

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

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 the Principal Schapekahm at 414-263-7614 or 414-659-4688.

Worship Notes: Per Governor Evers' mask mandate announced July 30,

ALL people age 5 and older MUST wear a face mask to in-person worship.

Since the mandate DOES allow for face coverings to be removed while eating and drinking, we will continue to have communion on our regular schedule. We are monitoring this situation very closely and will keep you updated if anything changes.

It currently expires November 21st, although the City of Milwaukee Mask Mandate may last longer. We will be asking people to sit in every other pew. At dismissal please remember to exit the church and visit outside. We pray that the Lord will help all of us to have an uplifting worship experience gathered around His Word.

Worship Theme:

“Lord, Keep Us Watchful for Our Triumph”

“Order of Service”

Opening Hymn: Praise to the Lord the Almighty (CW 234)

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!

O my soul, praise him, for he is your health and salvation!

Let all who hear Now to his temple draw near, Joining in glad adoration!

Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things is wondrously reigning

And, as on wings of an eagle, uplifting, sustaining.

Have you not seen All that is needful has been Sent by his gracious ordaining?

Praise to the Lord, who has fearfully, wondrously, made you,

Health has bestowed and, when heedlessly falling, has stayed you.

What need or grief Ever has failed of relief? Wings of his mercy did shade you.

Praise to the Lord, who will prosper your work and defend you;

Surely his goodness and mercy shall daily attend you.

Ponder anew What the Almighty can do As with his love he befriends you.

Praise to the Lord! Oh, let all that is in me adore him!

All that has life and breath, come now with praises before him!

Let the Amen Sound from his people again; Gladly forever adore him!

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.

Confession of Sins

Pastor: 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.

Congregation: 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.

Pastor: God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, he has removed your guilt forever. You are his own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to his will.

Congregation: Amen.

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

Praise Song: *(Congregation sings response)*

**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.**

The Prayer of the Day

Pastor: Let us pray.

Pastor & Congregation:

Almighty God and Savior, you have set the final day and hour when we shall be delivered from this world of sin and death. Keep us ever watchful for the coming of your Son that we may sit with him and all your holy ones at the marriage feast in heaven; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen. *(Sung)*

First Lesson: Isaiah 52:1-6

¹Awake, awake, O Zion, clothe yourself with strength. Put on your garments of splendor, O Jerusalem, the holy city. The uncircumcised and defiled will not enter you again. ²Shake off your dust; rise up, sit enthroned, O Jerusalem. Free yourself from the chains on your neck, O captive Daughter of Zion. ³For this is what the LORD says: “You were sold for nothing, and without money you will be redeemed.” ⁴For this is what the Sovereign LORD says: “At first my people went down to Egypt to live; lately, Assyria has oppressed them. ⁵“And now what do I have here?” declares the LORD. “For my people have been taken away for nothing, and those who rule them mock,” declares the LORD. “And all day long my name is constantly blasphemed. ⁶Therefore my people will know my name; therefore in that day they will know that it is I who foretold it. Yes, it is I.”

Psalm of the Day – Responsive Reading – Psalm 84 (selected verses)

Reader: How lovely is your dwelling place,

Congregation: O Lord Almighty!

Reader: My soul yearns, even faints,

Congregation: For the courts of the Lord.

Reader: Blessed are those who dwell in your house;

Congregation: They are ever praising you.

Reader: Better is one day in your courts,

Congregation: Than a thousand elsewhere.

Reader: I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God,

Congregation: Then dwell in the tents of the wicked.

Reader: O Lord Almighty,

Congregation: Blessed are they who trust in you.

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.

Congregational Response *(sung)*

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

These words are written that we may believe

That Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Please stand for the second lesson.

Second Lesson: I Thessalonians 4:13-18

¹³Brothers and sisters, we do not want you to be uninformed about those who sleep in death, so that you do not grieve like the rest of mankind, who have no hope. ¹⁴For we believe that Jesus died and rose again, and so we believe that God will bring with Jesus those who have fallen asleep in him. ¹⁵According to the Lord’s word, we tell you that we who are still alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will certainly not precede those who have fallen asleep. ¹⁶For the Lord himself will come down from heaven, with a loud command, with the voice of the archangel and with the trumpet call of God, and the dead in Christ will rise first. ¹⁷After that, we who are still alive and are left will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And so we will be with the Lord forever. ¹⁸Therefore encourage one another with these words.

Congregation: Praise be to you, O Christ! *(sung response)*

Sermon Hymn: There is a Higher Throne (727 CWS)
(Please rise for the final stanza.)

**There is a higher throne than all this world has known,
Where faithful ones from ev'ry tongue will one day come.
Before the Son we'll stand, made faultless through the Lamb;
Believing hearts find promised grace; salvation comes.**

Refrain

**Hear heaven's voices sing; their thund'rous anthem rings.
Through em'rald courts and sapphire skies their praises rise.
All glory, wisdom, pow'r, strength, thanks, and honor are
to God our King who reigns on high forevermore.**

**And there we'll find our home, our life before the throne.
We'll honor him in perfect song where we belong.
He'll wipe each tear-stained eye as thirst and hunger die.
The Lamb becomes our Shepherd-King; we'll reign with him.
Refrain x2**

Sermon Theme: "Be Prepared For Our Savior's Return!"

- 1. Waiting for the bridegroom. Verses 1-5**
- 2. Called to meet the bridegroom. Verses 6-12**
- 3. Are you prepared? Verse 13**

Sermon Text: Matthew 25:1-13

¹"At that time the kingdom of heaven will be like ten virgins who took their lamps and went out to meet the bridegroom. ²Five of them were foolish and five were wise. ³The foolish ones took their lamps but did not take any oil with them. ⁴The wise, however, took oil in jars along with their lamps. ⁵The bridegroom was a long

time in coming, and they all became drowsy and fell asleep. ⁶"At midnight the cry rang out: 'Here's the bridegroom! Come out to meet him!' ⁷"Then all the virgins woke up and trimmed their lamps. ⁸The foolish ones said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil; our lamps are going out.' ⁹"'No,' they replied, 'there may not be enough for both us and you. Instead, go to those who sell oil and buy some for yourselves.' ¹⁰"But while they were on their way to buy the oil, the bridegroom arrived. The virgins who were ready went in with him to the wedding banquet. And the door was shut. ¹¹"Later the others also came. 'Sir! Sir!' they said. 'Open the door for us!' ¹²"But he replied, 'I tell you the truth, I don't know you.' ¹³"Therefore keep watch, because you do not know the day or the hour.

The 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.

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.myoffering.com/#/landing>.*

Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Benediction

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

Closing Hymn: Crown Him with Many Crowns (CW 341)

Crown him with many crowns, The Lamb upon his throne;
Hark how the heav'nly anthem drowns All music but its own.
Awake, my soul, and sing Of him who died for thee,
And hail him as thy matchless King Through all eternity.

Crown him the Lord of love -- Behold his hands and side,
Rich wounds, yet visible above, In beauty glorified.
No angel in the sky Can fully bear that sight,
But downward bends his wond'ring eye At mysteries so bright.

Crown him the Lord of life, Who triumphed o'er the grave
And rose victorious in the strife For those he came to save.
His glories now we sing Who died and rose on high,
Who died eternal life to bring And lives that death may die.

Crown him the Lord of heav'n, Enthroned in worlds above;
Crown him the King to whom is giv'n The wondrous name of Love.
Crown him with many crowns As thrones before him fall;
Crown him, ye kings, with many crowns For he is King of all.

**"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 NOVEMBER 15, 2020**

Organist: Mrs. Nicole Cottman. Thank you.

Lay Reader: Mr. Thomas McNeal. Thank you.

Next Week: November 22, 2020

Organist: Ms. Emma Schneck

Lay Reader: Mr. Thomas McNeal

OFFERING UPDATE – This update will be included each week with the bulletin.

	<u>Week</u> <u>11/2-11/8</u>	<u>Month</u> <u>November</u>	<u>Year to Date</u> <u>2020-2021</u>
Budget	\$ 3,653.85	\$ 7,307.70	\$ 69,423.15
Actual	\$ 1,791.70	\$ 4,566.70	\$ 61,861.80
Over (Under)	(\$ 1,862.15)	(\$ 2,741.00)	(\$ 7,561.35)



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

Monday, November 16

Food and materials pickup for virtual students 1:00-4:00PM

Sunday, November 22nd

10:30AM – Worship Service with communion



**Thanksgiving Worship Service
Wednesday, November 25th at 6:00PM**

Let us take the time to come and thank and praise the Lord for the blessings He provides to his family of believers at St. Philip's Lutheran Church & School.

CALL RECEIVED

Dear Members of St. Philip's Lutheran Church and School,
On Sunday, October 25, David's Star in Jackson, WI was led by the Holy Spirit to extend a call to me to teach fourth grade and be the Technology Director. What a humbling experience to prayerfully consider my current call at St. Philip's and the call to David's Star. I ask you to please keep me in your prayers as I deliberate both calls.

In Christ's Service,
Jessica Martinez
St. Philip's Lutheran School
Dean of Students



2020-2021

ST. PHILIP'S FIRST QUARTER HONOR ROLL

HIGHEST HONORS 4.00 GRADE POINT

1st Grade – Alyana Moldenhauer,
Livia Schapekahm, Maleah Whitelow
4th Grade – Calahan Moldenhauer

HIGH HONORS 3.50 – 3.99 GRADE POINT

1st Grade - Gabriel Cottman, Makia Kleimola, Aleyah Maxwell
4th Grade - Cyrus Fairfield
5th Grade - Jordan Smith
6th Grade - Leila Foster
7th Grade - Thomas Moldenhauer
8th Grade - Myrical Fairfield

HONORS 3.00 – 3.49 GRADE POINT

2nd Grade - Jaydenn Caldwell, Tayjah Davenport, Alicia Haynes, Yaliza Lara
3rd Grade - Adelaide Cottman, Kyla Davis, Ethan Johnson-Raffet, Kaliyah Mack
4th Grade - Elizabeth Allen
6th Grade - Sophia Berg, A'Myra Hulbert, Annaleah Reyes, Oliver Schapekahm
7th Grade - Demarques JohnsonMartinez, William Phommarat
8th Grade - Henry Schapekahm, Armani White

Saints Triumphant - Third Sunday of End Time

God's Word for Today

Like children playing hide and seek, Jesus calls out to us through his Word, "Ready or not here I come!" Thanks be to God that in his love and through Jesus' saving work on the cross, we have been made ready. When Jesus comes in the end, we will be raised and united with all those who have preceded us in the faith. Therefore, let us continue to be vigilant in the faith until that day comes.

First Lesson (Isaiah 52:1-6)

1. Who are the "uncircumcised and defiled" that will never enter the holy city of Jerusalem?
2. Verse three tells us that we were redeemed without money. Define the term "redeem".

Second Lesson (1 Thessalonians 4:13-18)

3. Who are those who had "fallen asleep"?
4. Agree or Disagree. A Christian should never mourn the death of a fellow Christian.

Gospel (Matthew 25:1-13)

5. How did the five foolish virgins demonstrate their foolishness?
6. How do we "keep watch" for Jesus' coming?

Answers:

1. Throughout its history, Israel had been invaded and attacked by foreign nations (most recently by the nation of Assyria). Due to their disobedience, pagan armies entered and even conquered Jerusalem. God promised that a day would come when Jerusalem would be freed from such invasions. In the New Testament we find that the true Israel and the true Jerusalem are God's holy people—his church. We will see the deliverance foretold by Isaiah when we put on our "garments of splendor" in heaven.
2. To redeem means "to buy back" or "to pay the price of freedom." Jesus paid the price necessary to free us from our slavery to sin and death. He did this, "not with gold or silver, but with his holy precious blood and innocent suffering and death."
3. This word picture is often used in the Bible to describe those who have died. It seems that there was some confusion in the Thessalonian congregation about those who had died. The Thessalonians were waiting eagerly for the imminent return of Jesus. They were worried because they were afraid that those who died before his coming would not receive the same salvation.
4. As Christians we are comforted and encouraged by the fact that those who die in Christ will receive the reward that he won for them on the cross. We are consoled by the knowledge that we will see them again in heaven. A Christian will not despair as many in this world do. Yet, death is separation. A Christian will feel the loss. A Christian will miss his loved ones. A Christian will mourn and even cry. Did not Jesus cry when his friend Lazarus died? As Christians, however, we are comforted by the promises of our loving God.
5. The virgins of Jesus' parable are comparable with the bridesmaids of today. Their responsibility was to prepare the bride for the coming of the bridegroom. The foolish virgins did not bring enough oil for their lamps. They were not prepared. So when the bridegroom took longer than was expected, they were not ready for him.
6. As Christians we are ready for Jesus' coming through faith. We keep watch, therefore, by maintaining and strengthening that faith through a constant use of the Word and Sacraments.