

**“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,**

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**Worship Theme**

**“The Holy Ministry is Filled with Sinners Called By God”**

They never forgot their past. Moses never forgot how, in a fit of anger, he killed a man. Paul never forgot how he had savaged the Church of God, overseeing the persecution and execution of Christians around Jerusalem. Matthew never forgot how, as a tax collector for the Roman Empire, he was disdained as a swindler and traitor to his people. These men never forgot their past.

But God did. God forgave them all their sins and called them into gospel ministry. The holy ministry is not filled with perfect people. The holy ministry is filled with sinners whom God has called out of his boundless mercy. The holy ministry is God’s gift to the Church. But it is also God’s gift to ministers, who certainly do not deserve the privilege of being God’s public servants. God calls sinful and weak individuals into the ministry, so that as his kingdom advances, we give credit where credit is due—to the Holy Spirit.

**Order of Service**

**Opening Hymn: CWH 737 – Lord, Help Us Walk Your Servant Way**

*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. 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*

**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,**

**are most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

**Pastor:** The Lord be with you.

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

**Prayer of the Day**

**Pastor & Congregation:** Almighty and merciful God, you sent your Son, Jesus Christ, to seek and to save the lost. Graciously open our ears and our hearts to hear his call and follow him by faith that we may feast with him forever in his kingdom; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen. *(spoken)*

*Congregation may be seated.*

**First Lesson: Exodus 3:1-15**

*Moses asked a good question: “Who am I to bring the Israelites out of Egypt.”*

*Answer: the one the LORD himself had chosen for that holy ministry.*

<sup>1</sup>Now Moses was tending the flock of Jethro his father-in-law, the priest of Midian, and he led the flock to the far side of the wilderness and came to Horeb, the

mountain of God. <sup>2</sup>There the angel of the LORD appeared to him in flames of fire from within a bush. Moses saw that though the bush was on fire it did not burn up. <sup>3</sup>So Moses thought, “I will go over and see this strange sight—why the bush does not burn up.”

<sup>4</sup>When the LORD saw that he had gone over to look, God called to him from within the bush, “Moses! Moses!” And Moses said, “Here I am.” <sup>5</sup>“Do not come any closer,” God said. “Take off your sandals, for the place where you are standing is holy ground.” <sup>6</sup>Then he said, “I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob.” At this, Moses hid his face, because he was afraid to look at God.

<sup>7</sup>The LORD said, “I have indeed seen the misery of my people in Egypt. I have heard them crying out because of their slave drivers, and I am concerned about their suffering. <sup>8</sup>So I have come down to rescue them from the hand of the Egyptians and to bring them up out of that land into a good and spacious land, a land flowing with milk and honey—the home of the Canaanites, Hittites, Amorites, Perizzites, Hivites and Jebusites. <sup>9</sup>And now the cry of the Israelites has reached me, and I have seen the way the Egyptians are oppressing them. <sup>10</sup>So now, go. I am sending you to Pharaoh to bring my people the Israelites out of Egypt.”

<sup>11</sup>But Moses said to God, “Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?”

<sup>12</sup>And God said, “I will be with you. And this will be the sign to you that it is I who have sent you: When you have brought the people out of Egypt, you will worship God on this mountain.”

<sup>13</sup>Moses said to God, “Suppose I go to the Israelites and say to them, ‘The God of your fathers has sent me to you,’ and they ask me, ‘What is his name?’ Then what shall I tell them?”

<sup>14</sup>God said to Moses, “I AM WHO I AM. This is what you are to say to the Israelites: ‘I AM has sent me to you.’ ”

<sup>15</sup>God also said to Moses, “Say to the Israelites, ‘The LORD, the God of your fathers—the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob—has sent me to you.’ “This is my name forever, the name you shall call me from generation to generation.

**Leader:** The Word of the Lord.

**Congregation:** Thanks be to God.

**Psalm of the Day – Psalm 119c (selected verses)**

Reader: Do good to your servant

**Congregation: according to your word, Lord.**

Reader: Teach me knowledge and good judgment,

**Congregation: for I trust your commands.**

Reader: Before I was afflicted I went astray,

**Congregation: but now I obey your word.**

Reader: You are good, and what you do is good;

**Congregation: teach me your decrees.**

Reader: It was good for me to be afflicted

**Congregation: so that I might learn your decrees**

Reader: The law from your mouth is more precious to me

**Congregation: than thousands of pieces of silver and gold.**

**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.**

**Verse of the Day**

Alleluia. Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful people, and kindle in them the fire of your love. Alleluia.

**Congregational Response** *(sung)*

**Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!**

**Second Lesson: 1 Timothy 1:12-17**

*To demonstrate mercy and patience, God called Paul, the self-identified “worst of sinners,” into the holy ministry.*

<sup>12</sup>I thank Christ Jesus our Lord, who has given me strength, that he considered me trustworthy, appointing me to his service. <sup>13</sup>Even though I was once a blasphemer and a persecutor and a violent man, I was shown mercy because I acted in ignorance and unbelief. <sup>14</sup>The grace of our Lord was poured out on me abundantly, along with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus.

<sup>15</sup>Here is a trustworthy saying that deserves full acceptance: Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners—of whom I am the worst. <sup>16</sup>But for that very reason I was shown mercy so that in me, the worst of sinners, Christ Jesus might display his immense patience as an example for those who would believe in him and receive eternal life. <sup>17</sup>Now to the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory for ever and ever. Amen.

**Leader:** The Word of the Lord.

**Congregation:** Thanks be to God.

**Sermon Hymn:** CWH 578 – Chief of Sinners Though I Be  
*(Please rise for the final stanza.)*

**Sermon Theme:** "The Company Our Lord Keeps"

1. Our Lord calls Matthew. Verse 9
2. Our Lord eats with sinners. Verses 10-13

**Sermon Text: Matthew 9:9-13**

<sup>9</sup>As Jesus went on from there, he saw a man named Matthew sitting at the tax collector’s booth. “Follow me,” he told him, and Matthew got up and followed him.

<sup>10</sup>While Jesus was having dinner at Matthew’s house, many tax collectors and sinners came and ate with him and his disciples. <sup>11</sup>When the Pharisees saw this, they asked his disciples, “Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?”

<sup>12</sup>On hearing this, Jesus said, “It is not the healthy who need a doctor, but the sick. <sup>13</sup>But go and learn what this means: ‘I desire mercy, not sacrifice.’ For I have not come to call the righteous, but sinners.”

### 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 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 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 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** *(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 by Willie Mae Reynolds - Just a Closer Walk with Thee*

**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:** **CWH 896 – Dear Lord, to Your True Servants Give**

**"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 JUNE 11, 2023**

**Organist:** Mrs. Nicole Cottman. Thank you.

**Lay Reader:** Mr. Thomas McNeal. Thank you.

**Next Week: June 18, 2023**

**Piano:** Ms. Emma Schneck

**Lay Reader:** Mr. Thomas McNeal

**SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS WILL RESUME IN SEPTEMBER 2023.**

**WHAT'S HAPPENING AT ST. PHILIP'S**

**Wednesday, June 14**

**SP Summer Reading Family Event 6:00PM**

**Sunday, June 18**

**Worship 10:30AM**

**LOOKING AHEAD**

**Sunday, July 30**

Church Picnic after worship. Picnic will be held in the church parking lot.

Hamburgers, hot-dogs, chips, cookies, water and soda.

We need someone to coordinate the picnic this year.

Please contact the church or school office if you are interested in helping.