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## THE 2021 SUMMER LECTURE SERIES

ALLYSON MCKINNEY TIMM



A RENEWED CHRISTIAN VISION

of **HUMAN  
RIGHTS**

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**IN OUR TIME**

WE LOOK FORWARD TO WELCOMING **ALLYSON MCKINNEY TIMM**  
FOR HER LECTURES "**A RENEWED CHRISTIAN VISION OF HUMAN  
RIGHTS IN OUR TIME**". **REGISTRATION IS NOW AVAILABLE**

We welcome Allyson McKinney Timm for her lectures: *Systemic Racism, Rising Nationalism, and Enduring Sexism*. Allyson is the founder and executive director of Justice Revival, an organization committed to engaging faith communities in the needs of human rights around the world, and our response to the call for justice. Ms. Timm is a Ruling Elder in the Presbyterian Church (USA).

The Summer Lecture Series will be virtual this year, and advance registration is required. Visit [SaintPhilip.net/SummerLectureSeries/html](http://SaintPhilip.net/SummerLectureSeries/html)

**MISSION OPPORTUNITY:  
DONATION DRIVE-THROUGH,  
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 18,  
10 A.M. TO 12 NOON**



You can help spread God's love in support of two mission efforts, the Seafarers Christmas boxes and the CCSC Emergency Services Food Pantry, in one convenient drive-through event. Feel free to bring donations for one or both. Just have your bags in the back seat or back end, and volunteers will pick them up—no need to get out of your car. Blessings for being Mission-Minded!

### 1) Seafarers Christmas Boxes

St. Philip has had a long relationship with our mission partner, the Seafarers Ministry at the Port of Houston. Thousands of seafarers from all over the world pass through the port every year; seafarers spend months at a time at sea, and each year at Christmas, St. Philip and other churches show our care for them by giving boxes of items that seafarers can use on their voyages. On **September 18**, we will collect items that will be packed into those Christmas boxes. (St. Philip will pack about 125 boxes this year.) Just drive through and drop off any of the items on the list.

If you are wondering what to contribute, items like hotel and sample sizes of toiletries you have on hand at home are always welcome. You also can't go wrong purchasing decks of cards, toothpaste, or work socks. Downsizing small gifts you might find around your home can also be donated, and we will add them to complete the boxes. We will attach small Christmas decorations to the tags we place in the boxes from "St. Philip Presbyterian Church in Houston".

*We could use more shoe boxes; we would love plastic shoe boxes if you are so inclined, but cardboard ones are also fine.*

### 2) CCSC Emergency Services: Non-perishable Food

St. Philip has partnered with the Christian Community Service Center since it began 40 years ago. We continue to support their many services to the community, and in this drive-through we will collect food for the Food Pantry of their Emergency Services program, which has seen a large increase in clients seeking services over the last 15 months. Mission Committee members will deliver all donated items to CCSC. You are welcome to donate any of the items on the list.



### SEAFARERS CHRISTMAS BOXES

#### TOILETRY/HYGIENE ITEMS *(sample or hotel sizes welcome, or small bottles/containers)*

Shampoo	Conditioner
Body wash	Lotion
Combs/brushes	Bars of soap
Disposable razors	Shaving cream
Toothbrushes	Toothpaste
Floss	Lip balm
Nail clippers	Foot powder
Cotton swabs	Bandages <i>(fabric-type)</i>
Individual-size tissues	Wash cloths

#### FUN STUFF/GAMES

Decks of cards  
Puzzle books *(Sudoku, word-search, crossword, etc.)*  
Travel-sized checkers or chess  
Texas keychain or small souvenir

#### OFFICE SUPPLIES/STATIONERY

Paper clips/rubber bands      Notebooks *(pocket-size)*  
Pens      USB "thumb drive"  
2022 calendar *(small)*      Texas postcards  
Greeting cards/stationery  
Pencils *(mechanical—no need to sharpen)*

#### FOOD ITEMS *(small, individually-wrapped items only)*

Hard candy/gum      Beef jerky  
Granola bars or energy bars *(heat resistant)*  
*No chocolate, it often melts before boxes are received*

#### OTHER/MISCELLANEOUS

Work socks *(new)*      Work gloves *(new)*  
Baseball caps *(new)*      T-shirts *(new)*  
Extra buttons      Reusable drink bottles  
Knit watch caps *(contact Sue Howard for the pattern if you are a knitter)*  
Small flashlight with batteries  
Sewing kit/needle-and-thread  
Plastic zipper bags or containers  
Shoebboxes *(cardboard or plastic)*

### CCSC EMERGENCY SERVICES: NON-PERISHABLE FOOD

#### MOST-NEEDED ITEMS

Rice	Dried beans
Peanut butter	Boxed dry cereal
Hearty soups	Pasta
Pasta sauce	Macaroni and cheese
Canned tuna/chicken	Canned fruit/vegetables
Baby food	



The Women's Home of Houston was the recipient of our July communion offering. Thank you for your generosity we were able to give them \$435.07. Your gifts help women on their path to health and productivity. You can find out more about The Women's Home at <https://www.thewomenshome.org/>.

## SEPTEMBER COMMUNION OFFERING

The recipient of September's communion offering will be Faith In Practice. A non-profit, ecumenical Christian organization that seeks to improve the physical, spiritual, and economic conditions of the poor in Guatemala through short-term surgical, medical, and dental mission trips and health-related educational programs. Their website is [faithinpractice.org](http://faithinpractice.org)

## OPPORTUNITIES FOR LEARNING

**WOMEN'S MONTHLY BOOK CLUB**—This self-led, interactive group produces lively discussions and wonderful fellowship. At our next meeting on September 9, we will discuss *The Vanishing Half* by Brit Bennett. Please watch your email for details about the meeting or contact Nina or Sarah. If you have any questions or concerns please contact Nina Lambright or Sarah O'Dell at [sarah.odell6@gmail.com](mailto:sarah.odell6@gmail.com).

**MIDWEEK BIBLE STUDY WITH JOHN WURSTER**—A look via Zoom at the Bible readings for the coming Sunday returns in September. Email John for details and to get on the list - [john@saintphilip.net](mailto:john@saintphilip.net).

## BACK TO SCHOOL: AT ST. PHILIP AND BEYOND

The St. Philip Education Committee has been prayerfully considering the best way forward for faith formation activities in the fall. At this time, we are planning on a delayed start for in-person classes; we considered that it would be best to wait a few weeks for the school year to get settled as we continue to monitor local conditions and guidance from health officials. While there are ways to safely gather in-person, the committee noted the evolving situation in our community, and wishes to proceed with caution. We look forward with hope to a time when it will be safe and comfortable for us to gather, with hope that cooler weather in a couple of months may provide an opportunity to be outside as a church family. Let us pray for all the students, teachers and administrations navigating their way through the beginning of another school year. We pray for health and wellbeing, in the midst of learning and growth.

## CHURCH & SOCIETY FALL 2021

It looks as though we are in a "here we go again" time, once again. Because of the rise in cases of Covid, we have decided our September Rally Day and Class Reunion and the September C & S classes will be by Zoom, just like last year. Maybe we'll be able to return to our classroom in October for classes done in person and by Zoom at the same time. You are cordially invited to Zoom in for the Church & Society beginning **September 12** from 9:45 a.m. until 10:45 a.m.

**September 12**—*Class Reunion and Preview of the Fall Term Presentations* Catch up with C & S classmates and get acquainted with C & S first timers. Meet our scholarly and informative C & S presenters. Learn about the topics for the fall term.

**September 19**—Judge Bonnie Hellums - *Children in Crisis - Domestic Violence and Human Trafficking*

**September 26**—Bruce Yaeger - *Rachel Carson and Glimpses of God*

**October 3**—Prof. Ruth Lopez Turley - *Concentrated Poverty in Schools as Redlining's Legacy*

**October 10**—Rev. Omar Rouchon - *The Great Ends of the Church*

**October 17**—Rev. Dr. James Currie - *History of the Presbyterian Church Southwest*

**October 24**—Rev. Greg Han - *From Barmen (1934 Nazi Germany) to Belbar (1982 Apartheid South Africa)*

**October 30**—Dr. Deborah Burks - *Anne Vaughan Locke's Sonnet Sequence on Psalm 51*

**November 7**—Randall Swanson - *Sacred Music and Worship*

**November 14**—Rabbi Steven Morgen and Rev. Greg Han - *Beginnings, Sinnings, and Underpendings: Genesis and Two Faiths*

**November 21**—Dr. Mary Lee Webeck - *The Relationship Between Pope Paul II and Jerzy Kluger*

**November 28**—Rabbi Steven Morgen - *Dabru Emet, 'Speak Truth' - the relationship between Christianity and Judaism*

**December 5**—Suna Umari - *History of the Rothko Chapel*

**December 12**—David Leslie - *Current and Future Plans for the Rothko Chapel*

**December 19**—Kate Burkart - *Media study for the movie "Soul"*

Some of the titles are still a work in progress and may change. Email Mickey Meyers if you would like to join any of the classes: [churchsociety\\_stphilip@comcast.net](mailto:churchsociety_stphilip@comcast.net)



# HAVING ANY DIFFICULT CONVERSATIONS THESE DAYS?

## THE PEACEMAKING AND SOCIAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE IS HERE TO HELP!



## COMING SOON! SOCIAL JUSTICE STUDY GROUP

The bad news: It continues to be challenging for many of us to have conversations with others in our circles of family, friends, and colleagues when issues of social justice arise.

The good news: The church is an excellent place to have these kinds of conversations. There is even an emerging field of study in at least one Presbyterian seminary, public theology, which offers a degree program that engages the ways in which the church exists in and for the world.

The even better news: Very soon you will have the opportunity to read, study, and discuss with other St. Philipians (members and friends!) in a new book group dedicated to social justice topics (including, but not limited to, racism, civil rights, immigration, globalism, climate change, and gender identity).

The group, under the sponsorship of the Peacemaking and Social Justice Committee, will meet by Zoom the first Tuesday of every month, at 7:00 p.m. CT, beginning **October 5**. An advisory group from within the Committee has voted to select *Race in America: Christians Respond to the Crisis*, by Laura Cheifetz and David Maxwell, as the first book the group will read together.

If you think you would be interested in discussions around issues of our time, within the framework of the church, and guided by our faith, please email [welcome@saintphilip.net](mailto:welcome@saintphilip.net) and put "PSJ Study Group" in the subject line. As a recent editorial in *The Christian Century* noted, "Increasingly, people of faith are speaking out, also desiring a venue within the framework of a church setting, to discuss critical issues of our day." We hope you will be among that group – and our group!

## WORSHIPPING AT ST. PHILIP

The long and winding road of Covid-19 has taken another serious turn in recent weeks with the surge of the Delta variant. Health officials stress the importance of masking for all of us – vaccinated and unvaccinated – when we gather indoors. While vaccination is the best tool we have to mitigate the spread, masking can also make a difference in promoting the health and well-being of all. Accordingly, we encourage everyone to be vaccinated when eligible, and we continue to require masks for Sunday services. If you'd prefer to worship with a smaller group, there is always more space in the Sanctuary at the 9:00 a.m. service. If staying at home feels like the best option, the 11:00 a.m. service continues to be live-streamed. We also live-stream a prayer service at 11:00 a.m. each Wednesday. All of our services can be viewed later in the archive section of our website.

The Session's Going Forward task force continues to monitor conditions and to seek a safe course for our life together at St. Philip.

September



1	Sandra Truxillo
2	Don Weinmann
2	Cathy Hunt
3	Linda Weinmann
3	Annie Burgess
3	Everett Burgess
4	Dick Howard
4	Arnold Ramlogan
4	Kevin Varner
5	Wesley Vestal
5	Steve Hunt
5	Wilbert Parada
6	Kitty Curry
6	John Hudson
6	Jeanette Wennenweser
6	Matthew Dirst
6	Greg Lewis
7	Steve Spidell
7	Brian Coufal
8	Meg Semler
8	Madeleine Irick
9	Bill Connolly
9	John Lemen
9	Lily Frautschi
10	Jessica Fair
11	Mary Benson
11	Jim DeMent
11	Mary Itz
11	Callie Bream
12	Guy Aldrich
13	Sid Wells
13	Diana Weiss
13	Charlotte Murphy
14	Babs Willis
14	Ginny Camfield
14	Joe Munson
14	Sam Fisher
15	Evie Semler
16	Heather Highsmith
17	Bill Slick
18	Emily Wilmarth
18	Asher Brewer
21	Nancy Higgs
21	Mary Grace Carter
21	Tamara Arlinghaus
23	Linda Beville
24	Al Pepi
24	Dimas Parada
24	Antonio Nenna
25	Bill Brunger
25	Janet Sanchez
26	Cynthia Shoup
26	Judith Hiott
27	Robin Willis
29	Melissa Polka
30	Carolyn Keeble

## IN OUR PRAYERS

*We lift in prayer all students, teachers, and administrators as they begin a new school year under increasingly complicated circumstances.*

*St. Philippians and their families*—Dorothy Murphey; Bill Slick; Roderick James; Deb Burks; Charlotte Kibler; Don Padgett; Steve Adger; Judith Crane; Shirley Coffman; Ellen MacDonald; Arlette Keene; CJ Miller; Marion Takehara; Mezgebe Gebray; Darryl Cazes—brother of Pam Taylor; Ann Perkins Cloud—cousin of Stephen Paine; Douglas Everhart—brother of Nancy Everhart Johnson; Gretchen Everhart—Niece of Nancy Everhart Johnson; Carol Paine Kendrick—sister of Stephen Paine; John Anderson—brother of Tom Anderson; Mac & Beverly Wilson—parents of Butch Wilson; Vera Moore—mother of Chuck Johnson; Kelsey Higgs Gallegos & family—daughter of Nancy Higgs; Dottie Laas and family—cousin of Sam Fisher; Alice Barron—sister-in-law to Beth Atkinson; Shirley Boggus—grandmother of Omi Ford; Dona Rowe—mother of William Rowe; and Elizabeth Carlton Lithio—granddaughter of Jeanie Flowers.

*Homebound*—Sue Baier; Walter Baker; John Bobbitt; Paulie Carlson; Kitty Curry; George Helland; Jean Nelson; Joyce Randolph; Mary Sinderson; George and Lorraine Scott; and Jody Tomforde.

*Friends of St. Philippians*—Matt Scalapino and Laura Chilton—friends of Stephen Paine; Shirley Stubblefield—friend of Barbara Runge; Paul Ratliff—friend of Jo Helland; Rob Bond, Lavon Thomas, and Jackson Tavel—friends of Curt and Sharon Webb; Clayton Amacker—friend of Peg Palisin and Gary Gardner; and Walter "Buddy" Hammann III—friend of Robin and Gary Willis.

*We also pray for health care workers, first responders, and caregivers; for those who are sick; and for those watch and wait.*

If you have a pastoral care need or a prayer request you would like to share, please email [deacons@saintphilip.net](mailto:deacons@saintphilip.net).

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.

*Dear St. Philip Family,*

*We do greatly appreciate your outpouring of love, condolences and kindness to us upon the passing of Travis Calboun. We know that a large number of you were able to view the live-stream of the service and share our loss. Thank you for being "there".*

*The family of Travis Calboun*

**Next edition: September 7; Deadline [September 2—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](mailto:philipeye@saintphilip.net) or call 713-622-4807 and ask for Lorrie.



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