

St. Philip's Episcopal Church

Southport, North Carolina



The Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost:
August 30, 2026
10:00 am

THE HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE II

SONG OF PREPARATION

*Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place;
I can feel His mighty power and His grace.
I can hear the brush of angel's wings, I see glory on each face;
surely, the presence, of the Lord is in this place.*

PROCESSIONAL HYMN: "The God of Abraham praise"

Hymnal 401

OPENING ACCLAMATION AND PRAYER

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

(The celebrant prays)

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid:
Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly
love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE GLORIA *(sung by all)*

WLP 900

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you,
we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: Graft in our hearts the love of your Name; increase in us true religion; nourish us with all goodness; and bring forth in us the fruit of good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE FIRST READING: Exodus 3:1-15

Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law Jethro, the priest of Midian; he led his flock beyond the wilderness, and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. There the angel of the LORD appeared to him in a flame of fire out of a bush; he looked, and the bush was blazing, yet it was not consumed. Then Moses said, "I must turn aside and look at this great sight, and see why the bush is not burned up." When the LORD saw that he had turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, "Moses, Moses!" And he said, "Here I am." Then he said, "Come no closer! Remove the sandals from your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground." He said further, "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob." And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God.

Then the LORD said, "I have observed the misery of my people who are in Egypt; I have heard their cry on account of their taskmasters. Indeed, I know their sufferings, and I have come down to deliver them from the Egyptians, and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey, to the country of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. The cry of the Israelites has now come to me; I have also seen how the Egyptians oppress them. So come, I will send you to Pharaoh to bring my people, the Israelites, out of Egypt."

But Moses said to God, "Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh, and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?" He said, "I will be with you; and this shall be the sign for you that it is I who sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall worship God on this mountain." But Moses said to God, "If I come to the Israelites and say to them, 'The God of your ancestors has sent me to you,' and they ask me, 'What is his name?' what shall I say to them?" God said to Moses, "I AM WHO I AM." He said further, "Thus you shall say to the Israelites, 'I AM has sent me to you.'" God also said to Moses, "Thus you shall say to the Israelites, 'The LORD, the God of your ancestors, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you':

This is my name forever,
and this my title for all generations.

Lector	The Word of the Lord.
People	Thanks be to God.

PSALM 105:1-6, 23-26, 45 (*The Psalm is prayed responsively by whole verse.*)

- 1 Give thanks to the LORD and call upon his Name; *
make known his deeds among the peoples.
- 2 **Sing to him, sing praises to him, ***
and speak of all his marvelous works.
- 3 Glory in his holy Name; *
let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice.
- 4 **Search for the LORD and his strength; ***
continually seek his face.
- 5 Remember the marvels he has done, *
his wonders and the judgments of his mouth,
- 6 **O offspring of Abraham his servant, ***
O children of Jacob his chosen.
- 23 Israel came into Egypt, *
and Jacob became a sojourner in the land of Ham.
- 24 **The LORD made his people exceedingly fruitful; ***
he made them stronger than their enemies;
- 25 Whose heart he turned, so that they hated his people, *
and dealt unjustly with his servants.
- 26 **He sent Moses his servant, ***
and Aaron whom he had chosen.
- 45 Hallelujah!

THE SECOND READING: Romans 12:9-21

Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor. Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers.

Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. Live in harmony with one another; do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God; for it is written, "Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord." No, "if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink; for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads." Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

Lector The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

SEQUENCE HYMN: *"All praise to thee"*

Hymnal 477 vs. 1,2

THE GOSPEL READING: Matthew 16:21-28

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, "God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to you." But he turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling block to me; for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things."

Then Jesus told his disciples, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life? Or what will they give in return for their life?

"For the Son of Man is to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay everyone for what has been done. Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom."

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.
People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

SEQUENCE HYMN: *"All praise to thee"*

Hymnal 477 vs. 3

THE SERMON

Deacon Pam Hayes

THE NICENE CREED (*Celebrant and people together*)

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: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. 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. With the Father and the Son he is worshipped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic 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.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE: Form III *(the people respond with the petitions in bold)*

Deacon Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;
People **That we all may be one.**

Deacon Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;
People **That your Name may be glorified by all people.**

Deacon We pray for; Sean, our Presiding Bishop; Sarah, our Bishop; Lin and Pam, our
clergy; and for all bishops, priests, and deacons;
People **That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.**

Deacon We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;
People **That there may be justice and peace on the earth.**

Deacon Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;
People **That our works may find favor in your sight.**

Deacon We pray for the sick and suffering and those who care for them. We pray also
for those on the Parish Prayer List and the Prayer List of the Daughters of
King. Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;
People **That they may be delivered from their distress.**

Deacon We pray for those who have died. Give to the departed eternal rest.
People **Let light perpetual shine upon them.**

Deacon We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;
People **May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.**

Deacon Let us pray for our own needs and those of others. *(silence)*

(The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.)

THE CONFESSION OF SIN

Celebrant: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Celebrant: Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

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

People: And also with you.

THE ANNOUNCEMENTS: WELCOME

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE OFFERTORY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him all, creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: Eucharistic Prayer A

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give God thanks and praise.

(Celebrant continues): It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. For you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

(The people may stand or kneel)

(Celebrant continues) Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."
After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith *(Celebrant and people say together)*:

Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

(Celebrant continues) We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. *(Celebrant and people acclaim together)* **AMEN.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER (*Celebrant and people pray together*)

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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.
People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

(Please follow the usher's instructions as you come to the altar and receive Holy Communion.)

POST COMMUNION PRAYER (*Celebrant and people pray together*)

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

SENDING PRAYER FOR EUCHARISTIC VISITORS

Deacon In the name of Christ, and of this congregation, we send you forth bearing the body and blood of Christ to those who cannot be with us today. Take God's holy Word, the prayers of this congregation, and this holy food for holy people.
People We who are many are one Body because we share one bread and one cup. Amen.

RECESSIONAL HYMN: "Rejoice, ye pure in heart"

Hymnal 556

WORSHIP LEADERS

The Reverend Richard "Lin" Walton, *Celebrant*
The Reverend Deacon Pamela Hayes, *Preacher*
Ricky Evans, *Verger*
Debbie Skillman, *Director of Music*

Lectors: Jim MacCallum, Liz Halbert
Eucharistic Ministers: Judie Ratcliffe, Don Halbert
Ushers: Craig Elliott, Pat Elliott, Jeff Jordan, Gerard Haviland
Vestry Person of the Day: Paul Palmer

*The flowers are given to the Glory of God in Loving Memory of Suzanne Winterhalter
by David Winterhalter*

And

In honor of our Anniversary and the birth of Henry George Fuchs by Bob and Bobbie Fuchs.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!

The Bishop is coming! October 21ST

Bishop Sarah will officially install Fr. Lin as the Rector of St. Philip's Church. Come join us as we celebrate his new ministry at our church. The Installation service will be held at 6:00 PM in the Main Sanctuary with a reception to follow.

HOMEcoming SUNDAY!!!

SEPTEMBER 13th at 9:00 am

September 13th is the day all of St. Philip's parishioners come together for ONE service at 9:00 followed by a Luncheon from MOAM. (the Summer Service on Oak Island has concluded for the season)

JOIN IN THE FOOD AND FELLOWSHIP!



Fr. Lin is hosting drop-in office hours every week! Stop by the office on Wednesday afternoons from 2:00 to 4:00 PM or Thursday mornings from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM. No appointment needed—just drop in for a chat.

Adult Education and Formation Begins

September 20th with Fr. Lin.

Watch for More Details to follow....

THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

Thanks in part to the great participation by St. Philips, **Day4Hope** was a wonderful day of giving. Starting with the \$5000 that ECW granted to them, we continued with many contributions of books and school supplies by parishioners, over ten volunteers the day of the event and members of MOAM hauling tables to Supply Elementary on Friday and pickup on Saturday. Click on this link to see the final report **Day4Hope Final Report**. Day4Hope has become an annual event, so keep it in mind for next year and consider getting involved!

Give Your Jewelry a Second Life for a Great Cause! If you have jewelry you no longer want or need, consider donating it to support our upcoming **Fall Festival Fundraiser**. Every piece donated helps make this event a success, with all proceeds directly benefiting those in need throughout Brunswick County.

To Donate: Drop off your items at the Parish Office Front Desk.

Questions? Please contact Pat Elliott at patelliott94@gmail.com.



After a two month Summer break, the Book Discussion Group will meet next on Wednesday, September 16 at 10:30 to talk about *A Far-Flung Life* by M.L. Stedman. The book deals with the subject of secrets never to be shared and how to find a path forward when there are no right answers. All who share a love of reading are welcome!



Theology Uncorked – Wednesday,
August 19th Capeside Brewery on Howe St. @ 5pm.
Our topic will be prayer. See you there.

ATTENTION ALL CRAFTERS ~ Crafts being made for the 2026 Fall Festival need to be brought to the Chapel Annex on **Friday, September 25 from 10:30 to 2:30**. Please contact Deirdre Doyle (ddoyle3@carolina.rr.com) or 704-685-2071 or Jane Mitchell (twc9199291470@earthlink.net) or 919-602-2430 if you cannot make that date and schedule a drop off with one of us.

FALL FESTIVAL BAKE SALE

Bertie Belvin (bertiebelvin@gmail.com; 910-368-1254), **Karen Stoeckle** (chefkaren2@gmail.com; 203-605-2661) and **Dottie Roberts** (dottie031@comcast.net; 910-477-6227) are coordinators for the Bake Sale. This is an important part of the Fall Festival and an opportunity to help us raise funds for our local outreach programs. Sign-up sheets for bakers will be available in September. Please share your baking skills.

Join us for the Summer Service at Register Park each Sunday at 9:00. Bring your lawn chair and enjoy the Intracoastal waterway.

Celebrant – August 23 – Mary Curtis

Celebrant – August 30 – Bill Pickering

Celebrant – September 6 – Bill Eberle

A Choral Invitation from the Choirmaster

The music ministers of St. Philip's, our chancel choir, invite you to join our worship ministry. Those who enjoy singing, listening, learning, and working with others to create musical offerings for our 10:00 AM worship service are welcome to join our dedicated group. The choir rehearses every Wednesday evening from 5:30 until 7:30PM, September through May, preparing music for Sundays, and choral services such as Tenebrae, and Advent Lesson and Carols. The choir also provides music for two services for the High Feast of Easter and other services as requested by the clergy.

We will start the program year on Wednesday, September 9 with our first rehearsal in the choir room beginning at 5:30 PM. If you have a desire to make music with others we'd love to see you there.

If you would like more information about the choir feel free to contact me in person, by phone 910 - 470-5652, or email me at deborahskillman@gmail.com. I am sure that a current choir member would be more than happy to share the "choir experience".

"Sing with all your heart, for in your voice the love of God finds expression." Anonymous

Food Pantry Needs July/August/September

St. Philip's, we are in Summer and the needs of the hungry increase with school vacation. Please continue to give food items starting with the list below and open your hearts. When you're in the grocery store just pick up a couple of extra items and donate them to the food pantry. Keep up God's work.

List:

Cold Cereal (Adult/Children) and Hot Cereal
Fruit (Cans)

Vegetables (Cans, No Green Beans /Corn)

Canned Meats/Proteins

Spaghetti/Spaghetti Sauce

Snacks

Soups (Chicken Noodle, Tomato, Vegetable, ...)

Rice/Dry Beans

Mustard/Ketchup/Spices

Cookie/Cake Mix

Bisquick

Cooking Oil

Instant Potatoes

 **St. Philip's Golf Tournament:** We urgently need Committee Chairs for:• Sponsorships; Finance (co-chaired); Marketing; Operations; Volunteers

Time is of the essence. Like... two weeks essence. Terry Meyers, ECW President, has bravely agreed to Direct this project, but she cannot do it alone unless she suddenly develops eight arms and a clone. So we need humans. Preferably organized humans. Golf knowledge is absolutely NOT required—if you can organize a calendar or send an email, you're qualified.

Join us. Make SPC history. Be able to say, "I was there when it all began." Contact Terry Myers at (919) 4917360 or tmyers2now@gmail.com ASAP!!!!

ECW Fall Festival News

ECW Fall Festival Craft Workshop –Friday, September 18, 2026 from 10:30 am to 12:30pm

Friday, September 18, 2026 is a craft workshop for the ECW 2026 Fall Festival. A Shell and Craft Workshop at the Chapel Annex is to be held from 10:30 AM – 12:30 PM. Please contact Deidre Doyle if you are planning to attend (ddoyle3@carolina.rr.com) or 704-685-2071.

Bring with you a high heat glue gun and glue sticks and material with which to work such as cones, balls, wreaths, etc. There are a number of supplies in the craft room upstairs in the Chapel Annex or bring items you have found in craft stores or thrift stores. Looking online at crafts is a good way to find something you will want to make.

Prayers of the People In keeping with our commitment to love one another, please offer prayers daily for those on our prayer list.

Danice P., Alice K., Anna D., Stewart S., Mike C., Paula S., Betsy A., Lainey F., Bill J., Derwood R., David F., Rick M., Lori C., Jill P., Nina E., Larry E. Mary F., Julie, Holly M., Beverly H., Terry M., Mary Beth R., Rich G., Mary K., Penny, Claire K., Ashton B., Beth R., Melinda, Sandy I., Michael W., Sarah P., Erin, Sawyer, Jordan, Michael W., Michelle B., Penny C., Guy K., Dottie G., Karen G., Anne R., Marissa R., Bob S., Bill W., Anita H., Janet W., Paul W., Joseph L., Linda G., Pat P., John K., Phil K., Angela R., Peter B., Elyse C., Katha G., Susan S., Garth E., John O., LeeAnn H., Jake H., Larry W., David H., Maureen W., Michael W., Adelynn H., Kay G., Henry L., Bill B., Ann T., Carolyn, Bud B., Sharon S., Nan B., Jean M.

Please pray for the victims and families of the many conflicts around the world, and all those affected by recent natural disasters. Please pray for all refugees from strife; pray for the starving, the homeless, the needy. Please pray for all seminarians and all those discerning their call to serve God.

Please pray for those who serve in the Armed Forces, especially: **Ricky, Cassia L.,** Noah D., Gorden B, Leila B., Shawn R., Spencer P., Parker P., Colin P., Ryan, Julious F., Alex, Amanda, Ileana F., Jordan E., Brooke, Cam, Oliver, Julie, Eric, Conall, Tom, Ben, John, Devon, Christopher, and Scotty.

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2024-2026 Vestry Paul Bailey, Bill Happer, Ross Lively, Angela Urquhart

2025-2027 Vestry Tracy Baltz, Donna Foster, Paul Palmer, Kris Holt

2026-2028 Vestry Doyle Brinson, Chris Romig, Mary Russell, Marty Younts

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