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CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

The Session has called a congregational meeting for Sunday, **June 17**, immediately following the 11:00 worship service. The purpose of the meeting is to elect elders to the Session in the class of 2021. The Congregational Nominating Committee will nominate Lee Ardel, John Boone, Kate Burkart, Bill Connolly, Dave Durham, Vanessa Nenna, and Cathy Patterson. Additional nominations may be made at the meeting with prior consent of those being nominated.

FYI—The membership of the Session consists of ordained and installed Ruling Elders and Teaching Elders (Pastors), all elected by the congregation. Session members are responsible for the spiritual oversight of the congregation and for oversight of all the programs and ministries of St. Philip. The Session carries out its work primarily through its Standing Committees. The session meets the third Tuesday of each month and the third Sunday, following worship, to receive new members and approve baptisms.



LEE ARDELL

Lee joined St. Philip in 2015. Her Presbyterian connections started at Austin College in Sherman, Texas, where she graduated with a degree in history and recently served as a Trustee. She is currently on the board of the Texas Presbyterian Foundation and chairs the Audit Committee. At St. Philip, she enjoys the Monday Morning Saints Circle, Church and Society Class, Mo Ranch, Dinners for Eight, Kids Against Hunger and has tried to knit seamen's caps with small success. Lee is a director of Texas First Bank in Galveston County and chairs the bank's Asset/Liability Management Committee. Lee and her husband, Bob, have two daughters in the Houston area and four grandchildren. While traveling is a favorite activity, both enjoy opera, reading, Astros baseball and all the wonderful museums in Houston.

JOHN BOONE

John is a life-long Presbyterian and has been a member of Central Presbyterian and then St. Philip since the late 1980s. He has previously served on the Session: once that of Central, and once on the combined Session when the churches merged. John is a graduate of Springwoods High School, Rice University and University of Houston Law School. He served in the United



States Marine Corps as a lawyer, and then worked for many years with the Harris County District Attorney's Office. He currently works part-time as a substitute Criminal Law Hearing Officer for Harris County. John enjoys running, reading, and spending time with his sons Sprague and Robert, his parents-in-law Dewey and Charlotte Kibler, and with Katherine, his wife.

KATE BURKART

Kate Burkart has been a member of St. Philip since 1998 and has previously served on Session here twice. This year she has been filling an unexpired term on Session and chairing the Peacemaking and Social Justice Committee. Kate is an active member of St. Philip's Monday Evening Study Group and Women's Monthly Book Group, and has been known to participate in two different PW circles. She regularly helps staff the Equal Exchange sales table, and twice a year she leads film/media studies for the Church and Society class. Kate also enjoys reading mysteries and discussing them at Murder by the Book's monthly group meetings, and you might see her around St. Philip knitting a prayer shawl for the Deacons' ministries. Professionally, Kate is "between jobs," actively seeking a position where she can contribute her experience in document management, technical writing, management, and training.



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BILL CONNOLLY

Bill Connolly grew up in Rochester, New York (well before Omar) and moved to Houston in 1976. He graduated from South Texas College of Law in 1979. He is the Managing Partner in the law firm of Connolly & Shireman, LLP in Houston and is a Texas and nationally recognized specialist in Family Law, Juvenile Law and Child Welfare Law.

He has been a member of St. Philip for nearly 20 years, is an ordained elder and has served in a good number of roles, including the Mission Commission, Worship and Music Committee and the Music at St. Philip Concert Series. Bill created the Concert for Peace and has helped maintain it for over 10 years. The Concert for Peace is the initial concert to the annual Music at St. Philip Concert Series.

DAVID DURHAM

A native of Michigan, David began attending St. Philip in 2009. From the welcoming congregation to the exceptional music program; to messages of peace, social justice, environmental stewardship and responsibility, and the inclusion of all of God's people, he knew almost immediately that St. Philip would be his church home. He studied music (piano) at the University of Michigan and voice at Siena Heights University and has served as a church pianist through the years. David has over twenty years of experience in the financial services industry and is currently Chief Executive Officer and Managing Director for a non-public, not-for-profit financial cooperative, servicing the membership of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW), a position he has held for almost five years. In November, 2015 David was able to marry his partner of seven years, Kenneth "Jay" Jeanes, Jr. at St. Philip. Together they enjoy travel, cooking entertaining, and gardening.



VANESSA NENNA

Vanessa Nenna joined St Philip with her husband Filippo in 2011. An Air Force dependent, she attended several churches as a child, but was confirmed Methodist. Vanessa met Filippo during graduate school, and they began attending a Presbyterian church together in California. They became a part of the St. Philip family soon after relocating to Houston, and have grown their

own family to include Grace (5) and Antonio (2). Vanessa is a geoscientist at ExxonMobil, and enjoys (short) distance running, yoga, and knitting slowly and unevenly. She has previously served on the Fellowship committee, taught Middle School Sunday School, and volunteered with Kids Against Hunger. A dedicated "8:30-er", Vanessa is looking forward to meeting the many St. Philippians who come to church at a more reasonable hour.

CATHY PATTERSON

Cathy Patterson is a life-long Presbyterian and a native of Wisconsin. She became a member of St. Philip as a result of the union between Central Presbyterian and St. Philip in 2010. At Central and St. Philip, she has served on the Session and a variety of other committees, including Worship Committee, Peacemaking and Social Justice Committee, the Pastor Nominating Committee, and the Central Mission Endowment Council. Cathy helped organize and build the St. Philip vegetable garden and continues to volunteer there. She is also part of the St. Philip recycling team. She has been a regular volunteer with St. Philip's Kids Against Hunger satellite. Cathy is a history professor at the University of Houston; she is married to David Wood and has a son, Charlie Wood.



DEACONS

Have you ever experienced not being able to drive yourself? The loss of that independence, being cut-off from the community you enjoy can be devastating. All it would take is a few extra minutes on a Sunday to help another member remain in the SPPC community with us all. You don't necessarily need to promise to take someone to/from, just one way helps a lot. The Deacons can help coordinate members who can help.

Just answer the questions below. We appreciate your volunteering.

- ☞ What service do you attend? 8:30 11:00
- ☞ Do you attend Sunday School?
- ☞ Would you be willing to volunteer at least once a month, on Sunday, to pick up someone and come to St. Philip?
- ☞ Would you be willing to volunteer once a month, on Sunday, to take someone home after worship?

Please send an email to welcome@saintphilip.net with the answers to these questions and the Deacons will be in touch, or call the office and Lorrie can connect you with the Deacons.

WELCOMING & MEMBERSHIP

The session welcomed Jane Ikpeme on May 20. Please take time to say hello to this new member.

Jane is a student at Houston Community College studying nursing administration and works at Sak's Fifth Avenue as a style advisor. She is an accomplished screenwriter, having an independent film produced in Nigeria and another one in post-production; yet she told us film making and writing were just hobbies. Jane grew up in Nigeria and moved to the US in 2014. Between her school and work schedule, she tries to attend the 11:00 worship service. We can look forward to seeing Jane help out with some mission projects as her schedule permits.





THROWBACK ST. PHILIP

See page 7 for information about these pictures. If you have any pictures from activities, including Central Presbyterian Church, please contact Lorrie Castle at lorrie@saintphilip.net or 713-622-4807.



WORSHIP & MUSIC
WORSHIP FOR JUNE 10
WILL BE AT 11:00 ONLY

Our guest worship leader will be Hallie Spence. She is the daughter of Paxton and Mary Linda Williams, and while growing up at St. Philip, she was influenced by the strong female leadership around her. She has lived out her calling in educational ministry over the years by serving churches in Texas and North Carolina. She was awarded the Freeman Scholarship from St. Philip and recently earned her Master's in Christian Education from Union Presbyterian Seminary. She and her husband David currently live in Georgetown, TX where she is involved in the Children's Ministries at Round Rock Presbyterian Church.

SERVICE OF HEALING AND WHOLENESS

The next service of healing and wholeness will be **June 24**. In this service, we claim God's promise of well-being and seek God's healing touch in body, mind, and spirit. The service includes individual prayers with the laying-on of hands and anointing with oil, along with scripture readings and hymns. Those seeking healing in their own lives or in the lives of others are encouraged to attend, as well as those who feel called to pray with those who suffer. In gathering for this service, we acknowledge that all healing is from God and we affirm that in the midst of illness, pain, and suffering, our relationship with God in Christ sustains us.

FELLOWSHIP FUN

PRIMETIMERS HOUSTON MURAL TOUR

Our next Primetimers outing is upon us! Have you ever wondered about the growing presence of large scale outdoor



murals appearing around the city of Houston? Join us on



Monday, June 18, for a guided bus tour of various neighborhoods in central Houston, visiting many of the city's newest and most popular murals. We will learn about the artists, their works, and their connection

to the neighborhood, finishing our tour with lunch at the Original Ninfa's on Navigation. Cost will be \$10, not including lunch. RSVP by **Monday, June 11**. Please remember to wear comfortable shoes and bring a hat. The bus will depart from St. Philip at 9 a.m.

CO-ED PICK-UP BASKETBALL

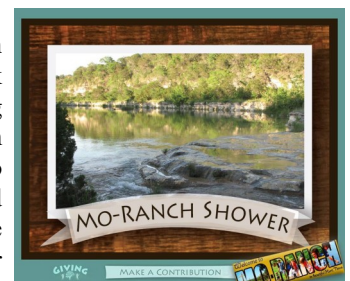
Join us for friendly competition and exercise through pick-up basketball in the gym at Bellaire United Methodist Church (4417 Bellaire Blvd, Bellaire, TX 77401). For the summer, beginning June 7, we will play on Thursday nights. All skill levels are welcome. For more info or questions contact Henry Owen-r.henry.owen@gmail.com or 704-975-4005.

MO-RANCH RETREAT INFORMATION PACKETS

This year's retreat is approaching! From **June 7-10**, St. Philipians will gather in the Hill Country to worship and play, learn and rest. **Registered participants may pick up an informational packet in the Church Office during the week.** They have been mailed out electronically. The unclaimed folders will be at the Mo-Ranch registration desk.

MO-RANCH SHOWER

Each year our congregation offers a gift to support the work of Mo-Ranch's housekeeping department. Our Mo-Ranch Shower allows housekeeping to purchase needed equipment and materials not provided for in the regular operating budget. Over the years, we've made significant contributions to the upkeep of the ranch in this way. Please consider making a contribution even if you are unable to join us on the retreat. **Contributions may be made in the Church Office during the week, or via saintphilip.net (fund "Mo Shower").**



MUSIC AT ST. PHILIP  HOUSTON

2018 SUMMER ORGAN CONCERTS

2:00 p.m. on the 4th Sundays of June, July and August — **FREE** (contributions welcome), plus free ice cream afterwards!

Patrick Parker • Houston, Texas



SUNDAY | JUNE 24, 2018 | 2:00 p.m.

Music of Bach — the chorale partitas

Patrick Parker “steals the show by demonstrating his formidable prowess as an organist” (*Early Music America*), and he was recognized in *The Diapason’s* Class of 2017 “Twenty Under Thirty” as one of the young artists setting the pace for the next generation of organists in North America. From 2014 to 2017 Patrick was the founding Artistic Director of Houston Baroque, which performed over twenty concerts throughout Houston.

Nicole Simental • Columbus, Ohio



SUNDAY | JULY 22, 2018 | 2:00 p.m.

Music of Buxtehude, Mendelssohn, Widor, Vierne and Briggs

Currently Assistant Director of Music and Principal Organist at Saint Joseph Cathedral in Columbus, Ohio, **Nicole Simental** just received her Doctor of Music degree in organ performance at Indiana University following earlier studies at the University of Notre Dame (MSM), Wheaton College (BM), and additional undergraduate work at Oberlin Conservatory. Nicole is the winner of numerous awards in organ playing.

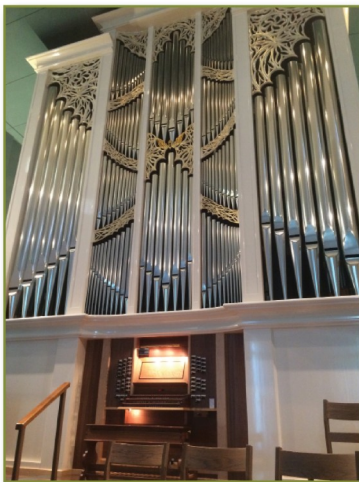
Christopher Holman • Basel, Switzerland



SUNDAY | AUGUST 26, 2018 | 2:00 p.m.

Music from the Swiss Renaissance and American Revolution

Christopher Holman is an American organist and harpsichordist specializing in music of the 17th and 18th centuries. He has performed as a soloist throughout North America and Europe, released two recordings, been published in Oxford University’s journal *Early Music*, and is the Editor of the journal *Vox Humana*. Chris is currently researching and performing throughout Europe while based at the Schola Cantorum Basiliensis.



Paul Fritts Organ, Op. 29 (2010) 3m/48s ♦ St. Philip Presbyterian Church ♦ 4807 San Felipe Street ♦ Houston, Texas 77056



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About the Paul Fritts Organ, Op. 29 (2010) ♦ St. Philip Presbyterian Church ♦ Houston, TX



Designed and built by Paul Fritts and Company of Tacoma, Washington, the organ was installed in the newly renovated St. Philip sanctuary in early 2010. The case appearance, in keeping with the spare nature of the church architecture, is an original design and incorporates ideas found in several revered historic organ cases. The treble flats curve inward and alternate direction in ancient Dutch fashion, and the proportions of the bass and tenor flats follow well-established trends. The carvings are contemporary creations inspired by Renaissance-era Italian organ pipe shades. Tonally the organ is more strict and at its core Northern-Germanic, strongly influenced by the work of organ builder Arp Schnitger (1648–1719). There is an abundance of reed stops, and the scope of the instrument is further broadened by the presence of a Swell with shades on three sides, along with

string stops and an Hautbois (a strict French Cavallé-Coll copy). There is also a wide variety of flute stops throughout the organ. The Fritts organ is routinely used for countless hours of practice and study each week, and serves not only St. Philip Church in worship and concert, but also the University of Houston as a teaching instrument.

Op. 29 Specifications

GREAT (manual I)		POSITIV (manual II)		SWELL (manual III)		PEDAL	
Principal	16'	Principal	8'	Principal	8'	Principal	16'
Octave	8'	Gedackt	8'	Bourdon	8'	Subbaß	16'
Rohrflöte	8'	Quintadena	8'	Viol di Gamba	8'	Octave	8'
Salicional	8'	Octave	4'	Voix Celeste (from c)	8'	Bourdon	8'
Octave	4'	Rohrflöte	4'	Octave	4'	Octave	4'
Spitzflöte	4'	Octave	2'	Koppelflöte	4'	Mixture	VI–VIII
Quint	2 2/3'	Larigot	1 1/3'	Nasat	2 2/3'	Posaune	32'
Octave	2'	Sesquialtera	II	Blockflöte	2'	Posaune	16'
Terz	1 3/5'	Sharff	IV–VI	Tierce	1 3/5'	Trompet	8'
Mixture	IV–VII	Dulcian	8'	Mixture	IV–V	Trompet	4'
Cornet (from c')	V			Fagott	16'		
Trompet	16'			Trompet	8'		
Trompet	8'			Hautbois	8'		
Trompet	4'						
Baarpfeife	8'						

Mechanical key action
Mechanical stop action
+ electric preset system
Tremulant (whole organ)
Wind stabilizer
Kellner temperament

Paul Fritts and Company have built nearly 50 highly regarded organs throughout the United States. Among these are instruments for the University of Puget Sound, University of Washington (three organs), Arizona State University, Stanford University, Pacific Lutheran University, Princeton Theological Seminary, Vassar College, University of Notre Dame (three organs), Eastman School of Music, Episcopal Church of the Ascension (Seattle, WA), St. Joseph Cathedral (Columbus, OH), Sacred Heart Cathedral (Rochester, NY), First Presbyterian Church (Bloomington, IN), and two organs currently under construction for the new chapel at Hillsdale College in southern Michigan.

MISSION



FOLLOW-UP REPORT

Interfaith Ministries runs Houston's largest Meals on Wheels program, with a little over 4000 meals delivered each weekday, along with 1200 breakfast bags for their most food-vulnerable clients. Meals on Wheels clients are mostly older and socially isolated; the daily meal is crucial for health, but that caring visit, even if it is for a few minutes, is just as important. Other clients are disabled or just home from the hospital recuperating. Interfaith Ministries takes seriously the near-universal maxim to "feed the hungry" through its Meals on Wheels program.

Operation Impact makes sure that each of these clients has, at the beginning of hurricane season, five days worth of shelf-stable meals and a case of water in the event that drivers cannot make their deliveries. This is not a hypothetical situation; in this past year, Hurricane Harvey took drivers off the roads for four days, and then an additional day due to the icy roads of mid-January.

This year thanks to the donations to the Hurricane Harvey fund, St. Philip was one of the major sponsors for providing these shelf-stable meals. Each box of meals that was delivered to these clients was blessed with a label with St Philip Presbyterian Church's name and logo.

Thank you to the 34 St. Philippians who volunteered on Saturday, June 2 to deliver emergency food and water kits as part of Interfaith Ministries' "Operation Impact" program.

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| Lee & Bob Ardell | Mike Huffman |
| Nicholas Arlinghaus | Sara Jean Jackson |
| Dan Boston | Jane Lee |
| Bill & Ginny Camfield (and granddaughter) | John & Pat Lindsay |
| Angelina Fonseca | Mary McGuire |
| Jack Fox | Liz Miguez & Amin Vahora |
| Shirley Ann & Paloma Frautschi | Lori & Jeromy Murphy |
| Ada Fuller | Tom Weeda |
| Caleb, Elias, & Gabriel Han | Diana Weiss |
| John & Judy Hartman | Sid & Julie Wells |
| Judy & Craig Hill | Butch & Anne Wilson |
| | Nancy Beck Young |

We delivered to two of the Meals of Wheels regular weekday routes. Last year we did 74 deliveries, This year it was 89 deliveries. That's a 20% increase!
 Extra thanks to Greg Han for coordinating this project and to Shipley's Donuts and the Kolache Factory for donating wonderful treats to send us on our way.



HOUSTON'S HOMELESS

Every year, the Council on Homeless (St. Philip is a member) conducts a homeless count using volunteers and staff. This was done on January 22. The results are being processed now but some of the data has been published in the Houston Chronicle Thursday, May 24, 2018) as follows:

- 4,143 homeless people — 2,529 in shelters, 1,614 unsheltered
- Last year's count was 3,605
- Nearly one-quarter of the total homeless population met the definition of "chronically homeless" which means they have been homeless for more than a year and have a mental or physical disability
- One-third said they have a serious mental illness
- Thirty percent reported they have a substance-abuse disorder
- 18% of the unsheltered reported that they were on the streets due to Harvey. Most affected had been staying with friends and were not on a lease. This disqualified them from FEMA assistance. Others were able to get FEMA vouchers, but their voucher had expired. Due to displacement, they were unable to keep their employment or find affordable housing near their former job. And low-cost housing is tight across the city and county.

Although the upswing in numbers is troubling, the overall count is decreasing. When the homeless count started seven years ago, the number was higher at that time over—8,500 in Houston, Harris County and Fort Bend County.

Reported by Mary McGuire

DONATIONS REQUESTED

FOR THE SEAFARERS ~ 2018

SHOE BOXES & SEAFARER'S CHRISTMAS ITEMS

TOILETRIES

PLAYING CARDS

KNITTED HATS FOR OUR SEAFARERS

PLEASE PLACE THE ITEMS IN THE DESIGNATED BOX IN THE **GATHERING AREA** OR IN THE **CHURCH OFFICE MAIL ROOM.**

We fill an empty shoe box (medium) with personal items that include: **deodorant**, shampoo, **deodorant soap**, hotel samples, **adhesive bandages**, medicated powder/cream, **toothbrush**, toothpaste, **dental floss**, cotton swabs, **nail clippers**, lip balm, **shaving cream**, disposable razors, **shaving cream**, comb, **wash cloth**, and small tissue pack. We add a mix of a **Texas souvenir**, key chain, **sewing kit**, mechanical pencil, **address book**, paper clips, **rubber bands**, USB flash drive, **pocket-sized notebooks**, pens, **Sudoku and word search puzzles**, crosswords, **playing cards**, gum, **hard candy**, microwave popcorn, **hot chocolate**, baseball cap, or **socks**.

SESSION HIGHLIGHTS

May 2018

Called Session Meeting – May 13

- ✦ Session met with members of the Confirmation Class; along with their Confirmation Partners, Chuck Johnson, Liz Miguez, Rhonda Sands, Jennifer Wilson, and Larry Wright, plus supportive friends, Margaret Fair and Austin Lippincott; in order to hear their statements of faith and to examine them to become members of St. Philip.
- ✦ Session approved sustaining the examination of Sasha Arlinghaus, Callie Bream, Shirley Ann Frautschi, Gabriel Han, Charlotte Murphy, Fiona Murphy, Molly Vestal, Joseph Webster; receiving them into the membership of the church, and inviting them to make a profession of faith before the congregation on May 20, 2018.

Stated Session Meeting – May 15

- ✦ Session approved removing Peggy Boston from the membership roll at her request since she has gone to another church.
- ✦ Session approved an addition to the Financial Policy of the Manual of Operations to allow the Property Committee to designate expenditures as replacement capital expenditure at the time these are incurred, and have these expenditures charged directly to the Reserve for Replacement, with the concurrence of the Treasurer.
- ✦ Session approved inviting Hallie Williams Spence as pulpit supply for the worship service at St. Philip on Mo-Ranch Weekend Retreat **Sunday, June 10, 2018.**
- ✦ Session approved Pastor John Wurster initiating a fund-raising campaign for the sole purpose of purchasing the Steinway D piano that is currently housed in our sanctuary.
- ✦ Session approved adopting the PC(U.S.A.) We Believe Workshop curriculum on the Story of Creation, Genesis 1:1-2:4 for use during Summer Vacation Bible School (VBS).
- ✦ Session approved having the Peacemaking and Social Justice Committee explore the organization of a church-wide event for the purpose of hearing the story of a refugee family’s journey and offering welcome, all while taking care to protect the family’s privacy/confidentiality concerns.
- ✦ Session called a Congregational Meeting on **June 17, 2018**, following the 11:00 a.m. Service of Worship for the purpose of hearing a report of the Congregational Nominating Committee and electing church officers.

Committee Actions:

- ✦ Mission Committee has approved allocations for the Restricted account holding prior year (2017) Mission funds.

Called Session Meeting – May 20

- ✦ Session received into membership Jane Ikpeme by reaffirmation of faith.

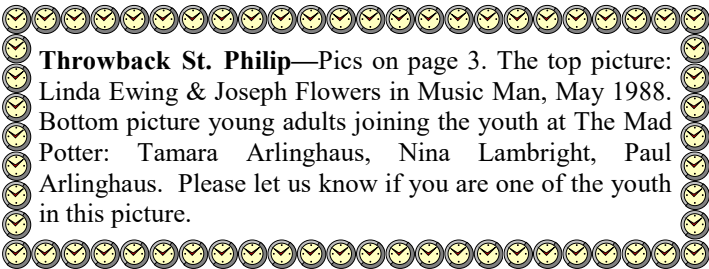
John A. Lemen, Clerk of Session

LET US PRAY FOR...

St. Philipians and their families—Dick Howard, Wayne Truxillo, Carolyn Vestal, Ann Morgan—Dorothy Blackwell’s sister, Elizabeth Carlton Lithio—granddaughter of Jeanie Flowers, Toto McGehee, Trudy Cleveland, David Castle, Cathy Truxillo—sister-in-law of Sandra Truxillo, Ralph Arlinghaus - father of Paul Arlinghaus, Arlette Keene, T.E. “Joe” Kever, Ian Pearce, Rusty Howard, Phillip McDaniel, Ruth Weber, Carol Paine Kendrick, Erica Stokes, Joe Ann Berwick, George Helland, Alice Pennington, Joyce Randolph, Van Rathgeber, and Penny Vieau

Blessings to Bill & Ginny Camfield who celebrated 60 years of marriage on June 1.

Friends of St. Philipians—Derek Nusbaum & family – friends of Cameron & Heather Highsmith; refugee family from Iraq—Hassan, Enas, Dima and Ahmed; Trudy Smith Alexander-of Robin & Gary Willis; and Grady Reed-of Stephen Paine.



HANDY MAN

Member Governor Frazier is at your service if you need someone to weed, plant, mulch your flower beds, hang pictures, haul trash away (he has access to a truck), or can help you identify contractors on many home projects. Please contact Governor to discuss rates and jobs at: 832-512-3648 or governorfrazier1955@gmail.com



PENTECOST OFFERING MAY 2

This year we celebrated the 20th anniversary of the Pentecost Offering. By giving to the Pentecost Offering, we have nurtured the faith of those who are the church to come; children, youth, and young adults. Thank you for your generosity, the totals were: ★ 60% to PC(USA) - \$1,669.80 ★ 40% to St. Philip Youth Scholarships - \$1,113.20.

SUMMER 2018 VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL



JUNE 30TH 9 A.M. – 2 P.M.

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

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EDUCATION

NURSERY AND PRESCHOOL

8:30 a.m.—12:30 p.m. Infants and children through 4 years old 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.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES FOR ALL AGES
Sunday School Classes are on Summer Recess
until September. Below are the classes you can
look forward to.

ALL CLASSES BEGIN AT 9:30 A.M.

Godly Play (Age 3 to K)—Room 104
 Grades 1 & 2—Room 105 Grades 3,4 & 5—Room 103
 Grades 6-8—Room 206 Grades 9-12—Room 205

BIBLE STUDY—Room 204—The Adult Bible Study Class has recessed for the summer. We will resume in September with our study of The Psalms, primarily from the NRSV and Dr. Robert Alter's *The Book of Psalms: A Translation with Commentary*. Al Waldrop will lead the discussion, and all are welcome.

CHURCH & SOCIETY— Room 201 – **Fall Semester 2018 Highlights -Sept. 9** - Rally Day - Church & Society class reunion and preview of the 2018 fall semester. The focus of our speakers for the fall will be *The Class of 2036 - children born in 2018 who will be 18 yrs. old when Houston celebrates its 200th birthday in 2036. Sept. 16* - *The Class of 2036* - Rev. Cassandra Dahnke, cofounder of The Institute for Civility in Government and Dr. Bertie Simmons, Furr Senior High School. **Sept. 23** - *The Class of 2036* - Joel Goza, visiting scholar of race, religion and politics at the University of St. Thomas. **Sept. 30** - *The Class of 2036* - Laurence Payne, Educational Excellence Resource Group - Interfaith Ministries and author of *The Heart of Houston: Lessons in Servant Leadership. Oct. 7* - *The Class of 2036 at St. Philip* - Rev. Omar Rouchon, Associate Pastor for education and spiritual formation at St. Philip. **Oct. 14** - *The Class of 2036 - Immigrant and Refugee Health*—Dr. Padma Swamy and Mehdi Vasigh - Children at Risk - Doctors for Change.

SPa—Room 200—The SPa (Saint Philip Adults) class is a fellowship of adults from all walks of life who gather for learning and community. It is a conversation/dialogue-based/interactive class. Sharing leadership is easy and fun and, as you probably can tell, we're not a group that is shy about asking questions! During the summer break, we invite your input as we consider topics to discuss in the fall. Contact: Omar@saintphilip.net.

CHILDREN'S CHAPEL—Room 203— The children's chapel meets the second and fourth Sunday excluding the summer months. Children in pre-K through first grade are invited to attend Children's Chapel with our Associate Minister, Omar Rouchon and a parent helper following the conversation with children during the 11 o'clock service on the second and fourth Sundays. 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.

WEEKDAY CLASSES

MIDWEEK BIBLE STUDY

RETURNING IN THE FALL John Wurster leads this study Wednesday mornings at 10:30 in the Dining Room.

PRESBYTERIAN MEN'S WEEKLY FELLOWSHIP

RETURNING IN THE FALL Men of all ages are welcome to participate in this self-led group. The Men's Weekly Fellowship meets each Friday in the Conference Room at noon. The book we are using is "Preaching The Women of the Old Testament; Who They Were and Why They Matter" written by Lynn Japinga. Please contact Gary Gardner at ggardne148@aol.com if you have any questions.

MONDAY EVENING STUDY GROUP

Join the discussion in the Dining Room (in the Administration Building, at the south end of campus) **June 11** with St. Philip's Monday evening study group. Besides conversation, our meetings include fellowship, a brief devotional, and refreshments, as we finish our study of *The Righteous Mind* by Jonathan Haidt. We will be discussing chapters 10 (The hive switch), 11 (Religion is a team sport), and 12 (Can't we all disagree more constructively?), and the conclusion. We meet from 5:30 to 7:00 p.m. Come even if you haven't done the reading; the discussion is always timely and thought-provoking. We will be enjoying a summer break after this meeting, but watch this space for "what's next" in the fall.

THEOLOGY ON TAP

Join a community of people in their 20s and 30s for compassionate conversation regarding all matters of the life of faith. We meet monthly at different restaurants in Houston and pose questions for group reflection and discussion. Bring a friend or your partner, your questions and ideas, and your thirst for knowledge! Next meeting is **June 12** at 6:30 p.m. Cane Rosso, 4306 Yoakum Blvd, 77006.

WOMEN'S MONTHLY BOOK GROUP

A monthly interest group for women who like to read books, socialize, and have a night out meets the second Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m. Our next meeting on **June 14**, will be at the home of Nancy Young and we will discuss *Eleanor Oliphant is Completely Fine* by Gail Honeyman. This self-led, interactive group produces lively discussions and wonderful fellowship. For more information contact Sarah O'Dell at sarah.odell6@gmail.com.

PUB CLUB

Pub Club is a group for men in the church who like to enjoy fellowship, stories and spirited discussion once a month at a local pub. Pub Club meets the fourth Tuesday of each month. Our next gathering is Tuesday, **June 26** at 7 p.m., Beer Market Co., 3304 Milam St., 77006. Men interested in attending may eat beforehand or order food from the pub. For more information or questions, please contact Tim Burgess at TimRB1987@gmail.com.