

# St. Philip's Episcopal Church

The Sixth Sunday after Pentecost



**Holy Eucharist**  
Sunday, July 5, 2026  
8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

Welcome! We offer two services today: one at 8:00 a.m. and one at 10:30 a.m. The 10:30 a.m. service is broadcast on Facebook Live or YouTube. Livestreaming begins at 10:25 a.m. If you are visiting, please fill out a visitor card (located in the pew rack) and drop it in the offering plate or hand to an usher.

## The Word of God

**Prelude**

Star-Spangled Banner

John Stafford Smith

arr. Presten D.

Blue Ghost Quartet

*All stand as they are able.*

**HYMN (10:30 a.m. only)** O Beautiful for Spacious Skies

*Materna*

*The Hymnal 1982 #719*

The image shows a musical score for the hymn "O Beautiful for Spacious Skies". It consists of two systems of music. Each system has a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The lyrics are written below the vocal line. The first system contains the first two lines of the hymn, and the second system contains the last two lines. The music is in a common time signature and features a simple, hymn-like melody.

1 O beau - ti - ful for spa - cious skies, for am - ber waves of grain,  
 2 O beau - ti - ful for he - roes proved in lib - er - at - ing strife,  
 3 O beau - ti - ful for pa - triot dream that sees be - yond the years

for pur - ple moun - tain ma - jes - ties a - bove the fruit - ed plain!  
 who more than self their coun - try loved, and mer - cy more than life!  
 thine al - a - bas - ter ci - ties gleam, un - dimmed by hu - man tears!

A - mer - i - ca! A - mer - i - ca! God shed his grace on thee,  
 A - mer - i - ca! A - mer - i - ca! God mend thine ev - ery flaw,  
 A - mer - i - ca! A - mer - i - ca! God shed his grace on thee,

and crown thy good with bro - ther - hood from sea to shin - ing sea.  
 con - firm thy soul in self - con - trol, thy lib - er - ty in law.  
 and crown thy good with bro - ther - hood from sea to shin - ing sea.

*The Celebrant says to the People*

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

PEOPLE **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

*The Celebrant says*

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.**

**GLORIA IN EXCELSIS** (8:00 a.m. only)

*The following is said, all standing*

**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.  
 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.**

**SONG OF PRAISE** (10:30 a.m. only)

O Praise Ye the Lord

*Laudate Dominum*

*The Hymnal 1982 #432 (st. 1)*

I O praise ye the Lord! Praise him in the height;  
 re - jice in his word, ye an - gels of light;  
 ye hea - vens, a - dore him by whom ye were made,

and wor - ship be - fore him, in bright - ness ar - rayed.

## COLLECT OF THE DAY

CELEBRANT        The Lord be with you.

PEOPLE            **And also with you.**

CELEBRANT        Let us pray.

O God, you have taught us to keep all your commandments by loving you and our neighbor: Grant us the grace of your Holy Spirit, that we may be devoted to you with our whole heart, and united to one another with pure affection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## FIRST READING

Zechariah 9:9-12

*All sit.*

A Reading from the Book of the Prophet Zechariah.

<sup>9</sup>Rejoice greatly, O daughter Zion!  
Shout aloud, O daughter Jerusalem!

Lo, your king comes to you;  
triumphant and victorious is he,  
humble and riding on a donkey,  
on a colt, the foal of a donkey.

<sup>10</sup>He will cut off the chariot from Ephraim  
and the war-horse from Jerusalem;  
and the battle bow shall be cut off,  
and he shall command peace to the nations;  
his dominion shall be from sea to sea,  
and from the River to the ends of the earth.

<sup>11</sup>As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you,  
I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit.

<sup>12</sup>Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope;  
today I declare that I will restore to you double.

READER                   The Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE                   **Thanks be to God.**

## PSALM 145:8-15

*Exaltabo te, Deus*

*The reader and the congregation read the psalm responsively by half verse.*

<sup>8</sup>The LORD is gracious and full of compassion, \*  
**slow to anger and of great kindness.**

<sup>9</sup>The LORD is loving to everyone \*  
**and his compassion is over all his works.**

<sup>10</sup>All your works praise you, O LORD, \*  
**and your faithful servants bless you.**

<sup>11</sup>They make known the glory of your kingdom \*  
**and speak of your power;**

<sup>12</sup>That the peoples may know of your power \*  
**and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.**

<sup>13</sup>Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom; \*  
**your dominion endures throughout all ages.**

<sup>14</sup>The LORD is faithful in all his words \*  
**and merciful in all his deeds.**

<sup>15</sup>The LORD upholds all those who fall; \*  
**he lifts up those who are bowed down.**

## SECOND READING

Romans 7:15-25a

A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans.

<sup>15</sup>I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. <sup>16</sup>Now if I do what I do not want, I agree that the law is good.

<sup>17</sup>But in fact it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me. <sup>18</sup>For I know that nothing good dwells within me, that is, in my flesh. I can will what is right, but I cannot do it. <sup>19</sup>For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I do. <sup>20</sup>Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me.

<sup>21</sup>So I find it to be a law that when I want to do what is good, evil lies close at hand. <sup>22</sup>For I delight in the law of God in my inmost self, <sup>23</sup>but I see in my members another law at war with the law of my mind, making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. <sup>24</sup>Wretched man that I am! Who will rescue me from this body of death? <sup>25a</sup>Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!

READER                      The Word of the Lord.  
PEOPLE                      **Thanks be to God.**

*All stand as they are able.*

*(Hymn continues on the next page.)*

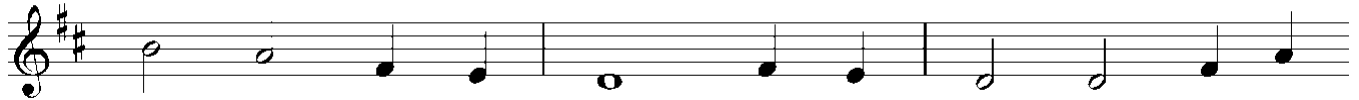
HYMN (10:30 a.m. only)

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

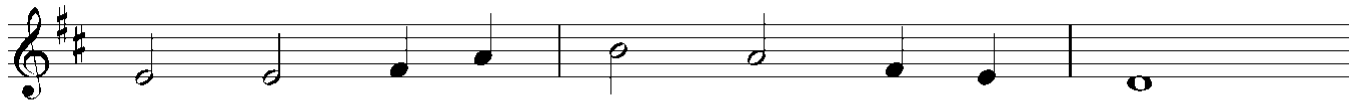
Nettleton  
The Hymnal 1982 #686



1 Come, thou fount of ev - ery bless - ing, tune my  
2 Here I find my great - est trea - sure; hith - er,  
3 Oh, to grace how great a debt - or dai - ly



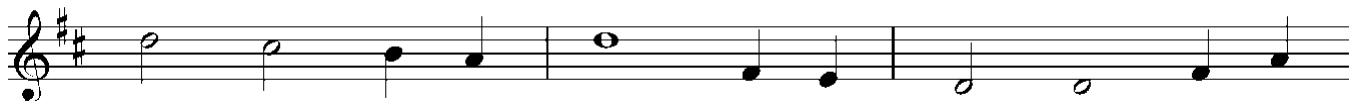
heart to sing thy grace! Streams of mer - cy nev - er  
by thy help, I've come; and I hope, by thy good  
I'm con - strained to be! Let thy good - ness, like a



ccas - ing, call for songs of loud - est praise.  
plea - sure, safe - ly to ar - rive at home.  
fet - ter, bind my wan - dering heart to thee:



Teach me some me - lo - dious son - net, sung by  
Je - sus sought me when a stran - ger wan - dering  
prone to wan - der, Lord, I feel it, prone to



flam - ing tongues a - bove. Praise the mount! Oh, fix me  
from the fold of God; he, to res - cue me from  
leave the God I love; here's my heart, oh, take and



on it, mount of God's un - chang - ing love.  
dan - ger, in - ter - posed his pre - cious blood.  
seal it, seal it for thy courts a - bove.

## HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

PRIEST           The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.  
PEOPLE           **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said, <sup>16</sup>“To what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to one another,

<sup>17</sup>‘We played the flute for you, and you did not dance;  
we wailed, and you did not mourn.’

<sup>18</sup>For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, ‘He has a demon’;  
<sup>19</sup>the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, ‘Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!’ Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds.”

<sup>25</sup>At that time Jesus said, “I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; <sup>26</sup>yes, Father, for such was your gracious will.  
<sup>27</sup>All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

<sup>28</sup>“Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. <sup>29</sup>Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. <sup>30</sup>For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.”

PRIEST           The Gospel of the Lord.  
PEOPLE           **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

## SERMON

The Rev. Elizabeth Roles

**NICENE CREED** *All stand as they are able.*

**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 worshiped 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.**

## **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

Planning for Rites and Rituals Year A

Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord! With grateful hearts we pray to our Loving God, saying, “We thank you, Father; *you hear the voice of your beloved.*”

Loving God, you call your Church “my love” and “my beauty.” Look upon your Church with eyes of great compassion and love. May we generously share the love with which we have been so greatly blessed.

LEADER We thank you, Father;  
PEOPLE **You hear the voice of your beloved.**

Loving God, you have blessed our nation with great freedoms. Grant us, and all the people of this land, the grace to maintain our liberties in righteousness and peace.

LEADER We thank you, Father;  
PEOPLE **You hear the voice of your beloved.**

Loving God, all that you have created tells of your love for us. May flowers and birds, but even more so our human relationships, remind us of your great care and presence.

LEADER We thank you, Father;  
PEOPLE **You hear the voice of your beloved.**

Loving God, you promise to give rest to all those who carry heavy burdens. Lift up those who are weighed down by the burdens of violence, depression, and despair.

LEADER We thank you, Father;  
PEOPLE **You hear the voice of your beloved.**

Loving God, your Son Jesus revealed your heart to be gentle and humble. We pray for those who have restless souls. We pray that all the sorrowful and the suffering may find their rest in you.

*Christy Adams, Alston, Kathy Ambrose, Peggy Ayres, Barry, Bill, Dez Blue, Christopher Bolk, Leslie Brown, Charles, Holly Renee Copeland, Courtney, Jay Curwen, Carl Denny, Judy Caldwell Dexter, Lance Dickenson, Suzanne Dininny, Jan Dryselius, Dianne and Howard Dyer, Judith Egan, Ellen, Eugene, the Borgia family, Liz Ford, Ann Franklin, Colten Frey, Edie Gabcik, John Gannon, Jane Glenn, Elizabeth Harger, Tim Harris, Howard Jackson, Jada, Kay Jones, Lyn Kane, Roxann Kibbin, Michael Kirwen, Kurt, Ruth LePine, Tom Lewis, Elisabeth Marchant, Dottie Marcinko, Buddy Marines, Johnny Martinez, Larry Maupin, Mark and Leslie Montgomery, Veronica Morrow, Jenifer Morrow, Tom Murray, Nikarra, Pam, Pat, Nancy Patterson, Rebecca Peele, Judy Pierce, West Rial, Jim Rice, Hudson Rudisill, Gabrielle Ruge, Linda Schieve, Frank Shoemaker, Alice Silva, Isabella Smith, Ray Snellgrove, Linda Stadnick, Barbara Staubs, Caroline Stein, Brenda Summers, Matthew Sundstrom, Sr., Marcia Thies, Mike Tiddy, Jim Tso, Jeremy Tuck, Emily Walthall, Will, Penny Williams, Eileen Gilson Williams, Ed Wiseman, Risdon Wood, Judy Yancey*

LEADER We thank you, Father;  
PEOPLE **You hear the voice of your beloved.**

Loving God, you rescue us from death. We pray that all who have died, remembering Ormond Gray Caldwell and Luke Kitahata, and especially those who strived for freedom and peace, may come to know that heavenly comfort you have prepared us.

LEADER We thank you, Father;  
PEOPLE **You hear the voice of your beloved.**

We give thanks for the flowers at the altar, given to the glory of God and in thanksgiving for all those who led us in Christian Formation for nursery, children, and youth throughout the year.

We pray for those who are expecting childbirth, remembering Claire Sikes-Clark and Zif Clark.

In our diocese, we pray for Episcopal Chaplains serving the Armed Forces, VA Hospitals, and other organizations providing care for veterans. In our Anglican Communion, we pray for The Anglican Church of South America.

## CONFESSION OF SIN

*The Celebrant says*

Let us confess our sins to God.

*Minister and People*

**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.**

### **ABSOLUTION**

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

### **PEACE**

CELEBRANT     The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
PEOPLE         **And also with you.**

*Then the Ministers and the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## **The Holy Communion**

### **VOLUNTARY**

Washington Post

John Philip Sousa  
arr. John M. Pasternak

Blue Ghost Quartet

### **OFFERTORY** (10:30 a.m. only)

*Old 100th  
The Hymnal 1982 #380 (st. 3)*

\*3 Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise

him, all crea-tures here be - low; praise him a - bove, ye  
 heaven - ly host: praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

**GREAT THANKSGIVING**

*Enriching Our Worship 1*  
 Eucharistic Prayer 3

*All stand as they are able.*

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.**

All thanks and praise are yours at all times and in all places, our true and loving God; through Jesus Christ, your eternal Word, the Wisdom from on high by whom you created all things. You laid the foundations of the world and enclosed the sea when it burst out from the womb; You brought forth all creatures of the earth and gave breath to humankind.

Wondrous are you, Holy One of Blessing, all you create is a sign of hope for our journey; and so as the morning stars sing your praises we join the heavenly beings and all creation as we shout with joy:

**SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS**

*Celebrant and People (8:00 a.m. only)*

**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.**

*(10:30 a.m. only)*

*Land of Rest - The Hymnal 1982 #304*

*Unison or harmony*

1. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord. \_\_\_\_\_  
 2. Bles - sed \_\_\_\_\_ is He who comes

God of pow-er and might. \_\_\_\_\_ Heaven and earth \_\_\_\_\_ are  
 in the name of the Lord. \_\_\_\_\_. Ho - san - na in \_\_\_\_\_ the

full of your glo - ry, Ho - sa. - na in \_\_\_\_\_ the high - est.  
 high - est, , Ho - sa. - na in \_\_\_\_\_ the high - est.

*The Celebrant continues*

Glory and honor are yours, Creator of all, your Word has never been silent; you called a people to yourself, as a light to the nations, you delivered them from bondage and led them to a land of promise.

Of your grace, you gave Jesus to be human, to share our life, to proclaim the coming of your holy reign and give himself for us, a fragrant offering. Through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, you have freed us from sin, brought us into your life, reconciled us to you, and restored us to the glory you intend for us.

We thank you that on the night before he died for us Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, gave it to his friends and said: "Take, eat, this is my Body, broken for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine, said the blessing, gave it to his friends and said: "Drink this, all of you: this cup is the new Covenant in my Blood, poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me."

And so, remembering all that was done for us: the cross, the tomb, the resurrection and ascension, longing for Christ's coming in glory, and presenting to you these gifts your earth has formed and human hands have made, we acclaim you, O Christ:

*Celebrant and People*

**Dying, you destroyed our death.**

**Rising, you restored our life.**

**Christ Jesus, come in glory!**

*The Celebrant continues*

Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts of bread and wine that they may be to us the Body and Blood of your Christ. Grant that we, burning with your Spirit's power, may be a people of hope, justice and love. Giver of Life, draw us together in the Body of Christ, and in the fullness of time gather us with blessed Philip, and all your people into the joy of our true eternal home.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, we worship you our God and Creator in voices of unending praise.

*Celebrant and People*

**Blessed are you now and for ever. AMEN.**

*The Celebrant then continues*

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

*People and Celebrant*

**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.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom,  
and the power, and the glory,  
for ever and ever. Amen.**

## **BREAKING OF THE BREAD AND FRACTION ANTHEM**

CELEBRANT We break this bread  
to share in the Body of Christ.

PEOPLE **We who are many are one body,  
for we all share in the one bread. Alleluia.**

## **THE COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE**

*All who seek Christ are invited to receive the bread and wine standing or kneeling at the altar rail. If you choose not to receive the wine, let the server know that you want only the bread by placing one hand over your heart (receiving only the bread is full communion).*

*If you prefer not to take communion, you may come forward for a blessing, crossing your arms over your chest, or not come forward at all; no one will judge you.*

*To receive the wine by intinction, please come to the altar rail. Extend your hands, palms flat, and the bread will be placed there for you to dip the bread into the wine.*

*To receive the wine by sipping from the chalice, please also come to the altar rail, consume the bread, then please help the Lay Eucharistic Minister guide the chalice to your lips to sip.*

*Please wait for an usher to release you from your pew to come forward. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request.*

## COMMUNION HYMN

### Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling

*Lift Every Voice and Sing #101*

The musical score is written for a four-part setting (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) in a 6/8 time signature with a key signature of three flats (B-flat, E-flat, A-flat). The melody is primarily in the soprano and alto parts, with the bass part providing a harmonic accompaniment. The lyrics are arranged in four lines, each corresponding to a different vocal part. The first line of lyrics is: '1. Soft - ly and ten - der - ly Je - sus is call - ing, 2. Why should we tar - ry when Je - sus is plead - ing, 3. Time is now fleet - ing, the mo - ments are pass - ing, 4. Oh! For the won - der - ful love He has prom - ised,'. The second line of lyrics is: '1. Call - ing for you and for me; — See, on the por - tals He's 2. Plead - ing for you and for me? — Why should we lin - ger and 3. Pass - ing for you and for me; — Shad - ows are gath - er - ing, 4. Prom - ised for you and for me; — Though we have sinned, He has'. The score includes a treble clef and a bass clef, and a common time signature (C) is also present.

1. Soft - ly and ten - der - ly Je - sus is call - ing,  
2. Why should we tar - ry when Je - sus is plead - ing,  
3. Time is now fleet - ing, the mo - ments are pass - ing,  
4. Oh! For the won - der - ful love He has prom - ised,

1. Call - ing for you and for me; — See, on the por - tals He's  
2. Plead - ing for you and for me? — Why should we lin - ger and  
3. Pass - ing for you and for me; — Shad - ows are gath - er - ing,  
4. Prom - ised for you and for me; — Though we have sinned, He has

1. wait - ing and watch - ing, Watch - ing for you and for me.\_\_\_\_\_  
 2. heed not His mer - cies, Mer - cies for you and for me?\_\_\_\_\_  
 3. death beds are com - ing, Com - ing for you and for me.\_\_\_\_\_  
 4. mer - cy and par - don, Par - don for you and for me.\_\_\_\_\_

Come home, Come home, come home, come home,

Ye who are wea-ry, come home!\_\_\_\_\_ Ear - nest - ly, ten - der - ly,

Je - sus is call - ing, Call - ing, O sin - ner, come home!\_\_\_\_\_

## **PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION**

*This prayer takes the place of the Postcommunion Prayer for those worshipping at home.*

Gracious God, since I cannot receive you today in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, I ask you to come spiritually into my heart. Cleanse and strengthen me with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let me never be separated from you. May I live in you, and you in me, in this life and in the life to come. Amen.

*The people stand as they are able.*

## **POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER**

Let us pray.

*Celebrant and People*

**Eternal God,  
you have graciously accepted us as living members  
of 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 Savior. Amen.**

## **PRAYER FOR THE EUCHARISTIC VISITORS**

*After the prayer, the People respond*

**Amen.**

## **BLESSING**

HYMN

Lift Every Voice and Sing

*Lift Every Voice and Sing #1*

The first system of piano accompaniment consists of two staves. The right hand (treble clef) features a series of chords and moving lines, while the left hand (bass clef) provides a steady accompaniment with eighth and quarter notes. The key signature is three flats (B-flat major or D-flat minor).

The second system of piano accompaniment continues the musical texture. It includes a fermata over a chord in the right hand and a long note in the left hand, indicating a moment of musical suspension.

The vocal line is written on a single staff with a treble clef. It contains three verses of lyrics. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with a final note that has a fermata. The lyrics are: 1. Lift ev - 'ry voice and sing, Till earth and heav - en; 2. Sto - ny the road we trod, Bit - ter the chast - 'ning; 3. God of our wea - ry years, God of our si - lent.

1. Lift ev - 'ry voice and sing, Till earth and heav - en  
2. Sto - ny the road we trod, Bit - ter the chast - 'ning  
3. God of our wea - ry years, God of our si - lent

The third system of piano accompaniment concludes the piece. It features a final chord in the right hand and a sustained bass line in the left hand. A dynamic marking of '(b)' is present in the right hand.

1. ring, Ring with the har - mo - nies of lib - er -  
 2. rod, Felt in the days when hope un - born had  
 3. tears, Thou who hast brought us thus far on the

1. ty; Let our re - joic - ing rise High as the list - 'ning  
 2. died; Yet with a stead - y beat, Have not our wear - y  
 3. way; Thou who hast by thy might, Led us in - to the

1. skies, Let it re - sound loud as the roll - ing sea. \_\_\_\_\_  
 2. feet Come to the place for which our fa - thers sighed? \_\_\_\_\_  
 3. light, Keep us for - ev - er in the path, we pray. \_\_\_\_\_

1. Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has taught us;  
 2. We have come o - ver a - way that with tears has been wa - tered;  
 3. Lest our feet stray from the pla - ces, our God, where we met thee;

1. Sing a song full of the hope that the pres - ent has  
 2. We have come, tread - ing our path through the blood of the  
 3. Lest our hearts, drunk with the wine of the world, we for -

1. brought us; Fac - ing the ris - ing sun Of our new  
 2. slaugh - tered; Out from the gloom - y past, Till now we  
 3. get thee, Shad - owed be - neath Thy hand, May we for -

1. day be - gun, Let us march on till vic - to - ry — is won.  
 2. stand at — last Where the white gleam of our bright star — is cast.  
 3. ev - er — stand, True to our God, true to our na - tive land.

**DISMISSAL**

*The priest or seminarian offers a dismissal, and the people respond*

PEOPLE **Thanks be to God.**

**POSTLUDE**

Johnny Swings On Home

Traditional  
arr. Kate Agioritis

Blue Ghost Quartet



Hearing Loop assistance is available inside this building. Set hearing aid on “T” (telecoil) setting. Headsets are also available in both the narthex and Miller Hall that will allow access to the Hearing Loop. Please see an usher for help.

**WE WELCOME CHILDREN OF ALL AGES**

We welcome children of all ages in all our worship services. In the narthex, you can find worship bags with quiet activities for children. **Nursery for children Kindergarten age and younger is available today beginning at 10:15 a.m. for our 10:30 a.m. service.**

An usher can direct you to our nursery located on the lower level of our parish building.

## HEARING THE MUSIC

The Blue Ghost Quartet joins us Sunday, July 5 at our 10:30 a.m. worship service. The quartet was assembled in 2024 in Western North Carolina to provide our community with live saxophone music. Blue Ghost creates an atmosphere of fun, beauty, and elegance. The ensemble consists of four saxophones playing a variety of classical, jazz, film, and video game music. Founding members are Nick Stow (soprano), Ryan Hargis (tenor), and Erik Rhodes (baritone). Today's ensemble also features Cadence Hargis on alto.

## THIS SUNDAY AT ST. PHILIP'S

- **Sunday at 8:00 a.m.** – During this season, we enjoy sharing the same Holy Eucharist, Rite II liturgy in our Sunday morning 8:00 a.m. spoken service as the 10:30 a.m. service.
- **Children's Church at 10:30 a.m.** – On Sunday all children (K-5th grade) are invited to Children's Church during the Liturgy of the Word in the 10:30 a.m. service. Children may be brought to the Sunday School room across from the Godly Play room (the youth classroom) before parents/grandparents go to church. Children will be taken to the church during the Peace and should join their family for communion.
- **Sunday at 10:30 a.m.** – Join us for Holy Eucharist, Rite II (with music) at our 10:30 a.m. service.
- **Coffee Hour after the 10:30 a.m. service** – All are invited and always welcome to join us in Miller Hall (our large upstairs meeting room) after the 10:30 a.m. service for juice or coffee and fellowship. This is a great chance to mingle, meet new people, or just relax with friends.

## CORNERSTONE CENTENNIAL NUGGET: EVENTS FROM THE MID 1970s

Fr. Philip Thomas submitted his resignation in April of 1975 (he left during July). The news of his departure initiated a search for a new rector. Many parishioners were involved in the search.

The vestry met twice with Diocesan Bishop Weinhauer to discuss his recommendation that we compile a Parish Profile. This document was intended to help the congregation explore the questions: "Who are we?" and "What do we expect of a rector?" Additionally, all members were encouraged to participate in an extensive parish-wide questionnaire focused on the details of parish life. These two documents were then used by the Calling Committee to tailor their search for a new rector, and a candidate who seemed a good match for the majority of the parish was called.

Even without an appointed rector, worship services continued weekly at St. Philip's. The Rev. Chauncy L. Shaw, the Rev. Bernard Hellman, and the Rev. Charles Covell in turn presided until a new rector was found. In a letter dated December 24, 1975, the Rev.

Merrill Miller of Charlotte, NC accepted the vestry's call to become rector of St. Philip's. He began his ministry here during the spring of 1976.

Prior to the Rev. Miller's arrival, the day-to-day details of church administration was ably taken care of by office staff Mary Yourd and Judy Mims. It was recommended that a full-time secretary be hired upon the arrival of Rev. Miller. (Competent office help is priceless!)

The years immediately prior to 1975 were financially challenging for the congregation. In order to allow the priest to face the congregation when celebrating the Eucharist, the altar was moved. The organ failed and had to be replaced. Church owned properties, including both rectories, the church proper, and the parish house, required significant investments in repairs and upgrades. The Park Ave. rectory needed attention before the new rector arrived. A parish work day was planned to help with cleaning, and minor repairs. All of this came with a daunting price tag.

The results from the fall 1975 Every Member Canvass were poor. It was difficult to make plans for 1976 with limited funds. The vestry minutes included a comment that said, "St. Philip's has called a rector and without sufficient funds to pay his salary." With few other choices, the vestry made an appeal for members of the parish to reassess their pledges.

Parishioners rose to the challenge and St. Philip's continued to thrive. The Wednesday Night Prayer and Study group continued to meet faithfully. Sunday School continued weekly, nurturing the young ones with Bible stories and fun Sunday activities. The ECW still collected and sold items at the Thrift Shop, and the profits were donated to Diocesan Projects as well as to the parish and the community. The choir continued their faithful, joyful Sunday musical offerings, with Janie Miller as organist and Carle Wilson continuing as choir director. Working together toward a common goal, the congregation's spirits remained high as they anxiously awaited the arrival of the Rev. Merrill Miller.

### **GIVING IS A SPIRITUAL ACT!**

Thank you for investing your treasure in the work and mission of St. Philip's. Your gift supports our invitation: "All are Welcome" is at the core of who we are. Our parishioner and clergy relationships, email communications, and online presence invite, welcome, and connect new people into our community. Visit

<https://www.stphilipsbrevardnc.org/donate> to explore donating. To make a gift now use Realm or text STP to 73256.

### **THE SEASON AFTER PENTECOST**

The Season after Pentecost is the sixth and final season of the church year. This season, sometimes referred to as "ordinary time," is the longest of the Church Year, lasting through summer and well into late autumn, ending with the coming of Advent. During the Season after Pentecost, we recount the stories of Jesus' ministry, read and study

passages from the Old Testament, and discuss letters written by disciples for members of the early church. The color for the Season after Pentecost is green, appropriate for the season of growth.

### **WEEKLY SERVICES AT ST. PHILIP'S**

Join us each week at our services of Holy Eucharist!

- Sundays, 8:00 a.m. – Holy Eucharist, Rite II (*spoken*)
- Sundays, 10:30 a.m. – Holy Eucharist, Rite II (*with music*)
- Tuesdays, 2:00 p.m. – Holy Eucharist Rite II (*College Walk Senior Living Community Chapel*)
- Wednesdays, 10:30 a.m. – Holy Eucharist with Prayers for Healing (*Chapel*)

### **BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK**

#### **Birthdays**

05 Ann Woodhull	07 Jim Polmanteer	11 Bill Walker
05 Connor Fennessy	08 Barbara Elliott	11 George Biegler
05 Watt McCain	08 Megan McCabe	
06 Abby Glass	09 Bill DiLemme	

#### **Anniversaries**

05 Tim and Peggy Hansen	07 Chris and Amanda Mosser
05 Jeremy and Jennifer Maupin	09 Ruffin and Paula Benton
06 Barthell and Margaret Joseph	09 Joe and Melissa Driver

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## WORSHIP LEADERS

Officiant..... The Rev. Elizabeth Roles  
 Seminarian.....Brad Wilson  
 Director of Music Ministry.....Dr. Brittnee Siemon  
 Cantor and Guest Soprano.....Gabby Lujon  
 Altar Guild.....Jo Buescher  
 Kathryn Polmanteer / Jan Sendzik

### 8:00 a.m.

Acolyte	Betty Creese	Ushers	Sheree Watt
Reader	Mary Dryselius		Terry Watt
Creed/Prayers	Jean Woods	Liturgical Coordinator	
LEM	Kathryn Polmanteer		Keith Hawk

### 10:30 a.m.

Acolytes	Gordon Murray	Welcomer	Jayne Chapman
	Violet Polk	Ushers	Don Stubbs
Reader 1	Kiran Mehta		Susie Stubbs
Reader 2	Holly Votaw	Offering Counters	
Reader 3	Denis Bolena		Daphne Chalaron
LEM	Denis Bolena		Jann Mellman
	Daphne Chalaron	Liturgical Coordinator	
	Sallie Mullikin		Nancy Harger

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The Rev. Elizabeth Roles, Rector



**OUR VISION:** *Rooted in God's word and guided by Christ's example, St. Philip's Episcopal Church will be a loving, inclusive community committed to living out Christ's commandments.*



**OUR MISSION:** *Guided and empowered by the Holy Spirit, and informed by Scripture, tradition and reason, we will:*

- *Learn and teach by word and example how God continues to be at work in the world and in our lives;*
- *Love and serve all people as Christ loves us;*
- *Grow in faithful stewardship of the resources God has given us; and*
- *Celebrate joyfully this faith in our life, worship, prayer, and service.*

