



FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

JUNE 28, 2026

Preparation for Worship

*Lord, open unto me
 Open unto me – light for my darkness.
 Open unto me – courage for my fear.
 Open unto me – hope for my despair.
 Open unto me – peace for my turmoil.
 Open unto me – joy for my sorrow.
 Open unto me – strength for my weakness.
 Open unto me – wisdom for my confusion.
 Open unto me – forgiveness for my sins.
 Open unto me – love for my hates.
 Open unto me – thy Self of my self.
 Lord, Lord, open unto me! Amen.*

–Howard Thurman, 1900-1981

Voluntary

*Herr Gott, dich loben alle wir
 (Lord God, We Praise You)*

Johann Ludwig Krebs
 (1713-1780)

Greeting

Please sign and pass the friendship folder.

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Introit

My Shepherd Will Supply My Need

Isaac Watts
 (1674-1748)

*My Shepherd, you supply my need,
 most holy is your name;
 In pastures fresh you make me feed,
 Beside the living stream.
 You bring my wand'ring spirit back
 When I forsake your ways,
 You lead me, for your mercy's sake,
 In paths of truth and grace.*

Isaac Watts (1719)

✦ Opening Sentences

How long, O Lord? Will you forget me forever?
How long will you hide your face from me?
 Consider and answer me, O Lord my God?!
Give me light to my eyes.
 I trust in your steadfast love;
My heart shall rejoice in your salvation.
 I will sing to the Lord
because God has dealt bountifully with me.

✦ Hymn 16 [\(see page 9\)](#)

O That I Had A Thousand Voices

O DASS ICH TAUSEND ZUNGEN HÄTTE

✦ Prayer of Confession

O Lord our God,
 you call us to proclaim the gospel,
 but we remain silent in the presence of evil.
 You call us to be reconciled to you and one another,
 but we are content to live in separation.
 You call us to seek the good of all,
 but we fail to resist the powers of oppression.
 You call us to fight pretensions and injustice,
 but we sit idly by,
 endangering the lives of people far and near.
 Forgive us, O Lord.
 Reconcile us to you by the power of your Spirit,
 and give us the courage and strength
 to be reconciled to others;
 through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Savior.

silent prayer

Holy One, in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

✦ Declaration of Forgiveness

Believe the good news. **In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.**

✦ Response

Paul Vasile

1. Glo - ry to God, whose good - ness shines on me,
 2. World with - out end, 7 with - out end. A - men.

and to the Son, whose grace has par - doned me,
 World with - out end, 7 with - out end. A - men.

and to the Spir - it, whose love has set me free.
 World with - out end, 7 with - out end. A - men.

As it was in the be - gin - ning, is now and ev - er shall be. A - men.

✦ The Peace

Peace be with you. **Peace be with all.**

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading

Jeremiah 28:5-9

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Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

Anthem

Judge Eternal, Throned In Splendor

Malcom Archer
(b. 1952)

Judge eternal, throned in splendor,
Lord of lords and King of kings,
with thy living fire of judgement
purge this realm of bitter things:
solace all its wide dominion
with the healing of thy wings.

Still the weary folk are pining
for the hour that brings release:
and the city's crowded clangor
cries aloud for sin to cease;
and the homesteads and the woodlands
plead in silence for their peace.

Crown, O Lord, thine own endeavor;
cleave our darkness with thy sword;
cheer the faint and feed the hungry
with the richness of thy word;
cleanse the body of this nation
through the glory of the Lord.

Henry Scott Holland (1902)

Sermon

Whose Side Are You On?

Omar Rouchon

silence and stillness

✠ Hymn 773 [\(see page 10\)](#)

Heaven Shall Not Wait

HEAVEN SHALL NOT WAIT

✠ Affirmation of Faith

from the Confession of Belhar

We believe that God has revealed God's self as the one who wishes to bring about justice and true peace among people;
that God, in a world full of injustice and enmity, is in a special way the God of the destitute, the poor and the wronged;
that God calls the church to follow God in this;
for God brings justice to the oppressed and gives bread to the hungry;
that God frees the prisoner and restores sight to the blind;
that God supports the downtrodden, protects the stranger, helps orphans and widows and blocks the path of the ungodly;
that for God pure and undefiled religion is to visit the orphans and the widows in their suffering;
that God wishes to teach the church to do what is good and to seek the right;
that the church must therefore stand by people in any form of suffering and need, which implies, among other things, that the church must witness against and strive against any form of injustice,
so that justice may roll down like waters, and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream.

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven,
 hallowed be Thy name.
 Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done
 on earth as it is in heaven.
 Give us this day our daily bread,
 and forgive us our debts,
 as we forgive our debtors.
 And lead us not into temptation,
 but deliver us from evil;
 for Thine is the Kingdom, and the power,
 and the glory forever. Amen.

Offering

Offertory

Give me Jesus

arr. Mark Hayes

Oh, when I come to die, give me Jesus...
 Give me Jesus, give me Jesus,
 You may have all this world;
 Give me Jesus.

Dark midnight was my cry, give me Jesus...
 Give me Jesus, give me Jesus,
 You may have all this world,
 With its troubles and cares,
 For of this I am sure,
 Give me Jesus.

Traditional Spiritual

✦ Prayer of Thanksgiving

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Generous, loving God,
 we give you thanks for the ways you give to us abundantly,
 and summoning us to new life.
Your love knows no bounds,
and we pray that our gifts may be used to serve all your creation.
We share them freely, and with great joy,
and pray that they be for your glory,
in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

✦ Hymn 543 [\(see page 11\)](#)

God, Be the Love to Search and Keep Me

GREEN TYLER

✦ Charge and Blessing

Please be seated in silence for the closing voluntary, or kindly depart quietly.

Voluntary

Allegro maestoso (from Sonata No. 2)

Felix Mendelssohn
 (1809-1847)

SERVING TODAY

Pastors

Keatan King | Omar Rouchon

Liturgist

John Judson

Musicians

Matthew Dirst, organist | St. Philip Summer Choir | Cecilia Duarte, mezzo-soprano

Justin Langham, director of music

WORSHIP NOTES

Today's readings and prayers are borrowed from various sources such as:

- Genesis 22:1-14 – *Obeying God, Abraham prepares to sacrifice his son Isaac.*
- Psalm 13 – *How long, O Lord? Still I trust in your steadfast love.*
- Jeremiah 28:5-9 – *Jeremiah speaks to Hananiah about the promises of prophets.*
- Psalm 89:1-4, 15-18 – *I sing of God's steadfast love, Gods covenant with David.*
- Romans 6:12-23 – *The wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is life in Christ.*
- Matthew 10:40-42 – *Jesus sends disciples: whoever welcomes you welcomes me.*

MUSIC NOTES

This morning's **opening voluntary** comes from Johann Ludwig Krebs, one of J. S. Bach's most proficient students. His setting of the chorale *Herr Gott, dich loben alle wir* ("Lord God, We Praise You"), a German versification of the Latin *Te Deum* by Martin Luther, treats this melody expansively. Each phrase of the hymn is introduced in imitative counterpoint before being sounded at the top of the texture, with abundant embellishment.

Today's **introit** by Isaac Watts—one of many paraphrases of Psalm 23—stands out through its lovely and tender imagery. Watts' goal was to infuse the Psalm with New Testament theology, which he achieved through subtle allusions like "living stream," evoking the living water Jesus offered to the woman at the well in John 4:7-15. The tune RESIGNATION provides the text a perfect companion, elevating its meaning and expression.

Our **anthem** by Malcolm Archer sets an early 20th-century English text in a lively and forward-moving spirit. Originally titled "Prayer for the Nation," the text represents the only hymn written by Henry Scott Holland, an Anglican clergyman who in his language expresses his

passion for social reform and missionary work through the church

Pianist, composer, and arranger Mark Hayes is one of the most well-known living American choral composers, especially in the realm of sacred music. Among his most popular works are his arrangements of familiar existing tunes, such as today's **offertory**, in which he infuses his signature harmonic language that draws from gospel, jazz, pop, folk, and classical idioms.

In the 1830s and 40s Felix Mendelssohn published, to great acclaim, two volumes of organ works: three preludes & fugues plus six multi-movement sonatas. His organ recitals in England especially had paved the way for both collections, which show how well German players preserved the technique of revered virtuoso organists like J. S. Bach. Drawn from the latter volume, the Allegro maestoso from Sonata No. 2, today's **closing voluntary**, is a stirring *organo pleno* (full organ) movement.

—Notes by Matthew Dirst & Justin Langham

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IN OUR PRAYERS

A memorial service for Judy Nunn, wife of Dick Nunn, is scheduled for July 13 at 2 p.m.

St. Philippians and their families – Linda Miller; Gary Whitney; David Winship; Margaret King; Jane Malczewskyj; Nancy E. Johnson; Molly Boren; Charlotte Kibler; Laney Miller; Laurie Sims; Jan Meyer; Emily Estill; Joy Maguire; Bonnie Moore; Bob Ardell; Diane Clarke; Mary Herlitz; Eleanor Grant; Don Padgett; Arlette Keene; Mezgebe Gebray; Annbeth Hernandez – wife of Dimas Parada; Barbara Torpy, sister of Gary Willis; Bill Davis – brother of Meg Scott-Johnson; Lara Bain-niece of Jo Helland; Jonathan Castro – brother of David Castro; Susan Everhart – niece and Lisa Marcelletti – cousin of Nancy E. Johnson; Jo Hadley Smith – cousin of William Rowe; Katie Forbes – daughter of Marise Robbins-Forbes; Ann Perenyi – mother of Lad Perenyi; and Ann Perkins Cloud – cousin of Stephen Paine.

Homebound – Carolyn Keeble; Elizabeth Arp; Beverly Baker; John Bobbitt; Joan Boelens; Joe Harwood; Kathryn Harwood; Jan Ostendorf; Joyce Randolph; Lorraine Scott; Sondra Sullivan; and Mary Sinderson.

Friends of St. Philippians – Christiane Richter – friend of Roderick James; Ann Swanson – friend of Deborah Unruh; Tanya Voinche, Sidney Roach, and Joyce Freudenberg – friends of Stephen Paine; Keith Kirby, Tandi Porter, Audrey Eubank Harris, Jay Stokes & Anna Domonte, friends of Curt & Sharon Webb; Marianne Hash – friend of Jane Cooper; Kenneth and Donna Benton – friends of William Rowe; Patty Ryan and Tom Barnett – friends of Robin and Gary Willis; and Shirley Stubblefield – friend of Barbara Runge.

If you have a pastoral care need or a prayer request you would like to share, please email: deacons@saintphilip.net

Prayer List is a powerful tool for bringing comfort, healing, and peace to those in need. So, let's keep it up to date and continue to lift up our brothers and sisters in prayer.

MUSIC AT  ST. PHILIP

SUMMER ORGAN SERIES



**Sunday,
July 12 | 3 pm**
Emily Amos, Organist

Featuring music by:
J.S. Bach, David Briggs,
Rachel Laurin, among
others.

**Sunday,
August 16**
2:30 pm | Lecture
3:00 pm | Concert

Bryan Anderson, Organist
Dr. Louis Markos, Narrator

Featuring: Petr Eben's
"Labyrinth of the World and
Paradise of the Heart"



Free Admission

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SUNDAY, JULY 5
AFTER 11 AM WORSHIP
IN THE GATHERING AREA

INTERGENERATIONAL ALL AGES WELCOME



NURSERY CARE IS AVAILABLE THROUGHOUT SUNDAY MORNINGS

9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Infants to age 4 are invited to our Nursery which is staffed by professional childcare providers. Please find that our Nursery is located in the hallway off of the Gathering Area. An usher or a greeter will be happy to direct you there.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES FOR ALL AGES

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES ARE ON SUMMER RECESS AND RETURN IN SEPTEMBER

ST. PHILIP DURING THE WEEK

Visit our website (www.saintphilip.net) to learn about all of the Christian Education programs we offer for children, youth, young adults, senior adults and families. Classes are offered on Sundays, as well as weekdays. If you would like to be a leader in classes next fall please contact Omar Rouchon via email at :

omar@saintphilip.net.

CHILDREN'S CHAPEL—We have Children's Chapel the second and fourth Sundays after *Conversation with Children*. In the Children's Chapel, our young disciples (K-5th grade) learn the whos, whats, wheres, whens and whys of worship, while praying, singing, and hearing God's word at an age-appropriate level. Children return to join the congregation in the first few pews on the lectern side of the church for the last hymn.

ST. PHILIP DURING THE WEEK

LAMBETH STUDY—Keatan King leads young adults in study every other Monday of the month evening at 7:00 PM via Zoom. (**June 29**) It is a time of study, reflection, and prayer. If you would like more details, email Keatan at: keatan@saintphilip.net.

WOMEN'S MONTHLY BOOK CLUB—This self-led, interactive group produces lively discussions and wonderful fellowship. The next meeting is **July 9** at 7:00 p.m. We will be discussing *Six Weeks in Reno* by Lucy Hedrick. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Nina Lambright at: nnl@lambrightlaw.com.

CAMPUS PLANNING UPDATES

Architects from English+Associates will be with us **June 28** to present a new design concept for our campus and to review the concept presented at the end of last year. The presentations will be at 9:30 am in Room 201 in the Education Building. Zoom participation is available, and the presentations will be recorded. See the [June Philip-Eye](#) for more information.

BELLS FOR BEGINNERS!

Have you ever wanted to make music in a fun and welcoming group setting? Join us for "Bells for Beginners" at St. Philip this summer on **Sunday, July 12** in the Sanctuary immediately after church.

No experience or equipment needed – just come as you are to learn the basics of handbell ringing while playing beautiful music together. Perfect for teens and adults. Come ring with us and discover the joy of handbells! For more information, contact our director of music, Justin Langham, at justin@saintphilip.net.

MUSIC MINISTRY OPEN HOUSE!

Do you play an instrument? Have you ever sung in a choir? Have you played or are curious about handbells? Do you want to be a part of the music at St. Philip but not sure what to do? We hope you will make plans to join us for a Music Ministry Open House on Sunday, **July 12**, that is open to any and all children and adults who are interested in finding out more about the St. Philip music ministry.

You are encouraged to attend some or all of the following:

- 🎵 9:45 a.m. - Organ tour led by Matthew Dirst
- 🎵 10:15 a.m. - Watch or join choir rehearsal
- 🎵 12:15 p.m. - Bells for Beginners

For more information, contact our director of music, Justin Langham, via email justin@saintphilip.net or catch him after worship. Everyone is invited and encouraged to contribute towards the music ministry at St. Philip!



SUMMER OFFICE HOURS

Beginning **July 3** and continuing through **August 21**, the church office will be closed on Fridays. This schedule helps us conserve energy and better cover staff vacations. We will return to regular Friday office hours on **August 28**.



[GUEST BOOK]

Welcome to Worship at St. Philip
Please register your attendance by scanning the QR code or by visiting the Guest Book tab at saintphilip.net.

AS FOLLOWERS OF JESUS CHRIST,
we seek to be an inclusive,
grace-filled community,
engaging the world with open minds,
willing hands and generous hearts.

WE LONG
for deeper faith,
vibrant hope
and boundless love
for everyone, every day, everywhere.

Thank you for joining us today! We hope that you find our worship together to be joyous, meaningful, and thought-provoking. **Children of all ages** are welcome to worship with their families. Activity bags containing worship aids for children are available in the Narthex on the way into the Sanctuary. Resources such as noise-dampening headphones and fidget tools for our neurodivergent neighbors and anyone needing sensory support can be found there too.

Nursery care is available throughout the morning from 8:30 AM–12:30 PM. Infants to age 4 are invited to our Nursery which is staffed by professional childcare providers. Please find our Nursery has returned to the Education Bldg. and can be accessed from the hall off the Gathering Area on the first floor. An usher or a greeter will be happy to direct you there.

A **Hearing Loop** is installed within the sanctuary. If you have a hearing aid equipped with a telecoil, please activate your "T switch" to hear the worship service most clearly. If you need assistance with hearing the service clearly and do not have a t-coil equipped hearing aid, please ask an usher for wireless headphones.

LARGE PRINT COPIES OF TODAY'S BULLETINS ARE IN THE NARTHEX.

Contributions, pledge payments, communion gifts and other donations to support the Church can be made anytime through our website, or sent to the Church Office at 4807 San Felipe, Houston, TX 77056.



[MAKE A CONTRIBUTION]

I Give Electronically –in response to parents' hopes that their children might be able to see their ongoing commitment to St. Philip and with the intent to better represent the totality of our giving as a congregation, we have available in the pews giving cards that can be placed in the offering plate by our electronic givers.



Connect with St. Philip through saintphilip.net and our social media. To join our e-mail list for regular news updates, send a note to lorrie@saintphilip.net.

If you are interested in joining St. Philip Presbyterian Church by profession of faith, by reaffirming your faith, or by transferring your membership, please speak with one of the ministers today or call the church office during the week. **The Session meets the third Sunday of each month after the 11:00 worship service in Room 100 for the purpose of receiving new members.**

Worship with us, whenever, wherever. Our 11:00 AM Sunday service is live-streamed at saintphilip.net. Services can be viewed live or later in our video archives.

Lost & Found—did you leave a pair of glasses, umbrella, or other item during worship? There is a canvas basket in the library where these items may be found. Jewelry, phones and more valuable items are turned into Lorrie Castle in the Church Office, lorrie@saintphilip.net or 713-622-4807.

Nametags—Please wear your nametags not just in the sanctuary, but as you socialize before and after worship and at other events. To make it easier, if you don't want to bring your nametag home, there are labeled wicker BASKETS by several exit doors for you to return your nametag at the last possible moment! Those returned tags will be replaced on the boards in the narthex before the following Sunday morning. Visitor nametags are available in the pews and from an usher.

St. Philip Day School is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization dedicated to providing high-quality childcare at no cost to low-income families. (www.stphilipdayschool.org) To support the school, **please make all contributions payable directly to St. Philip Day School** or visit their website for online donations. You are welcome to leave in the church offering plate or mail to St. Philip Day School, 4807 San Felipe, Houston, 77056. If you have any questions, please email: Director@stphilipdayschool.org.

Hymn 16

O That I Had A Thousand Voices


1 O that I had a thou - sand voic - es to praise my
 2 Let ev - ery power in me im - plant - ed, a - rise, keep
 3 You for - est leaves so green and ten - der that dance for
 4 All crea - tures that have breath and mo - tion, that through the

God with thou - sand tongues! My heart, which in the Lord re -
 si - lence now no more; put forth the strength that God has
 joy in sum - mer air; you mead - ow grass - es, bright and
 earth, the sea, the sky, come, share with me my heart's de -

joic - es, would then pro - claim in grate - ful songs to all, wher -
 grant - ed! Your no - blest work is to a - dore! O soul and
 slen - der; you flowers so fra - grant and so fair: you live to
 vo - tion; help me to sing God's prais - es high! My ut - most

ev - er I might be, what great things God has done for me!
 bod - y, join to raise with heart - felt joy our Mak - er's praise!
 show God's praise a - lone. Join me to make God's glo - ry known!
 powers can nev - er quite de - clare the won - ders of God's might!

The German original of this hymn contained too many stanzas to sustain a unified theme. The four selected here place humankind in the midst of creation and form an effective song of praise to the Creator. As the tune name suggests, the music was later composed for these words.

TEXT: Johann Mentzer, 1704; trans. *The Lutheran Hymnal*, 1941, alt.
 MUSIC: Attr. Johann B. König, 1738; *Harmonischer Liederschatz*, 1738
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Hymn 773

Heaven Shall Not Wait



1 Heaven shall not wait for the poor to lose their pa-tience,
 2 Heaven shall not wait for the rich to share their for-tunes,
 3 Heaven shall not wait for the dawn of great i - de - as,
 4 Heaven shall not wait for tri - um - phant Hal - le - lu - jahs,



the scorned to smile, the de-spised to find a friend:
 the proud to fall, the e - lite to tend the least:
 thoughts of com - pas - sion di - vorced from cries of pain:
 when earth has passed and we reach an - oth - er shore:



Je - sus is Lord; he has cham - pioned the un - want - ed;
 Je - sus is Lord; he has shown the mas - ter's priv - ilege:
 Je - sus is Lord; he has mar - ried word and ac - tion;
 Je - sus is Lord in our pres - ent im - per - fec - tion;



in him in - jus - tice con - fronts its time - ly
 to kneel and wash ser - vants' feet be - fore they
 his cross and com - pa - ny make his pur - pose
 his power and love are for now and then for



end. ev - er - more.
 feast.
 plain.

This stirring, prophetic hymn is organized around two recurring four-syllable phrases, the first of which introduces an idealized scenario of what Dietrich Bonhoeffer would call "cheap grace," while the second announces the "costly grace" of God's redeeming work in Jesus Christ.

TEXT: John L. Bell and Graham Maule, 1987

MUSIC: John L. Bell, 1987

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HEAVEN SHALL NOT WAIT

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Hymn 543

God, Be the Love to Search and Keep Me

1 God, be the love to search and keep me; God, be the prayer to
 2 Bind to my-self the Name of Ho - ly, great cloud of wit - ness-
 3 Bright-ness of sun and glow of moon-light, flash - ing of light-ning,
 4 Walk - ing be-hind to hem my jour - ney, go - ing a - head to
 5 Christ in the eyes of all who see me, Christ in the ears that



move my voice; God, be the strength to now up - hold me:
 es en - fold; proph - ets, a - pos - tles, an - gels wit - ness:
 strength of wind, depth of the sea to soil of plan - et:
 light my way, and from be - neath, a - bove, and all ways:
 hear my voice, Christ in the hearts of all who know me:



O Christ, sur-round me; O Christ, sur-round me.

This hymn is a 21st-century adaptation of the traditional Celtic prayer style known as a *lorica* (Latin for "armor" or "breastplate"). Many such petitions for God's presence and protection were never written down, but this one is based on an example attributed to St. Patrick.

TEXT and MUSIC: Richard Bruxvoort Colligan, 2004
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GREEN TYLER
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