

October 12 - 19, 2025

Scripture

Psalm 111 and Luke 17:11-19

9:00 am Hymns

ELW 864, 890, 770, 886

Garage Sale Funds

Our final sales total ended up at \$47,025! How amazing! This amount allowed us to donate to the many great charities listed below:

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| ~ Mom's Haven for Hope | ~ Stepping Stones |
| ~ Global Health Ministries | ~ Meals on Wheels |
| ~ Bundles of Love | ~ Arise |
| ~ Hope for Youth | ~ Boy Scouts |
- It also allowed us to donate to the many ministries and projects available at St. Philip's:
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| ~ Food Shelf | ~ Clothing Room |
| ~ Coats for Kids | ~ Emergency Fund |
| ~ Concert Series | ~ Festival of Tables |
| ~ Library | ~ Bible & Books |
| ~ Chairs for the building | |
| ~ Ceiling Fans and Lights for the Fellowship Hall | |

We are so pleased to be able to use this money in such constructive ways!

New Children's Bibles

We are joyfully presenting new Bibles to our children on October 19th! Our young readers (ages 2½ through 2nd grade) will receive My First Hands-On Bible. This engaging Bible brings Scripture to life through fun activities, games, and experiences that connect directly to each story—helping kids explore God's Word in ways they'll remember. Our elementary students (grades 3–5) will receive The Hands-On Bible. Filled with exciting experiments, crafts, and real-life applications, it encourages children to interact with Scripture and grow in their faith through discovery and play. Both editions use the New Living Translation (NLT) — a modern, easy-to-understand translation designed to help children experience the Bible in accessible, meaningful ways. We give thanks for our young disciples as they continue to grow in God's Word and love!

Bible Presentation

We are filled with honor and joy of the amazing opportunity to place new Bibles into the hands of these beloved children of God; Charles Broden, Rosalie Broden, Noah Burkhardt, Kacey Erwin, Tessa Erwin, Mia Gabrielson, Emerson Goldenstein, Ivy Goldenstein, Kai Herrera-Markwald, Reese Hovde, Oscar Hurley, Noah Leyendecker, Malcolm Manners, Delilah Manners, Dexter Manners, Luke Mesenbourg, Alyson Mickolichuk, Phillip Nestrud, Harriet Nestrud, Leif Scidmore, Jordan Simmons, Benjamin Sponsel, Theodore Sponsel, Scarlett Thomson, and Wyatt Thomson Please join us on Sunday, October 19 as we celebrate this milestone.

Clothing Shelf Needs - Men's Pants

The Clothing Shelf needs men's jeans and khakis in sizes 28-42. Currently, they don't have any so if you are able to donate, please do.

Breaking Clays, Raising Praise

Pastor Matt and Aaron Gondorchin are organizing a group that will meet for three sessions of Bible study and trap shooting. We did this in Spring 2024 and it was a great time! We will meet at Metro Gun Club in Blaine, MN on 10/8, 10/16, and 10/30 at 6:00 pm. Each meeting will consist of a 30–40-minute Bible study session with group discussion. Following that, participants will go to the trap range for a round of trap shooting. The last meeting will include tailgate BBQ in the parking lot of the range. Participants will be responsible for their own payment for their rounds of trap and their own shells. One round of trap is \$14.50. A box of shells is \$9 at Fleet Farm. If you are interested in joining, please contact Aaron Gondorchin via email at [zebular@gmail.com].

Church Directory Update

We appreciate your patience as we faithfully work on the church directory. Our hope, and conceivable goal is to be able to give each household their directory at the annual meeting in February.

New Part-Time Custodian

We are excited to announce that James Walter, from our Worship Band, will be expanding his role at St. Philip's to PT custodian. Thanks, James!

Confirmation Sunday

Please join us on Sunday, October 26, as we gather to celebrate this year's Confirmands; Connor Bertsch, Noah Burkhardt, Kai Herrera-Markwald, Rachel Munsterman, and Serenity Rimes, as they stand before us and affirm the promises their families made during their baptisms.

The Bible Simplified

We would like to present the book, The Bible Simplified, by Zach Windahl. Beginning this week and continuing over the next several months, we will introduce this book in several groups, including our staff meetings, Tuesdays Together, and This is Most Certainly Brew. As the author states, "he's simplified the story of the Bible into forty short chapters. Each one explores a different part of the book. Each topic is broken down into bite-sized chunks to keep you on track through the whole Bible to help you understand how the entire story plays into God's big plan." If the interest is there, we will also have evening classes beginning in December. Books can be found on the bookshelf by Pr. Matt's office at the suggested donation price of \$25.

Walking Alone Together – Date & Time Change

This is a community at St. Philip's for both women and men who have lost their spouse, whether recently, long ago, or anytime in between. It is an opportunity for conversation, support, and fellowship. This month, the meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 15 at 12:00 pm in the Youth Room. We will be discussing Medicare and insurance.

We're Goin' Back to the Farm

Join our Director of Faith Formation, Connie, Sunday, October 26 at 1:00 pm at Eveland Family Farm - 2575 Andover Blvd. Andover, Minnesota 55304, for an afternoon of fall fun! Take a hayride, see animals, and even pick out the perfect pumpkin! This will be an afternoon of fun for all ages! The cost for the hayride will be paid for by the church...just bring money for snacks and to purchase a pumpkin, squash or gourd of your choice! The signup form is in the Narthex. Contact Connie with any questions [ConnieY@splcmn.org].

Trunk & Treat

Halloween is quickly approaching, and that means it's almost time for the annual St. Philip's Trunk & Treat event. We will again host a safe trick or treat experience right here at the church for our members and neighbors to enjoy. The event will be held in the west parking lot on Friday, October 31 from 5:30 - 7:30 pm!

You are invited to join in the fun by signing up to decorate the trunks of your cars and the tailgates of your trucks in Halloween fashion! Kids and their families will walk the large oval of decorated vehicles, as they safely trick or treat the night away! We would love to have you join us by decorating your "trunk" or donating a bag or two of individually wrapped candy for the event. Please share this event with others. All children and families are welcome. We hope to see you there!

Save the Date - Annual Christmas Pageant

Join us on Sunday, December 7 at the 9:00 am worship service as our Children, Youth & Family Program proudly presents its 2025 Christmas Pageant, "Back to the Manger"!

Prayers of the People:

For healing, guidance, & wholeness of life
Nila Carpenter, Greg Rosholt, Larry Crawford,
Shaylee Lourey

For safety and guidance while serving in the military
Tyler, Rhianon, Derek, and Michael