

Voluntary

Toccata in A major: Allegro – Presto

Alessandro Scarlatti (1660-1725)

Greeting

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Introit

O Be Joyful

Philip Stopford (b. 1977)

O be joyful in the LORD, all ye lands; serve the LORD with gladness and come before his presence with a song. Be ye sure that the LORD he is God; it is he that hath made us and not we ourselves;

it is he that hath made us and not we ourselves we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.

O go your way into his gates with thanksgiving and into his courts with praise; be thankful unto him and speak good of his name.

For the LORD is gracious; his mercy is everlasting, and his truth endureth from generation to generation.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost: as it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

- Psalm 100 and Gloria Patri

† Opening Sentences

Jesus Christ is the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end. In Jesus Christ we see the fullness of God. Jesus is the way and the truth and the life. If Christ is for us, who can be against us?

† Hymn 305 (see page 9)

Come, Sing, O Church, in Joy

DARWALL'S 148TH

† Prayer of Confession

Merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you
with our whole heart and mind and strength.
We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
In your mercy, forgive what we have been,
help us amend what we are,
and direct what we shall be,
that we may delight in your will
and walk in your ways
to the glory of your holy name.

silent prayer

Holy One, in your mercy. Hear our prayer.

† Declaration of Forgiveness

Believe the good news. In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.



† The Peace

Peace be with you. Peace be with all.

Prayer for Illumination

First Reading Psalm 96 O.T. pg. 550

Holy wisdom, holy word. Thanks be to God.

Anthem O sing unto the Lord a new song Peter Aston (1938-2013)

O sing unto the LORD, sing a new song,
O sing unto the LORD, all the earth.
O sing unto the LORD, bless his name;
show forth his salvation from day to day.
For the LORD is great, and greatly to be praised.
Declare his glory among the heathen,
declare his wonders among all the people.

- Psalm 96 (1-4)

Gospel Reading Luke 7:18-23 N.T. pg. 66

Holy wisdom, holy word. Thanks be to God.

Sermon Q & A with Jesus Christopher Edmonston

\$\Phi\$ Hymn 266 (see page 10)Joy to the WorldRICHMOND

† Affirmation of Faith

We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel. Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition, Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain and giving his life for the sins of the world. God raised this Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to life eternal. Amen.

Prayers of the People

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.

Offering

Offertory Anthem

The Lord Is My Shepherd

Maurice Greene (1696-1755)

The LORD is my Shepherd,
therefore can I want nothing.
He shall feed me in green pastures,
and lead me forth beside the waters of comfort.
He shall convert my soul,
and bring me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

- Psalm 23:1-3

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Holy God, we thank you for the majesty of your work, the wisdom of your word, and the generosity of your grace.

Let the gifts of our lives bear witness to your goodness and mercy, your faithfulness and justice, and your steadfast love for all. Amen.

† Hymn 610 (see page 11)

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

AZMON

Charge and Blessing

Please be seated in silence for the closing voluntary, or kindly depart quietly.

Voluntary Toccata in A major: Fuga Alessandro Scarlatti

SERVING TODAY

Liturgists

Keatan King, Omar Rouchon and John Wurster

Musicians

Alexandra Gorman, Cecilia Duarte, Thomas O'Neill, Nicholas Rathgeb and Kirby Traylor — choral ensemble Matthew Dirst—organist | Randall Swanson, music director

FLOWERS

The flowers are given today by Elizabeth Duerr and Douglass Duerr to the glory of God and in loving memory of Chris Duerr and in honor of Rev. Dr. Christopher Edmonston, speaker for the 2022 Duerr Lecture Series.

WORSHIP NOTES

Preaching this morning and speaker for the series, Rev. Dr. Christopher Edmonston is Pastor of White Memorial Church in Raleigh, NC. He is a graduate of Davidson College, Union Presbyterian Seminary (Master of Divinity), and Columbia Theological Seminary (Doctor of Ministry). He serves on the Montreat Retreat Association Board, and is currently Chair of the Union Presbyterian Seminary Board. He has served as the President of the Board of the Presbyterian Outlook and is a former member of the national strategy team for NEXT Church, a renewal movement within the Presbyterian Church (USA). He is a contributor to Feasting on the Gospels and in 2018 he received an Associated Church Press Award of Excellence for an article entitled, "Pastoring a Purple Church. Edmonston has preached and taught in many parts of the country. He frequently leads church retreats and lends his voice to conferences as a preacher, keynoter, lecturer, and workshop leader.

Today's Lectionary readings:

- Acts 9:1-6 (7-20) On the road to Damascus, Saul sees a blinding light and is converted.
- Psalm 30 O Lord, you brought me up from the grave; my soul praises you.
- Revelation 5:11-14—The choirs of heaven sing: Worthy is the Lamb that was slain! Amen!
- John 21:1–19 A miraculous catch of fish; Jesus tells Simon Peter: Feed my sheep.

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MUSIC NOTES

Organ Music

Today's **organ voluntaries** come from Alessandro Scarlatti, father of Domenico, the prolific composer of keyboard sonatas. While the elder Scarlatti spent most of his career composing and producing operas and oratorios, he left a small handful of keyboard works, including at least a couple of toccatas that seem to have been intended for the organ. His *Toccata in A major* includes four sections, two of which are heard at the beginning of our service: an introductory Allegro and a faster Presto. The work ends with a sprightly fugue, which brings this today's service to a close.

Choral Music

This morning's **introit** is by British composer Philip Stopford, who began his musical life as a chorister at Westminster Abbey in the UK, being trained under the direction of both Simon Preston and Martin Neary. He later held positions at Truro Cathedral, Chester Cathedral, and Canterbury Cathedral, and he is now Director of Music at Christ Church (Episcopal) in Bronxville, New York, just outside New York City. His many compositions of choral music are noted for their relatively simple but highly evocative settings of traditional Latin and English prayers and hymns. His setting of Psalm 100, the traditional morning canticle *O Be Joyful* (or *Jubilate* in Latin), was composed in 2007.

Today's **anthem** is a setting of Psalm 96 by Peter Aston, who was a British composer and conductor, best known for writing a variety of liturgical choral works. Aston was active as a lay canon at Norwich Cathedral in England, and for fourteen years he was conductor of the Aldeburgh Festival Singers.

This morning's **offertory anthem** was originally composed for two treble voices with continuo accompaniment. It is found in Maurice Greene's collection of 40 Select Anthems, published in 1743 and considered his finest work. Though not well known today, Greene was one of the most important Englishborn musicians active in London during the time of Handel. Indeed, by 1735, before he was yet 40 years of age, Greene simultaneously held all of the major musical posts in England: Organist of St. Paul's Cathedral, Organist and Composer to the Chapel Royal, Professor of Music at Cambridge University and Master of the King's Musick. This morning we hear his setting of Psalm 23 — The Lord Is My Shepherd — in an arrangement for three voices and organ.

- Matthew Dirst and Randall Swanson



Presents

Rev. Dr. Christopher Edmonston

"Discovering the Pastoral Christology of Luke"

February 20, 21 & 22, 2022

Lectures will be presented live and live-streamed.

Schedule of Events

Sunday, February 20

11:00 a.m. Worship "Q & A with Jesus" Psalm 96, Luke 7:18-23

7:00 p.m.

"The Biblical Underpinnings of Christology"

Fellowship Hall & Live-streamed

Monday, February 21

7:00 p.m.

"Christological Confessions and Jesus in the Reformed Tradition"

Fellowship Hall & Live-streamed

Tuesday, February 22

7:00 p.m.

"A Case for a Pastoral Christology for the 21st Century"

Fellowship Hall & Live-streamed

Lectures are free and open to everyone.

Worship service and lectures online at: www.saintphilip.net

Registration for in-person attendance is recommended. Registration for live-stream attendance is required.

Information found at: http://www.saintphilip.net/duerr_LectureSeries.html

Mission Day, Sunday, February 27 BRING DONATIONS FOR OUR MISSION PARTNERS

THE BEACON—New or gently used medical scrubs, which serve as a temporary change of clothes for clients. Inexpensive new scrubs can be found on Amazon, Walmart, Target, and other places, as well as shops in the Medical Center. Men's or women's S, M, or L sizes and any colors are welcome.

CCSC—Any of the following **toiletries:** 15 oz. bottles of shampoo and/or conditioner; adult and children's toothbrushes; toothpaste; deodorant

AUSTIN PRESBYTERIAN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY – \$25 Grocery gift cards (preferred HEB)

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Donations can be dropped off in multiple ways and a mission committee member will help you:

- Sunday drive through the porte-couchere between 9:30 a.m. and 10:40 a.m.
- Bring your items to the Gathering Area between services or right after 11:00 a.m. worship
- Drive-through on **Saturday**, **February 26**, from 10-11:30 a.m. Volunteers will be available to pick up your donations on the back-side driveway along the old education rooms, where previous mission drive-throughs have been.

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9:40-10:45 a.m.

WORK IN THE SPPC VEGETABLE GARDEN

Harvest the last of the greens, clear out the beds, and amend the soil ahead of planting—head to the garden on the back side of Fellowship Hall. Wear clothes you don't mind getting dirty; gardening gloves are useful, but not necessary. Anybody of any age is welcome.

LEARN ABOUT QUILTING AND THE ST. PHILIP STITCHERS MISSION

In the Arts & Crafts Studio find out how the St. Philip Stitchers create quilts for the House of Tiny Treasures. Hope Wilmarth will be demonstrating her long-arm quilting machine, "Lucille", and you will be able to stitch your name on a practice piece. The Stitchers will demonstrate their ministry of care and compassion through sewing. You will be able to help tie a quilt or stitch a block which will later be "pieced" into a quilt top.

LEARN ABOUT A MISSION PARTNER IN THE CHURCH & SOCIETY CLASS VIA ZOOM

Learn about the work of the Hope and Healing Center and Institute of Houston, a ministry providing treatment and education in mental health. Email Mickey Meyers (churchsociety_stphilip@comcast.net) for a link.

For more information refer to February 15 Philip-Eye.

IN OUR PRAYERS

Dan Boston and family upon the death of his father, E. Daniel Boston on February 14.

St. Philippians and their families — Jan Ostendorf; Pat Lindsay; Tom Sands; Roderick James; Lee Larkin; Dorothy Murphey; Bill Slick; Don Padgett; Steve Adger; Judith Crane; Shirley Coffman; Ellen MacDonald; Arlette Keene; CJ Miller; Mezgebe Gebray; Lynn Boddington — mother of Laura Burgess; Ryan Willis — son of Robin and Gary Willis; Christine and Samantha — granddaughters — Jacqueline and Bill Taylor; Trip Merklein — nephew of Elizabeth Duerr; Alma Fonseca — mother of Angelina Fonseca; Bill Polk — brother-in-law of Sharon Webb; Darryl Cazes — brother of Pam Taylor; Ann Perkins Cloud — cousin of Stephen Paine; 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; Dottie Laas and family — cousin of Sam Fisher; Shirley Boggus — grandmother of Omi Ford; Dona Rowe — mother of William Rowe; and Elizabeth Carlton Lithio — granddaughter of Jeanie Flowers.

Homebound – John Bobbitt; Paulie Carlson; Kitty Curry; George Helland; Jean Nelson; Joyce Randolf; George and Larraine Scott; Marion Takehara; and Jody Tomforde.

Friends of St. Philippians — Nancy — friend of Jacqueline and Bill Taylor; Lynda Shepherd — friend of Nancy Higgs; Bruce Witte — friend of Denis and Janet Martin; Janet Arnold — friend of Eleanor Grant; Auden McCarty — friend of Mary McGuire; Ted & Susan Hirtz — friends of Jacqueline and Bill Taylor; Paul English; Matt Scalapino and Laura Chilton — friends of Stephen Paine; Shirley Stubblefield — friend of Barbara Runge; Rob Bond — friend 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

CHURCH & SOCIETY – 9:40 a.m. - 10:45 a.m. by Zoom – Feb. 27 - St. Philip Mission Partner – Hope and Healing Center & Institute - Their mission is to build and restore lives to health and wholeness through education, training, clinical services, and research that strengthen the physical, mental, spiritual, and relational health of families and individuals across the full cycle of life. Presented by Erin Thannisch, MPH - Director of Corporate and Foundation Relations. Email Mickey Meyers at churchsociety_stphilip@comcast.net if you would like to join any of the classes.

ADULT BIBLE STUDY CLASS is meeting again each Sunday morning at 9:30 a.m. in Room 204 of the Education Building. We will resume our study of the last ten Psalms with Dr. Robert Alter's <u>The Book of Psalms</u> (2007) and then return to the Kingdom of Israel at I Kings 2.13 with Dr. Alter's <u>Ancient Israel</u>, <u>The Former Prophets</u> (2013). Join us for more discoveries in Dr. Alter's translation and commentary on the Biblical Hebrew. All are welcome.

PRESBYTERIAN MEN'S WEEKLY FELLOWSHIP—Men of all ages are welcome to participate in this self-led group. The Men's Weekly Fellowship meets in person each Friday in the Dining Room from 11:45 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. We are currently studying the book *Falling Upward* by Richard Rohr. Also, while there is an in person meeting, that meeting is carried live via Zoom for those who want to join the meeting but are either out of town or prefer to meet from a distance. Please contact Gary Gardner at ggardne148@aol.com if you would like to be a part of this interesting group.

SOCIAL JUSTICE STUDY GROUP will have its next meeting, Tuesday, **Mar. 1**, 7:00 p.m. via Zoom. The study book is *Race in America; Christians respond to the crisis*, edited by David Maxwell and Laura Cheifetz. Persons interested in joining the group can send an email to <u>welcome@saintphilip.net</u> and type PSJ Study Group in the subject line.

WOMEN'S MONTHLY BOOK CLUB—This self-led, interactive group produces lively discussions and wonderful fellowship. At our next meeting on **Mar. 10** at 7:00 p.m., we will discuss *Major Pettigrew's Last Stand* by Helen Simonson, watch your email for details of where we will be meeting. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Nina Lambright at nnl@ambrightlaw.com.

DUERR LECTURE SERIES BROWN BAG LUNCH - Join Dr. Christopher Edmonston for the informal Brown Bag Lunch on Monday, **Feb. 21**, at Noon in the Dining Room. This is a great opportunity to get to know the speaker and ask him questions about any subject. Bring your own lunch, drinks are provided. The tables will be arranged in a large open square so there can be plenty of space between people. The lunch concludes at 1:00 p.m.





Welcome to Worship at St. Philip

We are glad you are here! Please scan the QR Code to access our digital guest-book. We invite you to sign in and let us know you are worshipping with us.

AS FOLLOWERS OF JESUS CHRIST,

we seek to be an inclusive, grace-filled community, engaging the world with open minds, willing hands and generous hearts. WE LONG

for deeper faith, vibrant hope and boundless love for everyone, every day, everywhere.

Thank you for joining us today! We hope that you find our worship together to be joyous, meaningful, and thought-provoking. **Children of all ages** are welcome to worship with their families. Activity bags containing worship aids for children are available in the narthex on the way into the sanctuary.

Nursery care is available throughout the morning from 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.

A Hearing Loop is installed within the sanctuary. If you have a hearing aid equipped with a telecoil, please activate your "T switch" to hear the worship service most clearly. If you need assistance with hearing the service clearly and do not have a t-coil equipped hearing aid, please ask an usher for wireless headphones. LARGE PRINT COPIES OF TODAY'S HYMNS ARE IN THE NARTHEX.

Connect with St. Philip through <u>saintphilip.net</u> and our social media. To join our e-mail list for regular news updates, send a note to <u>lorrie@saintphilip.net</u>.

If you are interested in joining St. Philip Presbyterian Church by profession of faith, by reaffirming your faith, or by transferring your membership, please speak with one of the ministers today or call the church office during the week. The Session meets the third Sunday of each month after the 11:00 worship service in Room 100 for the purpose of receiving new members.

Worship with us, whenever, wherever. Our 11:00 a.m. Sunday service is live-streamed at saintphilip.net. We also live-stream a midweek prayer on Wednesdays at 11:00 a.m. Services can be viewed live or later in our video archives.

Contributions, pledge payments, communion gifts and other donations to support the Church can be made anytime through our website, text "SPPC" to 73256 and follow the prompts, or sent to the Church Office at 4807 San Felipe, Houston, TX 77056.

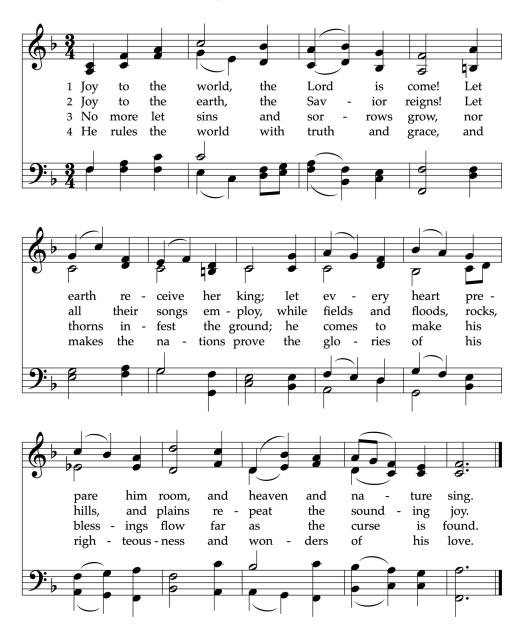
EAGLE SCOUT FUNDRAISER FOR SANITATION STATIONS—Joseph Webster is working to earn his Eagle Scout rank with a project at St. Philip. As seen in the Philip–Eye on February 1, he has built 3 sanitation stations to use around the campus. His fundraising goal is \$500, which will cover the material costs of lumber, hardware, and wheels. To donate to the project, visit the St. Philip website and click on the page where secure contributions can be made. In the dropdown tab, please select "BS Eagle Project" to contribute designated funds for my project.

MO-RANCH: 2-5 JUNE 2022 — Registration continues for Mo-Ranch. The weekend officially begins after supper on Thursday and ends after worship on Sunday. We hope you will be able to join us there! You will find a link to the registration portal (and all the details) on the church homepage: http://www.saintphilip.net/. Call Lorrie Castle at 713-622-4807 if you have any trouble registering or have questions.

LENT IS COMING SOON—We begin the season of Lent on **March 2** with Ash Wednesday services at 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. Both services will include the imposition of ashes. For the next five weeks, we will have Lenten services on Wednesdays at 11 a.m. with lunch available afterwards. For the 40 days of Lent, John Wurster will again prepare evotions, brief scripture reflections distributed each morning via e-mail. If you were on the 2021 e-votions list, you are automatically enrolled for 2022. If you'd like to join the list for this Lent, send a note to john@saintphilip.net.



This text was the winner in a hymn competition sponsored by the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) Bicentennial Committee for the 1988–1989 observance, which had the theme "Celebrate the Journey." The late 18th-century tune (first used with Psalm 148) is appropriately celebratory.



While Isaac Watts did not write this text strictly for Christmas use, he did purposely cast his paraphrase of Psalm 98:4–9 in Christian terms, titling it "The Messiah's coming and kingdom." So "the Lord" here is Jesus Christ, rather than the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob.



This text comes from an eighteen-stanza hymn the author wrote to mark the first anniversary of his lifechanging conversion experience. It is now customarily the first hymn in Methodist hymnals worldwide. This tune, adapted from a German composer, is the usual North American setting.