

“St. Philip’s Evangelical Lutheran Church & 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. Please fill out a white pew card and give to an usher. We would like to express our gratitude to you for visiting St. Philip’s Lutheran Church. For more information regarding St. Philip’s Lutheran Church, please contact Pastor Kimbrough at 414-263-1373. For information on our K4 – 8th grade Christian day school please contact our Principal, Jason Schapekahm at 414-263-7614 or 414-659-4688.

Worship Theme

The Church is Militant: First the Cross, Then the Crown

“Order of Service”

Opening Hymn: 465 – Jesus I My Cross Have Taken

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.**

Prayer of the Day

Pastor & Congregation: O Lord Jesus Christ, preserve the congregation of believers with your never-failing mercy. Help us avoid whatever is wicked and harmful, and guide us in the way that leads to our salvation; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen. *(sung)*

First Lesson: Jeremiah 15:15-21

The mighty prophet, Jeremiah, experiences the great internal battle of every believer in the true God. On the one hand, the Lord's words are his staff of life. He joyfully embraces them with his inmost being and rejoices in his prophetic office. On the other hand, he must bear the grievous and incurable wound of declaring judgment to the people he loves.

¹⁵You understand, O LORD; remember me and care for me. Avenge me on my persecutors. You are long-suffering—do not take me away; think of how I suffer reproach for your sake. ¹⁶When your words came, I ate them; they were my joy and my heart's delight, for I bear your name, O LORD God Almighty. ¹⁷I never sat in the company of revelers, never made merry with them; I sat alone because your hand was on me and you had filled me with indignation. ¹⁸Why is my pain unending and my wound grievous and incurable? Will you be to me like a deceptive brook, like a spring that fails? ¹⁹Therefore this is what the LORD says: "If you repent, I will restore you that you may serve me; if you utter worthy, not worthless, words, you will be my spokesman. Let this people turn to you, but you must not turn to them. ²⁰I will make you a wall to this people, a fortified wall of bronze; they will fight against you but will not overcome you, for I am with you to rescue and save you," declares the LORD. ²¹"I will save you from the hands of the wicked and redeem you from the grasp of the cruel."

Psalm of the Day – Responsive Reading – Psalm 121 (selected verses)

Reader: I lift up my eyes to the hills.

Congregation: Where does my help come from?

Reader: My help comes from the Lord,

Congregation: The maker of heaven and earth.

Reader: He will not let your foot slip.

Congregation: He who watches over you will not slumber.

Reader: Indeed he who watches over Israel,

Congregation: Will neither slumber nor sleep,

Reader: The Lord watches over you,

Congregation: The Lord is your shade at your right hand.

Reader: The Lord will keep you from all harm,

Congregation: He will watch over your life.

Reader: The Lord will watch over your coming and your going.

Congregation: Both now and forevermore.

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.

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 rise for the gospel lesson.

Gospel Lesson: Matthew 16:21-26

Satan again tempts our Lord Jesus to abandon the way of the cross. This time his clever appeal is made through Jesus' beloved disciple, Peter. Nothing less than the world's eternal salvation lay in the balance. The Savior's stinging rebuke was fitting. Christianity without the cross is an impossibility both for the Savior and for his disciples. Those who stand with the Savior must deny themselves, crucify their old way of thinking, and be ready to lose wealth, honor, even life itself.

²¹From that time on Jesus began to explain to his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and suffer many things at the hands of the elders, chief priests and teachers of the law, and that he must be killed and on the third day be raised to life.

²²Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. "Never, Lord!" he said. "This shall never happen to you!" ²³Jesus turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling block to me; you do not have in mind the things of God, but the things of men." ²⁴Then Jesus said to his disciples, "If anyone would come after me, he must deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. ²⁵For whoever wants to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for me will find it. ²⁶What good will it be for a man if he gains the whole world, yet forfeits his soul? Or what can a man give in exchange for his soul?"

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

Sermon Hymn: 537 – Onward Christian Soldiers

(Please rise for the final stanza.)

Sermon Theme: “In View Of God’s Mercy” - How Are We to Live?

Our Relationship with God. Verse 1

Be a “Living Sacrifice”

Our Relationship with Ourselves. Verse 2

Be a “Transformer” Not a “Conformer”

Our Relationship with Others. Verses 3-8

Find Your “Function” In the (Church) Body

Sermon Text: Romans 12:1-8

¹Therefore, I urge you, brothers, in view of God’s mercy, to offer your bodies as living sacrifices, holy and pleasing to God—this is your spiritual act of worship. ²Do not conform any longer to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God’s will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will. ³For by the grace given me I say to every one of you: Do not think of yourself more highly than you ought, but rather think of yourself with sober judgment, in accordance with the measure of faith God has given you. ⁴Just as each of us has one body with many members, and these members do not all have the same function, ⁵so in Christ we who are many form one body, and each member belongs to all the others. ⁶We have different gifts, according to the grace given us. If a man’s gift is prophesying, let him use it in proportion to his faith. ⁷If it is serving, let him serve; if it is teaching, let him teach; ⁸if it is encouraging, let him encourage; if it is contributing to the needs of others, let him give generously; if it is leadership, let him govern diligently; if it is showing mercy, let him do it cheerfully.

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 sign the Friendship Register at this time)*

During Offering: St. Philip’s Lutheran School Children – Grades K4 – 8

“Be Bold, Be Strong”

Be bold, be strong For the Lord your God is with you.
Be bold, be strong, For the Lord your God is with you.
I am not afraid, I am not dismayed,
Because I'm walking in faith and victory,
Come on and walk in faith and victory,
For the Lord your God is with you.

Family Prayer & Lord’s Prayer *(please remain standing for the Benediction)*

Benediction

Congregational Response: Amen, Amen, Amen.

Closing Hymn: 566 – We All Are One in Mission

“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 SEPTEMBER 17, 2017**

Organist: Mrs. Naomi Porth. Thank you.

Lay Reader: Mr. Jason Schapekahn. Thank you.

Choir: St. Philip's Lutheran School Children – grades K4– 8th. Thank you.

Next Week: September 24, 2017

Organist: Mrs. Nicole Cottman

Lay Reader: Mr. Thomas McNeal



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

Tuesday, September 19th

A & B Volleyball Games Home vs. Christ/St. Peter 4:30 & 5:30PM

Ladies Bible Study 7:00PM at Hayley Moldenhauer's home

Wednesday, September 20th

Chapel 10:00AM

50+ Ladies Bible Study 1:30PM

Cross Country Meet at Milwaukee Lutheran High School

Thursday, September 21st

A & B Volleyball Games Home vs. Siloah 4:30 & 5:30PM

Board of Education 5:30PM

Sunday, September 24th

Bible Class 9:30AM

Worship with communion 10:30AM

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

	<u>Week</u>	<u>Month</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>
	<u>9/4 – 9/10</u>	<u>September</u>	<u>2017-2018</u>
Budget	\$ 3,580.82	\$ 7,161.63	\$ 39,388.99
Actual	\$ 3,572.00	\$ 7,582.00	\$ 36,640.00
Over (Under)	(\$ 8.82)	\$ 420.37	(\$ 2,748.99)



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St. Philip's Lutheran Church & School website: www.stphilipsmilwaukee.com
School newsletters, church bulletins and numerous other items are available on the website.



Singing Schedule for K4 – 8th Grade

Sunday, October 15th

K4 – 8th grade sing for worship service 10:30AM

Sunday, November 5th

K4 – 8th grade sing for worship service 10:30AM

Sunday, December 24th

K4 – 8th Children's Christmas Eve service 6:00PM

Fall Women's Retreat

Designed to renew and strengthen your faith as you continue to follow in the footsteps of Christ, enjoy a women's retreat filled with worship, prayer, and God's Word! This one day retreat takes place on Saturday, Oct. 14 at Divine Peace Lutheran Church (3203 S. 76th Street, Milwaukee). For more information or to register, visit <http://PHM1Six.org>

KOINÉ ALBUM RELEASE EVENT – CROSS HEART ROSE SKY RING

Koiné is releasing their 8th studio album on September 30th @ 5pm at the Waukesha County Expo Center. The album is called CROSS HEART ROSE SKY RING, and is in honor of the 500th Anniversary of the Reformation, using Martin Luther's own words and music. The event is free and no tickets are necessary (an offering will be gathered). Doors will open at 4pm. Don't miss this event!!!

*"Next to the Word of God, the noble art of music is the greatest treasure in the world."
Martin Luther*

The Hymns of Martin Luther

In this Reformation 500 year, three notable choirs are joining forces to celebrate Martin Luther's legacy as poet and composer. Join the Wisconsin Lutheran College Choir, the Lutheran Chorale of Milwaukee, and the Seminary Chorus—200 voices accompanied by organist Aaron Christie and instruments—to sing and rejoice in 15 of Luther's greatest and most enduring hymns.

October 1, 2017 - 7:30 p.m. - Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary Auditorium in Mequon.

Reformation Festival Service

A WELS Reformation 500 Festival Service will be held at the Miller High Life Theatre on Sunday, November 5 at 3:30 pm. Visit the Facebook page: facebook.com/pg/MKEReformation500/events.

Employment Opportunity: Cafeteria Cook

Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary has a Cafeteria Cook position available. Two years of experience in food preparation is required. Contact Brian Treichel, Business Manager for more information at 262-242-8103 or submit resumes to Joanne at joanne.vandeventer@wls.wels.net.

Samaritan Partners Speaker

On September 26, Samaritan Partners (a WELS caregiver support group) will welcome Chaplain Phil Merten, from Wisconsin Lutheran Institutional Ministries, as a guest speaker whose topic will be "Boundaries". It is being held at St John's Wauwatosa from 6:30-8PM and you can RSVP to Carol 414-543-7532 or schatzy999@yahoo.com.



Milwaukee Metro North Circuit **Fall Rally**
Zion Lutheran **SCHOOL**, 1023 E. Capitol Hartland, WI

Saturday, October 21, 8:00 am-Noon

Registration and breakfast at 8:00 am---Rally at 9:00 am
Babysitting available. Call Lois at 262-369-0803 for details.

“Reaching the Lost in 21st Century America”



Come and learn of God's abundant blessings on the ministry of the Gospel at Christ the King, Palm Coast, Florida. Christ always causes his Church to grow through the power of the Word carried to the lost. As our culture changes, so do our methods of starting new churches.

Our Rally speaker, Pastor Phil Huebner, graduated from our Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary with a Masters in Divinity and a Masters in Sacred Theology. He is close to completing his Doctorate in Missions and Culture from Concordia University in Fort Wayne, IN.

In 2007, he was assigned to start a new mission church in Palm Coast, Florida where he served for nine years. From a group of eleven people, Christ the King grew as a congregation to over 300 members. In 2008, Christ the King School was founded, which has grown from 18 to over 300 students in eight years.

In 2016, Pastor Huebner accepted a call to serve as Campus Pastor at Wisconsin Lutheran High School. He and his wife, Rebecca, and their children, Noah 10, and Gwen 7, now live in Milwaukee.