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PHILIP-EYE



MISSION

DID YOU KNOW: St. Philip provides one way for us to live into Jesus' commands to "Love one another as I have loved you," and "do justice and love kindness." Over the years, our Mission Committee has identified local (primarily) as well as national and international organizations worthy of our support. Today, St. Philip has 32 Mission Partners (MPs) who benefit from small grants made from the Mission budget—usually \$100,000 from our annual pledges (although requests for support exceed that amount twice to three times over). God's resources, both human and monetary, shepherded by St. Philip, are well spent in partnership with organizations like these that are dedicated to reaching out and helping, teaching, serving and uplifting those in our local and global community who are in dire need. A full list of St. Philip's MPs can be found on St. Philip's website under Mission.



As Bill Stubbs so beautifully expressed on Sunday, May 21, service on the Mission Committee is both meaningful and exhilarating! Bill highlighted Liberty High School located in one of Houston's poorest communities. Liberty is the only high school in Texas where newly arrived, over-age, immigrant students can go to school while working full-time and taking care of family responsibilities. The Mission budget provides \$50 gift cards to graduating seniors. Last year, the Valedictorian of Liberty received a "full ride" scholarship to Brown University, but did not have the resources to buy the things she needed to go (e.g., computer, dorm room necessities, etc.). The Mission budget for Liberty had already been depleted, but the Mission committee took on the project and raised the funds needed to start the young woman off on the right foot. St. Philip is a generous community!

Based on remarks made by Bill Stubbs.

Thanks be to God for St. Philip's Mission program.

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Registration is now available for Summer VBS on June 10! Come enjoy a day of music, drama, art and more, as we explore how to care for the gift of God's creation.

SUMMER 2023 VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

care for

CREATION



GENESIS 1:1-2:4

*the call to love
God's beautiful gifts.*

SATURDAY JUNE 10TH 9A.M.-2P.M.

ALL CHILDREN AGES 3 - 5TH GRADE ARE WELCOMED > THERE IS NO COST

* PLEASE BRING A BAGGED LUNCH

WEAR CLOSED-TOE & SHOES

ST. PHILIP PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
4807 SAN FELIPE - EDUCATION BLDG.

JOIN US FOR THE **ST. PHILIP PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

FAMILY BASEBALL GAME

The Triple AAA Club of the Astros
SUGAR LAND
Houston Astros of Tomorrow

If you have already reserved tickets, they can be picked up **Sunday, June 11** in the Gathering Area.
There are a few tickets still remaining which can be purchased after church on **June 11**.

VS

RiverCats

WHEN:
JUNE 17TH
SATURDAY-7PM

SEATS BEHIND THE DUGOUT!
TICKETS \$ 15
PARKING: \$3.00 PER CAR

LOCATION:
SUGAR LAND
CONSTELLATION FIELD

QUESTIONS? CONTACT TOM CAVANAUGH
PH: 713-858-8319

INTERGENERATIONAL CHURCH MEMBERSHIP
ALL ARE WELCOME! **NOT REQUIRED.**

July Birthdays



Sally	Alcorn	1
Walker	Fair	1
Amye	Webster	2
William	Rowe	4
Selena	Brinegar	5
Abigail	Lee	7
Carla	Burns	8
Tyler	Keever	8
Nolan	Arnes	9
Piper	Dees	9
Gil	Thompson	9
John	Boone	10
Lorraine	Scott	10
Bev	Hudson	11
Ashton	Fair	12
Fairfax	Fair	12
Connie	Mayfield	13
Laura	Lomax-Bream	14
Micah	Meyers	14
Angela	Fulcher	15

Barbara	Runge	15
Joan	Boelens	16
Cindy	Dees	16
Julieana	Nichols-Lawson	17
Gary	Gardner	18
Leah	Bream	19
D. Fort	Flowers	19
Melanie	White	21
Evie	Keever	22
Bob	McHone	22
Sydney	Benard	23
Austin	Lippincott	23
Lexey	Fender	25
Bill	Lee	25
Sharon	Coufal	26
Ken	Meyers	26
David	Itz	27
David	Dees	29
Abigail	Flowers	29
Arlette	Keene	31

WEEKLY OPPORTUNITIES

MIDWEEK BIBLE STUDY—Class is on a break until **June 28**.

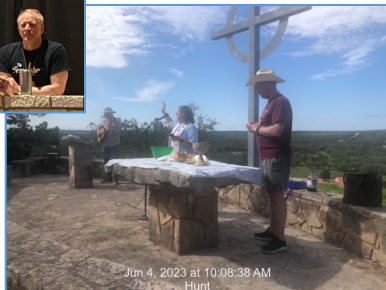
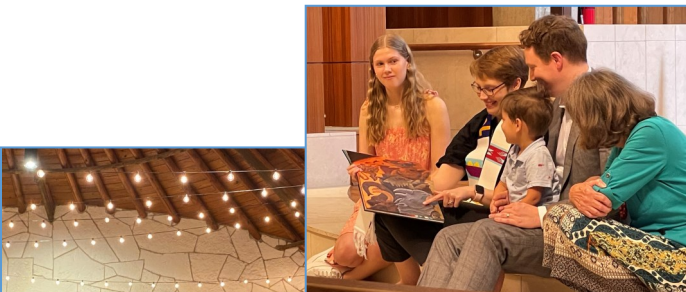
LAMBETH STUDY—Keatan King leads young adults in study every Monday evening at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom. It is a time of study, reflection, and prayer. If you would like more details, email Keatan King at: keatan@saintphilip.net.

WOMEN'S MONTHLY BOOK CLUB—This self-led, interactive group produces lively discussions and wonderful fellowship. The next meeting is **June 8** at 7:00 p.m. and we will discuss *The Island of Sea Women* by Lisa See. Watch your email for details of the next meeting. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Nina Lambright at: nnl@lambrightlaw.com.

PRESBYTERIAN MEN'S WEEKLY FELLOWSHIP
Men of all ages are welcome to participate in this self-led group. The Men's Weekly Fellowship meets each Friday through the month of June in person in the office conference room and via Zoom at 11:45 a.m. If you would like to join them, please contact Gary Gardner at:

ggardne148@aol.com.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN BIBLE STUDY—All women of the church are invited to join any of the meetings of Presbyterian Women. If you are not a member of a circle, you are welcome to participate; to be directed to a group leader please email welcomes@saintphilip.net. Circles are on recess until Sunday, **September 17** for the Joint Circle Luncheon.



Top to bottom: Hallie Spence—Conversation with Children on June 4; Kerri & Dillon Brady, Jeromy Murphy, and John Wurster watch Karaoke at Mo-Ranch; Gini Norris-Lane and John Wurster—Chapel on the Hill; Shiloh Brewer baptized at Mo-Ranch.

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

The Session has decided that we will continue with a single worship service on Sundays at 11 am at least through the summer. Since making this change at the beginning of Lent, we have observed increased participation in our children's programs. We will use the next few months to more fully explore the benefits and limitations of returning to a two-service Sunday schedule in the fall.

SUNDAY OPPORTUNITIES FOR LEARNING

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES FOR ALL AGES
(Are on recess until September 10)

NURSERY CARE IS AVAILABLE THROUGHOUT SUNDAY MORNINGS

8:30 a.m.—12:30 p.m. Infants to age 4 are invited to our Nursery which is staffed by professional childcare providers. Please find our Nursery in Room 106 of the Education Building along the Sunday School Classroom hallway on the first floor. An usher or a greeter will be happy to direct you there.

CHILDREN'S CHAPEL—We will have Children's Chapel **Sunday, June 25** after *Conversation with Children*. In the Children's Chapel, our young disciples learn the whos, whats, wheres, whens and whys of worship, while praying, singing, and hearing God's word at an age-appropriate level. Children return to join the congregation in the first few pews on the lectern side of the church for the last hymn.

CHURCH & SOCIETY - Church & Society is taking a summer break and will return on Rally Day - **September 10**, for a class reunion and preview of the fall 2023 term.

SAVE THE DATE: AUGUST 5, 2023 SUMMER LECTURE SERIES

Please plan to join us on Saturday, **August 5** for St. Philip's annual Summer Lecture Series. This year's speaker will be the Rev. Kyle Meyaard-Schaap, Vice President of the Evangelical Environmental Network and author of the recently-published book, *Following Jesus in a Warming World - a Christian Call to Climate Action*. More details to come. Please contact Omar Rouchon with any questions.

VISIT ISRAEL IN 2024

We are putting together a St. Philip trip to Israel for **April 1-12, 2024**. If you are interested in seeing the trip brochure or need other information, please contact John Wurster (john@saintphilip.net).

MUSIC AT ST. PHILIP

DO YOU LOVE TO SING?

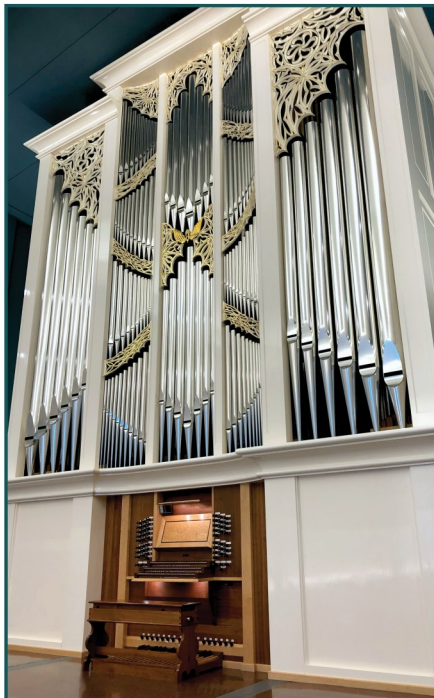
COME SING WITH US!

During the month of June, all interested (or just curious) singers are invited to sample singing with the **St Philip Choir**! Join us in the loft at 10:00 a.m. any or all Sundays, learn the anthem with us, then sing for church at 11:00. All voice parts and abilities welcome! Enjoy the best seats in the house too!



You can just show up, or let us know in advance and we'll have a chair ready for you!

CONTACT Randall Swanson • Director of Music randall@saintphilip.net



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St Philip Presbyterian Church • Houston, Texas

2023 SUMMER ORGAN FESTIVAL

PROGRAM NO. 1 *Offerings Great and Small*

MATTHEW DIRST

Organist of St Philip Presbyterian Church • Houston

SUNDAY, JULY 9 | 5:00 PM

PROGRAM NO. 2 *Blessed Is She Among Women*

MARIE RUBIS BAUER

Director of Music and Organist of St Cecilia Cathedral • Omaha

SUNDAY, AUGUST 20 | 5:00 PM

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Music at St Philip



IN OUR PRAYERS

The family of Jody Tomforde who died on June 1.

St. Philippians and their families—Kathryn Harwood; Robin & Gary Willis; Beverly Baker; Beverly Hudson; Mary Sinderson; Eleanor Grant; Judy Nunn; Molly Boren-Whitney; Carolyn Vestal; Austin Lippincott; Richard Johnson; Don Padgett; Steve Adger; Judith Crane; Arlette Keene; Mezgebe Gebray; Leonardo Knowles Richard “Leo” - grandson of Beth & Fort Flowers; Halley Delany – sister of Nina Lambright; Truxillo family – Wayne and Sandra Truxillo; Carla Burns – cousin of Sharon Webb; Robert Kirtley – father of Amanda Kirtley; Susan Everhart – niece of Nancy Everhart Johnson; Warren Cash – brother of Kay Cash; Ann Perenyi – mother of Lad Perenyi; Darryl Cazes—brother of Pam Taylor; Ann Perkins Cloud—cousin of Stephen Paine; John Anderson—brother of Tom Anderson; and Elizabeth Carlton Lithio—granddaughter of Jeanie Flowers.

Homebound—Elizabeth Arp; John Bobbitt; Joan Boelens; Ellen MacDonald; Jean Nelson; Joyce Randolph; George and Lorraine Scott; and Sondra Sullivan.

Friends of St. Philippians—Joyce Freudenberg and Annie & Sidney Roach— friends of Stephen Paine; Jacqueline Boyd – friend of Kate Burkart; Carol Gilliland - friend of Orlean Anderson; Betsy Shear Lewis – friend of Laney Miller; and Shirley Stubblefield—friend of Barbara Runge.

If you have a pastoral care need or a prayer request you would like to share, please email deacons@saintphilip.net.

CONTRIBUTIONS

Pledge payments, communion gifts and other gifts to support the Church can be made anytime through our website (<http://saintphilip.net/>), text “SPPC” to 73256 and follow the prompts, or sent to the Church Office at 4807 San Felipe, Houston, TX 77056.

For the months of June and July
there will only be one edition of the Philip-Eye each month.

Next edition: Wednesday, July 5; Deadline June 29—3:00 p.m.

Stay connected with regular emails from the pastors until then.

If you have any comments or suggestions for the Philip-Eye, please send them to:
philipeye@saintphilip.net or call 713-622-4807 and ask for Lorrie.



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