

October 18 - 25, 2026

Many Thanks from Our Youth!

What a wonderful weekend for our youth! Last Saturday evening, some of our youth gathered for a fun-filled lock-in that carried into Sunday morning with a beautiful sunrise devotion and some amazing homemade cinnamon rolls! The morning couldn't have gone any better, and thanks to your incredible support, our cinnamon roll sale was a *huge* success! Together, you helped our youth raise \$976 to go toward the cost of their summer Mission Trip! A special thank you to Andi Erwin for making the delicious gluten-free and dairy-free treats, to our youth who worked hard making the cinnamon rolls, and to everyone who purchased goodies and supported this fundraiser. We are so grateful for a congregation that continues to show up for our young people and the opportunities they have to grow in faith and serve others. Supporting our youth really is a sweet thing to do!

New Member Sunday – October 18

Join us in welcoming our newest members: Joni Brockway, Sarah Brockway; Cathy Thunberg; Penny Thompson and her 4 children Azalea, Mat, Caspian, and Lily; and Megan Simmons and her son Jordan. Photos and bios of new members will be displayed during worship, and on the bulletin board outside the Lounge. As you see our new members, please say, "Hello" and introduce yourself to them.

The Heritage Group is Hosting A "Name Those People" Party!

We need help identifying people and events in the many pictures that have been taken over the years. You are invited to test your memory this Sunday, October 18. We will be in the Gathering Corner before and after both services. A variety of different photos will be displayed each Sunday. Come join us!

This is Most Certainly Brew – October 20

Join us at Rail Werks in Columbia Heights. We meet on the third Tuesday of the Month from 6:30 – 7:30 pm, but we invite you to come early and enjoy BBQ and many other wonderful food and drink items available for purchase. We have a reserved room beginning at 6:00 pm. We are currently studying Lutheranism. Bring a friend, bring your Bible, and join us at Rail Werks on Tuesday, October 20 at 6:30 pm.

Reformation Sunday – October 25

"Reformation Sunday is a reminder that this is the bedrock of our faith – the grace and mercy given to us in Jesus Christ. Keeping the most important thing in the center of the picture is the only hope for our faith and for this community that we call church".

Confirmation Sunday – October 25

Please join us on Sunday, October 25 during the 9:00 am service, as we gather to celebrate this year's Confirmand, Blake Munsterman as he stands before us to affirm the promises his family made during his baptism.

Trunk & Treat – October 31

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 Saturday, October 31 from 5:30 pm - 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. All children and families are welcome. We hope to see you there!

Daylight Savings Ends – November 1

Remember to set your clocks back one hour before you go to bed on *Saturday, October 31!* This is also a good time to check/change the batteries in your smoke and carbon monoxide detectors.

All Saints Sunday - November 1

We commemorate Christians who have lived before us and have testified to their Christian faith. We also remember those who have pledged their faith through Holy Baptism.

Endowment Brunch – November 1

The Endowment Committee will serve a hot breakfast sandwich (gluten-free option available) and fruit meal between services on All Saints Sunday, November 1. Join us to learn about how the most recent grant money (\$24,830.61) was used.

Joyann Parker Trio in Concert - "From Spirituals to Sam Cooke: The History of Gospel"

We hope you'll join us - Saturday, October 24 at 4:00 pm

As part of St. Philip's ongoing Concert Series, we welcome American roots singer-songwriter, Joyann Parker, along with musical partner, guitarist Mark Lamoine and esteemed upright bassist Chris Bates, presenting "From Spirituals to Sam Cooke: The History of Gospel." "Filled with history, hope, and heart, this captivating performance showcases a delightful mix of traditional hymns, Southern gospel, blues, and mountain music, all beautifully rendered by Parker, an internationally acclaimed touring artist, hailed by the Pasadena Weekly as "a singing, songwriting, guitar-playing, self-producing, self-aware powerhouse." Please visit [www.joyannparker.com] for more information. Tickets are \$20 at the door.

Garage Sale Funds

Our final sales total ended up with over \$51,000! How amazing! This amount allowed us to donate to the many great charities listed below:

- ~ Boy Scouts
- ~ Mom's Haven for Hope
- ~ Our Lady of Peace Hospice
- ~ Global Health Ministries
- ~ Arise Prison Ministries
- ~ Hope 4 Youth

It also allowed us to donate to the many ministries and projects available at St. Philip's:

- ~ Food Shelf
- ~ Clothing Room
- ~ Benevolence
- ~ Funeral Expense Fund
- ~ Festival of Tables
- ~ Library

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

Donations for Alexandra House

"The mission of Alexandra House is to empower victims of domestic and sexual violence, and inspire social change through education, support, and advocacy."

We continue to collect high-need items for Alexandra House: 16-20 oz. bottles of hair conditioner, bottles of liquid hand soap, lotion, and paper towels. If you would like to donate any of these items, please bring them to the office. Thank you for your generosity!

Prayers of the People:

For healing, guidance, & wholeness of life
Bray Family

For safety and guidance while serving in the military
Tyler, Rhianon, Derek, Noah, Alex, Micheal, Todd