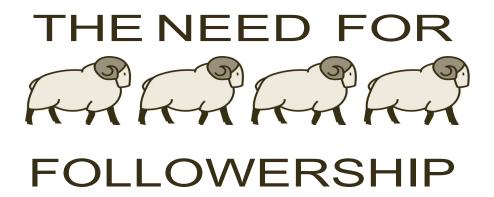
22nd Sunday of Pentecost October 20, 2024



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 – 8th grade Christian day school please contact our Principal, Jason Schapekahm at 414-263-7614 or 414-659-4688.

"Baptism Celebration Sunday" Worship Theme THE NEED FOR FOLLOWERSHIP FOLLOWERS OF CHRIST MAKE SELFLESS SACRIFICES

"What's in it for me?" It's easy to look at life through the lens of that question, to make decisions based on perceived personal benefit. Perhaps at times we look at Christianity through that lens, wondering what we will gain from following Christ. "What's in it for me?" Jesus first disciples asked that question. They hoped that following Christ would bring prestige and honor. They assumed following Christ would make life easier. But it doesn't work like that. Followers of Christ are called to sacrifice for the well-being of others.

"What's in it for me?" Everything! Because of Christ's ultimate sacrifice, followers of Christ have the peace of his forgiveness. Followers of Christ have the joy of meaningful purpose. Followers of Christ look forward to an eternity of glory in Christ's heavenly kingdom. In Spirit-wrought gratitude, followers of Christ make selfless sacrifices with joy.



- 1 What a friend we have in Je sus, all our sins and griefs to bear!
- 2 Have we tri als and temp-ta tions? Is there trou-ble an y-where?
- 3 Are we weak and heav-y lad en, cum-bered with a load of care?



What a priv-i-lege to car - ry ev - 'ry-thing to God in prayer!

We should nev-er be dis-cour-aged— take it to the Lord in prayer.

Pre - cious Sav-ior, still our ref - uge— take it to the Lord in prayer.



Oh, what peace we of - ten for - feit, oh, what need-less pain we bear, Can we find a friend so faith - ful who will all our sor-rows share? Do your friends de-spise, for-sake you? Take it to the Lord in prayer.



all be-cause we do not car - ry ev - 'ry-thing to God in prayer!

Je - sus knows our ev - 'ry weak-ness— take it to the Lord in prayer.

In his arms he'll take and shield you; you will find a sol-ace there.

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Stand

Pastor: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

Congregation: And also with you. (spoken)

Confession of Sins

P: We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve him as his dear children. But we have disobeyed him and deserve only his wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to him and plead for his mercy.

C: Merciful father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against you and do not deserve to be called your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.

P: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. 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.

C: Amen. (spoken)

Oh Taste and See (sung)

Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good.
Blessed are they who take refuge in him.
Your Word, O Lord, is eternal;
It stands firm in the heavens.
Your faithfulness continues forever.
Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good.
Blessed are they who take refuge in him.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

Almighty and merciful God, it is only by your gift of grace that we come into your presence and offer true and faithful service. Grant that our worship on earth may always be pleasing to you, and in the life to come give us the fulfillment of what you have promised; 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

Isaiah 53:10-12

1ºYet it was the LORD's will to crush him and cause him to suffer, and though the LORD makes his life an offering for sin,
he will see his offspring and prolong his days, and the will of the LORD will prosper in his hand.
1ºAfter he has suffered, he will see the light of life and be satisfied;
by his knowledge my righteous servant will justify many, and he will bear their iniquities.
1º2Therefore I will give him a portion among the great, and he will divide the spoils with the strong,
because he poured out his life unto death, and was numbered with the transgressors.
For he bore the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.



Second Reading

1 Corinthians 9:7-12,19-23

¹⁹Though I am free and belong to no one, I have made myself a slave to everyone, to win as many as possible. ²⁰To the Jews I became like a Jew, to win the Jews. To those under the law I became like one under the law (though I myself am not under the law), so as to win those under the law. ²¹To those not having the law I became like one not having the law (though I am not free from God's law but am under Christ's law), so as to win those not having the law. ²²To the weak I became weak, to win the weak. I have become all things to all people so that by all possible means I might save some. ²³I do all this for the sake of the gospel, that I may share in its blessings.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Stand

Gospel Acclamation

Mark 10:45

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel Mark 10:32–45

³²They were on their way up to Jerusalem, with Jesus leading the way, and the disciples were astonished, while those who followed were afraid. Again he took the Twelve aside and told them what was going to happen to him. ³³"We are going up to Jerusalem," he said, "and the Son of Man will be delivered over to the chief priests and the teachers of the law. They will condemn him to death and will hand him over to the Gentiles, ³⁴who will mock him and spit on him, flog him and kill him. Three days later he will rise."

³⁵Then James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came to him. "Teacher," they said, "we want you to do for us whatever we ask."

³⁶"What do you want me to do for you?" he asked.

³⁷They replied, "Let one of us sit at your right and the other at your left in your glory."

³⁸"You don't know what you are asking," Jesus said. "Can you drink the cup I drink or be baptized with the baptism I am baptized with?"

³⁹"We can," they answered.

Jesus said to them, "You will drink the cup I drink and be baptized with the baptism I am baptized with, ⁴⁰but to sit at my right or left is not for me to grant. These places belong to those for whom they have been prepared."

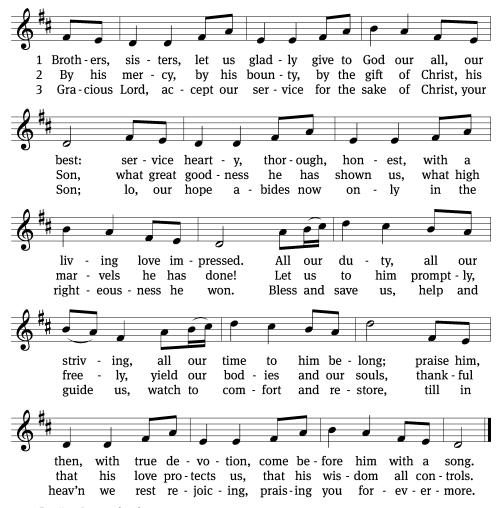
⁴¹When the ten heard about this, they became indignant with James and John. ⁴²Jesus called them together and said, "You know that those who are regarded as rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their high officials exercise authority over them. ⁴³Not so with you. Instead, whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant, ⁴⁴and whoever wants to be first must be slave of all. ⁴⁵For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to you, O Christ!

Be seated

Please rise for the final stanza.



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Sermon Text - I Corinthians 9: 19-23 (Second Reading)

Sermon Theme - "How Do We Win Others for Christ?"

- 1. It requires presenting the Word of God to lost people.
 - a) There is a goal that we must own: "By all means to save some"
 - b) There is a message that we must proclaim: "The Gospel"
- 2. It requires presenting the Word of God to lost people, without needlessly offending them.
 - a) There is an attitude to adopt: "I am a slave to all"
 - b) There is a perception to gain: "Where is this person at? (culture)"
- 3. <u>It requires maintaining a balance:</u> "To be all things to all people, without compromising God's Word"

Stand

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Be seated

Our Offering to the Lord

Please place your offerings in the basket at the back of church. Online giving is also available from our website or click this link: https://members.myeoffering.com/#/landing.

St. Philip's Lutheran School Children - "Father Welcomes"

REFRAIN: Father welcomes all His children To His fam'ly through His Son. Father giving His salvation; Life forever has been won.

STANZA 1: Little children come to me, For My kingdom is of these. Love and new life have I to give. Pardon for your sin. **REFRAIN**

STANZA 2: In the water, in the Word, In his promise, be assured; All who believe and are baptized Have been born again. **REFRAIN**

STANZA 3: Let us daily die to sin; Let us daily rise with him, Walk in the love of Christ our Lord, Live in the peace of God. **REFRAIN**

The Order of Holy Baptism

Remain Seated

Baptismal Exhortation

Our Savior Jesus Christ commanded Baptism when he said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

Scripture makes plain the need for Baptism. As children of Adam, we belong to a fallen race. From our parents we inherit a sinful nature, and we would be lost forever unless delivered by our Lord Jesus Christ. He willingly took on himself the curse of sin, and by his death on the cross he redeemed us and all people. It is the Father's will that everyone who looks to the Son and believes in him shall have eternal life, and he will raise them up at the Last Day.

Christ's almighty Word gives Baptism its power to save. Jesus promises in the last chapter of Mark, "Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved." The apostle Peter declares, "Baptism now saves you." Scripture also teaches that the power and promise of Baptism are intended for young and old alike. On the day of Pentecost, the apostle testified, "The promise is for you and your children and for all who are far off—for all whom the Lord our God will call." By water and the Spirit, we are born again and are united with Christ and his people as members of the Church.

Prayer

Let us pray.

Holy God, mighty Lord, gracious Father, through your stern judgment, the unbelieving world was destroyed by the flood, but according to your great mercy, you saved Noah and his family. You engulfed stubborn Pharaoh and his army in the waters of the Red Sea but led your people through those same waters to safety on dry land. In the waters of the Jordan, your own Son was baptized and anointed with the Spirit. By these signs you foreshadowed the washing that you give us in Holy Baptism.

Holding firmly to your command and promise, we ask that you would look with favor on those being baptized today. Through this water of Baptism, drown in them all sin inherited from Adam and any other evil they may do. Set them apart from the unbelieving world, and hold them safe and secure in the holy ark of the Church. Keep them always fervent in spirit and joyful in hope so that they may honor your holy name and at last receive, together with all your people, the promised inheritance of eternal life, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

The Gospel according to St. Mark:

People were bringing little children to Jesus for him to place his hands on them, but the disciples rebuked them. When Jesus saw this, he was indignant. He said to them, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these. Truly I tell you, anyone who will not receive the kingdom of God like a little child will never enter it." And he took the children in his arms, placed his hands on them and blessed them.

Invite all who are being baptized to come forward to the baptismal font.

Baptismal Blessing

[Name], I baptize you in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Receive the sign of the cross on the head and heart to mark you as one redeemed by Christ the crucified.

The almighty God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ has given you the new birth of water and the Spirit and has forgiven all your sins. May he strengthen you with his grace all the days of your life. Peace be with you.

Exhortation

Brothers and sisters in Christ:

Our Lord commands that we teach his precious truths to all who are baptized. Christian love therefore urges all of us, especially parents and sponsors, to assist in whatever manner possible so that those who have been baptized today may remain a child of God until death. If you are willing to carry out this responsibility, then answer: Yes, as God gives me strength.

Yes, as God gives me strength.

Prayer

Let us pray.

Merciful Father in heaven, we thank you for the gift of Baptism by which you wash away sin and give us a new and eternal life. Help us each day to remember that through Baptism you clothe us with Christ, that we may stand holy and righteous before you. Look with favor on those baptized today that they may be kept safe by the gift of your Spirit, grow daily in your grace, and live forever by the power of the risen Christ. Make us willing to carry out our responsibilities to all the baptized so that all may finally come to the blessed joys of heaven; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

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.

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.

St. Philip's Lutheran School Children sing "The Blessing"

Oh, may the peace of God be with you evermore, And may the pow'r of his great love your soul again restore, And may you always know his neverending care And feel his gracious Spirit upon you ev'ry where.

Acknowledgments

Setting One from Christian Worship

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Piano: Claire Vogel

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

Tuesday, October 22 Parent/Teacher Conferences 3:45-6:00PM

Call Meeting 6:15PM

Wednesday, October 23 NO SCHOOL – Parent/Teacher Conferences

Thursday, October 24 NO SCHOOL – Teacher's Convention Friday, October 25 NO SCHOOL – Teacher's Convention

Saturday, October 26 LWMS Fall Rally at Morning Star, Jackson

Sunday, October 27 Bible Class 9:30AM

Worship w/communion 10:30AM



What is Baptism?

Baptism is not just plain water, but it is the water included in God's command and combined with God's word.

Which is that word of God?

Christ our Lord says in the last chapter of Matthew: "Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit." (Matthew 28:19)

What benefits does Baptism give?

It works forgiveness of sins, rescues from death and the devil, and gives eternal salvation to all who believe this, as the words and promises of God declare.

Which are these words and promises of God?

Christ our Lord says in the last chapter of Mark: "Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved, but whoever does not believe will be condemned." (Mark 16:16)

Jesus Cares Event - Night of FALL FESTIVITIES/HALLOWEEN EVENT

We will have games, fun, and friendship with friends. And some light refreshments. Simple costumes are welcome. (No scary ones please.) Sponsored by Abiding Word Jesus Cares Program.

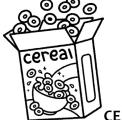
The event will be held at Abiding Word Lutheran Church, 9420 W Capitol Dr. on Monday, October 28th, from 6:30-8:00PM.

We ask that your parent, guardian or staff attend with you. Please call Sharyn Buelow (262-239-0149) to reserve your spot.

Jesus Cares Bible Classes is a ministry which provides a simplified Bible Study using visual-aides and object lessons, it is inclusive to all persons of different abilities. It is held on the 2nd and 4th Mondays of the month from 6:30-8:00PM (Sept-May).

WORSHIP at the Cross is a simplified worship service designed for persons who are differently-abled and have special needs. It is held EVERY 3rd Tuesday of the month, from 6:30-7:30PM.

Bible classes and worship service is held at Abiding Word Lutheran Church.



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 Job Opening—Wisconsin Lutheran High School is looking to hire an Attendance Office Assistant. This position is staffed when school is in session. This person is responsible for ensuring that student attendance is properly recorded in the system, speaking with parents regarding student absences, interacting with students and teachers and enforcing attendance policies. If you are interested in this position, please submit a resume to hr@wlhs.org.

WLHS Veterans Day Observance—Wisconsin Lutheran High School will hold its annual Veterans Day observance on Monday, November 11, 2024. Service men and women are invited to a complimentary plated breakfast that will be served in the WLHS cafeteria at 7:30 a.m. RSVP for the breakfast at wlhs.org.veterans by Friday, November 1. For questions, contact Becky Glass at becky.glass@wlhs.org or 414-453-4567 ext. 2291.

Everyone is invited to the special Veterans Day presentation in the main gymnasium at 8:30 a.m. with guest speaker Staff Sergeant Ricardo "Rick" Martinez ('91). The presentation will also be livestreamed the day of the event at <a href="https://www.wisher.com/wish

WLHS Fall Drama Production—Tickets for the WLHS fall theater production *Peter Pan and Wendy* go on sale Monday, October 21 at 10:00 a.m. Visit <u>wlhs.org/drama</u> for more information.

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 7th 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