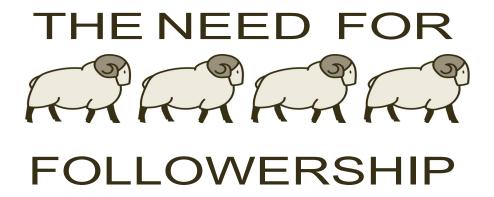
# 21<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Pentecost October 13, 2024



Do we need better leadership or do we need better followership?

A worship series

St. Philip's Evangelical Lutheran Church
Milwaukee, Wisconsin

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

#### www.stphilipsmilwaukee.com

Pastor: Raymond Kimbrough Principal: Jason Schapekahm

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

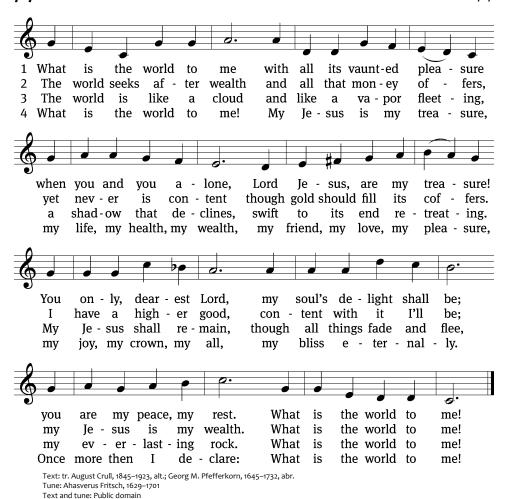
#### WELCOME

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.

# Worship Theme THE NEED FOR FOLLOWERSHIP FOLLOWERS OF CHRIST MAINTAIN PROPER PRIORITIES

People think that establishing priorities is about ranking things in order of importance. But it is more than that. We do not have unlimited time and energy. So, establishing priorities enables us to say "no" to things which might be good yet not truly important. Without proper priorities, one inevitably will pursue that which is nice while downplaying that which is needed.

Throughout Scripture believers are urged to prioritize. It is the heart of the First Commandment: "You shall have no other gods before me" (Exodus 20:3). Jesus calls for prioritization when he says, "Seek first his kingdom and his righteousness" (Matthew 6:33). Good news: followers of Christ maintain proper priorities. Even better news: followers of Christ receive his forgiveness for all the times their priorities have been improper.



Stand

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

#### Confession

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.** 

# Glory to God in the Highest





# The Word

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

#### **Prayer of the Day**

Let us pray.

Lord Jesus Christ, whose grace always precedes and follows us, help us forsake all trust in earthly gain and find in you our heavenly treasure; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Be seated

## First Reading

2 Kings 5:14-27

<sup>14</sup>So he went down and dipped himself in the Jordan seven times, as the man of God had told him, and his flesh was restored and became clean like that of a young boy.

<sup>15</sup>Then Naaman and all his attendants went back to the man of God. He stood before him and said, "Now I know that there is no God in all the world except in Israel."

"So please accept a gift from your servant."

<sup>16</sup>The prophet answered, "As surely as the LORD lives, whom I serve, I will not accept a thing." And even though Naaman urged him, he refused.

<sup>17</sup>"If you will not," said Naaman, "please let me, your servant, be given as much earth as a pair of mules can carry, for your servant will never again make burnt offerings and sacrifices to any other god but the LORD. <sup>18</sup>But may the LORD forgive your servant for this one thing: When my master enters the temple of Rimmon to bow down and he is leaning on my arm and I have to

bow there also—when I bow down in the temple of Rimmon, may the LORD forgive your servant for this."

<sup>19</sup>"Go in peace," Elisha said.

After Naaman had traveled some distance, <sup>20</sup>Gehazi, the servant of Elisha the man of God, said to himself, "My master was too easy on Naaman, this Aramean, by not accepting from him what he brought. As surely as the LORD lives, I will run after him and get something from him."

<sup>21</sup>So Gehazi hurried after Naaman. When Naaman saw him running toward him, he got down from the chariot to meet him. "Is everything all right?" he asked.

<sup>22</sup>"Everything is all right," Gehazi answered. "My master sent me to say, 'Two young men from the company of the prophets have just come to me from the hill country of Ephraim. Please give them a talent of silver and two sets of clothing.'"

<sup>23</sup>"By all means, take two talents," said Naaman. He urged Gehazi to accept them, and then tied up the two talents of silver in two bags, with two sets of clothing. He gave them to two of his servants, and they carried them ahead of Gehazi. <sup>24</sup>When Gehazi came to the hill, he took the things from the servants and put them away in the house. He sent the men away and they left.

<sup>25</sup>When he went in and stood before his master, Elisha asked him, "Where have you been, Gehazi?"

"Your servant didn't go anywhere," Gehazi answered.

<sup>26</sup>But Elisha said to him, "Was not my spirit with you when the man got down from his chariot to meet you? Is this the time to take money or to accept clothes—or olive groves and vineyards, or flocks and herds, or male and female slaves? <sup>27</sup>Naaman's leprosy will cling to you and to your descendants forever." Then Gehazi went from Elisha's presence and his skin was leprous—it had become as white as snow.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

#### Psalm 90A - Fill Us with Your Love, O Lord

Reader: Lord, you have been our dwelling place

Congregation: throughout all generations.

Reader: Before the mountains were born or you brought forth the whole world,

Congregation: from everlasting to everlasting you are God.

Reader: You turn people back to dust,

Congregation: saying, "Return to dust, you mortals."

Reader: A thousand years in your sight are like a day that has just gone by,

Congregation: or like a watch in the night.

Reader: Teach us to number our days,

Congregation: that we may gain a heart of wisdom.

Reader: May the favor of the Lord our God rest on us;

Congregation: establish the work of our hands for us—yes, establish the work of our hands.

#### **Reader and 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**

Hebrews 4:12-13

<sup>12</sup>For the word of God is alive and active. Sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart. <sup>13</sup>Nothing in all creation is hidden from God's sight. Everything is uncovered and laid bare before the eyes of him to whom we must give account.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Stand

## **Gospel Acclamation**

Hebrews 4:12

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. For the word of God is alive and active. It judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel Mark 10:17–27

<sup>17</sup>As Jesus started on his way, a man ran up to him and fell on his knees before him. "Good teacher," he asked, "what must I do to inherit eternal life?" <sup>18</sup>"Why do you call me good?" Jesus answered. "No one is good—except God alone. <sup>19</sup>You know the commandments: 'You shall not murder, you shall not commit adultery, you shall not steal, you shall not give false testimony, you shall not defraud, honor your father and mother.'"

<sup>20</sup>"Teacher," he declared, "all these I have kept since I was a boy."

<sup>21</sup>Jesus looked at him and loved him. "One thing you lack," he said. "Go, sell everything you have and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven. Then come, follow me."

<sup>22</sup>At this the man's face fell. He went away sad, because he had great wealth.

<sup>23</sup>Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, "How hard it is for the rich to enter the kingdom of God!"

<sup>24</sup>The disciples were amazed at his words. But Jesus said again, "Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! <sup>25</sup>It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God."

<sup>26</sup>The disciples were even more amazed, and said to each other, "Who then can be saved?"

<sup>27</sup>Jesus looked at them and said, "With man this is impossible, but not with God; all things are possible with God."

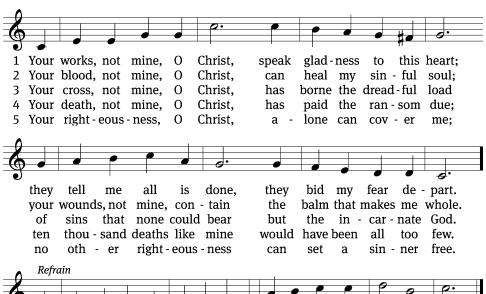
The Gospel of the Lord.

#### Praise be to you, O Christ!

Be seated



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To whom but you, who can a-lone for sin a-tone, Lord, shall I flee?

#### Sermon Text – 2 Kings 5:14-27

Sermon Theme – The Lord knows.....

Part 1: He commends faith when he sees it

Part 2: He condemns sin even when no one else sees it

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.

Be seated

# Offering

Please place your offerings in the box at the back of 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

# The Sacrament

#### **Preface**

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

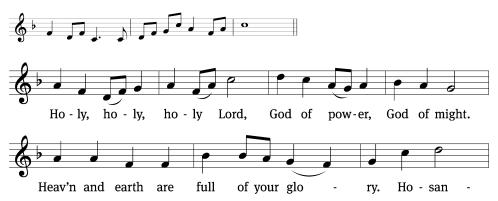
Lift up your hearts.

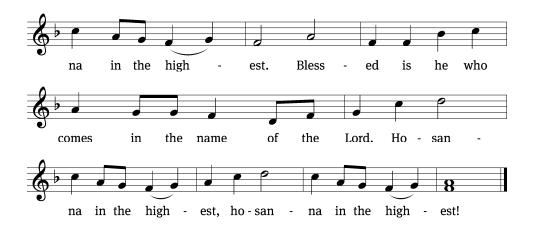
We lift them up to the Lord.

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:

# Holy, Holy, Holy





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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.** 

# O Christ, Lamb of God



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Be seated

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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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#### **In Our Prayers**

Judi Tevich Natasha McCants Kitty Henderson Melvin Reed

Next Week: October 20, 2024

Lav Reader: Thomas McNeal

Piano: Grace Hennen

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

Monday, October 14 NO SCHOOL – Faculty Professional Day

Wednesday, October 16 Chapel 8:15AM

Friday, October 18 Table of Treats 4:00-6:00PM – School gym

**Tables of Treats** is taking place **Friday, October 18th,** from **4-6pm** in the school gymnasium. This will be a fun autumn event and a place for students to do some early trick-or-treating and a chance for church and school families to meet and mingle. If you are interested in participating by **decorating and hosting a table** please contact Ms. Chamberlain, <a href="mailto:lchamberlain@stphilipsmilwaukee.com">lchamberlain@stphilipsmilwaukee.com</a>

2024 Tables of Treats

Sunday, October 20 Baptism Sunday

K4 – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Sing for Worship

Bible Class 9:30AM Worship 10:30AM

Open Board of Education Meeting follows worship



Have your children been baptized? Have you been baptized? If not, our church provides an opportunity for you and your family to do so and at no cost to you!

We have scheduled a Baptism Sunday for: Sunday morning, October 20th, at 10:30am.

St. Philip's Lutheran Church will be holding a special baptism service on that Sunday. We feel baptism is of most importance for children as well as for adults. Through it God brings His promise of love and forgiveness to all.

If you desire to be baptized along with your children, please contact Pastor Raymond Kimbrough at: 414-263-1373. Pastor will briefly meet with you to give you more information and instructions about this special baptism service.

Thank you and we look forward to serving you and your family.

In Christian Iove, Pastor Raymond Kimbrough



# LWMS Metro North Fall Rally 10/26/2024

8:00 AM – Registration and Breakfast Morning Star Lutheran Church, N171 W20131 Highland Road., Jackson, WI Updates on Home and World Missions



# Where Success Means More

#### **WLHS Fall Fine Arts Showcase**

Everyone is invited to the WLHS Fall Fine Arts Showcase on Sunday, October 20, at 3:00 p.m, featuring the Symphonic and Concert Bands, Freshman and A Cappella Choirs, and Wisco Kids Show Choir. The concert will also include a special band and choir collaboration piece called "Sogno di Volare" (The Dream of Flight) by the two-time Grammy-winning composer, Christopher Tin. Join us as our student musicians use their talents to celebrate God's special gift of music!

#### WISCONSIN LUTHERAN COLLEGE EVENT

Please join the Wisconsin Lutheran College community to hear Dr. Scott Keith speak on "Luther, Melanchthon, and the Reformation" on Thursday, November 7<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm at the WLC Chapel.

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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