

St. Philip Invitation



LIVE LIKE THAT - LOVE, FEED, SERVE FEBRUARY 2019

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Winter Weather Policy

When roads are too dangerous to travel, announcements about worship services will be made on WDBJ7 and WSLS Newschannel 10, the church website, social media, and our robo-call service. Please check these media outlets for cancellation or time change information. As always, use your good judgment because your safety is important.

Live Like That: Love, Feed, Serve

Pastor David

Love, Feed, Serve is not slogan; it is mission, it is purpose, and it is identity. St. Philip is an active community of faith, compelled by God's grand gift of love to share that same love with others. As we as a congregation move into the

year 2019 there will be new opportunities, new ministries, new challenges, and new possibilities. All that new stuff should be greeted with faith and hopefulness. In the coming weeks all kinds of new will start to take shape.

Even as we step willingly into the "what's next," I want to continually give thanks for what has been. Thank you for your generous hearts! I, along with church council, wanted to give thanks. Your financial generosity for our mission together at St. Philip is appreciated, essential, and inspiring. For the first time in several years we finished the year 2018 with receipts exceeding our budgeted spending. Thank you, thank you, thank you.

What that means is an opportunity to vision, staff, and plan for an active future without a constant cloud of insufficient funding. We can be bold to Live, Like, That. Your St. Philip council is committed to continue to be faithful with the resources entrusted to this congregation. Please keep being faithful. Please keep being generous. God's got us so that we can - Live Like That.

Souper Bowl of Caring Sunday, February 3, 2019

As you prepare to purchase snacks for the Super Bowl, you are invited to provide food and funds for our hungry neighbors. Americans spend about \$1 billion on Super Bowl snacks. In contrast, the youth of St. Philip challenge the congregation to donate just \$1000 and 770 grocery items (that's enough cans to build two 10x10 pyramids) to Feeding America Food Bank and the St. Mark's food pantry, respectively. We will collect the groceries in the sanctuary and the money at the close of worship as you leave the sanctuary. Together we can help end hunger right here in Roanoke!



Fat Tuesday Steak Dinner Tuesday, March 5, 5:30-7:30pm

Come enjoy a delicious steak dinner with your friends and community while supporting St. Philip youth. The meal includes steak, baked potato, green beans, fresh bread, and fine desserts. But the best part is gracious pampering and service provided by our youth. You will be greeted at the front door, hang up your coat, seat you in the dining area, get your drink order,

and find out how you want your steak fixed – all while you relax.

This event is not only a great time to catch up with members of St. Philip, but it is also a great time to invite someone to some great hospitality at your church (then be sure to invite



them back for Ash Wednesday services the next evening). Tickets are available from any St. Philip youth!

This is an important fundraiser for the youth groups so they can attend youth retreats for all ages. Tickets are \$15 in advance/\$18 the night of, for adults, and \$3 in advance/\$6 the night of, for a kids hot dog meal. You can also add a bowl of gumbo to your meal for an extra \$2. Yum!!

Anniversary Sunday Sunday, February 24

On February 23, 1958, a charter was signed beginning the life of Saint Philip Lutheran Church. On Sunday,

February 24, we will celebrate during both worship services our 61st congregational anniversary. The community of St. Philip has a great history of service, growing faith, and creative ministry and we celebrate all

of those things even as we hopefully look to a Spirit led future. Be here on the 24th to mark an anniversary together.

Church Council News – January

Linda Duncan Rhodes

Council met on Tuesday, January 8, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. in the church library.

Peter Shick, Treasurer, reported receipts for December were \$24,762. Our total receipts for 2018 were \$266,308 which exceeded the church budget of \$265,387. He reported \$3,500 is still available from the 2017 Endowment Allocation.

Rod Dillman, Property Chairman discussed the need to have a garage door installed at the parsonage and presented council with an estimated bill to have this done. Council

approved this expenditure up to \$2,600. This money will be taken from the 2017 Endowment Allocation.

Rod Dillman reported he had contacted Lucas Paving and Twine Paving about resurfacing the parking lot and driveway to the parsonage. He is to meet with Lucas Paving this week to obtain an estimate for this work. He is awaiting contact from Twine Paving.

Bryan Katz, Diaconal Intern, will be at worship on January 27, 2019 and the chili cookoff. An Intern Committee has been formed to assist with reports and Bryan's journey. CP Staley will serve as Chair and those serving will be Dan Radmacher from St Philip, two students from Virginia Tech and two

from Luther Memorial Church. Bryan will be serving at St Philip 10 hours per week.

New member Sunday and the welcoming of Bryan Katz will be on January 27, 2019. Seven to nine new families have stated their intention to join.

ELCA Global Mission will hold a meeting concerning funding source in Chicago in March. Pastor David, Judy Brammer and Gary Dudley will be attending. ELCA will cover transportation to and from Chicago and council approved expenditure for hotel and meals from money left in the 2017 Endowment Allocation.

Where in the World Is the Choir?

Judy Burnette

Have you ever been sitting in church when the service begins and you realize there is NO CHOIR? The choir does not sing for every service. On the second Sunday, the entire choir sings only for the 8:30 service. On the fourth Sunday, only the 11:00 service will

enjoy the entire choir in worship. The rest of the Sundays in the month stay as it has been – a smaller choir for each service. The Band will still play for the 8:30 service on the third Sunday of the month.

Why does the choir have this schedule? This schedule gives the choir members flexibility. It makes it easier for a choir member to be out on

a Sunday. A wider range of music can be chosen, celebrated, and offered with more voices. This schedule not only gives the choir the opportunity to sing together as one big choir, it also gives members, regardless of which worship service they attend an opportunity to enjoy a larger, more diverse group.

If you would like to add your voice to the choir, please see Judy Burnette.

Intergenerational Faith Formation

Pastor David

February 10 from 10-10:45am, ALL ages will gather between worship services for a short bible story followed by a service project. Just for 45 minutes. Just once per month. One

of the best ways for all of us to grow in faith is to do it together. Growing relationship with God takes the whole village!

In February, hear how God calls Moses to serve by speaking in a burning bush. The service project will be decorating granola bars and coffee

cups for some of our area first responders – burning bushes for Moses are okay but maybe not for us.

I encourage everyone to be part of these gatherings! If you'd like to help with these in any way, please speak with Juli Albertin or Pastor David.

Monday Morning Bible Study

Pastor David

Monday mornings 9:30am-10:30am.

Just show up on to study the scriptures you will hear the following Sunday morning. This is a great way for you to come to Sunday morning worship ready to be engaged with the word as the story is told.

If you have not been a part of the Bible study crew now is the time to try it out. The crew meets in the church library.

Youth Group News

Pastor David

Youth Group: Both Middle School and High School Groups meet on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of each month, 4-6pm, with dinner for all at 5:30pm. Come join the fun!!

February:

3rd – Souper Bowl of Caring

3rd – Super Bowl Party
17th – Middle School and High School Youth Groups

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March:

2nd & 3rd – 7th Day Youth Retreat for 5th and 6th graders

3rd – Middle School and High School Youth Groups

Youth Faith Formation:

Middle School and High School Faith Formation is part of Sunday Youth Group. Use lots of different materials: re:form Bible study, videos, conversation, and “burning Jesus questions” (but Pastor David, why would we want to burn Jesus?!).

Welcome to St. Philip!

On January 20 during both worship services, St. Philip welcomed several people into the community of faith. Please spend time reading some of their bios (below) and greet these folks as you see them on Sunday morning or at other St. Philip fellowship opportunities.

Don and Bev Stith have been married for 25 years. They are both from the Midwest; Don from the St Louis area and Bev from Chicago. Don has a daughter and two grandchildren and both are “parents” to four terrific four-legged “children.” Bev enjoys reading, cross-stitching and jogging. Don loves to read and spend time in his shop working on antique guns.

Price and Mary Wingate moved to Botetourt County over 12 years ago from Smith Mountain Lake. Price is retired from Exxon and Mary is retired from MetLife. Between them they have six children (one deceased), 13

grandchildren and five great grandchildren.

Tom and Patti LaPlant moved to Roanoke in July 2018. They formerly lived in Oklahoma, Iowa, Alabama and Ohio. They have two grown children, daughter Paige who lives in Iowa and son Tyler who lives in Oklahoma. They also have four fur babies (two dogs, and two cats). Patti enjoys painting and graphic design. Tom loves watching college football especially Ohio State and playing golf in the summer. Patti and Tom both work at the Roanoke Times and enjoy getting to know Virginia and its beautiful landscape.

Cookie and Paul Consiglio were both born and raised in New York City. Cookie was raised Lutheran and Paul Catholic. They met at their jobs in NYC where both worked for New York Telephone Company.

In September this year, they will celebrate their Golden Anniversary—fifty

years of marriage. They moved from New York and settled in Roanoke in 1976 and are now living in Troutville which marks their 15th residence.

Paul recently retired (that's about the fourth time) and Cookie works at Macy's. (They will have to drag her out of there). Between them they have six children, nine grandchildren and one great grandchild.

Their first Lutheran Church membership was at St. Paul's on Peters Creek Rd. in 1976, and despite their many moves, have always attended and/or been members of Lutheran Churches.

Bucky and Kay Moyer are from the Shenandoah Valley. After a career with the Dupont Co. and Kay's business, they retired to Smith Mountain Lake before moving to the Bonsack area in Roanoke. Bucky enjoys playing golf and they both enjoy spending time with their two grandsons and traveling.



Global Mission News

Kathleen Radtke

Thanks to your generosity, in 2018 the children of St. Philip have collected \$1544.00 through the noisy offerings collected once a month during worship! Thank you also to an anonymous donor who helped double that amount to a total of \$3088.00!

In March, St. Philip Global Missions Team will send Pastor David, Judy Brammer, and Gary Dudley to the Southern Africa Region Network Gathering in Chicago. Their goal is to learn more about the challenges folks in Africa face and how St. Philip might be more in partnership with the people of Malawi.

Please continue to keep the people of Malawi in your prayers as they continue through their summer, a time that can either make or break the bounty of their harvest and thus their well being for the next year.

*Love asks nothing in return
but seeks those who need it.
And who needs our love more
than those who are consumed
with hatred and are utterly
devoid of love?*

~Dietrich Bonhoeffer

Home Communion Ministry Bringing the Lord's Supper and Word to you



In the early years of the church, Christians would gather in homes to worship God and to celebrate Holy Communion. With Holy Communion Christ Jesus promises to be with us, connect us, forgive us, and empower us.

Since 2012 our church has highlighted the power and grace of the Lord's Supper through home communion ministry. This vital ministry is an additional opportunity to share the Sacrament of Communion with shut-ins, the sick, the elderly, and others who might be physically unable to get to church in order to participate in worship. This ministry is a wonderful way for the community at St. Philip to connect with Christ and each other.

The Home Communion Ministry Team is currently matching communion ministers with folks who need a visit. If you would like to be a communion minister please speak with Liz Leonard or Pastor David for more details. WE can provide you everything you need for this important ministry.



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
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
Jerry Falk - member
Bob Farmer - Member
Barbara Simpson - Member



Birthdays

FEBRUARY

Fritz Lovelace - 1
Clara Johnston - 3
Doug Layman - 4
Leah Horine - 5
Bradley Craig - 12
Jeremy Rhodes - 15
Lucas Duncan - 24
Sharon Whetzel - 27
JoAnn Michael - 28

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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

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The Reverend Bob Humphrey, Bishop, Virginia Synod

