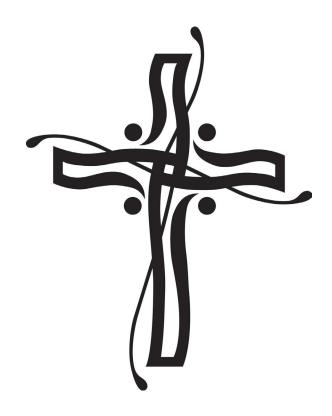
## November 10, 2024 The Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost



St. Philip's Evangelical Lutheran Church Milwaukee, Wisconsin

#### "St. Philip's Evangelical Lutheran Church and School"

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<u>Pastor:</u> Raymond Kimbrough <u>Principal:</u> Jason Schapekahm

Welcome, Friend!
You Have Come To The Right Place!
Jesus Loves YOU!

#### WELCOME

Guests and visitors, we invite you to worship with us again in the future. For more information regarding St. Philip's Lutheran Church, please contact Pastor Kimbrough at 414-263-1373 or 414-254-6093. For information on our K4 – 8<sup>th</sup> grade Christian day school please contact our Principal, Jason Schapekahm at 414-263-7614 or 414-659-4688.

# LIVE LIKE YOU'LL LIVE FOREVER Live a Life of Startling Generosity

#### **EXPLANATION OF THE THEME OF THE DAY**

Perhaps you have heard the axiom, "Eat, drink, and be merry, for tomorrow we die." In other words, while you still can, use what you have in order to enjoy life to the fullest. If this life is all there is, St. Paul agrees that would be a good philosophy. Paul wrote, "If the dead are not raised, 'Let us eat and drink, for tomorrow we die'" (1 Corinthians 15:32). However, note the "if." Paul was saying that the epicurean approach to life makes sense only if this life is all we have. But it isn't. Jesus will raise us from the dead and take us to live in his home, a place of perfect comfort and beauty. Knowing that, we are set free from the need to live a self-indulgent life now. Instead, we can be generous people, using the wealth that God has given us to serve both him and others.

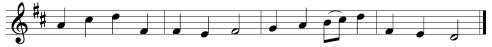
We can live a life of startling generosity.

## 695 Take My Life and Let It Be

CW 695



- 1 Take my life and let it be con se crat ed, Lord, to thee;
- 2 Take my hands and let them move at the im-pulse of thy love;
- 3 Take my voice and let me sing al-ways, on ly for my King;
- 4 Take my sil ver and my gold, not a mite would I with-hold;



take my mo-ments and my days, take my feet and let them be take my lips and let them be take my in - tel - lect and use

let them flow in cease-less praise. swift and beau-ti - ful for thee. filled with mes-sag - es from thee. ev - 'ry pow'r as thou shalt choose.

- Take my will and make it thine, it shall be no longer mine; take my heart, it is thine own, it shall be thy royal throne.
- 6 Take my love, my Lord, I pour at thy feet its treasure store; take myself, and I will be ever, only, all for thee.

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#### Stand

In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.** 

Confession CW 154

If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

Holy God, gracious Father,

I am sinful by nature

and have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and actions.

I have not loved you with my whole heart;

I have not loved others as I should.

I deserve your punishment both now and forever.

But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins

with his innocent suffering and death.

Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.

Silence for meditation and reflection

Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

## Lord, Have Mercy

In peace let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.** 

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord. **Amen.** 



## The Word

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

## **Prayer of the Day**

Let us pray.

Almighty and ever-living God, you have given exceedingly great and precious promises to those who trust in you. Grant us so firmly to believe in your Son Jesus that our faith may never be found wanting; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Be seated

## First Reading 1 Kings 17:8–16

<sup>8</sup>Then the word of the LORD came to him: <sup>9</sup>"Go at once to Zarephath in the region of Sidon and stay there. I have directed a widow there to supply you with food." <sup>10</sup>So he went to Zarephath. When he came to the town gate, a widow was there gathering sticks. He called to her and asked, "Would you bring me a little water in a jar so I may have a drink?" <sup>11</sup>As she was going to get it, he called, "And bring me, please, a piece of bread."

<sup>12</sup>"As surely as the LORD your God lives," she replied, "I don't have any bread—only a handful of flour in a jar and a little olive oil in a jug. I am gathering a few sticks to take home and make a meal for myself and my son, that we may eat it—and die."

<sup>13</sup>Elijah said to her, "Don't be afraid. Go home and do as you have said. But first make a small loaf of bread for me from what you have and bring it to me, and then make something for yourself and your son. <sup>14</sup>For this is what the LORD, the God of Israel, says: 'The jar of flour will not be used up and the jug of oil will not run dry until the day the LORD sends rain on the land.'"

<sup>15</sup>She went away and did as Elijah had told her. So there was food every day for Elijah and for the woman and her family. <sup>16</sup>For the jar of flour was not used up and the jug of oil did not run dry, in keeping with the word of the LORD spoken by Elijah.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

#### Psalm 111B - Read Responsively

Reader: Great are the works of the LORD;

Congregation: they are pondered by all who delight in them.

Reader: Glorious and majestic are his deeds,

Congregation: and his righteousness endures forever.
Reader: He has caused his wonders to be remembered;
Congregation: the LORD is gracious and compassionate.

Reader: He provided redemption for his people; Congregation: holy and awesome is his name.

#### Reader & Congregation:

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

#### **Second Reading**

2 Corinthians 8:1-9

¹And now, brothers and sisters, we want you to know about the grace that God has given the Macedonian churches. ²In the midst of a very severe trial, their overflowing joy and their extreme poverty welled up in rich generosity. ³For I testify that they gave as much as they were able, and even beyond their ability. Entirely on their own, ⁴they urgently pleaded with us for the privilege of sharing in this service to the Lord's people. ⁵And they exceeded our expectations: They gave themselves first of all to the Lord, and then by the will of God also to us. ⁶So we urged Titus, just as he had earlier made a beginning, to bring also to completion this act of grace on your part. ⁶But since you excel in everything—in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in complete earnestness and in the love we have kindled in you—see that you also excel in this grace of giving.

<sup>8</sup>I am not commanding you, but I want to test the sincerity of your love by comparing it with the earnestness of others. <sup>9</sup>For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you through his poverty might become rich.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Stand

#### **Gospel Acclamation**

2 Corinthians 9:11

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. You will be enriched in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel Mark 12:38–44

<sup>38</sup>As he taught, Jesus said, "Watch out for the teachers of the law. They like to walk around in flowing robes and be greeted with respect in the marketplaces, <sup>39</sup>and have the most important seats in the synagogues and the places of honor at banquets. <sup>40</sup>They devour widows' houses and for a show make lengthy prayers. These men will be punished most severely."

<sup>41</sup>Jesus sat down opposite the place where the offerings were put and watched the crowd putting their money into the temple treasury. Many rich people threw in large amounts. <sup>42</sup>But a poor widow came and put in two very small copper coins, worth only a few cents.

<sup>43</sup>Calling his disciples to him, Jesus said, "Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put more into the treasury than all the others. <sup>44</sup>They all gave out of their wealth; but she, out of her poverty, put in everything—all she had to live on."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to you, O Christ!

Be seated

Please rise for the final stanza.



- Well he knows what best to grant me; all the longing hopes that haunt me, joy and sorrow, have their day. I shall doubt his wisdom never; as God wills, so be it ever; I commit to him my way.
- 6 If my days on earth he lengthen, he my weary soul will strengthen; all my trust in him I place. Earthly wealth is not abiding, like a stream away is gliding; safe I anchor in his grace.

Sermon Text - I Kings 17:8-16 (First Reading)

Sermon Theme - "What Do You Do When Your Brook Dries Up?"

- 1. LEAVE Your Comfort Zone. Verses 7-10
- 2. LET Go of Your Fear. Verses 11-12
- 3. LOSE your Pride. Verse 12
- 4. <u>LEARN</u> to put God first in every part of your life. Verse 13
- 5. LOOK for God's Provision. Verses 14-16

Stand

#### **Nicene Creed**

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father.

Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary, and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate. He suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who in unity with the Father and the Son
is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

## Our Offering to the Lord

Please place your offerings in the box at the back of the church. Online giving is also available from our website or click this link: <a href="https://members.myeoffering.com/#/landing">https://members.myeoffering.com/#/landing</a>.

## **General Prayer**

#### 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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

## The Sacrament

Preface CW 165

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

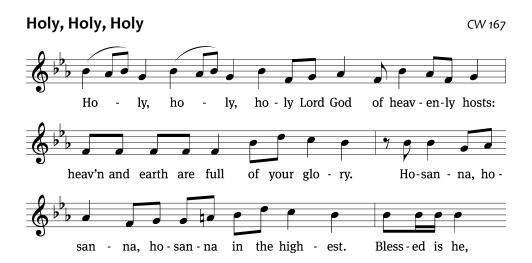
Lift up your hearts.

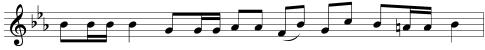
We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who promised that wherever two or three come together in his name, there he is with them to shepherd his flock until he comes again in glory. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:





bless-ed is he, bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.



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#### **Words of Institution**

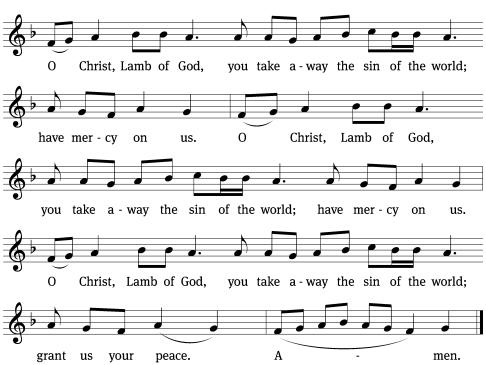
Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my + body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my + blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

The peace of the Lord be with you always. **Amen.** 



CW 169



Be seated

#### Distribution

## During Distribution - Soloist - Willie Mae Reynolds - "Just as I Am"

Stand

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his mercy endures forever.

Whenever we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

We give thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us with this saving gift. We pray that through it you will strengthen our faith in you and increase our love for one another. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.** 

## Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and + give you peace.

Amen.



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# "Our Mission Statement" (Our Purpose as a Church)

Our mission here at St. Philip's Lutheran is outlined for us in <a href="Matthew 28:19:">Matthew 28:19:</a> 'Go and make disciples of all nations, teaching them and baptizing them in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.' Making disciples includes proclaiming God's Word in its truth and purity, strengthening the faith of those under our care, and reaching out to the people of our community, (including our unchurched friends and relatives). Let us pray for and work together toward this goal.



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Liturgy & Lay ReaderCody BonePianoClaire Vogel

#### **In Our Prayers**

Judi TevichKitty HendersonNatasha McCantsMelvin Reed

Glen & Beth Thompson Mary Hampton's niece

Next Week: November 17, 2024

Lay Reader: Thomas McNeal

**Piano:** Grace Hennen

#### WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK AT ST. PHILIP'S

Sunday, November 17 Church Council 8:30AM

Bible Class 9:30AM Worship 10:30AM

Board of Education Meeting 11:45AM

<u>Calls Issued:</u> On Wednesday, October 23<sup>rd</sup> the voters issued calls to Chandra and Seth Lange. Chandra is called to teach 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> and serve as Music Director, and her husband Seth, has been called to teach 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> and serve as Athletic Director. They currently serve at Prince of Peace in Taylorsville, UT. Please keep them in your prayers as they deliberate on their calls.

| OFFERING UPDATE |                      |                 |                  |
|-----------------|----------------------|-----------------|------------------|
|                 | Week                 | Month           | July to Date     |
|                 | <u> 10/28 – 11/3</u> | <u>November</u> | <u>2024-2025</u> |
| Budget          | \$ 3,584.91          | \$ 3,584.91     | \$ 64,528.30     |
| Actual          | \$ 2,215.70          | \$ 2,215.70     | \$ 47,499.90     |
| Over (Under)    | (\$ 1,369.21)        | (\$ 1,369.21)   | (\$ 17,028.40)   |

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Online giving is also available from our website or click this link:

https://members.myeoffering.com/#/landing.

We need to remember our commitment and responsibility to support our church. Expenses are constant, if you cannot attend each Sunday, we still need your offerings to offset our expenses.

The eOffering program increased to almost 52% of our income last year, this is a nice way to improve consistency in offering. For electronic offerings, you may notice a skip or stop of offerings – this is due to timing of the deposit or an end date of the permission to withdraw loaded in the system. For this you will need to go into the eOffering site and enter a new end date.



#### **CEREAL FOOD DRIVE**

The students of St. Philip's are joining together to collect boxes of cereal to donate to the Riverwest Kinship Community Center. Students can bring unopened boxes of cereal to school to be donated from October 21st- November 11. The students will have a domino style celebration with cereal boxes before they are delivered to the center. All donations will be delivered to the Riverwest Kinship Community Center on November 15. Church members who would like to donate can bring cereal for the next three Sunday's. There will be a box in the narthex. Thanks to all who participate.



#### Where Success Means More

WLHS Christmas Market Crafters Wanted—Calling all artists and crafters! WLHS is hosting the first annual Christmas Market on Saturday, December 7, from 12:00-4:00 p.m. The event is open to any vendor who would like to sell items for the cost of \$50 per table. Items can be home goods, decorations, jewelry, fine art, etc. If interested in selling at the market, contact Meg Schuessler at <a href="mailto:meg.schuessler@wlhs.org">meg.schuessler@wlhs.org</a>. Limited to the first 20 tables reserved.

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#### TO FRIENDS AND VISITORS

This is the house of God. In His Name we welcome each and every person. May His Word bring you closer to your Savior, assuring you of the forgiveness of all your sins through Jesus' death and resurrection.

If you are without a church home or have recently moved to the area, our pastor will be happy to call on you or answer your questions about church membership. If you are burdened with sorrow or trouble, we invite you to call on the pastor at any time.

#### **CHRISTIAN EDUCATION**

St. Philip's congregation supports and maintains a Christian Day School for the thorough training of the whole child. We want each child to know, not only how to deal with this life, but to know their Savior and prepare for eternal life. The school is called St. Philip's Lutheran School and is located at 3012 N. Holton Street.

School Office Phone: 414-263-7614 Church Office Phone: 414-263-1373

> Church Service – 10:30AM Bible Class – 9:30AM