**— No Cost for Veterans —**

### Please Come Join Us and Spread the Word on our 2024 Fall Annual Bazaar!

Sign-up sheets are posted in the Parish Hall. Please consider how you can help this annual event be a success. There are so many things to be done.

**There is something for everyone to do so please chip in and help:**

- Can you contribute a baked goodie to the bake sale?
- Can you contribute a basket to be raffled?
- Do you have a delicious soup or dessert you can add to the lunch menu?
- Can you help set up for the event?
- Can you help serve lunch?
- Can you help clean up?

Questions can be directed to the chairperson of each area:

- Luncheon - Gayle O'Hare
- Auction Baskets - Darlene Campbell
- Vendors - Keri Rae and Theresia Petty
- Bake Shop - Melissa Braun and Nancy Messick
- Luncheon Desserts - Phyllis Sapp and Rose Paul
- Youth Area - Michael Fick

### We Give Back!

A portion of every sale we make goes to the Heartland Canines for Veterans Society along with other charities that aim to help veterans and their families.

We also partner with Heartland Canines and other veterans and veteran programs to help in any way we can.

An added bonus this year - "**Cup of Joe**" will have his beverage truck out on the parking lot from 8:00-10:00 am on the day of the Bazaar. Check out the website – at <https://cupojoeoffeeco.com/> "a portion of every sale goes to VETERAN charity".



## BLANKET BRIGADE – 100 IS THE GOAL – WINTER WILL BE HERE SOON!

From Vicky Cleveland

Air conditioners have been running as temperatures near 90 so it can be difficult to remember that last winter was a very COLD winter, with below freezing temps and below 0 windchill temps. As everyone knows I have been collecting blankets well up to 10 years and will continue to do so. My goal has always been 50 blankets, but I would like to double that (or more) for this year. The blankets can be new, used, in need of minor repair, baby blankets up to king size comforters, anything is acceptable. Please make sure they are clean. If you have any questions, I can be reached through the church and my number is in the church directory.



## THANK YOU, FR. JIM



Fr. Jim Lile has graciously been leading our Wednesday evening Mass since Fr. Ted's departure in June. It has been a joy to have Fr. Jim, often accompanied by his lovely wife, Ann, with us once again. We deeply appreciate Fr. Jim's support and dedication during this interim period. We hope he and Ann enjoyed spending some time with us as much as we enjoyed having them.

## SIGN-UP SUNDAY – SEPTEMBER 8<sup>TH</sup>

The parish hall was filled with tables that had multiple areas to volunteer or express your interest to support St. Philip's. If there is something St. Philip's does or is engaged in that is of interest to you, let someone know!

**Your involvement is wanted and needed – and it doesn't have to be sign-up Sunday to let someone know you're interested.**



## WELCOME TO THOSE WHO ARE NEW!

On September 1<sup>st</sup>, new members and visitors were formally welcomed during the service. For those who were unable to be in church that Sunday, although you missed the formal acknowledgement, please know we are pleased you have joined us.

We are so glad to see many new faces and we hope you have found a comfortable place to worship and join our church community.



## ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI AND BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS – SUNDAY – OCTOBER 6<sup>TH</sup>



St. Francis & the Animals

This popular event continues this year. Please join us at 1PM in the courtyard or parish hall (depending on weather) 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 other 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 the actual attendance would be difficult for your furry, finned, or feathered friend.

## ANNUAL PUMPKIN PAINTING FESTIVAL – SUNDAY – OCTOBER 20<sup>TH</sup>

Plan to join us after the 10AM service for the annual pumpkin painting fest. Pumpkins and paint supplies will be provided or feel free to bring your own. (No carving please.) We can't wait to see what gets created during this fun time.



## ANNUAL BONFIRE AT THE O'HARES – SUNDAY – OCTOBER 20<sup>TH</sup>

Please join us from 5PM to 7PM at Phil and Gayle's for the much-loved annual bonfire. The O'Hares host this event to celebrate our acolytes and youth. Everyone is invited to join in the good fun and fellowship. There will be roasted hot dogs and marshmallows. Thank you, God, for blessing us with this couple who brings so much joy to their service of St. Philip's.



## ANNUAL COSTUME BLESSING – SUNDAY – OCTOBER 27<sup>TH</sup>

Kids are invited to wear their church/school appropriate costumes for blessing. Youth will go to Sunday School during the normal time and will join their parents during the Peace. Fr. Ryan will bless their costumes and pray for a safe celebration for everyone. This Sunday will remind us that Jesus has overcome everything which scares or threatens us



## FR. WILLIAM'S INSTALLATION SERVICE - OCTOBER 27<sup>TH</sup> 4PM

Please join us for induction of The Rev. Fr. Ryan Williams as our new rector on Sunday, October 27<sup>th</sup> at 4PM. This is a very exciting day for Fr. Ryan and his family – please come help make this joyous day very special. Bishop Diane will be the chief celebrant. Dinner will be served following the service.

**ALL SAINTS DAY IS NOVEMBER 3<sup>RD</sup> – NECROLOGY FORMS DUE BY OCTOBER 30<sup>TH</sup>**

**All Saints' Day**

All Saints' Day commemorates all saints, known and unknown, on November 1<sup>st</sup>. This day is one of the seven principal feasts of the church year, and one of the four days recommended for the administration of baptism. All Saints' Day may also be celebrated on the Sunday after November 1. **FILL OUT THE FORM BELOW**

Traditionally, All Saints' Day expresses the intercommunion of the living and the dead in the Body of Christ.

**All Saints Remembered**

**It is 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, October 30<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 p.m.**

**If you wish to have your loved one's name printed and mentioned in our service on November 3, 2024 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).**

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## ABOUT OUR YOUTH

### **SUNDAY SCHOOL HAS STARTED AGAIN!**

Submitted by Rebecca DePriest

We are so excited to begin a new year of Sunday School for our youth!  
Sunday School takes place during the ten o'clock service.

For our youngest members, Rebecca Fick is teaching a preschool/kindergarten class in the nursery. First through fifth grade kids are meeting in a classroom upstairs. Both classes for our younger kids start at ten o'clock.

Older children will attend church through the Gospel reading and then meet in the Parish Hall for a discussion-based class. All children will return to church at the passing of the peace.

Church school curriculum follows the Episcopal church calendar and aligns with the weekly readings.

We would love a few more teachers this year! All curriculum materials are provided. Teachers work in teams. Reach out to Calvin Cassady or Rebecca DePriest if you are interested.







**Check for additional details throughout this newsletter, and make special note of these upcoming events!**

- **Saturday October 5<sup>th</sup> – 9AM – noon** – Garden and Grounds Work Morning
- **Sunday, October 6<sup>th</sup>** – Fr. Ryan’s first ‘official’ Sunday.
- **Sunday, October 6<sup>th</sup> - 1PM** – Blessing of the pets in the courtyard or parish hall (depending on weather).
- **Saturday, October 12<sup>th</sup> - 9:30 AM** - St. Ann’s meeting – come join and learn about this group and their ministry.
- **Saturday, October 12<sup>th</sup> - 10:30 AM** - WOSP meeting – come join and learn about this group. Planning for the Fall Bazaar continues.
- **Saturday, October 12<sup>th</sup> – 10 – 2** – Maker’s Market
- **Sunday, October 20<sup>th</sup>** – after service – kids paint pumpkins
- **Sunday, October 20<sup>th</sup> – 5PM-7PM** – Annual bonfire at the O’Hares
- **Thursday, October 24<sup>th</sup> – 6PM**– serving at Watered Gardens
- **Sunday, October 27<sup>th</sup>** – Kids’ Halloween costumes will be blessed
- **Sunday, October 27<sup>th</sup> – 4PM** – Fr. Ryan’s Installation Service followed by dinner in the Parish Hall
- **Sunday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>** – All Saint’s Day

# CELEBRATIONS!

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<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Altar Flowers</b></p> <p><b>October 6th</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The high altar flowers are given to the glory of God by Jacquie McConnell in thanksgiving for the joy and companionship our pets bring to our daily lives.</li> </ul> <p><b>October 13<sup>th</sup></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The high altar flowers are given to the glory of God by Brady and Ryland Dermott for Dr. Steve's birthday and by Andy and Darlene Campbell in celebration of their 55<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.</li> <li>The children's altar flowers are given to the glory of God by Gay Currence in thanksgiving for Kasey's birthday.</li> </ul> <p><b>October 20<sup>th</sup></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The high altar flowers are given to the glory of God by Ann Turney in memory of her mother, Elizabeth Kunkle.</li> </ul> <p><b>October 27<sup>th</sup></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The high altar flowers are given to the glory of God by Jon Dermott in memory of Courtney.</li> <li>The children's altar flowers are given to the glory of God by Lyter and Tom Isenmann in memory of Lyter's mom, Courtney Dermott.</li> </ul>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Flower Dedications</b></p> <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p>																								



**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, John Perriman, Zach Sutton

**Pray for Joe, our President; Mike, our Governor; Keenan, 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) \*\*\***

Zeke Ambrosius, Mike Baker, George Butler, Jim Collins, Bob David, Micheal Fick, Jeff Green, Bethanie Knoll, Theresa Lake, Matthew Law, Samantha Lawson, Phil Metz, Marsha Patterson, Billy Robertson, Linda Salzer, Kerry Webster, Andrea White, Esther Williams, Brian, Clara, Helen, Jim, Peyton, Susan, Ziden

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


**Pray for those who are traveling**

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





# OCTOBER 2024

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
SEPT 29	SEPT 30	1	2	3	4	5
<b>Proper 21</b> <b>9AM</b> Adult SS Get to know Fr. Ryan  <b>10:00AM HE – Rite II</b> Supply Priest - Fr. Ryan Williams			<b>5:30PM</b> HE w/unction  <b>6:30PM</b> Choir practice			<b>9AM – NOON</b> Garden and Grounds
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
<b>Proper 22</b> <b>9AM</b> Adult SS  <b>10:00AM HE – Rite II</b> Fr. ... Williams 1 <sup>st</sup> official Sunday  <b>1PM</b> Blessing of the Pets			<b>5:30PM</b> HE w/unction  <b>6:30PM</b> Choir practice			<b>9:30AM</b> St. Ann's meeting  <b>10AM – 2PM</b> Maker's Market  <b>10:30AM</b> WOSP meeting
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
<b>Proper 23</b> <b>9AM</b> Adult SS  <b>10:00AM HE – Rite II</b>			<b>5:30PM</b> HE w/unction  <b>6:30PM</b> Choir practice Newsletter Deadline			
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
<b>Proper 24</b> <b>9AM</b> Adult SS  <b>10AM HE – Rite II</b> <b>After Services</b> Pumpkin Decorating Party <b>5PM – 7PM</b> Bonfire at the O'Hares	<b>6PM</b> Vestry		<b>5:30PM</b> HE w/unction  <b>6:30PM</b> Choir practice	<b>6PM</b> Serving Dinner at Watered Gardens		
27	28	29	30	31	NOV 1	NOV 2
<b>Proper 25</b> <b>9AM</b> Adult SS  <b>10AM HE – Rite II</b> Blessing of Costumes  <b>4PM</b> Induction of Fr. Williams Dinner following service			<b>5:30PM</b> HE w/unction  <b>6:30PM</b> Choir practice			

## 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 29 Proper 21	October 6 Proper 22	October 13 Proper 23	October 20 Proper 24	October 27 Proper 25
<b>Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, Camera Streamers – GAYLE TUCK, Coordinator</b>				
10AM – George Webster EM – Alex Curchin  Camera – Karen Ames	10AM – Tammy Macy EM – Michael DeGuerre EV -O’Hares  Camera – Mark Kiger	10AM – Blake Webster EM – Sharrock Dermott  Camera – John Messick	10AM – Nancy Messick EM – Judy Turner EV – Gayle Tuck and Tammy Macy  Camera – Karen Ames	10AM – Mark Kiger EM – Gayle Tuck  Camera –John Messick  4PM – Installation Service Lector – Pam Volkl EM – Judy Turer  Camera - TBD
<b>Wednesday Service – 5:30PM HE/with unction</b>				
Wed, Oct. 2 HE/unction Jane Hoover	Wed, Oct. 9 HE/unction Harvey Hutchinson	Wed, Oct. 16 HE/unction Judy Turner	Wed, Oct 23 HE/unction Jane Hoover	Wed, Oct. 30 HE/unction Harvey Hutchinson
<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.				
Leigh Fogge Lyter Isenmann	Sandy Blackford Jacquie McConnell	Judy Turner Ramona Shields	Theresa Petty Kaie Stephenson	Gail Campbell Gayle Tuck
<b>Acolytes – Rebecca Fick, Coordinator</b>				
<b>Crucifer –</b> George Webster <b>1<sup>st</sup> Server –</b> Gaddie Stephenson <b>2<sup>nd</sup> Server –</b> Ben Webster <b>Gospel Book –</b> Walt Webster	<b>Crucifer –</b> Bodhi Webster <b>1<sup>st</sup> Server –</b> Landry Schwab <b>2<sup>nd</sup> Server –</b> Braxton Schwab <b>Gospel Book –</b> Beck Webster	<b>Crucifer –</b> Louisa Curchin <b>1<sup>st</sup> Server –</b> Gaddie Stephenson <b>2<sup>nd</sup> Server –</b> Alex Curchin <b>Gospel Book –</b> Branch Stephenson	<b>Crucifer –</b> Brenner Kumbier <b>1<sup>st</sup> Server –</b> Bodhi Webster <b>2<sup>nd</sup> Server –</b> Grey Kumbier <b>Gospel Book –</b> Beck Webster	<b>Crucifer –</b> Michael Fick <b>1<sup>st</sup> Server –</b> George Webster <b>2<sup>nd</sup> Server –</b> Ben Webster <b>Gospel Book –</b> Walt Webster
<b>Altar Crew – Gail Campbell/Gayle O’Hare, Co-Directress</b>				
Cindy Curchin Judy Turner Carol Wiggans  Wed, Oct 2 Jacquie McConnell	Marilyn Johnston Gail Campbell Maria Dermott  Wed, Oct. 9 Jacquie McConnell	Lyter Isenmann Rose Paul Melissa Braun  Wed, Oct. 16 Jacquie McConnell	Marilyn Johnston Meredith Murray Nancy Messick  Wed, Oct 23 Jacquie McConnell	Stacy Turney Ann Turney Gayle O’Hare  Wed, Oct. 30 Jacquie McConnell
<b>Ushers – Andrew Campbell, Coordinator</b>				
Phil O’Hare Sander Curchin	Andy Campbell Wayne Stephenson Bo Hutchinson	Melissa & Bill Braun	Phil O’Hare Sander Curchin	Blake Webster Andy Cambell

# FINANCIALS

## STEWARDSHIP - ST. PHILIP'S FINANCIAL INFORMATION

August 2024

Line #		August	YTD
<b>ORDINARY INCOME</b>			
1	From Regular Support for Operations.....	\$ 16,450	\$ 160,847
2	Interest from Operating account.....	\$ 2	\$ 16
3	From Investments Used for Operations.....	\$	\$
4	Transfer from Endowment.....	\$ -	\$ -
5	Total Ordinary Income (add lines 1,2,3,4.....)	\$ 16,451	\$ 160,913
<b>ORDINARY EXPENSES</b>			
6	From Regular Monthly activities.....	\$ 18,329	\$ 174,642
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] ..	\$ (1,878)	\$ (13,729)



# LET'S STAY CONNECTED

## St. Philip's Website - [www.stphilipsjoplin.com](http://www.stphilipsjoplin.com)

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.



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



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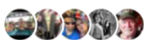
The church presence on Facebook. All Facebook users are encouraged to "like" the page if you haven't already done so. Daily prayers, links to live streamed services and news from around the Episcopal Church, The Diocese of West Missouri and elsewhere.

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

Monday, August 19, 2024 6PM

**Vestry Attendees:** Kaie Stephenson, Judy Turner, Calvin Cassady, Andy Campbell, Chris Smiley

**Via Phone:** Tammy Macy

**Absent:** Maria Dermott

**Others Present:** Dcn Carol Peterson, Jacquie McConnell, Rex Hunt, Kim Siers

**Invocation:** Calvin Cassady led the invocation

**Agenda:** Calvin Cassady moved to adopt the agenda, Judy Turner seconded. All in favor, no abstentions.

**Last Month's Vestry Minutes:** Chris Smiley moved to accept last month's vestry minutes, Kaie Stephenson seconded. All in favor, no abstentions.

**Treasurer's Report:** July 2024 Notes & Changes Greater Than \$1,000

### Balance Sheet:

1. Account #1110 SMB Checking Account up \$9,361.03 from June.
2. Stifel statements have not been received as of August 18, 2024.

### Income Statement:

1. Account #4110 Pledge Payments up \$4,385.
2. Account #4115 Unpledged Donations up \$7,385, mainly due to one donation.
3. Account #4155 Other Income down \$9,710. Pledge payment in June created the \$9,710.
4. Account #6450 Rector Pension down \$2,445.
5. Account #6510 Lay Employee Wages up \$4,461.79. Monthly employees were not paid in June and were paid twice in July. Biweekly employees were paid three times.
6. Stifel statements have not been received as of August 18, 2024.

Judy moved to receive the treasurer's report, Calvin Cassady seconded. All in favor, no abstentions.

**Calendar:** Chris Smiley moved to adopt the calendar with additions, Andy Campbell seconded. All in favor, no abstentions.

- Sept 3<sup>rd</sup> – Kim on vacation office closed
- Sept 8<sup>th</sup> – after service – Sign Up Sunday
- Sept 11<sup>th</sup> – 6PM – Dinner and Bingo resumes
- Sept 15<sup>th</sup> – after service – Vestry Meeting – Chris Smiley moved to move the vestry meeting from Sept 16<sup>th</sup> to Sept 15<sup>th</sup>, Calvin Cassady seconded. All in favor, no abstentions.
- Sept 22<sup>nd</sup> – Noon – EM/EV Training

**Jr Warden Report:** Andy has received 3 bids to fix 2 air conditioning units that aren't working. Ross \$8436, A1 \$6728 and Cochran \$7357. Discussion of the bids. Calvin Cassady moved to accept the bid from Cochran for \$7357, Chris Smiley seconded. All in favor, no abstentions. Andy will contact Cochran to accept the bid.

Talked about fixing 3 light fixtures in church. Andy has one bid from Corky's Electric and will get 2 more bids.

Bell Tower: Andy has received one bid from MRC, is waiting on a bid from Superior and will get one more bid.

**Sr Warden Report:** LOA was accepted by Fr Ryan. His installation will be held October 27<sup>th</sup> at 4PM. Will last approximately 1 and half hours followed by dinner or heavy hors d'oeuvres. Information will be posted in the media and social media and by the Diocese.

Talked about a new computer for office as it is out of date and can no longer be updated. Kaie Stephenson motioned that a new computer be purchased for the office valued at up to \$2000, Chris Smiley seconded. All in favor, no abstentions.

**Deacon's Report:** Talked about covering for the ground cover for the playground. Talking about installing sod. Have one bid and will be getting another.

Dcn. Carol has an opportunity to conduct an evening service at Souls Harbor on Monday, August 26<sup>th</sup> from 6-7PM.

RAISE garden is growing good. RAISE will be having a volunteer appreciation event at College Heights Christian Church on Thursday, September 5<sup>th</sup> at 5:30PM.

**New Business:** Substitute organist pay – Discussed and decided that they would be paid \$100 per service and an additional \$25 if they practice with the choir.

Caleb contract/LOA – Judy, Jacquie and Kaie will get together to get together a plan to present at the next vestry meeting.

**Action Items:**

- Jacquie will write up info for a press release announcing Fr Ryan as our new Rector and for his Installation.
- Jacquie will write up a blurb to put on Social Media.
- Kaie will get with Gail Campbell and Gayle O'Hare to discuss the Installation and St. Ann's.
- Kaie will get with Gail Campbell and Pam Volkl about food for the installation.
- Kaie, Jacquie and Judy will get together to put together a LOA for Caleb.
- Andy will let Cochran know that we have accepted their bid for 2 new air conditioning units.

Respectfully Submitted  
Kim Siers  
Parish Secretary

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**Rector – Fr. Ryan Williams**

**Deacon – Carol Peterson**

**Parish Secretary – Kim Siers**

**Newsletter Editor - Jacquie McConnell**

**Vestry Members:**

Sr. Warden – Kaie Stephenson

Jr. Warden – Andy Campbell

Maria Dermott, Judy Turner, Calvin Cassady, Chris Smiley, Tammy Macy

**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 Sunday School 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.