

Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, September 21, 2025

9:30 a.m.

"Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit."

— Matthew 28:19

Welcome!

If you are looking for a church home or would like to know more about St. Philip the Deacon and its ministries, please visit our website: spdcl.org.

Please visit spdcl.org/livestream for worship resources, including bulletins, materials for children, links to our Family Faith Creek (Sunday School) online programming, and Confirmation worship notes.

Video archives of past services and sermons can be found at spdcl.org/videoarchive. Audio archives of past sermons can be found at spdcl.org/sermons.

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There are also many video resources from the church on our YouTube channels. Search "St. Philip the Deacon" on YouTube to find past events, sermons and podcasts.

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Prelude

"Allegretto" from *Organ Sonata No. 4*

Felix Mendelssohn

Welcome

Please stand

Opening Hymn

We Know That Christ Is Raised

Red Hymnal #449

(Verses: 1 & 4—All, 2—Soprano/Alto, 3—Tenor/Bass)

1 We know that Christ is raised and dies no more.
2 We share by wa - ter in his sav - ing death.
3 The Fa - ther's splen - dor clothes the Son with life.
4 A new cre - a - tion comes to life and grows

Em - braced by death, he broke its fear - ful hold,
Re - born, we share with him an Eas - ter life,
The Spir - it's fis - sion shakes the church of God.
as Christ's new bod - y takes on flesh and blood.

and our de - spair he turned to blaz - ing joy.
as liv - ing mem - bers of our Sav - ior Christ.
Bap - tized, we live with God the Three in One.
The u - ni - verse re - stored and whole will sing:

Hal - le - lu - jah!

Invocation, Confession, Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, our maker, our helper, and our keeper. **Amen**

Trusting in God's mercy, let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

God of mercy and forgiveness,

we confess that sin still has a hold on us. We have harmed your good creation. We have failed to do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with you. Turn us in a new direction. Show us the path that leads to life. Be our refuge and strength on the journey, through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and friend. Amen

Today's Worship

Participants

Musicians

Celina Kobetitsch, organ & conductor
Samuel Grace, piano
SPD Quartet
Marie Spar Dymit
Susan Ramlet
Laurent Kuehnl
Woody Woodward
Sanctuary Choir

Acolytes

Dane Jaster
Kate Jaster
Evelyn Jaster
Andrew Jaster

Reader

Bruce Warner

Altar Flowers Given by

Bruce Warner, in loving memory of Deanna Warner

Lynn Sinclair, in celebration of my twin sister, Lynda Berglund, as we celebrate our 75th birthdays

Altar Guild

Kris Bransford
Jean Stoermer
Cathy Wilson

Beloved of God: your sins are forgiven † and you are made whole. God points the way to new life in Christ, who meets us on the road. Journey now in God's abiding love through the power of the Holy Spirit. **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

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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

Titus 3:1-8

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

Anthem

Ain't a That Good News

arr. William Dawson

Please stand

Gospel Acclamation

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The Holy Gospel

Matthew 28:16-20

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

Hymn of the Day

O Blessed Spring

Red Hymnal #447



1 O bless - ed spring, where word and sign em - brace us
2 Through sum - mer heat of youth - ful years, un - cer - tain
3 When au - tumn cools and youth is cold, when limbs their
4 As win - ter comes, as win - ters must, we breathe our
5 Christ, ho - ly Vine, Christ, liv - ing Tree, be praised for



in - to Christ the Vine: here Christ en - joins each one to
faith, re - bel - lious tears, sus - tained by Christ's in - fus - ing
heav - y har - vest hold, then through us, warm, the Christ will
last, re - turn to dust; still held in Christ, our souls take
this blest mys - ter - y: that word and wa - ter thus re -



be a branch of this life - giv - ing Tree.
rain, the boughs will shout for joy a - gain.
move with gifts of beau - ty, wis - dom, love.
wing and trust the prom - ise of the spring.
vive and join us to your Tree of Life.

Homily

Pastor Makayla Dahleen

Holy Baptism (9:30)

Nathan Noel Foster

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People of God, do you promise to support Nathan and pray for him in his new life in Christ? **We do.**

Do you believe in God the Father?

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,

**who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of
saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life
everlasting. Amen**

Let us welcome the newly baptized. **We welcome you into the body of Christ
and into the mission we share: join us in giving thanks and praise to God
and bearing God's creative and redeeming word to all the world.**

Offering

Here I Am, Lord

arr. Jack Schrader

Your offerings can be left in the offering plates at the entrance to the sanctuary, mailed to the church, given electronically at spdcl.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.

We Remember in Prayer ...

Mike Windsor
Tony Kauch
Ginny Steele
Kathy Adam
Jack Osberg
Karen Kleinstuber
Dwayne Baufield
Tess Soholt
Jane Johnson
Elaine Peterson
Suzanne Nelson
Sandy Dockter

Those Grieving

The family & friends of Motsy Mohlis, mourning her death

Those Rejoicing

Josie & Christopher Hofacker,
as they celebrate the baptism
of their son, Graham Thomas
Hofacker

Emily & Mitchell Foster, as they
celebrate the baptism of their
son, Nathan Noel Foster

Stephanie Audette & Sylvain
Girardeau, as they celebrate
the baptism of their daughter,
Chloe Stella Girardeau

Susan & Kevin Wagner, as they
celebrate the baptism of their
son, Finley Lauritz Wagner

Tim & Missy Paulson,
celebrating the birth of their
daughter, Madelyn Jo Paulson,
born on Sept. 9. Grandparents
are Bob & Barb Paulson.

Elizabeth & Travis Bayerl,
celebrating the birth of their
son, Jasper Raylan Bayerl, born
on Sept. 11. Grandparents are
Jeannice & Troy Reding.

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@spdcl.org.

Next Week's Scriptures

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

Amos 6:1a, 4-7

Psalm 146

1 Timothy 6:6-19

Luke 16:19-31

New Member Class

If you are interested in joining St. Philip the Deacon, please attend our next New Member Class:

Tuesday, Oct. 7 at 6:30 p.m.

Register at spdlc.org/register or contact Cindy Carlson at 763-475-7115. Childcare is available. New Members will be received on Sunday, Oct. 12.

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 . . . God of grace, 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.

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

Awake, O Sleeper, Rise from Death

Red Hymnal #452

(Verses: 1, 4 & 5—All, 2—Soprano/Alto, 3—Tenor/Bass)

1 A - wake, O sleep - er, rise from death, and Christ shall give you light;
2 To us on earth he came to bring from sin and fear re - lease,
3 There is one bod - y and one hope, one Spir - it and one call,
4 Then walk in love as Christ has loved, who died that he might save;
5 For us Christ lived, for us he died, and con - quered in the strife.

so learn his love, its length and breadth, its full - ness, depth, and height.
to give the Spir - it's u - ni - ty, the ver - y bond of peace.
one Lord, one faith, and one bap - tism, one God who made us all.
with kind and gen - tle hearts for - give as God in Christ for - gave.
A - wake, a - rise, go forth in faith, and Christ shall give you life.

Dismissal

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

Postlude

"Allegro maestoso e vivace" from *Organ Sonata No. 4* F. Mendelssohn

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*"Our baptism becomes the overpowering event in our lives,
the event which tells us who we are and how we are to live."*

—Daniel Erlander

Your Gifts Make a Difference

Children's Ministry and the Chair Yoga group are teaming up to collect warm mittens and gloves for the upcoming 3,000 Acts of Kindness event. This special outreach seeks to bless every person experiencing homelessness with warm coats, a meal, haircut, helpful resources, prayer, and more. A full list of needed items is available at the donation table in Fellowship Hall and in the Partners in the Gospel. Everyone is invited to join in this effort! Thank you for being part of this mission to care for our neighbors in need. Remember: Your gifts make a difference!

Did You Know

Blessing of the Animals Sunday, Sept. 28 at 2 p.m.

Join us for this brief and boisterous service outside our east (lower) entrance. Each animal will receive a hands-on blessing by a pastor, and there will be treats for everyone! All critters welcome, but please leash or cage your pet as appropriate. See you there!

Worship Schedule

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

⁺Sunday School meets.

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

Beth Dudycha

Digital Hospitality

Susan Path

Parish Nurse

Kathy Hagedorn

Early Childhood

Norah Long

Children's & Music Ministry

Trish Arndt

Children's Ministry

Amanda Berger

Spiritual Growth

Olsen Pancoast

High School & Young Adult

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This Week at St. Philip the Deacon

SUNDAY, September 21

8:15 a.m.

Worship

9:30[†] a.m.

Worship

Sunday School/Sunday Friends

10:45 a.m.

Worship with

Holy Communion

Sunday School

MONDAY, September 22

9:45 a.m.

Holy Grounds

11:30 a.m.

Chair Yoga

11:30 a.m.

Healing Prayer Group

TUESDAY, September 23

8 a.m.

Men's Discussion Group

10 a.m.

Sarah Circle

1:30 p.m.

Spirit Beads

5 p.m.

Dynamic Deacons

5 p.m.

Tuesday Story Time

5:35 p.m.

Chancel Choir

5:35 p.m.

Tuesday Story Time

6:15 p.m.

Reader & Acolyte Training

6:30 p.m.

AA Group

7 p.m.

SPD Ringers

WEDNESDAY, September 24

6:30 a.m.

Men's Fellowship Group

9:30 a.m.

SPD Bible Study

9:30 a.m.

Bible Study Fellowship

1 p.m.

Caregivers Support Group

5:15 p.m.

SPD Singers

5:30 p.m.

Pizza and Play

6:30 p.m.

Confirmation

7 p.m.

Sanctuary Choir

7:30 p.m.

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THURSDAY, September 25

9 a.m.

Yoga

9:30 a.m.

Moms in Prayer

11:30 a.m.

Chair Yoga

1 p.m.

Prayer Shawl Ministry

4 p.m.

West Suburban Grief Coalition

7 p.m.

Pathfinders

SATURDAY, September 27

9 a.m.

Seven Principles of Making

Marriage Work

5 p.m.

Worship with

Holy Communion

SUNDAY, September 28

8:15 a.m.

Worship

9:30[†] a.m.

Worship

Sunday School/Sunday Friends

10:45 a.m.

Worship with

Holy Communion

Sunday School

10:45 a.m.

Alpha

2 p.m.

Blessing of the Animals

[†] *Livestreamed*