

The Philippian

The Monthly Newsletter of St. Philip's Lutheran Church of Hastings, Minnesota

Come and Worship...Come and Serve...Come and Learn...Come as you are
...Philip said to him, "Come and see" John 1:46

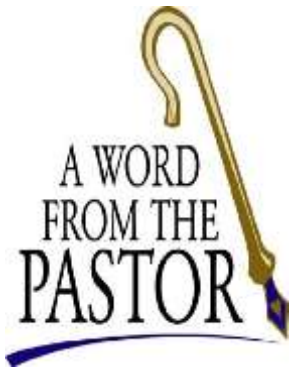
October 2022

October at St. Philip's

- **Staff Positions Available**
- **Operation Christmas Child**
- **Education Hour (Sunday School and Adult Forum)**
Sundays at 10:30 am
- **Pastor Appreciation**
October 9
- **Congregation Table Top Discussion**
October 13
- **Lefse Making**
October 18
- **Leaf Raking Day**
October 29
- **Reformation Sunday / Confirmation**
October 30

I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that lived first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, lives in you. For this reason I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands; for God did not give us a spirit of cowardice, but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self discipline.

2 Timothy 1:5-7 from the lesson for October 2



As the apostle begins his letter to his friend and colleague Timothy in our second lesson for October 3, I am keenly aware of how he makes sure that Timothy is reminded how his faith came to him. First his grandmother Lois and then to his mother Eunice and then to him. I think that this is an excellent reminder for all of us. It

reminds us to be grateful to the ones who have nurtured us on our faith journeys and it reminds us that there are undoubtedly others who God wants to touch through our lives and witness.

For this reason, Paul exhorts Timothy to “rekindle the gift of God that is within you.” What a fantastic image! Rekindling the gift of God that is within us. Is that not why we gather each Sunday (or Wednesday) around Word and sacrament? Is that not why we seek to continue to grow in faith throughout our lives? And the very fact that he uses the word “rekindle” indicates that everyone’s faith, Paul’s, Timothy’s, mine and yours, needs to be renewed and revived on a regular basis. The word “rekindle” means to “set a fire burning again.” That is what we are about!

Our faith makes a difference, not only in our own lives, but also in the lives of others. False humility and a lack of courage can lead us to try to keep our faith in Jesus hidden from others. However, Scripture proclaims that “God did not give us a spirit of cowardice, but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline.” There is power in our witness and there is power in our love and there is power in our self-discipline. (We are after all, disciples!)

In September we started our Sunday School and confirmation ministries. Parents and grandparents and teachers will continue to rekindle their faith of our children. This month some of our own will affirm the

promises of their baptisms. At that service I will lay my hands on their heads and pray, “Father in heaven, for Jesus’ sake, stir up in _____ the gift of your Holy Spirit; confirm her faith, guide her life, empower her in her serving, give her patience in suffering, and bring her to everlasting life.” If that is not rekindling, I don’t know what is.

However, it is not just for those who are up front. It is for all of us. Each and every day we remember our baptisms and pray that God would confirm our faith, guide our lives, empower us in our serving, give us patience in suffering and bring us to everlasting life. God does these things not because of who we are but because of who God is.

Later in this same passage the apostle speaks of our relying on the power of God “who saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works but according to his own purpose and grace.” It is God who used others to nurture your faith and it is God who will use each of you to nurture the faith of others! Let us each give thanks for those who came before us and shared Jesus with us and let us give thanks for those whom our Lord will touch through our lives of service and witness.

*Your Servant in Christ,
Pastor Geier*

GIVING AND EXPENSE UPDATE

August 2022

Actual	Budget	2021 Actual
<u>General and Miscellaneous Income YTD</u>		
\$346,045.95	\$350,729.26	\$356,969.70
<u>Capital Fund YTD</u>		
\$115,342.00	\$120,480.77	\$109,821.32
<u>Operational Expenses YTD</u>		
\$420,853.91	\$460,517.22	\$408,359.00
<u>Over / (Short)</u>		
\$40,534.04	\$10,692.81	\$58,432.02



Preschool Chatter

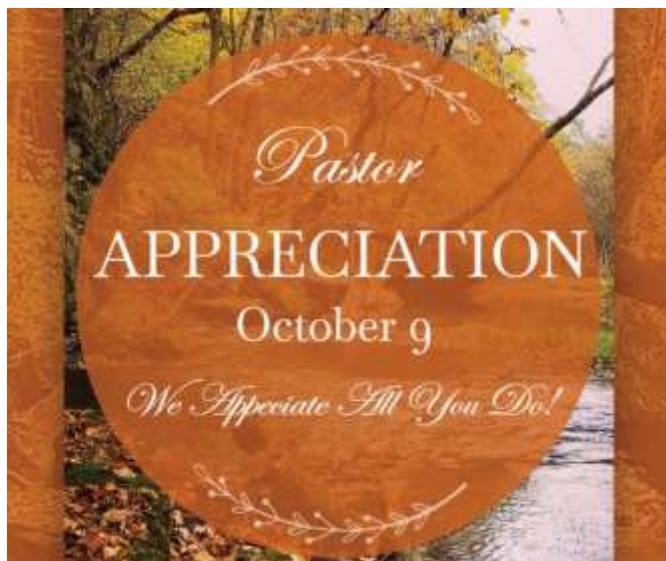
We are Back! What a busy first few weeks we have had getting back into the swing of things. So far this year we are teaching 38 students. Ten of our children come five days a week, which means we have 48 of our preschool spots full! This number is one higher than last year which is great. That being said we do still have space available if you know anyone still looking for preschool.

September themes included: Welcome to School, All About Me, Friends, and Pets. We enjoyed learning some new songs, did an all about me show and tell project, and had a Rio Gran dog agility show for pets week. This month we also had our first chapel time with Pastor Geier. The children enjoyed hearing about the creation story as well as learning the hippo song and (of course) Jesus Loves Me. Another exciting part of chapel is the high-fives from Pastor on the way back to class. Many of our children were so excited to be coming to school and are adjusting well to being part of a classroom community and what that means. As a staff we were excited to get back into the classrooms and start a fresh new school year with our new friends.

We hope that all members of St. Philip's congregation are making a smooth transition into the new season and whatever that may look like for you and your family.

Blessings,

Becky Kaphing and Lorelei Rein
Preschool Co-Directors



SUNDAY SCRIPTURE READINGS

October 2	Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4 2 Timothy 1:1-14 Luke 17:5-10
October 9	2 Kings 5:1-3, 7-15c 2 Timothy 2:8-15 Luke 17:11-19
October 16	Genesis 32:22-31 2 Timothy 3:14-4:5 Luke 18:1-8
October 23	Jeremiah 14:7-10, 19-22 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18 Luke 18:9-14
October 30	Jeremiah 31:31-34 Romans 3:19-28 John 8:31-36

– AMONG OUR OWN –

Sympathies to...

Family of Ed Parkin as they mourn his death
Family of Candace Hathaway (cousin of Pam Hoffman) as they mourn her death
Raul Jackson and family as they mourn the death of brother-in-law Duane Wilsey

Congratulations to...

Alice Rose Butze (daughter of Luke and Ali Butze) blessings on her baptism

Celebrating all the weddings in October. Listed below are couples reaching a special anniversary...

David and Kristen Zimmerman on their 5th wedding anniversary on October 7

Guy and Catherine Rudiger on their 35th wedding anniversary on October 10

Tom and Diane Reller on their 50th wedding anniversary on October 20

Rick and Deb Carlson on their 25th wedding anniversary on October 25

Josh and Chelsey Retterath on their 10th wedding anniversary on October 27

SEND BIRTHDAY WISHES

Charter Member, Norma Mossman, will mark her 90th birthday on October 25. Her family is planning a small gathering for her but would like to invite her friends from St. Philip's to join in a card shower near her birthday. You can send Norma a birthday card to: Norma Mossman, c/o CentraCare, 1104 River Street East, Room 203, Monticello, MN 55362.

STAFF POSITIONS AVAILABLE

(See complete job descriptions at www.splchastings.org)

DIRECTOR OF CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

The Director of Children's Ministries oversees the development and implementation of a unified program of Christian education for ages 0-12. This ministry focuses on Sunday School and Vacation Bible School for preschool and elementary age children, as well as family activities.

This part time position (25 hr/wk) is dedicated to the ministry of our Lord Jesus Christ and is committed to the mission and vision of St. Philip's Lutheran Church. Qualifications include experience in Christian education, the ability to assess and/or write Christian education in the Lutheran tradition and strong organizational skills. In addition, excellent written and verbal skills, along with solid technology experience are required. The ability to recruit, work with and equip volunteers to plan and implement programming is necessary. Physical requirements include the ability to regularly lift 50 pounds and climb a ladder of 3-5 feet.

Please submit your resume to Pastor Geier at: pastorgeier@splchastings.org.

DIRECTOR OF YOUTH and YOUNG ADULT MINISTRIES

The Director of Youth and Young Adult Ministries focuses on inspiring, encouraging and nurturing the ongoing faith formation of youth and young adults, ages 13 -25. This ministry is responsible for planning and leading ministry opportunities that are engaging, faith forming, relational, and service minded.

This part time position (20 hr/wk) is dedicated to the ministry of our Lord Jesus Christ and is committed to the mission and vision of St. Philip's Lutheran Church. Qualifications include passion for Jesus Christ and love for youth and their families, experience in youth ministry, and excellent organizational skills. In addition, excellent written and verbal skills, along with solid technology experience are required. The ability to build a team of adults to assist with youth and young adult ministries is necessary. Physical requirements include the ability to regularly lift 50# and climb a ladder of 3-5 feet. The ability to play lead music, guitar-playing is a plus.

Please submit your resume to Pastor Geier at: pastorgeier@splchastings.org.

CHOIR DIRECTOR POSITION OPEN

Part time choir director position, approximately 7 hours per week. Must have some music background but no degree required. If interested, contact Pastor Geier for more information.

Thank You!

Thanks to everyone working together, making and stringing backpacks, bringing in supplies and packing the backpacks. One hundred sixty nine School Kits were delivered to the Lutheran World Relief warehouse in South Saint Paul. We started out having enough materials for 158 kits at the beginning of church on the day of assembly, but due to a last minute donation, a quick trip by one of the packers to the store for extra rulers, some additional bags coming in and some serendipity, the missing materials for 11 more kits showed up before the kits went up to LWR. New this year is the possibility that bar codes that were printed and attached to the 15 boxes of kits will allow us in 8 to 10 months to track where our kits go. By the time we fill kits next year, we may know where this year's went. Many thanks to all who participated!

Thank you to all who donated blood and volunteered at the August 25 blood drive held at St. Philip's. There were 47 donors and the Red Cross collected 52 pints of blood. We also welcomed two new donors.

PHILADAZZLE IS COMING!

Save the date for Sunday, November 27 from 6-8 pm.



We're looking forward to something new to usher in the holiday season at St. Philip's this year, and it's called Philadazzle! On the first Sunday of Advent we will have a time of adult fellowship, friends, food and fun! We're still in the planning stages, but watch the bulletins and announcements for sign up as details develop.

CONGREGATION DISCUSSION

Many ministry leaders met in May for a retreat to discuss progress at St. Philip's. Now, the council would like to invite your input on some of the big items from that retreat, specifically community outreach and social justice. On Thursday, October 13, from 6:30-8:00 pm we will have a 'table top' discussion forum concerning those issues in the context of our congregation's mission statement: **To build and nurture a community of praise, faith and service centered on Jesus Christ.** There will be dessert! Sign up opportunities will follow.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Shoebox Season is almost here! Which means we once again have the privilege to help share the Good News of Jesus Christ with millions of boys and girls around the world!



Start shopping sales now for fun toys, school supplies and personal care items to fill your Operation Christmas Child shoebox. Red and green shoeboxes will be available in the narthex later this month. National Collection week is November 14-20.

If you have any questions, you can visit www.samaritanaspurse.org/occ or talk with Robyn Tank or Emily Preston.

SOUND BYTES

Greetings from your audio-visual booth! We have a need and an opportunity to expand our team and open ministry opportunities for additional volunteers. If you think you might enjoy learning a new skill while experiencing the challenge and satisfaction of an increased role in worship, we invite you to consider joining our team. No audio-visual experience is necessary -- we will train you! If you are interested or have questions, please email John Diischer at johnd@splchastings.org or call the church office.



ADULT FORUM

The Adult Forum topic for October 2 is the final session of Women in Christianity where you will learn about amazing women, from a long time past up to today, who shared the Gospel around the world.



Starting Sunday, October 9, we will try a new way to examine and deepen our faith by exploring current events in a Biblical context. With help from The Wired Word study guides, each week we will look at a topic in the news, discuss several key questions that will lead us to discover Scripture verses that help shine a Biblical, Christian light on the topic, and discuss how Scripture applies to our everyday lives. Come check it out and let us know what you think.

Adult Forum Education Hour is Sundays in the learning room following the worship service.

TREE PROJECT



Precision Landscaping has removed the ten parking lot island trees, which are all Lindens, and the east lawn trees which never got established for continuous growth.

This development of our 2013 new construction project's landscaping failure is very regrettable. We now put that behind us and go forward with soil testing, and examination of the previous planting technique, good preparation for the new trees and finally the planting of ten new trees.

A group of members of St. Philip's responded to the appeal to donate a tree which resulted in all ten new trees being fully paid for by generous donors. A listing of the donors and those they chose to have remembered with their gift will be published in the November newsletter. The Building and Grounds team, sincerely thanks you for your patience and understanding of the need to have this project done.

WELCOME TO THE BUTZE FAMILY

September 4, 2022, marked the day for another Baptism at St. Philip's. Alice Rose Butze is shown being introduced to the congregation by Pastor Geier, following her Baptism. Pictured below are her parents, Luke and Ali Butze who became members of St. Philip's on the same morning.



SHARING MUSICAL GIFTS

Luther College student Owen Matzek provided his rendition of Clair de Lune during a recent worship service. Owen and his brother William are accomplished young men on a number of musical instruments. Enriching worship with special music adds greatly to the worship hour. Thank you to all who are able to provide it.



LEAF RAKING DAY



The leaves on the trees are starting to fall, and you know what that means! It's almost time for our annual leaf raking day! This year, Leaf Raking Day will be on Saturday, October 29 at 9:00 am (weather permitting). We will meet at St. Philip's before heading out. If it rains that day, we will reschedule.

If you would like us to come rake your yard, contact the church office at info@splchastings.org or call 651-437-6541.

SOUP AND BAKE SALE

The 19th SPLC All-Congregational Soup and Bake Sale is scheduled for Saturday, November 19 from 9:00 am - 12:30 pm.



Some of the changes that were made last year will continue:

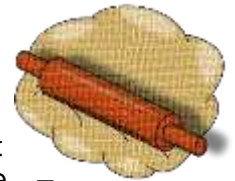
- Quarts of soup will be sold as take-out only
- The fellowship hall will again be used to allow for extra spacing of items



Members are asked to bring cookies, breads, bars, candy, cakes, pies, jams, jellies, pickles and other canned items as in previous years. Please also bring special holiday treats. Garden produce is also welcome. Remember to wrap all items in clear wrap and label each item especially if the product contains nuts.

LEFSE MAKING

This year we plan to gather twice at church to make lefse for the November 19 Bake Sale: Tuesday, October 18 at 9:00 am and Saturday, November 12 at 9:00 am. All are welcome – experienced and those who want to learn.



For those who want to make lefse at home to contribute to the sale just package 3-4 rounds in a clear Ziploc bag.

Look for sign-up sheets on the kiosk in early October. Questions? please contact Susan Cruse.

QUILTS BLESSED AND SENT ONTO LUTHERAN WORD RELIEF

Although the Do Days crew put in many hours this summer on backpacks for the school supply drive, we have also been busy completing quilts for Lutheran World Relief. Another group of sixteen quilts were blessed during worship service and sent on their way. Like the school kits, we hope that bar codes in the boxes will allow us to report by next summer where they went.

SINCE YOU ASKED...

What exactly is going to be different for worship on the first Sunday of each month?

Because right now we are worshipping together at one service at 9:30 am on Sunday mornings, we no longer have a second service that would utilize a non-liturgical format and people missed that service.

To try and provide a worship that didn't use the traditional hymns and liturgy with the kyrie, feast of victory, psalms and so on, our worship ministry team decided that on the first Sunday of each month we would sing songs that you might hear on a Christian radio station. Likewise, I would not use my vestments with an alb and stole, but wear a clerical shirt or shirt and tie to lead worship. We will also use the more contemporary version of the Lord's prayer and confession of faith.

One thing that does not ever change is that it will be a service where we gather to worship Jesus and receive God's grace through Word and sacrament.

If there are things that would make worship more meaningful for you, please let me or someone on our worship ministry team know. We are the church together!

Pastor Geier

Thanks for asking!



SUNDAY SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We are looking for more awesome volunteers to make Sunday school the best it can be for our awesome kids! If you are interested or have questions, talk with the Faith Formation Ministry Team (Carol Hellen, Becky Kaphing or Katie Thomas) or contact the St. Philip's office!

COLUMBARIUM INFORMATION



A columbarium is a group of small compartments, or niches, designed to hold the cremated remains (cremains) of deceased loved ones. Each niche is identified by a granite faceplate inscribed with a person's name, birth date, and death date. The Columbarium will be located east of the church building along Pleasant Drive. Phase One will have 80 niches and includes a peace garden for visiting family and friends. Three additional phases of 80 niches each will take St. Philip's well into the future.

Eligibility

Church members, spouses or domestic partners, and family members, such as father, mother, brother sister, children, and grandchildren are eligible. Other individuals may be approved by the Columbarium Team.

3 Levels of Pricing

The pricing of the niches has been set at three levels, depending on location. All niches include two brass urns and engraving on the columbarium faceplate for up to two person's cremains. Engraving on the two brass urns is not included. Each niche is 12x12x12 inches. Urns other than those furnished may be used in the space allowed.

- Niches in Row A and Row B are \$2,500
- Niches in Row C and Row D are \$2,200
- Niches in Row E are \$1,900

For more details, contact Gary McDougall at 651-216-7213 or Judy Hansen at 612-600-1209.

Team members: Gary McDougall, chair; Judy Hansen; Pam Hoffman; Tim Preston; and Danna Schultz



Rally Day Puts Smiles on Faces

This young lady is thrilled to have had her back pack blessed and is now ready to enjoy all the fun outside



Rally Day Features the Blessing of the Back Packs

Pastor Geier gives all the children an extra item for the back packs he's about to bless



Children examining their gift and stand ready to have their back pack blessed

Rally Day Distributed Bibles to 3 year olds and 3rd Graders



This younger young man is holding the Bible he received as a 3-year old member of the congregation



This third grade young man is proud to hold his new Bible which had been presented to him during the worship service.



This young lady is very proud to hold her new Bible. As a third grade student she will have her own Bible to read and mark up as she wishes.

Rally Day Provided a Time to Find New Friends

These two young guys have discovered the fun of the day, having had their back packs blessed and now heading outside to the jumping units and treats



Rally Day Includes Invitations to Service and Participation

Few recruiters are more earnest and passionate than Becky Kaphing who's appealing to all people to please step up and be a team teacher for one of the Sunday School groups. This is service work of the highest order and should be accepted with joy.



Rally Day provided mentors time to greet their mentee from the Lenten season

Glenda Schnirring is shown with Carter Lundstrom



LuAnn Roiger, St. Philip's newest staff member, invites young children to explore what it would be like to be a "bell ringer". LuAnn had the bells on display after the service.



LuAnn Roiger introduces the very young to the idea of being a chime ringer or a bell ringer



Rally Day Offered Outside Attractions

Many games and physical activities were on the south lawn of the church for everyone's fun. Seen below are Carolyn and Katie Thomas offering fresh popcorn.



Josie releasing some beautiful bubbles



Linnea filling up the squirt bottles for the ducks

LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE UPDATE

Jennie Orr Thomas launched her annual and very successful campaign for school bags for Lutheran World Relief. This translates into the global outreach which all churches need to do and Jennie gets us there. Roughly 169 fabric bags were constructed by members, strung with the proper cording, and then filled with school supplies donated by members of the congregation. Jennie worked on the detailed project for hours that stretched into days. The congregation heartily thanks Jennie for this exemplary effort.

Melissa Campbell placing six different school supplies into a bag.



Two enthusiastic kids ready to bomb the slide



Julie Ronning is placing filled bags into shipping boxes that get carefully packed and closed.

PIE AND OUTDOOR CONCERT

The anticipated concert by the “Double Down Daredevils” was taken inside to St. Luke’s Episcopal Church on August 28. Pie and brownie sales remained strong. Proceeds for the night totaled \$835, which go toward St. Philip’s’ external ministry, Lutheran Social Service of Minnesota.



Kent Hoffman always ready and willing to help with take-down



Pictured as the chief pie servers are Sue Cruse, Darla Kimmes, Pam Hoffman, Carolyn Schaar and Jeanne Cowee



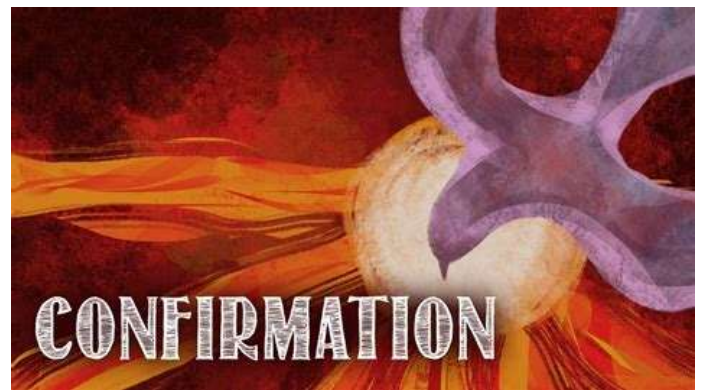
Double Down Daredevils performing to a full house at St. Luke’s



Scooping ice cream, drawing coffee and being a cashier are from left to right are Jim Cowee, Deborah Dreher and Deborah Frandrup



Enjoying the fellowship that the evening provides are Raul Jackson and Camille Nelson



Affirmation of Baptism Celebration (Confirmation) will be October 30 at our 9:30 am Reformation worship service! Come help our newly confirmed sisters and brothers celebrate!

KEEPING CONNECTED

Hello from Art and Kathy Luedtke. Art was born in Appleton, Wisconsin and grew up on a dairy farm just west of there. Kathy was born in Baraboo, Wisconsin and raised in the port city of Duluth, Minnesota.



We met in Madison, Wisconsin when Art was completing his Chemical Engineering degree at the University of Wisconsin. Kathy had already earned a B.A. at Augsburg College and was working for Ray-O-Vac battery company in Madison. We were married in Madison in 1968. A few years later, we moved to Minnesota. Art began work as a Project Engineer at Ecolab - and worked there for 39 years!

Randy was a year old when we moved to Minnesota. Second son, Eric, was born a year later. They were raised in Woodbury and graduated from Woodbury High School.

We were active members of Lutheran Church of Peace in Maplewood. Kathy was mostly a stay-at-home mom and added a K-8 teaching license and a M.A. in History from UW-River Falls to her resume. Kathy has worked as a substitute teacher and tutor. Just prior to retirement, Kathy worked for Lutheran Youth Encounter, an organization that sent out young adults who were trained to lead worship and music programs for churches - U.S. and International.

We enjoy traveling. We have visited all 50 states and many Canadian provinces. One travel highlight was a trip in 2000 to the Passion Play in Oberammergau, Germany. Kathy has participated in two mission trips to Poland.

At a local level, Art enjoys bicycling, volunteering at Carpenter Nature Center, and going to the Y. Kathy likes reading, baking, sewing and working on family genealogy.

In 2003, we moved to the Hastings area from Woodbury. We joined St. Philip's a few years later. Kathy has taught some Adult Forums and is a member of WELCA.

Like most parents, we are very proud of our children, their spouses, and our grandchildren! Randy graduated from North Dakota State University and

works as an airplane engineering and tech support group leader for SeaTec. His wife, Erin, is a travel agent. Their children attend Apple Valley High School - Heath, senior; Danica, Sara, and Linus, sophomores (Yes, they are triplets!). Eric graduated from Bemidji State University and Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary. He is an ordained Lutheran pastor who is currently serving in the Minneapolis Area Synod. His wife, Stephanie, teaches instrumental music at a charter school in Woodbury. Their children are Olivia, a freshman at Creative Arts Secondary School, and Elena, a 7th grader at Upper Mississippi Academy, both St. Paul charter schools.

Our most challenging years were the ones Art spent on dialysis and on the waiting list for a kidney transplant. It was a hopeful and stressful time. We met many wonderful doctors and medical staff at Mayo Clinic who helped make those years more pleasant. Many of you were prayer warriors for us during those years. Thank you! Your prayers (and ours) were finally answered. Art received his kidney in June 2019 and everything is going well. We are blessed! We are blessed to be members at St. Philip's. Each week, even during the pandemic, we learn about needs of other members. We are glad to be part of a praying congregation for all of you - whether you have had a sad or happy week. May you have a great day in Christ!

Hi SPLC, we're John and Katie (Zuzek) Nye!

Katie is a Hastings native, currently a teacher at Kennedy Elementary School here in town, and is the first daughter of Mark and Janet (Rotty) Zuzek. After a high school career in show choir and tennis, Katie took her talents to Saint Mary's University of Minnesota where she majored in Education. She would later go on to get a Master's in Teaching and Learning from Saint Mary's as well. After a few years outside of ISD 200 in Le Center, Farmington, and Canon Falls, Katie was able to come back and serve her community (as is family tradition). Katie (and John later on) also spent time volunteering and working on the business side of Hastings' Black Dirt Theater.



John grew up in Evergreen Park, Illinois (just southwest of Chicago) and played almost every sport his parents would allow. John came to Minnesota for

college, also attending Saint Mary's, double majoring in Marketing and Management. He also played on the school's golf team and paintball club. John currently works as the Head of Growth Marketing at an HVAC Controls startup called "75F" in Bloomington. Despite having no shot at the NHL, PGA, or MLB, John still golfs, plays rec league softball in town, and skates in a Minneapolis hockey league in the winter (he's a goalie).

Despite having a year of overlap at the small liberal arts college in Winona, John and Katie had never met one another. We met online and after a few rocky dates, things took off from there! Katie loved John's sense of humor and caring while John loved Katie's heart and level-headedness (as well as her experience with children, as he has never babysat a child or changed a diaper).

John proposed to Katie in her parent's backyard with 30+ family and friends in attendance back in August of 2017. Still the largest surprise he has ever pulled off. We got married in April of 2019 and have a 3-year-old Australian Shepherd-Poodle mix dog named Graham. We're also expecting our first child (a girl) in early December.

As for SPLC, a few factors came into play. Katie's brother, fellow SPLC member Alex Zuzek, married long-time Philippian Aleaha Zabel. John also reflected fondly on his interactions with Pastor Greg at a previous Black Dirt production. After being dissatisfied with another church in town, we began our search for a new church and community. We were "one and done" after joining for worship and found our new home here at SPLC. We enjoy Pastor Greg's sense of humor, the smaller community feel, and we're very grateful to have found this little gem just down the road!

Hi! We are a very busy family of five!

David, our oldest, is 14 years old, and in 8th grade at Hastings Middle School. He is active in Cross Country, Track and Field, plays the Euphonium in the HMS band and Jazz band, plus he is a member of the Boy Scout Troop that meets at St. Philip's. David also started taking golf lessons over the summer, and enjoyed it quite a



bit. He is currently in St. Philip's Confirmation group, and enjoys being a part of it!

Owen, our middle child, is 10 years old, and just started this year in the Middle School as a 5th grader. He is active in Football, Wrestling, Track and Field, and is trying out the Trumpet this year in the Middle School band. When he is not playing his multiple sports, he's probably reading *Calvin and Hobbes*, leaving a trail of his *Calvin and Hobbes* collection throughout the house!

Hazel, our youngest, is 7 years old, and is in 2nd grade. She is still trying to figure out what activities she likes best, and has tried out Gymnastics, Soccer, Wrestling, and Track and Field so far. Hazel is very creative and artistic, and loves to make Lego houses!

When Jamie and I are not working our full time jobs or shuttling the kids to their multiple activities, we also operate our own small business, DoneRightDumpsters.com, renting out and delivering roll off dumpsters for both residential and contractor use in the local area. There is never a dull moment for us!

We are happy to be a part of St. Philip's, and are grateful for the friendly, welcoming people that make this church such a wonderful community of faith.

Yours Truly,
Jamie and Nina Meyer, David, Owen and Hazel

October 30 is
Reformation Sunday!



		Worship Leaders				
		October 2022				
		October 2 9:30 AM	October 9 9:30 AM	October 16 9:30 AM	October 23 9:30 AM	October 30 Reformation & Confirmation 9:30 AM
Worship Coordinator	Bruce & Brenda Arndtson	Glenda Schnirring Katy Lindberg	Connie Ball Mary Rock	Pam Hoffman Darla Kimmes	Jay & Becky Raimann	
Greeter	Tom & Cheryl Bullington	Warren & Katie Thomas	Bruce & Brenda Arndtson	Barb Jorenby	Lori Best/ Confirmands	
Usher	Terry & Jan Kochendorfer	Lois Wroge Marita Legreid	Kent & Kent Hoffman		Al Todnem Steve Wolverton	
Lector	Tom Bullington	Maria Gathje	Diane Saed	Beth Fahlstrom	Lori Best/ Confirmands	
Communion Bread	Pastor Geier Glenda Schnirring	Pastor Geier Deborah Dreher	Pastor Geier Becky Raimann	Pastor Geier Marge Peterson	Pastor Geier Lori Best	
Communion Wine	Judy Werner Darla Kimmes	Darlene Olson McKenzie Langenfeld	Geneva Weisser Michelle Carlsson	Barb Jorenby Vicki Pavlish	Patty Todnem Deborah Dreher	
Sound Board						
Prayer Chapel	Barb Jorenby	Sue Retka	Jennie Thomas	Paul and Sue Severson	Judy Werner	
Music Leader/Cantor	Maria Gathje	Raul Jackson	David Weisser	Darlene Olson	Ryan Hummel	
Organist/Musicians				Unity	Bells	

Please check in with the worship coordinators on the Sunday you have a duty. They will answer any questions and let you know if there are any special circumstances that day.

If you are unable to fulfill your assigned spot, please contact others on the schedule and attempt to find your own substitute.

Please let Lista in the church office know of any changes to this schedule (651-437-6541).

2022 October

ST. PHILIP'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
9:30 AM Worship 10:30 AM Education Hour 6:30 PM Boy Scouts	11:00 AM Staff Meeting 5:30 PM CMT 6:00 PM YouthPhil Ringers 7:00 PM Faith Formation Ministry 7:00 PM JoyPhil Ringers	4:00 PM Unity 5:00 PM Fellowship Community Ministry 6:00 PM Worship & Music Ministry	6:45 PM Confirmation	1:00 PM Do Days		6:00 AM Women's Bible Study
9:30 AM Worship 10:30 AM Education Hour 6:30 PM Boy Scouts	11:00 AM Staff Meeting 5:30 PM Preschool Ministry 6:00 PM YouthPhil Ringers 6:30 PM Finance Ministry 7:00 PM JoyPhil Ringers	4:00 PM Unity 6:00 PM Prayer Team 6:30 PM Stewardship Ministry	6:45 PM Confirmation	9:30 AM WELCA Meeting / Circle Bible Study 11:45 AM Meals on Wheels 6:30 PM Table Top Discussion on Community Outreach 7:30 PM Boy Scout Committee	9:30 AM WELCA Meeting / Circle 4:30 PM Confirmation Retreat Bible Study 11:45 AM Meals on Wheels 6:30 PM Table Top Discussion on Community Outreach 7:30 PM Boy Scout Committee	6:00 AM Women's Bible Study 4:30 PM Confirmation Retreat 6:30 PM 500 Card Club
Fall Theological Conference 9:30 AM Worship 10:30 AM Education Hour 4:30 PM Confirmation Retreat 6:30 PM Boy Scouts	Fall Theological Conference 11:00 AM Staff Meeting 6:00 PM Council 6:00 PM YouthPhil Ringers 7:00 PM JoyPhil Ringers	Fall Theological Conference 9:00 AM Let'se Making 4:00 PM Unity	No Confirmation No Preschool	No Preschool 1:00 PM Do Days	No Preschool	7:00 AM Men's Bible Study
9:30 AM Worship 10:30 AM Education Hour (NO Sunday School) 6:30 PM Boy Scouts	11:00 AM Staff Meeting 6:00 PM Adult Spiritual Growth 6:00 PM YouthPhil Ringers 7:00 PM AALUW 7:00 PM JoyPhil Ringers	4:00 PM Unity	6:45 PM Confirmation	11:45 AM Meals on Wheels		8:00 AM Women's Bible Study 9:00 AM Leaf Raking 1:00 PM Confirmants Workshop
REFORMATION 9:30 AM Worship / Confirmation 10:30 AM Education Hour 6:30 PM Boy Scouts	10:30 AM Preschool Halloween Party 11:00 AM Staff Meeting 7:00 PM JoyPhil Ringers					

St. Philip's Trunk or Treat!



Join us for a fun time of fellowship for members of our congregation, preschool, and community. We are looking for people willing to bring their cars to the church parking lot and bring some kind of treat or prize to hand out to children as they go through the lot trick or treating.

You can decorate your car, wear a costume, have a game/activity by your car, or just have a smile and a treat to share with visitors.

For this event we have partnered with the United Way and will be collecting Food 4 Kids items. It is our hope that children/families participating in the trunk or treat will donate items to this very worthy cause. See the back of this flyer for more information on the items that are needed by Food 4 Kids.

If you are interested in being one of the cars handing out goodies in the parking lot:

- Email Becky or Lorelei
preschool@splchastings.org
or sign up on the kiosk at church



There are Hastings children who don't have enough to eat. Weekend without school meals are especially tough.

Food 4 Kids provides bags filled with kid-friendly food for the weekend.

Here's how YOU can help!

- Donate money so we can buy food and packing bags.
- Donate kid-friendly foods found on the back of this page.
- Host a food drive or packing event as a community service activity.
- However you choose, you'll be helping the kids of Hastings come to school with full tummies, ready to learn

For more information on



www.unitedwayofhastings.org

A program of United Way of Hastings in partnership with



Shopping List

- Cans of Ravioli, Spaghetios, Chili,
- Cereal - Individual Servings
- Cereal bars
- Juice Boxes / Hot Chocolate
- Meat - Canned
- Ramen Noodles
- Beef Sticks
- Oatmeal packets*
- Peanut Butter – Individual Cups*
- Soups*
- Individual Mac & Cheese cups or packets
- Any other typical "kid-friendly" foods

***Especially Needed**

Helpful Tips.....

- ✓ All Food items should be "non-perishable".
- ✓ Children have to carry the packs home from school, so we try to make them light.
- ✓ Easy opening (pop top) cans, and simple microwavable foods work best.
- ✓ 6 Food items plus 1 beverages are packed in each gallon sized bag. Space is limited

We currently are feeding 270 kids every week in Hastings!

**\$5 = 1 Weekend Meal
\$200 = 40 Weekend Meals
\$500 = 100 Weekend Meals**

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