

St. Philip Invitation



LIVE LIKE THAT - LOVE, FEED, SERVE JULY 2023

LUTHERAN BASEBALL NIGHT!



Join your fellow Lutherans--and friends--for a night at the Salem Red Sox! On **Saturday, July 15**, College Lutheran members Josh and Maria Sherman will sing the national anthem, and we'll be there to cheer them (and the Sox) on! The game is at 6:05 PM against the Delmarva Shorebirds.

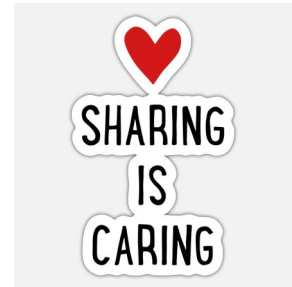
Tickets will cost \$10 or less, with seating in the lower level of the stadium. We will be seated in the same general area, and there's no need to purchase tickets in advance. On game day, simply tell the ticket booth that you have come for "Lutheran Night!"

While it is not necessary to purchase tickets ahead of time, it is helpful for the park's planning if they have a general idea who is coming. Please let the church office know or email Pastor Laura at pastorlaura@stphiliplutheran.net if you plan to attend. Thanks!

DAY OF CARING *Linda Duncan Rhodes*

Our Day of Caring/Sharing will be held this year on Tuesday, August 22nd beginning at 9:30 am at Melrose Towers. We will be serving breakfast. More information to come in our August newsletter regarding needed breakfast foods.

We will be giving each resident that attends a bag with cleaning supplies and toiletries. These are items the residents cannot purchase with food stamps. The most requested items are toilet paper, laundry detergent, dish soap, deodorant, bath soap, shampoo, toothpaste and toothbrushes. Please help us with donations to fill bags for the residents. If you have questions please speak to Pastor Laura, Linda Duncan Rhodes or Donna Wright.



Welcome to St. Philip! In June, we were honored to officially welcome Karen as a member of St. Philip. Here's a little more information about her and the ministry God has called her to.

Karen Barnett - In 2017 I moved to Roanoke from Pulaski, TN after I lost my husband of 47 years. I loved living in the Patrick Henry downtown but Covid happened, so I moved to the Charlotte area in 2020 to be near family. I am blessed with two daughters, six grandchildren, and four great grandchildren.

During that time I completed work on my chaplaincy license through International Fellowship of Chaplains. When I heard of an opportunity to move back to the Patrick Henry I returned in January with many recommendations for St Philip's. I am still active in the Kairos Prison Ministry and look forward to serving my neighbors living on the edge. I have moved 24 times, lived in 11 states, and have worshiped as a Methodist, Baptist, Presbyterian, and Lutheran. From my very first visit to St Philip's I have felt that I have finally come home.

Habitat Build Continues

Thank you to those of you that made it out to the build in May. We made lots of progress that day! The next (and last) day for St. Philip to help with the build will be Saturday, July 22nd, from 8am-2pm. If you would like to help that day, please sign up on the link below or Kathleen Radtke (radtkegal@gmail.com).

The homeowner (Aubrey) has been helping every Wednesday as well as some of her extended family helping other times. They are shooting for a September dedication right now. Hope to see most of you July 22nd!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0E4DA9A62DA75-habitat>



The family of Luther Deel acknowledges with deep gratitude your kind expression of sympathy.

St. Philip Lutheran Church Members—Thank you so much for your thoughtful and generous gifts (Visa gift card, etc) during our time of loss and grief.

Patricia and Sammy Deel, Matt & Shannon Deel, and Cecilia Barton



Prayer Requests

Scott Buchanan – Member
 Betty Hammond –Member
 Bev Horvath—Member
 Emily Totten -
 Member & Scott Buchanan’s sister
 Hannah Chabot - Bev Horvath’s granddaughter
 Sara Aubitz - Member
 Margaret Mitchell—Member



David Derrick	July 05
Debbie Kanode	July 05
Jennifer Schult	July 05
Larry Pauley	July 06
Louise Jargowsky	July 14
Scott Price	July 15
Jacob Schult	July 15
Eugene Yeakley	July 15
Cynda Johnson	July 16
Samuel Deel	July 18
Randy Grimm	July 18
Marjorie Nickum	July 19
Keith Schult	July 20
Kate Harvey	July 22
Judy Brammer	July 24
Diane Muir	July 24
Juli Albertin-Johnson	July 30
Tyler Derrick	July 30
Hannah Staley	July 31



Council News -- June 2023

Karen Lowdon, Council Secretary

Council met on Tuesday June 13 in person and via Zoom. Kendra Meighan was welcomed as a new member on council filling the term of Daniel Hickox-Young.

The Welcome Task Force is continuing to determine ways to welcome the digital community.

The Minnick School Partnership and Boys and Girls Club outreach is underway.

Capital improvements and repairs--no more mold, the wall is replaced and painting is completed. New wifi network has been installed.

Solar Energy is being evaluated for solar panels on the building.

The Summer Tutor Program will begin soon with Beth Davidson from Why Not Workshop. We are providing classroom space for this service for Roanoke City students. Children's tables and chairs will be purchased after options are evaluated.

A bonus for Alice Lebow, Office Administrator, was approved. Alice has been in this role for one year and there were many positive comments about the great job she is doing.

Pastor Laura reported on the Synod Assembly when Rev. Dr. Phyllis Milton was elected as the new Va Synod Bishop.

Faith Outside is a social media initiative on Facebook. She is meeting with families to discuss faith formation.

Pastor Laura and husband Pastor Luke will be attending CE on July 31-Aug 3.

Pastor David has completed staff evaluations. The Stewardship Emphasis Report noted that 5 more pledge cards than last year were received.

A Global Mission Team Meeting is underway to evaluate St Philip's connection with the Lutheran Church in Malawai.

Pastor David will be on vacation July 31-Aug 16.

Treasurer's Report

MAY RECEIPTS WERE \$30,060, YTD \$119,838, \$11,763 UNDER BUDGET

MAY EXPENSES WERE \$26,656, YTD \$131,260, \$341 UNDER BUDGET

THE DEFICIT FOR MAY IS \$0.05, YTD \$11,422

THE CASH BALANCE IS \$19,152

MAY WAS A GOOD MONTH WITH SOME ANNUAL OFFERINGS WHICH LOWERED THE DEFICIT

Update from the Synod Assembly

On June 9-11, the Virginia Synod Assembly was held at Roanoke College. It was a faithful gathering of pastors, deacons, and members from around the whole commonwealth of Virginia. The assembly elected a new bishop, the Rev. Dr. Phyllis Milton - the first woman and first person of color to serve as bishop of the Virginia Synod! Join us in praying for Bishop-Elect Milton, Bishop Humphrey and the whole synod staff as they prepare for a time of transition.

We are collecting different items every month to support the Roanoke Rescue Mission and their efforts to serve people who are homeless in the Roanoke valley. The items for July are kitchen spices, sugar, gatorade mix, and condiment packets. You can bring those donations and place them in the box in the gathering space. If you have questions please contact Cathy Dudley (540-397-3982) or Gary Dudley (540-397-3984).



Give blood.
Give life. ♥

Upcoming Blood Drive

On **July 24**, St. Philip will host a blood drive

12-6pm. Please sign up to donate at www.redcross.org/give. Every donation can help save up to three lives! Thank you to our volunteers and donors who serve the community in this way!

SUMMER CAMP

Starting June 19, Shifting Paradigms educational group, will be using the St. Philip classroom space to offer a summer camp and literacy tutoring for students who have struggled this past academic year. State funding is providing resources for these students to attend camp. Campers will be in the building Monday through Friday from 9am - 4pm. This collaboration of providing space for a community need is just another way we seek to love, feed, and serve.



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Change Service Requested

David C. Derrick, Pastor (pastordavid@stphiliplutheran.net)
Laura Swanson, Pastor (pastorlaura@stphiliplutheran.net)
Alice H. Lebow, Office Administrator (officeadmin@stphiliplutheran.net)
Judy Burnette, Director of Music Ministries (music@stphiliplutheran.net)
Jody Draper, Custodian

Church Council

Paul Economy, Council President; Ellen Mehalic, Council Vice-President;
Peter Shick, Treasurer; Dave Mellon, Financial Secretary; Karen Lowdon, Council Secretary;
Members: Patti Henkel, Kendra Meighan, Bruce Johnson,
Dedi Spradlin, Sue Huntington, Donna Wright

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The Reverend Bob Humphrey, Bishop, Virginia Synod

