

St. Philip Lutheran Church
Ordinary Time
October 18, 2020 8:30 and 10:30 a.m.

+ GATHERING +

PRELUDE: *“Contemplation”*

[Virginia P. Figh]

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

Amen.

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Most merciful God,

we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.

Amen.

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

MUSIC MEDITATION: *“Shall We Gather at the River”*

[Robert Lowry; arr. Arthur Ghere]

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

God who answers prayer, we are blessed and humbled that you hear us when we call to you in our time of deepest longing. Receive our gratitude for your listening ear. In the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.

Amen.

+ **WORD** +

LESSON: 1 Samuel 1:9-11, 19-20; 2:1-10

A reading from First Samuel.

Chapter 1

⁹After they had eaten and drunk at Shiloh, Hannah rose and presented herself before the LORD. Now Eli the priest was sitting on the seat beside the doorpost of the temple of the LORD. ¹⁰She was deeply distressed and prayed to the LORD and wept bitterly. ¹¹She made this vow: "O LORD of hosts, if only you will look on the misery of your servant, and remember me, and not forget your servant, but will give to your servant a male child, then I will set him before you as a nazirite until the day of his death. He shall drink neither wine nor intoxicants, and no razor shall touch his head." ¹⁹They rose early in the morning and worshiped before the LORD; then they went back to their house at Ramah. Elkanah knew his wife Hannah, and the LORD remembered her. ²⁰In due time Hannah conceived and bore a son. She named him Samuel, for she said, "I have asked him of the LORD."

Chapter 2

¹Hannah prayed and said, "My heart exults in the LORD; my strength is exalted in my God. My mouth derides my enemies, because I rejoice in my victory. ²There is no Holy One like the LORD, no one besides you; there is no Rock like our God. ³Talk no more so very proudly, let not arrogance come from your mouth; for the LORD is a God of knowledge, and by his actions are weighed. ⁴The bows of the mighty are broken, but the feeble gird on strength. ⁵Those who were full have hired themselves out for bread, but those who were hungry are fat with spoil. The barren has borne seven, but she who has many children is forlorn. ⁶The LORD kills and brings to life; he brings down to Sheol and

raises up. ⁷The LORD makes poor and makes rich; he brings low, he also exalts. ⁸He raises up the poor from the dust; he lifts the needy from the ash heap, to make them sit with princes and inherit a seat of honor. For the pillars of the earth are the LORD's, and on them he has set the world. ⁹He will guard the feet of his faithful ones, but the wicked shall be cut off in darkness; for not by might does one prevail. ¹⁰The LORD! His adversaries shall be shattered; the Most High will thunder in heaven. The LORD will judge the ends of the earth; he will give strength to his king and exalt the power of his anointed."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

We stand.

GOSPEL READING: Luke 1:46-55

The Holy Gospel according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

⁴⁶And Mary said, "My soul magnifies the Lord, ⁴⁷and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior, ⁴⁸for he has looked with favor on the lowliness of his servant. Surely, from now on all generations will call me blessed; ⁴⁹for the Mighty One has done great things for me, and holy is his name. ⁵⁰His mercy is for those who fear him from generation to generation. ⁵¹He has shown strength with his arm; he has scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts. ⁵²He has brought down the powerful from their thrones and lifted up the lowly; ⁵³he has filled the hungry with good things and sent the rich away empty. ⁵⁴He has helped his servant Israel, in remembrance of his mercy, ⁵⁵according to the promise he made to our ancestors, to Abraham and to his descendants forever."

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

We sit.

SERMON

OFFERING

Just as you excel in everything - in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in complete earnestness and in your love for us - see that you also excel in this grace of giving.

- 2 Corinthians 8:7

An offering is gathered for the mission of the church, including the care of those in need. Offerings may be placed in the basket at the rear of the sanctuary. If you would like to provide an offering for the mission of the church, please go to www.stphiliplutheranchurchmb.com and click "Give to St. Philip."

OFFERTORY MUSIC: “*Thy Word*”
(8:30) – *Piano meditation*
(10:30) – *Odella Madeja and Barb Poloni, duet*

[Michael W. Smith]

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray. God of all creation, all you have made is good, and your love endures forever. You bring forth bread from the earth and fruit from the vine. Nourish us with these gifts, that we might be for the world signs of your gracious presence in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

With confidence in God’s grace and mercy, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need.

A brief silence.

Gracious God, you call us by name and invite us to share your good news. Send your Holy Spirit among preachers, missionaries, and evangelists. We give thanks for the witness of your servant Luke, the evangelist, whom the church commemorates today. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

God of praise, the heavens and all creation declare your salvation. From the rising of the sun to its setting, may the whole universe show forth your goodness. Raise up devoted stewards of all that you have made. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

God of all, may your word of justice sound forth in every place. Restore divided nations and communities with reconciling truth. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

God of light, we pray for those living with pain, illness, isolation, grief, anger, or doubt. Join their voices in a new song, assuring them that you call them each by name. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

God of truth, you show no partiality. May your spirit guide the work of justices, magistrates, court officials, and all vocations of the law, that your promise of restoration may be known. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Living God, as you raised Jesus from the dead, so raise up those who have died in you. We give thanks for their witness, confident of your rescuing welcome for all. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Listen as we call on you, O God, and enfold in your loving arms all for whom we pray, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

LORD’S PRAYER

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

Our Father, who art in heaven,

hallowed be thy name,

thy kingdom come,

thy will be done,

on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread;

and forgive us our trespasses,

as we forgive those

who trespass against us;

and lead us not into temptation,

but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom,

and the power, and the glory,

forever and ever. Amen.

BLESSING

Almighty God, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

Amen.

MUSIC MEDITATION: *“God of Grace and God of Glory”*

[John Hughes; arr. Arthur Ghere]

DISMISSAL

Go in peace, serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE: *“Chant Héroïque”*

[George Blake]

CHURCH NEWS:

Our sympathy to the Holshouser family, including June Holshouser and Jim & Malinda Eubanks, on the recent passing of John Holshouser's sister, Ruth Holshouser Beaver. Please remember their family in your prayers.

Altar flowers for this Sunday, October 18, are given by Dave and Sharon Ramsey in honor of Gabby's birthday. **A reminder, if you have signed up to sponsor altar flowers for any of the remaining Sundays this year, please make sure you take your flowers home with you **after** the 10:30 a.m. worship service. If you cannot take them with you on Sunday, you are most welcome to come to the church the following day (Monday) before 3:00 to get your flowers.*

Communion will be offered next Sunday, October 25 (Reformation Sunday) at both worship services. We will offer drive-thru communion that morning after the 10:30 service until 12:15 p.m.

Celebrations: We wish a very *Happy Birthday* to John Sosebee, October 22; and Caroline Collins, October 23. And a very *Happy Anniversary* to Rob and Sarah Prinzi, October 20; and to David and Lottie Witmer, October 21.

Beer & Hymns: Our friends at Beer & Hymns are going to host a live stream of some favorite hymns this Sunday, October 18 at 4:00 p.m. You can join in to sing along with hymns such as *Be Thou My Vision, How Great Thou Art, Great is Thy Faithfulness*, and more! Of course, you can enjoy your beverage of choice from wherever you are. Here is the link to Beer & Hymn's Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/beerandhymnsMB>

All Saints Day: If you have lost a friend or loved one since All Saints Day 2019, please make sure you email or call the Church Office **before Wednesday, October 28** to let us know so we can add the names to the list. There will not be a sign-up sheet this year, so you must email or call the Church Office with your information. All Saints Day is on Sunday, November 1.

St. Philip October Meal for the Homeless: On Saturday, October 31, St. Philip is feeding our homeless brothers and sisters. While we normally invite everyone to come, bring food, and serve, this weekend we need to do things a little differently. If you're able, bring one of the below menu items to the church during one of these times the week of our meal: Monday through Thursday between 9:00 and 2:00, or Saturday morning between 8:00 and 10:00 a.m. We expect to hand out 75 meals, so we will need lots of support! Here is the link to sign-up: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/904054da9a923a1ff2-stphilip2>

Prayers are requested:

For those in the hospital.

For those who endure the effects of disasters throughout the world.

For church members: *Karen McIlrath, Hans Duerr, Rachel Angstadt, Larry Houck, Don Letourneau, Marty Poloni, Will Dettmering, June Holshouser.* For our home-bound members: *Betty Herring, Arthur Stanley, Don Williams, Barbara Stemler, and Beth Letts.* For our members far away: *Maxine Robinson* (Lexington, KY), *Nancy Rank* (Port Orange, Florida), *Dot Spires* (Lexington, SC), *Carol Michaels* (Camden, SC).

For Our Community and Nation: Pray for our President, our Vice-president, our Government, and our local and state officials. Pray for all our United States service men and women. Pray for all victims of war and violence in our nation.

For family and/or friends of members (requested by):

Sister Maria Stella; Ann Schley (Skip Barth)

Lora Dugard (Audrey McVean)

Dale Giambattista; Henry Carlson (Millie Wolf)

Dave Merrick; Rob McCulloch; Chuck Duran, Pierson Thames, Elaine Dawes (Marty & Barb Poloni)

Shelby, Rich, & Sacora; Bruce Johnson; Phyllis Johnson (Tom & Roz Hanlon)

Alicia Longley (Susan McClelland)

Paula Baxter; Grace Nappi; Chuck Higgins; Richard Giampetro; Lucy Elder; Dr. Gary Givagnoli (Joe Baxter)

Steve Wiker; Susie Cloninger (Pastor Jason & Dana Lee)

Ginger Williams; Jackie Freeman; John Chamblin; Billy & Phyllis Milburth (Ralph & Patsy Moose)

Marcio; Bel & John (Bel Bahia)

Connie MacDougall (Bob & Betti Taggart)

Donna Morris (Jessica Lowe)

Grant Dettmering; Kathleen Snyder; Kim Barks (Will Dettmering)

Janel Shriver; Charlie Lafferty (Jim & Connie Lafferty)

Emmett Tydings and the Tydings family (Jackie Orcutt)

Lorene Lynn (Adam & Ashley Chamberlain)

Gloria Bulmer (Randal Wallace)

Judy Rauch (Carol Washington)

Kathy McDonough (Sherri Crawford)

Sara; Lindsey; Mark & Alesa (Alesa Pelote)

Lynne Supernaugh (Carol Renne and Joan DiLorenzo)

Bob Morgan (Chuck & Donna Krohn)

Parker (Inara Keelin)

Carmel Wright (Walter Wright, Jr.)

Tracey, Ryan, and Tanner Ambrosino (Marilyn Brugler)

Jean Jordan (Linda Hendricks)

Serving this morning:

Pastor: The Rev. Jason Lee
Director of Music & Organist: Arthur Ghere
Ushers: (8:30) Don and Bonnie Letourneau
(10:30) Dave and Sharon Ramsey

St. Philip's Directory of Ministry:

Ministers: The People of Saint Philip
Pastor: The Rev. Jason Lee
Parish Administrator: Linda Hendricks
Director of Music & Organist: Arthur Ghere
Sexton: Haddie Richardson
Nursery Assistant: Roz Hanlon
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