

St. Philip Invitation



LIVE LIKE THAT - LOVE, FEED, SERVE JUNE/JULY 2018

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Summer Worship Schedule

One worship service at **9:30am** Sunday, May 27 through Sunday, Sept 2.

Pastor's Schedule

Pastor David will accompany St. Philip youth to the ELCA National Youth Gathering June 26 through July 2. Pastor David will be on vacation July 5 through July 20. Pastor Ken Lane will be responding to pastoral emergencies and can be contacted at 366-9481 or 312-6984.

Blood Drive

Thank you! Thank you!
Thank you!
During St. Philip's May Blood Drive 94 units of blood were collected, saving 282 lives! What a tremendous effort! You all made this drive a success. It's a group effort and it could not have been done without each of your help.

The next Blood Drive is Monday, October 15.

Casting Nets

Dan Radmacher

Jesus promised to make his disciples fishers of men. But in the modern church, it seems like we hesitate to cast the net. We float happily along in our boat, and hope the fish will simply jump in.

At St. Philip, council wants to figure out how to cast our nets for a vibrant, 21st century church. We're going to start exploring some ways of improving outreach to the community using the modern tools available to the church.



I'll be working on developing a strategy for this, but I could certainly use some help from any social media-savvy members of the congregation. If you have thoughts or ideas, or a willingness to help out in any way, contact me at danrad@mac.com.

A couple of things council is considering starting as soon as possible include live-streaming services using Facebook Live. A tripod will be set up with a phone or tablet and broadcast services live. The hope is this will both offer a convenient way for members of the congregation who can't make it to church to still experience service, and to help spread the word about St. Philip and its ministries.

Other events may be livestreamed as well.

In addition, council is going to start a church Instagram account to supplement the Facebook and Twitter presence. The hope is to spread the responsibility for keeping that account vibrant by having different people "take over" the account for several weeks at a time. If you have an active Instagram presence, and would be willing to help the church build its own presence, please contact me at the email address above.

Images are an important part of any effective outreach. Please take photos whenever you can at church events. Leadership will figure out the most effective way to share them. If you have a particular interest in photography, let me know.

If we want St. Philip to grow and thrive, we cannot be content to simply wait for fish to jump in the boat. Please let me know if you're interested in helping find better ways to cast our digital nets.

Day of Service

Linda Rhodes

On Sunday, August 26, St. Philip will once again provide a picnic for the residents at Melrose Towers. They appreciated last summer's picnic so much, the staff have asked St. Philip if they might return this year.

The menu will be hot dogs and hamburgers with all the fixings. There will also be opportunity for bingo and other games. The residents love receiving prizes of toiletries, laundry detergent, cleaning supplies, toilet paper and paper towels – items that cannot be purchased with food stamps.



God's work.
Our hands.

Later in the summer look for opportunities to donate these items and how you can help server St. Philip's neighbors.

If you have any questions please contact Linda Duncan Rhodes or Donna Wright.

Youth News

ELCA Youth Gathering

This summer, St. Philip sends 9 youth and Pastor David to the National Youth Gathering in Houston, Texas where they will join with over 30,000 others from around the country. This will be a great faith-filled, fun-filled week (June 26- July 2) as children of God called to serve with compassion, energy, and excitement.



Ultimately, St. Philip wants youth to understand the fierce love that God has for them, just as they are, and that by grace, through faith, they have been saved. When young people (or really any age person!) truly claim this reality, it indeed changes everything.

As the Gathering approaches please pray for our St. Philip group.

Other Summer Youth Events

Regular youth group will pause for the summer. Check out these youth events for summer fun!!

June:

- 4th (3:30-6pm) – Launching Pad
- 8th – 10th (Fri – Sun) – Youth Assembly; at Roanoke College

July:

- 29th (4:30-7pm) – Pool Party at the Radtkes!!

Preschool News

Ms. Danielle, Ms. Kelly, Ms. Sherrie, Ms. Rachael

This month marks the end of the 2017-2018 school year for St. Philip Lutheran Preschool. The preschool staff wanted to take a moment to sincerely thank each member of St. Philip for their prayers and hallway smiles while we ministered to over 35 families this year.

The time and effort many of you took to smile at, speak to, and learn the names of various students has meant the world to them. Many of the kids

excitedly peek out of the classroom doors when they hear the outside doors open – a testament to their feeling of security and welcome within these church walls. While academics and social/emotional growth are our main focus here at St. Philip Preschool, there is a more important mission of making each child feel honored and welcomed within this body of believers.

The staff is looking forward to a fun summer camp as well as the upcoming 2018-2019 school year. We would like to invite each of you to join us in



Preschool Graduation

praying over these students, especially our rising kindergarten students.

For those of you who were unable to make it to the preschool graduation on May 23, please check out the Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/stphilippreschool> for a video of graduation and pictures from throughout the year.

Thank you again for the honor of ministering alongside you!

Elijah Backpack

Judy Brammer

As the end of another school year approaches, those of us who have been involved with Elijah's Backpack this year wanted to give a HUGE thank you to all of you who have supported this ministry all year. The congregation of St. Philip helps with donations of food, donations in memory or honor of loved ones, and of

course packing and delivering the bags of healthy food and snacks that go home each weekend with children from the five different schools we serve. Sixty-five bags are sent home with children each weekend throughout the school year. An extra bag of food is sent home holidays and at the end of the year.

A strong budget and volunteer help is maintained with a partnership with

Journey Church, Faith Alliance, Green Ridge Presbyterian, and Northview UMC, Hollins University and local businesses.

We truly live in a generous community, and we like to think this happens because we all work together to watch over God's neediest children. God Bless you all!

St. Philip Supports Forwarding Faith
Virginia Synod Office

The Virginia Synod is known for its youth and faith formation ministry. We do this year round through our youth events, our Ambassadors Community for Theological Study (ACTS) program, and July’s Power in the Spirit annual gathering. Because of youth and other faith formation events, generations of leaders in the Synod and across the Church have been brought up to know and love God in Jesus Christ. We are a synod declaring faith from generation to generation.

Forwarding Faith is intended to provide permanent funding for these important ministries. As the landscape of being Church in America continues to change, we want to make certain that the work of providing youth ministry and faith formation to our members continues with excellence into the long-term future.

St. Philip has a strong history of participation in synod sponsored events and participated in the campaign in February. With joy and



thanksgiving, we celebrate the results of *Forwarding Faith* at St. Philip. Our campaign chair Sarah Parker shared the following quotation with the Virginia Synod:

“We were fortunate to have two large donations that helped us hit our mark, but we also had an incredible engagement across our congregation with monthly donations ranging from \$3 to \$100. Amazing....We actually almost doubled our goal. Our original goal was \$25,000 and our final number was \$43,452.00”

Church Council News - May
Linda Duncan Rhodes

Council met on May 8th at 7:00 p.m. in the church library.

New council members were welcomed. Sue Huntington was elected Council President and Dan Horine Council Vice President. Council appointed Pete Shick Treasurer and Betty Holland Financial Secretary.

Council members spent the remainder of the meeting reviewing and discussing the Focus groups reports gathered from the congregational meeting. Pastor David told council it would be helpful to him to have someone who could assist him with pastoral care and possibly preach once a month. Several names were discussed by council. Council and Pastor David agreed this person could assist us in forming the vision for the staffing we need.

Pastor David had a recent meeting with Bishop Humphrey to discuss staffing needs. Bishop Humphrey feels St Philip’s potential is off the charts. He did tell Pastor David there are not a lot of pastors looking for part time positions. Pastor David told council the cost for a full time pastor is around \$75,000.

The next council meeting will be June 12th at 7:00 p.m. in the church library. Anyone is welcome to attend.

Global Missions Yard Sale!
Judy Brammer

A couple of weeks ago someone asked me if the Global Mission Team was going to have a yard sale this year. They were cleaning out their garage

and wanted to save their “treasures” if one was in the works.

Although a definite date has not been set, Global Missions plans to host a yard sale one Saturday late summer or early fall. Fried chicken in take out boxes will also be offered at this event.

So yes, gather your no longer needed valuables and watch for more details in the bulletin, newsletter and on signs around church. (Please do NOT bring your items to the church for storage).



Summertime and the Living is Easy
Judy Burnette

During the summer, the church choir will be taking a bit of a break from rehearsals each week and helping to

lead worship every Sunday. The choir will only sing twice each month, although the specific Sundays the choir sings will vary from month to month. The worship band will be also be leading us in worship a couple of times this summer. On the Sundays that



neither the choir nor band will be in worship service, a variety of special music will be offered.

Congratulations Graduates

Alec Alderman graduated in the Fall of 2017 with a Bachelor of Science in Computer Science from Virginia Tech. During the Summer of 2017, he worked as an intern at Modea in Blacksburg, VA, a small web development agency that works with hospitals and healthcare brands on digital strategy and execution. They extended an offer to him which he accepted and now works as an Associate Software Engineer at the company. In addition, he is currently researching and applying for Masters graduate programs in Computer Science and hopes to start somewhere in 2019.

Olivia Karkenny graduated from Roanoke College in Salem, Virginia on May 5, 2018. She graduated with a Biology B.S. major and an Anthropology Concentration. During

her time at Roanoke College, she participated in the Jazz Ensemble and Wind Ensemble playing trombone, the Alpha Sigma Alpha sorority, the Alpha Lambda Delta honors society, started on the Women’s rugby team her senior year, took a class abroad in La Baja Sur, Mexico for Marine Biology and studied abroad for a semester in Townsville, Australia in her sophomore year. After graduation, Ms. Karkenny plans on continuing with a part time job while applying for a full time job within her major locally.

Drew Derrick - I graduate from Northside High School June 8th. I will be attending James Madison University in the fall. I am undecided on a major at the moment, but I am considering majoring in cultural anthropology. I am so thankful for the love and support you all continue to



show to me, and I am glad to say that I would not be the person I am today without all of your influence. Love you all so much!

Nick Muir graduates from Hidden Valley High School on June 8th. Nick plans to attend Virginia Western Community College in the fall then intends to transfer to Virginia Tech to study architecture and engineering.

Madison Horecek graduates from William Byrd High School on June 8th. After she graduates she will be attending Old Dominion University as a member of their Honor’s College and will be getting her Bachelor of Science in Nursing to become a surgical or flight nurse.

Power in the Spirit

This exciting and faith filled conference hosted by the Virginia Synod, ELCA, focused on growth in faith and service in the name of Jesus Christ will be held at Roanoke College from July 12-14. This year’s theme is Walking in the Newness of Life. Find more info and register at <https://www.vasynod.org/power-in-the-spirit>

Welcome New Members

On Sunday, May 6, three families joined St. Philip. Please be sure to welcome these folks into this community. To help you connect faces with names, their photographs will also be on the screens in the narthex and hallway.



mother of three grownish kids. The oldest Catie (Catelin) Hill moved to Roanoke in March to be with her mom. She currently getting settled in and is hopeful for a great start. Catie (sadly to her mom) is a OSU Cowboys fan.

Georgie (Georgeanna) Anderson is a dispatcher for Tri-State on their Volvo account. She has lived in Virginia for just over a year after moving from her birth state of Texas. She is an OU football fan “Boomer Sooner” and the

Doug and Renee Hiller - Doug and I have lived in the Roanoke area for approximately 20 years we are both retired. We love the outdoors. We love canoeing, boating, fishing and spending time with family.

Will and Marlys Saeger were high school sweethearts. They got married after Will’s tour in Vietnam. Will worked at a meat cutting plant and Marlys went into cosmetology. They also farmed and raised hogs. In 1989 they move to Botetourt county. Will is a retired scale technician and Marlys is a retired cosmetologist. They have two beautiful grown children. Lee lives in Covington and Darci who lives in Rochester, Mn. Darci and her husband, Jason, have three children Liam five, Lucy three, and Levi six months. The Saegers spend retirement time going to the Midwest to visit the kids, and spoiling the grandchildren.



Opportunity for Fellowship

Fun Variety Show coming Sunday, August 19. It's going to be a "Really big show!"

ALL ages and ALL acts are welcome. Do you play an instrument, talk to puppets, sing, write poetry, sketch, dance, or tell jokes, perform magic? Maybe you'd like to do a little skit with your friends or family? The more acts the merrier the show will be!

More details later but register with Cathy Dudley or Sarah Melendy now. Deadline for act registration is August 12.

Congregational Picnic

The date for the annual church picnic this year is Sunday, September 9 beginning at 4:00p.m. Hamburgers and hotdogs with all the fixin's and a fun bouncy house for kids of all ages provided by the church. Bring you're a lawn chair, a friend, and your favorite side dish to share.

St. Philip Youth 17th Annual Golf Tournament

September 29, 2018 at Botetourt Golf and Swim Club. Plan now to get a group of golfers together or speak to your favorite local business about sponsoring a hole or a tee.

Free Fourth of July Yoga Classes

Patricia Reavis

One hour class, 9:30am to 10:30am, Northview United Methodist Church. This fun class is for you if you want to learn how to use hand weights, small balls and resistance bands for a full body workout to suit your abilities while improving your strength, balance & flexibility. Please do not wear sandals or open heels, bring a mat or blanket for some exercises lying on the floor and hand weights. All other items are supplied.

Gentle Yoga, 10:45am to noon, Northview United Methodist Church. Please bring a mat, a small towel and a light blanket. Expect to be barefooted. A wall will be used for balance poses.

Both classes are taught by Patricia Reavis a Certified Personal Trainer and AFAA Group Fitness Instructor. Please call Patricia at 890-4886 if you have questions about either class.



Prayer Requests

From time to time, please keep the church office informed of changes or deletions to the prayer list.

- Scott Buchanan – Member
- Calvin Knotts – Member
- Judy Diekow – Member
- Kathryn Buchanan – Member
- Betty Hammond – Member
- Rev. Bob Ward—St. Philip Friend
- Bobbie Sahagun - Michaels' friend
- Kitty Nease - Member
- JoAnn Michael - Member
- Ruth Albertin - Juli Albertin's mother
- Rusty Johnson - Dolly Johnson's son
- Dolly Johnson - Member
- Forest Kanode - Kanodes' grandson
- Jamie Hinkle - Kanode's friend
- Emily Totten - Member & Scott Buchanan's sister
- Glenda Adkinson - Carol Goad's friend



Birthdays

JUNE

- Wendy Johnston - 5
- Kelly Truax - 8
- Jonathan Robertson - 12
- Emileigh Smith – 16
- Judy Diekow – 17
- Sue Huntington – 17
- Kelly Derrick - 26
- Calvin Knotts - 27
- Don Hunt - 27
- Charles Shadix - 28
- Paul Roush - 29

JULY

- David Derrick - 5
- Debbie Kanode - 5
- Jennifer Schult - 5
- Kitty Nease - 8
- Jack Shepp – 8
- Linda Watson – 13
- Louise Jargowsky - 14
- Jacob Schult – 15
- Randy Grimm – 18
- Olivia Karkenny – 18
- Keith Schult – 20
- Judy Brammer - 24
- Zoe Ell – 28
- Tyler Derrick - 30
- Juli Albertin - 30

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Change Service Requested

David C. Derrick, Senior Pastor (pastordavid@stphiliplutheran.net)
Laura J. Latham, Office Administrator (officeadmin@stphiliplutheran.net)
Judy Burnette, Director of Music Ministries (music@stphiliplutheran.net)
Kelly Truax, Volunteer Coordinator (volunteercoord@stphiliplutheran.net)
Teresa Siler-Lee, Nursery Attendant
Jody Draper, Custodian
Danielle Murray, Director of Preschool (preschooldirector@stphiliplutheran.net)

Church Council - 2018-2019

Sue Huntington, Council President; Dan Horine, Council Vice-President; Peter Shick, Treasurer;
Betty Holland, Financial Secretary; Linda Duncan Rhodes Council Secretary

Members: Gary Dudley, Chuck Jecminek, Elizabeth Reiter, Sarah Parker, Kathleen Radtke, Gary Sahn, Justin Craig

St. Philip Lutheran Church is a congregation of the Virginia Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.
The Reverend Bob Humphrey, Bishop, Virginia Synod

