

“St. Philip’s Evangelical Lutheran Church & School”

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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
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Worship Theme

“Jesus Appears As the Light in the Darkness”

Order of Service

Opening Hymn: Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness (CW 517)

Please rise

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Congregation: Amen. (spoken)

Confession

Pastor: If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

Congregation: If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.

Pastor: Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

Congregation: 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

Pastor: 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.

Congregation: Amen. (spoken)

Pastor: In the peace of forgiveness let us praise the Lord.

Prayer and Praise (sung)

Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will toward men.

We praise you, we bless you, we worship you,

We glorify you, we give thanks to you, for your great glory,

O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father almighty.

O Lord, the only begotten Son, Jesus Christ;

O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,

You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

You take away the sin of the world; receive our prayer

You sit at the right hand of God the Father; have mercy on us.

For you only are holy; You only are the Lord.

You only, O Christ, with the Holy Spirit,

The Prayer of the Day

Pastor: Let us pray.

Pastor & Congregation: Almighty God, you sent your Son to proclaim your kingdom and teach with authority. Anoint us with the power of your Spirit that we too may bring good news to the afflicted, bind up the brokenhearted, and proclaim liberty to the captive; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen. *(spoken)*

First Lesson: Isaiah 8:19 – 9:4

¹⁹When someone tells you to consult mediums and spiritists, who whisper and mutter, should not a people inquire of their God? Why consult the dead on behalf of the living? ²⁰Consult God's instruction and the testimony of warning. If anyone does not speak according to this word, they have no light of dawn. ²¹Distressed and hungry, they will roam through the land; when they are famished, they will become enraged and, looking upward, will curse their king and their God. ²²Then they will look toward the earth and see only distress and darkness and fearful gloom, and they will be thrust into utter darkness.

¹Nevertheless, there will be no more gloom for those who were in distress. In the past he humbled the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the future he will honor Galilee of the nations, by the Way of the Sea, beyond the Jordan— ²The people walking in darkness have seen a great light; on those living in the land of deep darkness a light has dawned. ³You have enlarged the nation and increased their joy; they rejoice before you as people rejoice at the harvest, as warriors rejoice when dividing the plunder. ⁴For as in the day of Midian's defeat, you have shattered the yoke that burdens them, the bar across their shoulders, the rod of their oppressor.

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

Psalm of the Day – Psalm 27 – The Lord Is My Light *(front part of the hymnal)*

REFRAIN:

The Lord is my light, the Lord is my help, the Lord is my salvation.

The Lord is my light and my salvation – whom shall I fear?

The Lord is the stronghold of my life – of whom shall I be afraid?

One thing I ask from the Lord,

this only do I seek:

that I may dwell in the house of the Lord

all the days of my life,

to gaze on the beauty of the Lord

and to seek him in his temple. REFRAIN

He will hide me in the shelter of his sacred tent

and set me high up on a rock.

I remain confident of this:

I will see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living.

Wait for the Lord

be strong and take heart and wait for the Lord.

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. REFRAIN

Please stand for the gospel lesson.

Gospel Lesson: Matthew 4:12-23

¹²When Jesus heard that John had been put in prison, he withdrew to Galilee. ¹³Leaving Nazareth, he went and lived in Capernaum, which was by the lake in the area of Zebulun and Naphtali— ¹⁴to fulfill what was said through the prophet Isaiah: ¹⁵“Land of Zebulun and land of Naphtali, the Way of the Sea, beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles— ¹⁶the people living in darkness have seen a great light; on those living in the land of the shadow of death a light has dawned.” ¹⁷From that time on Jesus began to preach, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.”

¹⁸As Jesus was walking beside the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon called Peter and his brother Andrew. They were casting a net into the lake, for they were fishermen. ¹⁹“Come, follow me,” Jesus said, “and I will send you out to fish for people.” ²⁰At once they left their nets and followed him. ²¹Going on from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John. They were in a boat with their father Zebedee, preparing their nets. Jesus called them, ²²and immediately they left the boat and their father and followed him. ²³Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and healing every disease and sickness among the people.

Leader: The Gospel of the Lord.

Congregation: Praise be to you, O Christ!

Sermon Hymn: Christ Be My Leader (CW 518)
(Please rise for the final stanza.)

Sermon Theme: “Sometimes Your Greatest Treasure is the Stuff You Don’t Have”

Sermon Text: I Corinthians 1:26-31

²⁶ Brothers and sisters, think of what you were when you were called. Not many of you were wise by human standards; not many were influential; not many were of noble birth. ²⁷ But God chose the foolish things of the world to shame the wise; God chose the weak things of the world to shame the strong. ²⁸ God chose the lowly things of this world and the despised things—and the things that are not—to nullify the things that are, ²⁹ so that no one may boast before him. ³⁰ It is because of him that you are in Christ Jesus, who has become for us wisdom from God—that is, our righteousness, holiness and redemption. ³¹ Therefore, as it is written: “Let the one who boasts boast in the Lord.”

The 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 fully 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 worshipped 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 basket at the back of church.

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

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

General Prayer and the Lord’s Prayer

The Lord’s Supper

Participation in the Lord’s Supper: The Lord’s Supper is described in I Corinthians 11:23-32 as a most precious medicine for the soul. Like all medicines of course, it must be used at the right time for the right purpose by the right person, lest it do more harm than good. For this reason, we ask that all communicants be repentant, confirmed members of the Wisconsin Synod Lutheran Church. Thank you.

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

Congregation: **And also with you.** *(spoken)*

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

Congregation: **We lift them up unto the Lord.** *(spoken)*

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

Congregation: **It is good and right so to do.** *(spoken)*

Pastor: 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 lived among us as a human being and revealed his glory as your only Son, full of grace and truth. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

Holy, Holy, Holy *(sung)*

Holy, holy, holy Lord God of heavenly hosts: Heav'n and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he, blessed is he, blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

The Words of Institution

Pastor:

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.

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

Congregation: **Amen.** *(spoken)*

O Christ, Lamb of God *(sung)*

O Christ, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; Have mercy on us.

O Christ, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; Have mercy on us.

O Christ, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; Grant us your peace.

Amen.

The Distribution

During Distribution: Solo – sung by Willie Mae Reynolds – "Just As I Am"

Song of Simeon *(sung)*

Lord, now you let your servant depart in peace according to your Word. For my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have prepared before the face of all people, a light to lighten the Gentiles and the glory of your people Israel.

Pastor: O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.

Congregation: **And his mercy endures forever.** *(spoken)*

Prayer of Thanksgiving

We give thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us with this Holy Supper. 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.

Congregational Response: **Amen.** *(spoken)*

Benediction

Congregational Response: **Amen, Amen, Amen.** *(sung)*

Closing Hymn: **Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing** *(CW 927)*

"Our Mission Statement"

(Our Purpose as a Church)

Our mission here at St. Philip's Lutheran is outlined for us in **Matthew 28:19:** '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.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR
THE WEEK OF JANUARY 22, 2023**

Guest Preacher: Pastor Phil Merten. Thank you.

Piano: Ms. Emma Schneck. Thank you.

Lay Reader: Mr. Thomas McNeal. Thank you.

Song Leader: Ms. Sarah Enstad. Thank you.

Soloist: Ms. Willie Mae Reynolds. Thank you.

Next Sunday, January 29, 2023

Organist: Mrs. Nicole Cottman

Lay Reader: Mr. Thomas McNeal

**Coming this week at
St. Philip's Lutheran Church & School**

Wednesday, January 25

Chapel 8:15AM

Thursday, January 26

**BB Games Away at St. Paul's, Franklin
B-Girls 4:30PM, B-Boys 5:20PM, A-Boys 6:10PM
No A-Girls game this week.**

Board of Education Meeting 5:30PM - *Virtual*

Sunday, January 29

**Bible Class 9:30AM
Worship Service 10:30AM
Call Meeting follows worship service.**



In Our Prayers

Please keep **Johnnie Patterson** in your prayers as she continues to deal with medical issues. We look forward to the day she can return to worship.

If you know of someone who should be added to our prayer request list please contact Pastor Kimbrough at 414-263-1373 or Mrs. Allard at 414-263-7614. We would love to be able to include others on this list as well.

OFFERING UPDATE

1/10/23-1/16/23	Week	January to Date	July to Date
Budget	\$3,490.57	\$10,471.70	\$103,679.25
Actual	\$1,729.70	\$13,338.70	\$103,841.32
Over(Under)	(\$1,760.87)	\$ 2,867.00	\$ 162.07

Church statements will be available next Sunday, January 29, 2023.

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

Viking Steel Winter Concert—WLHS Viking Steel will present their winter concert on Saturday, January 28, at 7:00 p.m. featuring the high school's three steelpan groups. The concert will be held in the auditorium with free general admission. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. A livestream link to the concert can be found at wlhs.org.

WLHS 5th Grade Extravaganza—Attention all 5th grade students and parents! Wisconsin Lutheran High School is hosting a 5th Grade Extravaganza just for you on Sunday, February 5, from 5:30–7:30 p.m. The evening is free and includes dinner, a fun night of entertainment and prizes! Students and parents have a chance to learn about our caring, Christian environment, superior academics, award-winning co-curriculars, generous tuition assistance, and the amazing opportunities that WLHS offers. To reserve your spot, please register at wlhs.org/5thGrade.