



## ST. PHILIP LUTHERAN CHURCH

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## NEWSLETTER for February 2023



*Dear friends, since God so loved us, we also ought to love one another. No one has ever seen God; but if we love one another, God lives in us and his love is made complete in us. This is how we know that we live in him and he in us: He has given us of his Spirit. And we have seen and testify that the Father has sent his Son to be the Savior of the world. If anyone acknowledges that Jesus is the Son of God, God lives in them and they in God. And so we know and rely on the love God has for us. God is love. Whoever lives in love lives in God, and God in them.*

- 1 John 4:11-16

# St. Philip Lutheran Church

## **Our Staff:**

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Kerri Smith, 2s  
Kimberly Davis, 2s  
Jennifer Deitzer, 3s  
Kime Slaughter, 4s  
Rachel Ryan, Teachers Aid  
Betsy Gaynor, Substitute Teacher

## **Worship Times:**

In-Person Worship Schedule:  
Sundays, 8:30 and 10:30 a.m.  
LIVE-stream Worship:  
Sundays, 10:30 a.m. on Facebook

## **Contact Information:**

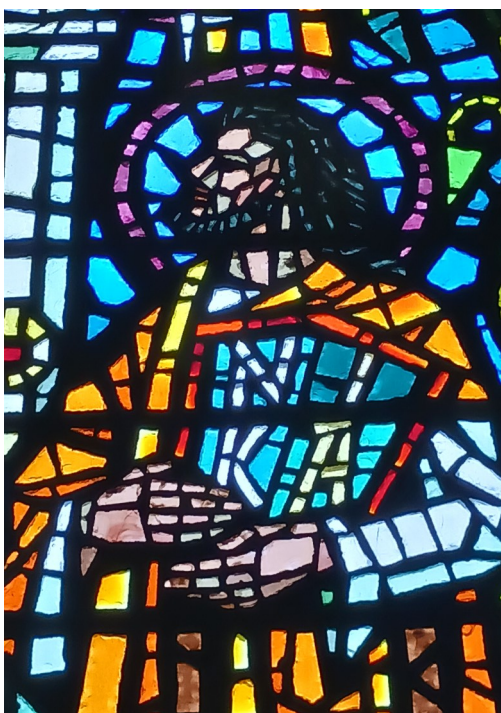
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## **St. Philip Preschool:**

Hours: 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Monday thru Friday  
\*Before Care, 8:00 a.m. Lunch Bunch, 12:00 - 2:00 p.m.  
Phone: 843-449-4322  
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## **Our Church Council:**

Dave Witmer, President; Susan McClelland, Vice-President; Lauren Zuschlag, Secretary;  
Linda Albert, Treasurer; Jackie Orcutt, Jim Seidel, Glenn Stef, Ronda Anderson, and Shauna Shea.



***Welcome to St. Philip  
Lutheran Church!***

## **OUR MISSION**

St. Philip exists to welcome all people into its fellowship; to teach all people the good news of Jesus Christ; to encourage all people to remain faithful disciples; to serve all people following the example of our Lord Jesus Christ.



## St. Philip Lutheran Church, February 22

**Services at 12:15 & 6:30 p.m.**

### **Imposition of Ashes & Communion**

*As a father has compassion on his children, so the LORD has compassion on those who fear him; for he knows how we are formed, he remembers that we are dust.*



### **St. Philip Lutheran Church**

Time Period: January-December, 2022	Church General Fund	Preschool	Benevolence	Combined Total
General Fund Offerings, (Regular, Tithe.ly, On-line)	247,711			247,711
Qualified Charitable Distributions given for General Fund	39,596			39,596
Other Receipts, January-December 2022	3,719	97,701	16,839	118,259
Total Church Operating Income, Preschool, & Benevolence	291,026	97,701	16,839	405,566
Expenses & Disbursements, January-December 2022 (Actual)	285,594	85,225	15,029	385,848
Net Operating Income or (Loss)	5,432	12,476	1,810	19,717
Preschool Grant for Kid's Gardening		500		
DSS Grants for Preschool		58,650		
Net Income		71,626		

\*Average Sunday Offerings per Sunday, Jan-Dec 2022 (52 Sundays)  
(This weekly average includes Offerings & QCD gifts.)

5,525

Average Sunday Offerings per Sunday, Jan.-Dec. 2021 (52 Sundays)

4,663

\*Average offerings do not include Benevolence.

Respectfully submitted,  
Linda Albert, Treasurer

### Benevolence Gifts Received in January and February 2022

Description	Helping Hand	Help 4 Kids	Lutheran World Relief	Meals on Wheels	Homeless Ministry	Other	Total Received
Benevolence Offering	207.12	207.12	207.12	207.12			828.48
Souper Bowl of Caring	2,383.40						2,383.40
Designated Gifts	10.00	25.00	20.00	20.00	45.00		120.00
<b>Total Gifts</b>	<b>2,600.52</b>	<b>232.12</b>	<b>227.12</b>	<b>227.12</b>	<b>45.00</b>		<b>3,331.88</b>

### Benevolence Gifts Received in March and April 2022

Description	Helping Hand	Help 4 Kids	Lutheran World Relief	Meals on Wheels	Homeless Ministry	Lutheran Disaster Response Ukraine	Total Received
Benevolence Offering	216.25	216.25	216.25	216.25			865.00
Designated Gifts	230.00	30.00	45.00	30.00	110.00	705.00	1,150.00
<b>Total Gifts</b>	<b>446.25</b>	<b>246.25</b>	<b>261.25</b>	<b>246.25</b>	<b>110.00</b>	<b>705.00</b>	<b>2,015.00</b>

### Benevolence Gifts Received in May and June 2022

Description	Helping Hand	Help 4 Kids	Lutheran World Relief	Meals on Wheels	Homeless Ministry	Other	Total Received
Benevolence Offering	198.75	198.75	198.75	198.75			795.00
Designated Gifts	255.00	462.70	520.00	20.00	150.00		1,407.70
<b>Total Gifts</b>	<b>453.75</b>	<b>661.45</b>	<b>718.75</b>	<b>218.75</b>	<b>150.00</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2,202.70</b>

### Benevolence Gifts Received in July and August 2022

Description	Helping Hand	Help 4 Kids	Lutheran World Relief	Meals on Wheels	Homeless Ministry	Christmas in July*	Total Received
Benevolence Offering	235.00	235.00	235.00	235.00			940.00
Designated Gifts	320.00	40.00	20.00	20.00	199.39	3,825.00	4,424.39
<b>Total Gifts</b>	<b>555.00</b>	<b>275.00</b>	<b>255.00</b>	<b>255.00</b>	<b>199.39</b>	<b>3,825.00</b>	<b>5,364.39</b>

\* Center, Churches Assisting People, Lutheran Services Carolinas--Horry County Foster Care.

Each received a check for \$1,275

### Benevolence Gifts Received in September and October 2022

Description	Helping Hand	Help 4 Kids	Lutheran World Relief	Meals on Wheels	Homeless Ministry	Tanzania	Total Received
Benevolence Offering	407.62	407.62	407.62	407.62			1,630.49
Designated Gifts	220.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	120.00	85.00	485.00
<b>Total Gifts</b>	<b>627.62</b>	<b>427.62</b>	<b>427.62</b>	<b>427.62</b>	<b>120.00</b>	<b>85.00</b>	<b>2,115.49</b>

### Benevolence Gifts Received in November and December 2022

Description	Helping Hand	Help 4 Kids	Lutheran World Relief	Meals on Wheels	Homeless Ministry	Tanzania	Total Received
Benevolence Offering	205.00	205.00	205.00	205.00			820.00
Designated Gifts	345.00	130.00	60.00	30.00	85.00	339.05	989.05
<b>Total Gifts</b>	<b>550.00</b>	<b>335.00</b>	<b>265.00</b>	<b>235.00</b>	<b>85.00</b>	<b>339.05</b>	<b>1,809.05</b>

**Totals Year to Date: 5,233.14 2,177.44 2,154.74 1,609.74 709.39 4,954.05 \$ 16,838.51**

## **REGULAR MEETING OF THE CHURCH COUNCIL**

January 10, 2023 Meeting Minutes

The Regular Meeting of the St. Philip Lutheran Church Council was held on Tuesday, January 10, 2023, via combination in-person and Zoom meeting.

### **Call to Order- Council Meeting**

The Meeting was called to order at 6:03 p.m. by Council President, Dave Witmer. A quorum was present to conduct business.

### **Council Members present:**

Pastor Jason Lee, Dave Witmer, Linda Albert, Ronda Anderson, Susan McClelland, Jackie Orcutt, Shauna Shea, Jim Seidel, Glenn Stef, Lauren Zuschlag

### **Opening Devotions:**

We viewed the South Carolina Synod video "I Love to Tell the Story" and discussed parallels to our congregation's ministries.

### **Approval of Minutes:**

A motion was made by Glenn Stef and seconded by Jim Seidel to approve the Council Minutes dated December 2022. Motion passed unanimously.

### **Finance Reports:**

The Reports were presented by Linda Albert for information purposes only and were accepted as presented. Linda Albert made a motion that was seconded by Dave Witmer that council add the necessary funds to our present budget (which was adopted by the congregation) to enable us to participate in Positive Pay at First Citizens bank. This is an extra layer of protection to prevent fraud. Motion passed unanimously.

### **Committee Reports:**

Mission and Outreach Committee Minutes dated December 13, 2022

Fellowship Committee Minutes dated January 9, 2023

### **Staff Reports:**

Pastor's Report submitted by Pastor Jason.

Worship and Education report submitted by Arthur Ghery.

Preschool Report submitted by Jenn Loeswick.

### **Ratify Email Votes from the Month: None**

### **Items for Discussion/Approval:**

Endowment Committee Approval: a motion was made by Pastor Jason and seconded by Jim Seidel that Linda Prochaska, Jennifer Collins and Glenn Stef are approved as the Endowment Committee.

Capital Campaign Progress: Pastor Jason provided an update on the planned projects to be funded by the capital campaign.

### **Leadership Development:**




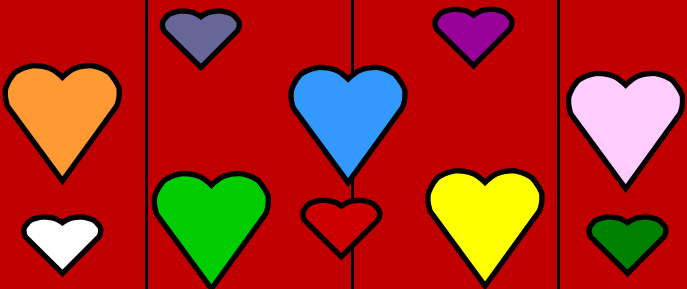
The Council reviewed the Draft Prospectus document and provided feedback.

### **Dismissal**

There being no further business to discuss, motion was made by Jim Seidel and seconded by Glenn Stef to adjourn meeting at 7:52 p.m. Motion passed unanimously. The next Regular Meeting of the Council is scheduled for Tuesday, February 14, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.

*Respectfully submitted,*

*Lauren Zuschlag, Council Secretary*

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>February 2022</b>			1 Bell choir 615pm  Chancel choir 7pm	2 Esther Circle 10am NA 8pm 	3 Preschool field trip to Ripley's Aquarium  NA 8pm	4 NA 8pm
5 Worship 830 & 1030am Kids choir 935am Adult choir 10am Kids Sunday school 10am Adult Bible study 935am NA 6pm	6 Fellowship Committee 1030am	7 Cub Scouts 6pm	8 Bell choir 615pm  Chancel choir 7pm	9 NA 8pm	10 NA 8pm	11 <b>Men's breakfast 830am</b>  NA 8pm
12 <b>Souper Bowl of Caring</b> Worship 830 & 1030am Kids choir 935am Adult choir 10am Kids Sunday school 10am Adult Bible study 935am NA 6pm	13 Ruth Circle 630pm	14 <b>Valentines Day</b>  Church Council 6pm 	15 Bell choir 615pm  Chancel choir 7pm	16 Mission & Outreach Committee 530pm  NA 8pm	17 NA 8pm	18 NA 8pm
19 <b>Special Music both services</b> Worship 830 & 1030am Kids choir 935am Adult choir 10am Kids Sunday school 10am Adult Bible study 935am NA 6pm	20 School closed today	21 <b>Lunch Bunch @ Café Old Vienna 2pm</b>  Cub Scouts 6pm	22 <b>ASH WEDNESDAY Services 1215 and 630pm</b> 	23 NA 8pm	24 Youth Half-Night Lock-in 6-10pm	25 <b>Feeding the homeless</b>  NA 8pm
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## FEBRUARY Worship Schedule

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**Ash Wednesday, February 22**

**Services at 12:15 & 6:30 p.m.**

**First Sunday of Lent, February 26**

### ASSISTING MINISTERS

2/5 (8:30) John Iredell; (10:30) James McIlrath  
2/12 (8:30) Joe Baxter; (10:30) Millie Wolf  
2/19 (8:30 & 10:30) Arthur Ghery  
**2/22 (12:15) John Iredell; (6:30) Linda Albert**  
2/26 (8:30) Martha Sosebee; (10:30) Angie Morris

### LECTORS

2/5 (8:30) Shanna Cisson; (10:30) Regine Perez  
2/12 (8:30) Bob Taggart; (10:30) Linda Albert  
2/19 (8:30) James McIlrath; (10:30) John Iredell  
**2/22 (12:15) Bob Taggart; (6:30) Barb Poloni**  
2/26 (8:30) Terry Harter; (10:30) Dana Lee

### CHILDREN'S CHURCH - 10:30 service

2/5 Dana Lee  
2/12 Jessica Lowe  
2/19 Daniel Barth  
2/26 Redding Farlow Soderberg

### USHERS

2/5 (8:30) Teddy Janosick; (10:30) Don Letourneau  
2/12 (8:30) Linda Baist; (10:30) Ed Walder  
2/19 (8:30) Linda Prochaska; (10:30) Dick Albert  
**2/22 (12:15) Linda Prochaska; (6:30) Don Letourneau**  
2/26 (8:30) Shanna Cisson; (10:30) Dave Witmer

### ACOLYTE - 10:30 service

2/5 Lexi Church  
2/12 Gabby Collins  
2/19 Everett Fife  
**2/22 (6:30) Anna Lee**  
2/26 James Barth

### CRUCIFER - 10:30 service

2/5 Madilyn Church  
2/12 Riley Hayward  
2/19 Ray Shea  
**2/22 (6:30) Jonah Lee**  
2/26 Riley Hayward

### BANNER - 10:30 service

2/5 Lexi Church  
2/12 Gabby Collins  
2/19 Everett Fife



### CAMERA OPERATOR - 10:30 service

2/5 Dave Ramsey  
2/12 John Iredell  
2/19 Joe Baxter  
**2/22 Joe Baxter**  
2/26 Sharon Ramsey

### TELLERS

2/5 Marty & Barb Poloni  
2/12 Odella Madeja and Dianne See  
2/19 Elsie Angus and Carol Washington  
2/26 Marty & Barb Poloni

### ALTAR GUILD - \*Saturday dates listed

2/4 Linda Albert and Carole Ledford  
2/11 Dave & Sharon Ramsey  
2/18 Gail Kane and Linda Prochaska  
**2/22 Gail Kane and Linda Prochaska**  
2/25 Shanna Cisson and Kathy Buckley

Our newest Acolytes were installed during the 10:30 service on January 22. Pictured (left to right) is Madilyn Church, Lexi Church, James Barth, Hudson Barth, and Silas Barth. A reception was held in the Fellowship Hall following the worship service in their honor. Each were given a cross for serving as Acolytes. Playing an active role in worship allows the youth to feel more engaged in the worship service. The Acolyte Ministry currently has 13 youth serving. Many thanks to John Iredell and Shauna Shea for all they do in preparation for the Acolytes and their ministry!





## PRAYER REQUESTS:

Prayers for those in the hospital and for all front-line workers in the medical field; for all First Responders and all Police Officers. For all victims of war and violence in our nation; for those who endure the effects of disasters throughout the world; for all missionaries near and far. For our Community and Nation; for our President, our Vice-president, our government, and our local and state officials; and for all our United States service men and women. Prayers for church members and regular attendees: *Skip Barth, Todd Dohner, Carol Renne, Barbara Miller, Chris Burton, Patsy Moose, Hans Duerr, Karen McIlrath, Marty Poloni, Don Williams, Barbara Stemler, and Maxine Robinson.*

Prayers for loved ones/friends of members and regular attendees:

AJ & Regine Perez - *Hannah Tobias (granddaughter)*

Albert Borzomato - *Nancy and Alen (children)*

April Dean - *Jerry Frantiero*

Audrey McVean - *Lora Dugard (mother)*

Daniel & Samantha Barth & family - *Zoe (12 yr. old undergoing cancer treatments)*

Barbara Miller - *Janice Rindfleisch (Aunt with pulmonary fibrosis)*

Beth Fife - *Robin Reynolds*

Bob & Betti Taggart - *Helen G., Marie P., Dan B., Pat H., Alicia O., Jack McG.*

Carol Washington - *Judy & Calvin Rauch*

David & Sherri Crawford - *Marilyn Davenport*

Dave & Lottie Witmer - *Donna Cassaba, Donald Krsacok, Jim Huebert*

Dave & Sharon Ramsey - *Joan Hughes, Vivian Ramsey-Boswell*

Diane Bowker - *Tom Bowker (brother)*

Don & Bonnie Letourneau - *Darrell Richards (brain cancer)*

Elaine Lucatuorto - *Bob and Debbie Hille*

Ellen Yates - *Linnea Lotts*

Frank & April Troglauer - *Bob Lockhart (April's grandfather)*

Gail Kane - *Mike Lynn, Sherry Lynn*

Gary & Lucille Moore - *Candy (twin sister)*

George & Anne Fischer - *Family of Mary Jane Harris DePaulo*

Hank & Pat Moody - *Pr. Pam Cook*

Henry & Rita Lewis - *Garry Ross, Francine Nelson*

James & Joyce DeNoon - *Curtis Salyer, Victoria Molter, Tyler Edmond*

Jim & Connie Lafferty - *John Ford, Mike & Janet Schriver*

Jeff & Cynthia Church - *Henry Church, Deanna & Ed Schwartz*

Joan DiLorenzo - *Walt Boyer (son), Betty Gardner and Carol Renne (sisters)*

Joe Baxter - *Paula, Grace Nappi, Chuck H., Richard G., Wayne Massi, Earl W.*

James McIlrath - *Donald McIlrath, Romaine McIlrath*

Jonah Lee - *Mallory and Camden Wiker*

Ken & Joyce Bailey - *Our kids and their families*

Kip & Ronda Anderson - *Sarah Shrader, Earl Springer, Debbie Konecheck, Becky Lohr, Allan Billman, Chet Helms, Buddy Dinterman, Rae Jean Dinterman, Terry Gearhart*

Lauren Zuschlag - *Linda Oman (mother)*

Lee Eymold - *Joan Snow (sister)*

Linda Dohanish - *Robert Schwarz, Sr. (father)*

Marianne Tetreault - *Kenny Muller*

Marjorie Allen - *Cristina Gomez*

Martha Sosebee - *Miles Bland (brain tumor), Tom Cook (hip replacement)*

Marty & Barb Poloni - *Rob & Deb McC., Harlin & Kris K., Dorinda M. (niece), Tommy C., Marty H.*

Mike & Diane Ballard - *Robert Lockhart (Diane's father)*

Patsy Moose - *Ginger Williams, Vickie Gordon (cancer)*

Robin & Rick Heuer - *Family, Mary, Ann, Larry & Madge, Catherine*

Roz Hanlon - *Pat Yeatts (cancer), Jennifer Phebus (hip surgery), Todd family*

Skip Barth - *Mother Superior Stella, Ann Schley*

Susan & Kinter McClelland - *Claire Stratton, Linda Miller*

Walter Wright, Jr - *Carmel Wright*



### **Romans Bible study continues, Sundays at 9:35 a.m.**

Adults are welcome to join us for our Bible Study on the book of Romans each Sunday morning in the Conference Room. The class is designed to help you understand Scripture in fresh ways using a helpful study guide, "Romans for Everyone" by NT Wright. Thoughtful questions, prayer suggestions, and useful background and cultural information all will guide our group more deeply into God's Word.



[tacklehunger.org](http://tacklehunger.org)

**Souper Bowl of Caring Sunday at St. Philip**

**February 12, 2023**

St. Philip is collecting non-perishable food items, bath soap, and deodorant, as well as monetary donations, through February 19, to be given to Helping Hand of Myrtle Beach. On February 12 during both services, we will have special “soup pots” to place monetary donations in. You may also mail your donation to the church, or make a donation on the church website through Tithe.ly. Please place any items you bring to the church in the Mission Boxes across from the offices. *Thank you in advance!*



**There are over 24 million households in America without enough food to live a healthy lifestyle.**



**11.6 million households with children do not have enough food.**



**1 in 5 children in the US are food insecure.**



**What if everyone watching the Big Game gave just \$1?**

**That would be \$110 million to help these households in need.**



**That would be a gamechanger!**



**How can you help in YOUR community to Tackle Hunger this year?**



**Join us!**



We are excited to share that we as the people of St. Philip Lutheran have joined together to launch our new capital campaign, ***Forward Together***.

Many St. Philip members have been working behind the scenes the past couple of months to get pieces in place. The campaign will kick off formally toward the end of the month.

Be on the lookout for much more information!



~ THANK YOU ~

To the people of St. Philip,  
Thank you so very much. There are many things for which I am thankful, but your generosity to me and my family this past Christmas season was tremendous. The cards, gifts, love offering, and more - it was a wonderful blessing. Thank you so very much. I am thankful to be partners with you in sharing the Good News of Jesus.

***Pastor Jason and Family***

Dear St. Philip family,  
Thank you so much for the Christmas gifts, cards, and the congregational gift given to me at Christmas time. I am so honored to serve the Lord at St. Philip. You all are such a blessing to me!

***Linda Hendricks, Parish Administrator***

Dear St. Philip Lutheran Church,  
Thank you for your check donation of \$235 in December 2022. Your contribution is vital to our success and your support allows us to continually serve the home-bound, elderly, and terminally ill residents in Horry County.

***Michael Tyler, CEO, Meals on Wheels of Horry County***

Thank you to all at St. Phillip who donated the tremendous amount of shoes for our homeless guests during the months of November and December. Shoes that were not taken were given to Sonshine Ministries, Associated Charities, and Meals On Wheels, all of which work with women's ministries/shelters. They felt so blessed to receive these donations for clients.

***St. Philip Mission & Outreach Committee***

Dear friends in Christ,

Thank you for sharing your gifts with our church, and for sharing the power of God's love with the world. As we begin this new year, I want to take a moment to express my gratitude for your powerful impact in the previous one. We are drawn into community by our shared faith. We are also called to go out and get to work alongside our siblings in Christ, near and far. Your generosity makes incredible work possible. You have helped plant crops, build homes and churches, expand access to education, provide quality health care, and so much more. You have made a difference!

***In thanks,***

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading 'Elizabeth A. Eaton'.

**The Rev. Elizabeth A. Eaton  
Presiding Bishop, Evangelical Lutheran Church in America**

## St. Philip Faith Stories - Dick Albert

### “Shark’s Tooth”

After having lived in Myrtle Beach from 1983 to 1991, Dick and Linda Albert realized that one day they would like to return to Myrtle Beach. When vacationing, they always enjoyed worshipping at St. Philip Lutheran Church and hoped one day to make it their more permanent home. In May 2014 after Dick had a bad surgery and started experiencing chronic pain, they decided to leave their home in West Columbia. They moved to Myrtle Beach several months later.

After moving and worshipping again at St. Philip, Dick and Linda were very impressed with Pastor Jason Lee—his warmth and friendliness, competence, his desire for the church to be involved in the community, and his challenge for the church to move forward and not be stagnant. Dick had served as Associate Pastor of St. Philip 1983-1987 and Senior Pastor 1987-1991; and he was aware that as a former pastor, he had to be careful not to negatively affect Pastor Jason in any way. Dick wanted Pastor Jason to feel his support. Dick and Linda were greeted warmly when they became members in November 2014.

At one of the first services upon returning to St. Philip, Dr. Bill Davis stood up and requested that persons from St. Philip serve on a team to pack meals for “Meal Mania” to feed persons in emergency situations all over the world. Dr. Davis, Pastor Jason, and several others, including Dick and Linda, formed a St. Philip team and joined other community teams in packaging the food. It was exciting to be with a group of persons who wanted to help others! Dick didn’t let his chronic pain stop him from serving.

St. Philip continues to provide ways for Dick and others to be in mission, and Dick keeps saying yes. He helps with the homeless most Saturdays—either at Chapin Park or at St. Philip. He was involved with Neighborhood Visitations to knock on doors and share an invitation to St. Philip. Dick is also active with the Men’s Group, the Pastor’s Sabbatical Committee, and other ways that he has found to serve; and as he does, he has discovered that he is less aware of the chronic pain which has plagued him since May 2014.

St. Philip gives Dick opportunities to serve and live out his commitment to Christ which is evident through his involvement at St. Philip and in this community. He also enjoys golf, taking care of all the dogs they’ve had in their lives, and looking for sharks’ teeth - some of which he delights in sharing with children who have never seen a shark’s tooth.

Your generosity provides a place where members can come together and be inspired to reach out to the homeless and others who are in need.



### Happy Birthday!

- 2/1 Chuck Krohn, Betti Taggart
- 2/6 Renna Barth, Bailey Lowe
- 2/8 April Dean, Donna Krohn
- 2/9 Morgan Lowe, Redding Farlow Soderberg
- 2/11 Paulette Miller
- 2/12 Billy Alford
- 2/13 Marilyn Burns, Jeffery Lohmeyer, Carol Renne, Frances Tilton
- 2/19 Ronda Anderson, David Crawford
- 2/20 Garth Heilman, Robin Wolfe
- 2/21 Dori Brandt
- 2/22 Doris Longe (snowbird)
- 2/25 Sharon Ramsey

### Happy Anniversary!

- Ed & Inara Keelin, February 4
- Jack & Carole Ledford, February 8
- Stan & Juliet Lotts, February 27





### **Fellowship Committee - Inara Keelin, Committee Chair**

The Fellowship Committee will hold their monthly meeting on Monday, February 6, in the Fellowship Hall beginning at 10:30 a.m. Anyone that likes to serve and is willing to serve our church family, please come join us. If you are interested and have any questions, feel free to contact me [InaraKeelin@gmail.com](mailto:InaraKeelin@gmail.com) or 843-602-8770.

### **Property Report - Dave Ramsey**

- ⇒ HVAC winter maintenance check completed by Jake's Heating & Cooling with no issues.
- ⇒ Drain pipe for one of the sinks in the Fellowship Hall kitchen repaired (thanks to Ed Walder).
- ⇒ Discussions on-going with Myrtle Beach City officials on the dirt parking lot project, specifically on whether or not St. Philip may be granted a waiver to fees required for the use of City right-of-way along 63rd Ave.

### **Preschool News - Jenn Loeswick, Preschool Director**

Last month, we were excited to welcome our friends back into the new year! Between January and February we have 8 friends who are celebrating birthdays! We've connected with The Alliance Performance Studio who is coming in on Mondays to offer a dance program for our friends who sign up with them. The preschool has already had 3 tours for new families interested in joining us in September! We are excited about our field trip in February to Ripley's Aquarium and the Penguin class we will participate in. And of course we will be having our class Valentines parties. Registration for the 2023-2024 school year opens for our current families on February 22, and to new families on February 27.



## Mission and Outreach Committee

During the meeting held on January 17, 2023, the following items were discussed:

### Benevolence Gifts:

Don discussed the report listing the Benevolence Gifts received January 1, 2022 - December 31, 2022. Total offerings received for SC Synod ELCA and Benevolences in 2022 = \$24,638.51. The money received and distributed went to Helping Hands, Help4Kids, Lutheran World Relief, Meals on Wheels, and other Ministries which left a balance of \$1,124.47 which will be carried over to 2023.

Due to the changes within the Meals on Wheels organization, it was determined to change this Benevolence giving to the Boys and Girls Club of Myrtle Beach – starting January 2023.

### Boys and Girls Club of Myrtle Beach ([www.bgclubgs.org](http://www.bgclubgs.org)):

The Committee discussed other outreach opportunities within the community. The congregation and WELCA groups have contributed to the B&G Club of the Grand Strand previously. In addition to monetary donations through Benevolence Gifts, Gail will contact them to see how we can get involved. Details forthcoming.

### LSC – Lutheran Services Carolinas

Pastor Jason will follow-up with the Center's coordinator and the Committee will ask for a liaison within the congregation to work with the coordinator at the Center to form a 'Circle of Welcome' for refugees mostly from Ukraine. Details forthcoming.

### Feeding the Homeless:

We are scheduled to feed the guests on Saturday, January 21, 2023. The meal will be baked ham, potatoes, veggies, apple sauce, and desserts. The 2023 schedule was distributed to the church office. We typically scheduled to host the guests on the 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of each month. In addition to those Saturdays, we will also host on April 22 and September 23, 2023.

### Blessing Box:

The Blessing Box is an on-going ministry. Volunteers stop by the church 2-3 times a week to add supplies as needed and as available. There was a suggestion to ask the manager at the Food Lion across the street if we could place a 'collection box' in their store and plan to pick up the donations once a week. Don will follow-up.

### Helping Hands:

There is a Mission Box set-up for collections. In addition, Barbara will put together a list of specific items needed. There is a 'Souper Bowl' monetary / canned items collection scheduled for Sunday, February 12, 2023.

### SC Lutheran Retreat Centers:

Barbara shared a letter from SC Lutheran Retreat Centers with the Committee. In addition to the 'noisy offering' held, money was donated from the Benevolences.

### Lunch Bunch:

The dates and locations of the monthly lunches have been confirmed for 2023. There will be a sign-up sheet for each lunch prior to the outing. Any questions, please contact Don.

### St. Philip Logo Shirts:

The first round of ordering black polo-type shirts with the St. Philip logo pre-printed on each went well. We will schedule another ordering for early Spring. Details forthcoming.

### Easter Sunday Breakfast:

Don indicated there is a volunteer who would like to cook a pancake breakfast prior to each service on Easter Sunday. Will need to coordinate with the Fellowship Committee. Details forthcoming.

### Next meeting:

February 16, 2023, at 5:30pm.

**Lunch Bunch** will gather for lunch on **Tuesday, February 21, at 2:00 p.m.** at **Café Old Vienna**, 1604 N. Kings Hwy in Myrtle Beach. Please note that this is a different day and time for us to meet (they are closed on Mondays and do not open until 2:00). Reservations have been made for 26 people. Each restaurant we visit have different accommodations, so flexibility is a must.

Please sign-up on the sheet provided on the information table, or contact the Church Office to have your name added to the list.





## Director of Music & Christian Education - Arthur Ghere

The Chancel and Handbell Choirs are rehearsing music and looking forward to the spring season. Lent, Palm Sunday, and Easter Sunday are coming, and the choirs are looking forward to presenting music to lead us in worship. If you are interested in joining the Chancel Choir or Handbell Choir, now is the time! Please contact me at church or speak to me after worship and we will get you in. We always have room for at least one more!

On Sunday morning, February 19 during both worship services, we will have the Youth Choir and Handbell Choir from Kirk of Kildaire Presbyterian Church of Raleigh, NC with us. The youth will present choir and handbell music to enhance our worship service for a special Sunday morning. Please make plans to attend either service to support these youth. The church will host a lunch after the 10:30 service to meet our visitors and thank them for sharing their talents with us.

We have big changes coming to our Children's & Youth Program! We have a lot of big events planned for the Spring season. Our first event is a Half-Night Lock-In from 6:00-10:00 p.m. on Friday, February 24. We will meet here at the church and enjoy food, games, friends, and fellowship.

Mark your calendars for Vacation Bible School 2023! It will be Sunday, June 18 - Thursday, June 22. More information to come!

Children's message with Pastor Jason



Liturgical Dance Team  
Martha Sosebee and Maureen Ciarlo



Children's Choir with Mr. Arthur





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