

August 27 – September 3, 2023

Scripture for August 27
Psalm 138 and Matthew 16:13-20

Curt Morales - New Sanctuary Choir Director

We welcome Curt Morales as our new Sanctuary Choir Director at St. Philip's. We are excited to have him on board and look forward to the ideas, talent, and experience he brings to choral music. If you are interested in joining the Sanctuary Choir, stay tuned for more information as Curt gets settled in and gets the ministry rolling for a new year!

That's a Wrap!

Our 2023 garage sale is in the books, and it was another great success. Over \$38,000 was made this year, which will allow us to donate to many great charities and support St. Philip's. Thanks to the many wonderful volunteers who spent hours sorting, cleaning, and displaying items. What a great crew! Next year's sale will be August 14 – 17, and we know we will see you there!

Congregational Brunch – Rally Sunday

The Parish Fellowship Committee will be serving brunch on Rally Sunday, September 10 from 9:45 – 10:45 am. Please join us in the Fellowship Hall for food and gathering time!

55 and Under Crew - Fellowship Night

Join us at The Mermaid from 7:00 – 9:00 pm on Saturday, September 2 for an evening of bowling and fellowship. Please RSVP to Pastor Eric [EricN@splcmn.org] by Wednesday, August 30.

Fresh News from the Garden

Vines, vines and more vines can be seen growing in three raised paver structures, along the sidewalk between Fellowship Hall and the garage. Two of the structures were completed only a few weeks ago. Shortly after the last shovel of soil was placed, the garden group planted a handful of seeds into the two new structures. There are now three mountains of vines overflowing their boundaries. Zucchini squash has been harvested thus far. We are watching three other varieties of squash developing, along with watermelon and cantaloupe. Stop and take a peek at this amazing display.

Rally Sunday - Save the Date!

Join us as we kick off our program year on Sunday, September 10. This is a fun-filled day for all ages! Children & Youth Discipleship class time is 9:20 - 10:20 am weekly. Children 2 1/2 through High School will leave for class from first service. On this day, parents will be asked to pick up after the first service at 10:00 am, and all ages are encouraged to head into Fellowship Hall for brunch, and then outside for fun activities, including a bouncy house, face painting, and more! We hope to see you there!

Office Closed – Labor Day

In observance of the holiday, the office will be closed Monday, September 4.

Tuesdays Together – Returning September 5

Tuesdays Together will be on hiatus for the remainder of August. We will resume meeting on Tuesday, September 5 in the Lounge at 1:00 pm and hope you will join us.

God's Work. Our Hands.

Save the date for "God's Work. Our Hands." on Sunday, September 24, after the second worship service! We have two key mission focuses for our service: 1.) Bandage rolling - assisting our partner, Global Health Ministries and 2.) Pray and Go - small groups will walk the neighborhood together, praying for each home and leaving a door hanger (There will be a short training on Sunday, September 17 for those interested.) We hope you're able to join us!

Knitters & Crocheters

Our group will not meet in August but will resume in September.

Garage Sale Funds

The time has come to allocate this year's garage sale funds. If you, or your group has a need for funds, please fill out the request form which can be found in the office. The form must be received by Wednesday, August 30, to be considered.

The September Friend

The *Friend* will be emailed to you by the beginning of the month. You can also find an electronic copy in our app, website, E-News, and paper copies in the office.

Board of Administration Meeting

The next Board meeting will be held this Monday, August 28 in the Lounge or online through Google Meet. All members are welcome to attend. If you would like to join by Google Meet, please contact Pastor Matt for the call-in number and instructions [mattf@splcmn.org] or [763-571-1500 x112].

Growing Through Loss Series

This 6-week series provides an opportunity for individuals to obtain information and support for a variety of loss and grief issues. Each session begins with an educational presentation by a professional from the community, followed by small groups facilitated by leaders who understand the grieving process. Although there is no cost, donations are welcome. Registration takes place each evening before the program. Church affiliation is not necessary. Each session is complete in itself; attend any or all sessions. Due to COVID-19, If you are not fully vaccinated, please wear a mask. Please call [763-755-5335] or visit [www.growingthroughloss.org] for more information. The current series is being held Monday evenings, September 11 – October 16, from 6:45 to 9:00 pm at Centennial United Methodist Church – 1524 County Road C2 W, Roseville, MN 55113 [651-633-7644].

Financial Giving Options

St. Philip's offers multiple ways to electronically give! The first option can be accessed by downloading the church app onto your phone. The second option is to text SPLCMNGIVE to [833-750-3154] and click on the link it sends back to you. A third method of giving is through our website [www.splcmn.org].

Lastly, you can access our giving portal through the E-News by clicking on 'Online Giving' at the bottom right corner of the page. You can also bring your offering on Sunday morning or mail it to the office. If you have any questions regarding PushPay or financial giving, please contact a member of our staff. Thank you!