

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, August 9, 2026

9:30 a.m.

"Jesus spoke to them and said, 'Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid.'"

— Matthew 14:27

Welcome!

If you are looking for a church home or would like to know more about St. Philip the Deacon and its ministries, please stop by one of the Hospitality Desks, located near Fellowship Hall (upper level) and the east church entrance (lower level), visit our website:

spdlc.org, or call the church at 763-475-7100.

Professional Childcare

Childcare is available at this service. The Childcare Center is located on the lower level near the East entrance. Families may use the Childcare Center for the needs of young children (such as diapering or nursing).

New Member Class

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Monday, Sept. 21 at 6:30 p.m.

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The following resources are available in the Narthex:

- Large print worship bulletins
- Williams Sound System hearing devices
- Reading glasses
- Children's worship bulletins & Rainbow Activity Bags
- Coloring pages/crayons

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Prelude

Praeludium in G Minor

Vincent Lübeck

Welcome

Please stand

Opening Hymn

Eternal Father, Strong to Save

Red Hymnal #756



1 E - ter - nal Fa - ther, strong to save, whose arm has bound the
 2 O Sav - ior, whose al - might - y word the winds and waves sub -
 3 O Ho - ly Spir - it, who didst brood up - on the cha - os
 4 O Trin - i - ty of love and pow'r, all trav - 'lers guard in

rest - less wave, who bade the might - y o - cean deep its
 mis - sive heard, who walked up - on the foam - ing deep, and
 dark and rude, and bid its an - gry tu - mult cease, and
 dan - ger's hour from rock and tem - pest, fire and foe, pro -

own ap - point - ed lim - its keep: oh, hear us when we
 calm a - mid the storm didst sleep: oh, hear us when we
 give, for wild con - fu - sion, peace: oh, hear us when we
 tect them where - so - e'er they go; thus ev - er - more shall

cry to thee for those in per - il on the sea.
 cry to thee for those in per - il on the sea.
 cry to thee for those in per - il on the sea.
 rise to thee glad hymns and praise from land and sea.

Today's Worship

Participants

Musicians

Celina Kobetitsch, organ

SPD Quartet

Marie Spar Dymit

Susan Ramlet

Laurent Kuehnl

Woody Woodward

Reader

Bryan O'Neil

Altar Guild

Diane & Roger Beyer

Beth Shoen

Altar Flowers Given by

Natalie & Richard Frank, in
honor of our wedding
anniversary

Invocation, Confession, Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, whose compassion endures forever. **Amen**

Let us confess our sin to God.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Compassionate God,

we confess to you all our sins. Our burden is heavy, and we cannot free ourselves. In your mercy, call us back to you. Your yoke is easy and your burden is light. Restore us to dwell in your peace.

Jesus says, "Come to me, all you who are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest." In the name of God, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit, your sins are forgiven. Rest in God's love. **Amen**

Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

Kyrie

Red Hymnal page 156

In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord. **Amen**

Hymn of Praise

Red Hymnal page 159

All glory be to God on high, and peace to earth be given! Let angels sing, let all reply; goodwill breaks forth from heaven! Lord God Almighty, heaven's king, we worship you, our thanks we sing, we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, creation's author, O Lamb of God, your death alone takes sin away forever. Stretch out your arms to ev'ry land, and, as you reign at God's right hand, receive our prayer; have mercy.

To you alone, O God, we cry, the Holy One we name you; for you alone are God most high, one living God we claim you: we worship you, Lord Jesus Christ, with God the Spirit ever blest, in God the Father's glory. Amen

Salutation and Prayer of the Day

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.** Let us pray. . . **Amen**

Please be seated

Lesson

I Kings 19:9-18

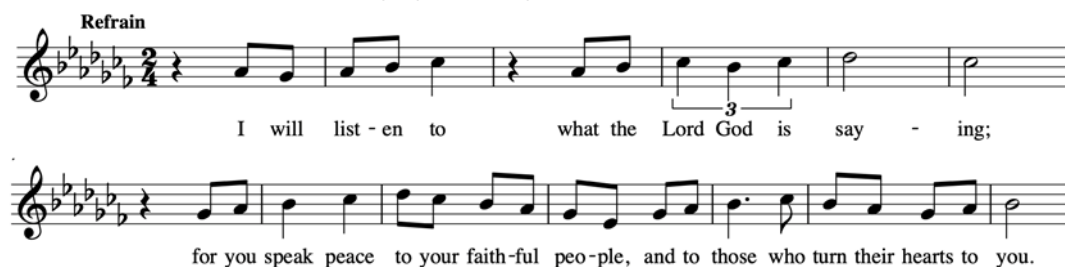
The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm

Psalm 85:8-13
Congregation sings refrain as directed

Celina Kobetitsch

Refrain



I will list - en to what the Lord God is say - ing;
for you speak peace to your faith - ful peo - ple, and to those who turn their hearts to you.

Please stand

Gospel Acclamation

Red Hymnal page 151

Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.

The Holy Gospel

Matthew 14:22-33

After the announcement, the people say, "Glory to you, O Lord."

At the conclusion, the people say, "Praise to you, O Christ!"

Please be seated

Children's Message

Kathy Hagedorn, Early Childhood Ministry

Please stand

Hymn of the Day

O God, Who Gives Us Life



1 O God, who gives us life and breath, who shapes us in the womb,
2 O God, who calls your peo - ple out to ven - ture and to dare,
3 O God of cov - e - nant and law, re - vealed in cloud and flame,



who guards our lives from birth to death, then leads us from the tomb:
to plumb the bleak a - byss of doubt and find you e - ven there:
your might - y deeds e - voke our awe; we dare not speak your name.



de - liv - er us from fears that kill the life we have from you.
when we de - spair in wan - der - ing through wastes of emp - ty lies,
Yet we by faith are drawn to you and will your peo - ple prove,



Help us to know your Spir - it still is mak - ing all things new.
re - fresh us with the liv - ing spring of hope that nev - er dies.
as on our hearts you write a - new the cov - e - nant of love.

Please be seated

Homily

Pastor Tim Westermeyer

We Remember in Prayer ...

Mike Windsor
Jack Osberg
Jane Johnson
Roger Elias
Lynn Carlson
Mark Utter
Steven Wangstad
Jim Willis
Arnie Nelson
Carol Anderson
Connie Wheeler
Barbara Rustad
Steve Griffiths
Tom Moen
Karen Landro
Jim Lambrecht

Those Grieving

Kari Marshall & family,
mourning the death of her
mother, Pam Sonnichsen

Those Rejoicing

Jennifer & Bryan Runck, as
they celebrate the baptisms
of their children, Ada
Elizabeth and Edison
Anthony Runck

A Rose on the Font

As an expression of our life
together, a red rose on the
baptismal font indicates that
we have received news of a
birth and a white rose that
we have received news of a
stillbirth or a miscarriage. As
Paul writes, we "rejoice with
those who rejoice and mourn
with those who mourn."
(Romans 12:15)

To make a prayer request,
send an email to
prayers@spdpc.org.

Next Week's Scriptures

To prepare for worship next week, please read the following scripture passages:

Isaiah 56:1, 6-8

Psalm 67

Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32

Matthew 15:[10-20] 21-28

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Offering

Lead Me, Lord

arr. Mark Hayes

Your offerings can be left in the offering plates at the entrance to the sanctuary, mailed to the church, given electronically at spdlc.org/give, or by scanning the QR code located on the back of the bulletin. Thank you for your generous support of God's mission and ministry at St. Philip the Deacon. Remember: Your gifts make a difference.

Please stand

Offertory

Red Hymnal #186

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with your free Spirit.

Please be seated

Prayers of the People . . . Merciful God, receive our prayer.

The names mentioned in the prayers represent a much longer list. If you have made a prayer request and do not hear the name mentioned here please know that the Healing Prayer Group prays daily for each and every person brought to our attention.

Please stand

The Lord's Prayer

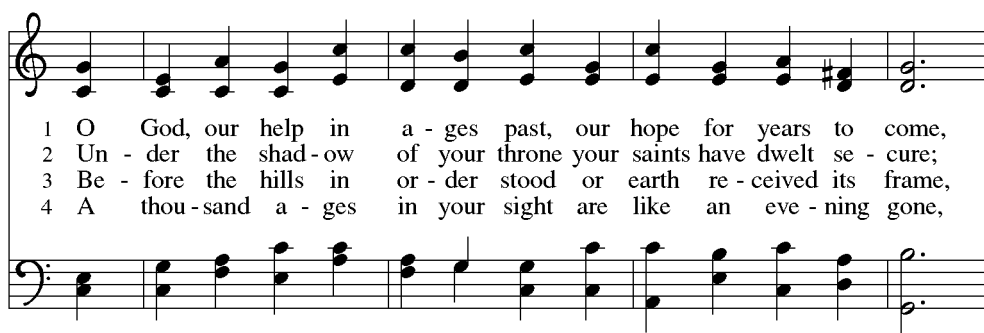
Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen

Benediction

Closing Hymn

O God, Our Help in Ages Past

Red Hymnal #632



1 O God, our help in a - ges past, our hope for years to come,
2 Un - der the shad - ow of your throne your saints have dwelt se - cure;
3 Be - fore the hills in or - der stood or earth re - ceived its frame,
4 A thou - sand a - ges in your sight are like an eve - ning gone,



our shel - ter from the storm - y blast, and our e - ter - nal home:
suf - fi - cient is your arm a - lone, and our de - fense is sure.
from ev - er - last - ing you are God, to end - less years the same.
short as the watch that ends the night be - fore the ris - ing sun.

5 Time, like an ever-rolling stream,
bears all our years away;
we fly forgotten, as a dream
dies at the op'ning day.

6 O God, our help in ages past,
our hope for years to come,
still be our guard while troubles last
and our eternal home!

Dismissal

Go in peace. Serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

When I lay my burden down

Iain Farrington

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*“I found I had less and less to say, until finally, I became silent,
and began to listen. In the silence I discovered the voice of God.”
—Soren Kierkegaard*

Your Gifts Make a Difference

As you may have noticed, we have just introduced a refreshed look for all of St. Philip the Deacon’s online and print materials. So far, this work includes a completely rebuilt website, some interior signage, and a few publications—including our Partners in the Gospel and our monthly newsletter. The goal with this effort is to convey the warmth and connection of our life together more effectively, and to more clearly communicate who we are—all so that we can more easily invite others into the community of St. Philip the Deacon. We are grateful to members whose gifts have made this important work possible, and we encourage you to check out our new site—and to share it with others who may be looking for a church themselves. Keep an eye out for additional ways that this brand refresh will play out in the weeks ahead. Remember: Your gifts make a difference. Thank you!

Did You Know

We are thrilled to welcome two dozen children (ages 5–11) to our upcoming Summer Music Camp! Running from August 10–13, this exciting week will be led by Celina Kobetitsch and Samuel Grace. Throughout the week, campers will play games, sing, and participate in several immersive activities. Special guests include artists from MacPhail Center for Music, Minnesota Orchestra trumpet player Charles Lazarus, the MN Drum Trio, and a chime lesson led by our very own JoBeth Ranfranz. The week will culminate with a talent show led by the campers. Please keep all of these young people in your prayers as they grow musically and with one another.

Worship Schedule

Saturday 5 p.m.
Sunday 8:15, 9:30
& 10:45 a.m.

Sunday School resumes on Sunday, September 13.

Childcare is available at all Sunday services.

Join us in Fellowship Hall for refreshments following 8:15 & 9:30 a.m. services.

Pastors

Tim Westermeyer

Senior Pastor

Mark Schmid

Executive Pastor

Valerie Strand

Patterson

Adult Ministry Pastor

Makayla Dahleen

Pastor of Family Life

Program Staff

Cindy Carlson

Congregational Life

Joan Harper

Hospitality

Jen Galley

Adult Education

Renee Putnam

Engagement & Service

Susan Path

Parish Nurse

Kathy Hagedorn

Early Childhood

Norah Long

Children & Music

Amanda Berger

Spiritual Growth

Olsen Pancoast

High School & Young Adult

Charlie Olson

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Musicians

Sam Grace

Director of Music Ministry

Celina Kobetitsch

Organist

Steve Griffiths

Associate Organist

JoBeth Ranfranz

Bell Choir Director

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This Week at St. Philip the Deacon

SUNDAY, August 9

8:15 a.m. **Worship**

9:30⁺ a.m. **Worship**

10:45 a.m. **Worship with
Holy Communion**

MONDAY, August 10

8:30 a.m. Habitat for Humanity Build

9 a.m. Summer Music Camp

11:30 a.m. Chair Yoga

11:30 a.m. Healing Prayer Group

TUESDAY, August 11

8 a.m. Men's Discussion Group

8:30 a.m. Habitat for Humanity Build

9 a.m. Summer Music Camp

1 p.m. The Conversation

6:30 p.m. AA Group

WEDNESDAY, August 12

8:30 a.m. Habitat for Humanity Build

9 a.m. Summer Music Camp

1 p.m. Caregivers Support Group

THURSDAY, August 13

8:30 a.m. Habitat for Humanity Build

9 a.m. Summer Music Camp

9 a.m. Yoga

11:30 a.m. Chair Yoga

4:30 p.m. Naomi's Table

FRIDAY, August 14

8:30 a.m. Habitat for Humanity Build

12 p.m. Bead-a-Thon

SATURDAY, August 15

9 a.m. Bead-a-Thon

11 a.m. Funeral for Mark Jorgens

5 p.m. **Worship with
Holy Communion**

SUNDAY, August 16

8:15 a.m. **Worship**

9:30⁺ a.m. **Worship**

10:45 a.m. **Worship with
Holy Communion**

4 p.m. Play and Pray at Parker's Lake