



THE COMMUNITY OF ST. PHILIP
AT WORSHIP
AUGUST 4, 2019
EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Tolling of the Hour—II

Greeting—II *Please sign and pass the friendship folder.*

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Voluntary

Prelude in G Major
BWV 541/1

Johann Sebastian Bach
(1685-1750)

✦ **Call to Worship**

✦ **Hymn 393** *O Day of Rest and Gladness*

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✦ **Prayer of Confession**

**Almighty God,
whose love and justice convict us,
whose mercy and kindness feed us,
we confess our sins
and pray for your forgiveness.**

**We have used other persons without regard for their dignity.
We have abused the earth without care for its beauty
or concern for future life.**

We have sought to bargain with you to smooth our way to heaven.

**Put the Spirit of Christ within us
so that we might grow into faithful disciples.**

**Free us from our captivity to selfishness,
bind us to the whole body Christ,
and let us bear witness to the truth
that your love holds everything together in perfect unity.**

(silent prayer)

Holy One, in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

✠ Declaration of Forgiveness

Believe the Good News. **In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.**

✠ Response—II



All heav'n is sing - ing, "Thanks to Christ whose pas - sion
of - fers in mer - cy heal - ing, strength, and par - don.
Peo - ples and na - tions, take it; take it free - ly!"
A - men! My Mas - ter!

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SHADES MOUNTAIN
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✠ The Peace

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

Signs of peace and reconciliation may be exchanged.

Conversation with Children

*Afterwards, children may stay with their parents, or infants to age 4
may go to child care in Room 106.*

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading

Philippians 1:1-11

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Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

Giving Thanks

John W. Wurster

Silence and stillness

✠ Hymn 37

Let All Things Now Living

ASH GROVE

Mission Report - II

Christian Community Service Center

Offering—II

Offertory —II

Trio in E minor: III. Un poco Allegro
BWV 528/3

J.S. Bach

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Invitation to the Table

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The Lord's Prayer

**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 debts, as we forgive our debtors.**

**And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil;
for Thine is the Kingdom, and the power,
and the glory forever. Amen.**

The Breaking of Bread and the Sharing of God's Gifts

Communion Voluntary

Deck Thyself, My Soul, with Gladness
BWV 654

J.S. Bach

Litany for the Beginning of a Sabbatical—II

I thank God for the ministry we share . . .

May God's peace be with all of us

as I leave for a season to renew my spirit, my ministry, my life.

**As you and Deb journey together,
we ask God to guide you in all you do.**

I pray this gift for all of you, . . . to know more fully the gifts that God
has given you and this community for serving Jesus Christ.

**We pray for you and for our staff and officers,
that we all may be strengthened and renewed in this time.**

During my sabbatical I will pray for all of you . . .

and to renew my calling to serve as a pastor in Christ's church.

We send you off with our blessing.

We will greet your return with joy.

Let us pray:

Spirit of God, descend upon our hearts.

**Renew John for ministry through this time set aside
for reflection and refreshment.**

**Grace him and Deb with your presence
and keep them steadfast in faith**

while we are away from one another for this time. Amen.

✦ Charge and Blessing

Kindly remain in silence during the closing voluntary, or depart very quietly.

✦ Closing Voluntary

If Thou but Suffer God to Guide Thee
BWV 642

J.S. Bach

✦ Indicates worshipers are invited to stand in either body or spirit.

Words in bold type are to be read or sung together.

I-9:00 service II-11:00 service

SERVING TODAY

LITURGIST—II

Nancy Johnson

CHANCEL GUILD

Janet Davis

ORGANIST

Matthew Dirst

GREETERS

Personnel Committee

PASTORS

John W. Wurster

Keatan King

Omar Rouchon

FLOWERS

The flowers are given today by Wayne and Sandra Truxillo to the glory of God and in honor of and thanksgiving for the dedicated St. Philip staff.

WORSHIP NOTES

Communion today is received at 9:00 by intinction. Please come forward via the center aisle, take a piece of bread, and dip it into the chalice of grape juice. At 11:00, elders will serve communion in the pews. At both services, all the bread served is gluten-free. Because the table of Jesus Christ is open to all, everyone is welcome to receive communion today.

An additional offering is received when communion is celebrated. Today's communion offering supports the ministry of Christian Community Service Center (CCSC).

Today's readings from the Revised Common Lectionary are:

Hosea 11:1–11—*When Israel was a child, I loved him; how could I give him up now?*

Psalms 107:1–9, 43—*Give thanks to the Lord, who gathers up and redeems the lost.*

Colossians 3:1–11—*If you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above.*

Luke 12:13–21—*Be on guard against greed; life does not come from your possessions.*

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FAREWELL

Please join the Fellowship Committee and the Presbyterian Women as we send John Wurster & Deb Burks on their upcoming sabbatical. Following the 11:00 worship service today, greet John and Deb in the Gathering Area. Light refreshments will be provided.

WOMEN'S MONTHLY BOOK GROUP

A monthly interest group for women who like to read books, socialize, and have a night out meets monthly at 7:00 p.m. Our next meeting on **August 8** will be a social at Bellagreen—2305 W. Alabama, 77098. This self-led, interactive group produces lively discussions and wonderful fellowship. For more information contact Sarah O'Dell at sarah.odell6@gmail.com.

MONDAY EVENING STUDY GROUP

On Monday, **August 12**, at 5:30 p.m., we conclude our discussion of Marcus Borg's book *Meeting Jesus Again for the First Time*, with chapter 6, "Images of Jesus and images of the Christian life." Besides conversation, our meetings include light food and drink, fellowship, and a brief devotional. We meet each second and fourth Monday, from 5:30 to 7:00 p.m., in the Dining Room (in the Administration Building, at the south end of campus). Watch this space for the announcement of our next book.

SUMMER LECTURE SERIES

The Education Committee is excited to bring Dr. Cynthia Rigby to St. Philip for the summer lectures on Saturday, **August 17**. Dr. Rigby is Professor of Theology at Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary. The Men's Fellowship, Monday Evening Study Group, and SPa have discussed her books in the past. Her lectures—*Nevertheless!* will explore how hope deepens our grief, remedies our despair, expects the impossible, and compels us to act in ways that change the world for the better. For more details or to register go on MyStPhilip or ChurchLife. Dr. Rigby will preach at both services on Sunday, **August 18**.

LITURGIST CAMP

Calling all worship leaders! Join Keatan King for a summer class on cultivating skill in serving as a liturgist. Whether you love any opportunity to lead liturgy or you're a first-timer seeking coaching, this is your chance to learn what makes for good liturgical leadership, to practice at the lectern, and to sign up for Sundays to lead. Come to a single-session class at 10:00 a.m. on **August 25** in the Sanctuary. All ages and skill levels welcome!

SUMMER OFFICE HOURS

Continuing through **August 9**, the church office will be closed on Fridays. This schedule helps us conserve energy and better cover staff vacations. We will return to regular Friday office hours (8:30-4:00) on **August 16**.

SUNDAY SERVICES

During August we have a Sunday worship schedule with services at 9:00 and 11:00. The 9:00 service will include communion each week. The 11:00 service will include communion on the first Sunday of the month. Both services will include a children's conversation and a sermon, but the 9:00 service will have a sparser liturgy with fewer hymns and sung responses.

POOL TABLE

The youth rooms are undergoing some changes with new furniture acquired from Interface Samaritan Counseling Center. After review of the use of the room, it has been determined that the pool table does not best serve faith formation of the youth. If you or someone you know would be interested in making a monetary donation to the youth program, it can be yours/theirs. Please notify Lorrie Castle at 713-622-4807 or lorrie@saintphilip.net by **August 16**. At that time the table will be listed for public sale.

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MUSIC AT ST. PHILIP  SUMMER SEASON
◆ 2019 SUMMER KEYBOARD CONCERTS ◆

PROGRAM ② SUNDAY | AUGUST 18, 2019 | 2:00 p.m.



Steinway model D piano • 2002 (acquired 2018)

Piano Passions

Todd Van Kekerix PIANO

FREE one-hour program. Contributions welcome. Followed by FREE ice cream!

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In Our Prayers

St. Philippians and their families—John Bobbitt; Lance Wilmarth; Max Wennenweser; Keith Fletcher; Bonnie Moore; Guy Aldrich; Toto McGehee; Rita Hannah; Virginia Lemen; Nita Davis; Jim Bratton; Walter Baker; T.E. “Joe” Keever; Susan Leonard; Arlette Keene; Betty Golemon; Joyce Fox; Yvonne Hayes—mother of Lorrie Castle; Terry Kelso—daughter of Jeanne West; Dona Rowe—mother of William Rowe; John Palisin—brother of Peg Palisin; Carolyn Jones—sister of Cynthia Shoup; Bessie Johnson—mother of Pat Lindsay; Elizabeth Carlton Lithio—granddaughter of Jeanie Flowers; Ralph Arlinghaus—father of Paul Arlinghaus; Rusty Howard; Phillip McDaniel; Carol Paine Kendrick; Ann Morgan—sister of Dorothy Blackwell; and Hollie Bailey—niece of Peg Palisin.

Always in our prayers are the homebound members of St. Philip.

Friends of St. Philippians—Willie Jo Schaefer—friend of Pam Rush; Shirley Stubblefield—caregiver to Rusty Howard; and Grady Reed—friend of Stephen Paine.