



Welcome to St. Philip's on-the-hill!

SUNDAY, AUGUST 16, 2026

THE 12TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

“Jesus preached the gospel of the kingdom and healed every infirmity among the people.” Matthew 4.23

10:00 A.M. SUNG EUCHARIST

*Musical Setting for the Holy Eucharist is the St. Philip's
Service by R. Edward Gilchrist*

PRELUDE *Are Not our Hearts Burning within Us by Carey Landry*

WELCOME

PROCESSIONAL HYMN *Lord, the Light of your Love is Shining v.1-3 CP 460*

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY –

Leader: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

All: And also with you.

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

Celebrant: Almighty God,

All: to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. 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

Celebrant: Glory to God in the highest,

All: 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, Amen, Amen.

THE COLLECT FOR THE 12TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Celebrant: Let us pray.

All: Almighty God, you have broken the tyranny of sin and sent into our hearts the Spirit of your Son. Give us grace to dedicate our freedom to your service, that all people may

know the glorious liberty of the children of God; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Please be seated.

CHILDREN’S TIME

The Rev. Ajith Varghese

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF GENESIS

Jo Anne Carlisle

Genesis 45: 1-15

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 133

Behold How Pleasant v. 1-3

Voices United 856

As you are able, please stand.

THE GOSPEL

In ancient tradition, we are invited to make the sign of the cross upon our forehead, lips and heart, that the Good News of Jesus may be in our thinking, our speaking and in our centre.

Cantor: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

All: **Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.**

Cantor: “Jesus preached the gospel of the kingdom and healed every infirmity among the people.”

All: **Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.**

Gospeler: The Lord be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

Gospeler: The †Holy Gospel of our †Lord Jesus Christ †according to Luke.

All: **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

GOSPELER

Rev. Lorraine Runza

Luke 24: 13-35

Reader: The Gospel of Christ

All: **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Please be seated.

SERMON

Alex Lee

As you are able, please stand.

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Celebrant: Let us declare our faith in God:

All: We believe in God the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named.
We believe in God the Son, who lives in our hearts through faith, and fills us with his love.
We believe in God the Holy Spirit, who strengthens us with power from on high.
We believe in one God; Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.

Let us sit or kneel to pray.

PRAYER SONG *Spirit Open My Heart v. 1-3* *SNC 160*

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE *Ruwani Seevakireedam*

Bidding: Merciful God,

Response: receive our prayer.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Celebrant: God of all mercy,

All: we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Saviour Jesus Christ, so that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.

Celebrant: May the God of love and power forgive you and free you from your sins, heal and strengthen you by the Holy Spirit and raise you to new life in Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

As you are able, please stand.

THE PEACE

Celebrant: Hear God's promise of a redeemed creation: the wolf shall live with the lamb, the leopard shall lie down with the kid, and a little child shall lead them. They will not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain.

The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

All: **And also with you.**

*You are invited to greet your neighbour saying:
"Peace" or "Peace be with you."*

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

THE PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS

OFFERTORY HYMN: *Amazing Grace v. 1-5* *CP 352*

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Celebrant: Loving God and Father, you have adopted us to be your heirs. Accept all we offer you this day and give us grace to live as faithful children. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Please take a posture of prayer, sitting, standing or kneeling.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

All: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Celebrant: It is indeed right that we should praise you, gracious God, for you created all things. You formed us in your own image: male and female you created us. When we turned away from you in sin, you did not cease to care for us, but opened a path of salvation for all people. You made a covenant with Israel, and through your servants Abraham and Sarah gave the promise of a blessing to all nations. Through Moses you led your people from bondage into freedom; through the prophets you renewed your promise of salvation.

Therefore, with them, and with all your saints who have served you in every age, we give thanks and raise our voices to proclaim the glory of your name.

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

Celebrant: Holy God, source of life and goodness, all creation rightly gives you praise. In the fullness of time, you sent your Son Jesus Christ, 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 healed the sick and ate and drank with outcasts and sinners; he opened the eyes of the blind and proclaimed the good news of your kingdom to the poor and to those in need. In all things he fulfilled your gracious will.

On the night he freely gave himself to 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."

Gracious God, his perfect sacrifice destroys the power of sin and death; by raising him to life you give us life for evermore.

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith.

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

Celebrant: Recalling his death, proclaiming his resurrection, and looking for his coming again in glory, we offer you, Father, this bread and this cup. Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts, that all who eat and drink at this table may be one body and one holy people, a living sacrifice in Jesus Christ, our Lord. Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory is yours, almighty Father, now and for ever.

All: Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Celebrant: As our Saviour Christ has taught us, let us pray,

All: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant: "I am the bread of life," says the Lord.

"Whoever comes to me will never be hungry;
whoever believes in me will never thirst."

**All: Taste and see that the Lord is good;
happy are they who trust in him!**

AGNUS DEI

All: Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world; grant us peace.

THE COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

Celebrant: The gifts of God for the people of God. **All: Thanks be to God.**

All are welcome at the table of Our Lord for Communion or a blessing.

As the sides-people direct, move forward to receive Holy Communion around the platform.

*Signal the communion minister if you would like a gluten-free wafer.
If you prefer, we can serve Communion in your pew, just let the sides people know.*

Prayer for Spiritual Communion for those worshipping at home

Celebrant: Church, we have friends worshipping online or others who may not be able to receive Communion today.

Let us pray together in solidarity to receive Christ anew in spiritual communion.

All: **Lord Jesus Christ, present in the Sacrament of the altar and in your people, come and abide in my heart in the fullness of your strength; be my wisdom and guide me in right pathways; transform my life and actions that they may reflect the image of your holiness. In your name I pray. Amen.**

COMMUNION HYMN:

When at this Table v. 1-5

SNC 32

One Bread, One Body v. 1-3

CP 73

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Celebrant: Eternal God, we have received a token of your promise. May we who have been nourished by holy things live as faithful heirs of your promised kingdom, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please stand.

THE DOXOLOGY

Celebrant: Glory to God,

All : **whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine. Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever. Amen.**

THE BLESSING

Celebrant: God has given you the citizenship of heaven, with his blessed and beloved, and the whole company of the redeemed. **Amen.**

God give you the will to live each day in life eternal. **Amen.**

God bring you to the home that Christ prepares for all who love him. **Amen.**

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

RECESSIONAL HYMN:

Go to the World v. 1-4

CP 598

THE COMMISSIONING:

Leader: Filled with the Spirit's power, go in the light and peace of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia!

All: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

POSTLUDE

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MINISTERING IN THE SERVICES TODAY

Celebrant: The Rev. Ajith Varghese; **Preacher:** Alex Lee; **Deacon:** Rev. Lorraine Runza; **Organist:** Kevin Parks, **Cantor:** Eva Lau; **Reader:** Jo Anne Carlisle; **Bread:** The Rev. Ajith Varghese, The Rev. Lorraine Runza; **Chalice:** Carol & Amber Dykeman; **Prayers:** Ruwani Seevakireedam; **Video/Sound:** Andrew Estabrooks; **Greeters:** Ivor Pavamai, Jo Anne Carlisle; **Sunday School:** Avani Rutnam; **Warden on Duty:** Suku Navaratnam; **Chancel Guild:** Janet Sunderani, Dorothy Boland, Jane Harris, Nancy Clarke; **Counters:** Bill Carnaghan, Joanne Millett

TODAY

12th Sunday after Pentecost

Prayers for the Week

Parish Selection Committee Prayer

Heavenly Father, as Fr. Stephen journeys towards his retirement, we give thanks for his many years of Ministry to the church. We give thanks for the community of St. Philip's on-the-hill and for bringing us together to serve you and our church family. Give us wisdom, patience, understanding and open our hearts to listen for the leading of the Spirit. In your name we pray. Amen

Household Prayer: Morning

Merciful God, this day is full of your possibilities for healing and reconciliation, for new beginnings and restored relationships. Unite my heart with your will so that your abundant anointing will flow through me. Send me now with your promised blessings to preserve the lives of those in need. Amen.

Household Prayer: Evening

God of the night watches, guard me from torment, release me from distress. Call me close to you and kiss me with your favour that I may rest secure in you. Amen.

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THIS WEEK @ ST. PHILIP'S

Aug 20 10:30 am Union Villa Service

Aug 22 5:00 pm Evening Prayer on Zoom

Aug 23 10:00 am 13th Sunday after Pentecost – Rev. Stephen Kern, Celebrating and Preaching

Behold How Pleasant Voices United #856

Refrain: Behold, how pleasant, how good it is!
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How pleasant and harmonious when God's people are together:
Fragrant as precious oil when running fresh on Aaron's beard. *(Refrain)*

How pleasant and harmonious when God's people are together:
fresh like the morning dew that falls on Zion's holy hill. *(Refrain)*

How pleasant and harmonious when God's people are together:
there is where God bestows the blessing, life for evermore. *(Refrain)*

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Spirit Open My Heart Sing a New Creation #160

Refrain: Spirit, open my heart to the joy and pain of living.
As you love may I love, in receiving and in giving.
Spirit, open my heart.

God, replace my stony heart with a heart that's kind and tender.
All my coldness and fear to your grace I now surrender. *(Refrain)*

Write your love upon my heart as my law, my goal, my story.
In each thought, word, and deed, may my living bring you glory. *(Refrain)*

May I weep with those who weep, share the joy of sister, brother.
In the welcome of Christ, may we welcome one another. *(Refrain)*

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When at this Table Sing a New Creation #32

When at this table I receive a blessing;
the broken bread, the wine of life for me,
then let me share the peace with you, my neighbour,
and let the Spirit set our spirits free.

If at this table I have need of healing,
unbidden grief relationship gone wrong,
then let me know that hands of God enfolding,
and let lament become believing song.

If at this table I forget the hungry,
the dispossessed, and warfare's spreading stain,
then let this bread become the bread of judgment,
this wine the sharp awareness of that pain.

If at this table I make dedication
to give my life in serving what is good,
then let my center be where God invites me,
and show the words of Jesus understood.

What faith I have I bring to join this table;
what hope I hold, in Christ is taught and true.
With brothers, sisters, I will share the blessing,
the feast where God is making all things new.

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