

## Sixth Sunday of Easter

Sunday, May 10, 2026

9:30 a.m.

"And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever."

—John 14:16

### 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: [spdlc.org](http://spdlc.org).

Please visit [spdlc.org/livestream](http://spdlc.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 [spdlc.org/videoarchive](http://spdlc.org/videoarchive). Audio archives of past sermons can be found at [spdlc.org/sermons](http://spdlc.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

Vigoureux

Barbara Scheffter

### Welcome

Please stand

### Opening Hymn

Come, Thou Almighty King

Red Hymnal #408



1 Come, thou al - might - y King, help us thy name to sing;  
2 Come, thou in - car - nate Word, mer - ci - ful, might - y Lord;  
3 Come, ho - ly Com - fort - er, thy sa - cred wit - ness bear  
4 To thee, great One in Three, e - ter - nal prais - es be



help us to praise; Fa - ther all - glo - ri - ous, o'er all vic -  
our prayer at - tend. Come and thy peo - ple bless, and give thy  
in this glad hour! Thou who al - might - y art, rule now in  
hence ev - er - more! Thy sov - 'reign maj - es - ty may we in



to - ri - ous, come and reign o - ver us, An - cient of Days.  
word suc - cess, and let thy righ - teous - ness on us de - scend.  
ev - 'ry heart, nev - er from us de - part, Spir - it of pow'r.  
glo - ry see, and to e - ter - ni - ty love and a - dore.

### Invocation, Confession, Forgiveness

Alleluia! Christ is risen. **Christ is risen, indeed. Alleluia!**

In the name of † the One who was, who is, and who is to come. **Amen**

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Most merciful God,

**we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen**

## Today's Worship

### Participants

#### Musicians

Steve Griffiths, organ  
SPD Ringers  
JoBeth Ranfranz, conductor

#### Acolyte

Maggie Danielson

#### Reader

Lynda Berglund

#### Altar Guild

Diane & Roger Beyer  
Nicole St. John

#### Altar Flowers Given by

Joni & Dale Phillips, in honor  
of our 29th wedding  
anniversary and Mother's  
Day

Nancy & Jim Carlson, in  
celebration of our 40th  
wedding anniversary

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and 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.**

### Hymn of Praise

*We Know That Christ Is Raised*

Red Hymnal



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!

### Salutation and Prayer of the Day

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

*Please be seated*

### Lesson

1 Peter 3:13-18a

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

### Anthem

*Be Thou My Vision*

arr. Sandy Mullaney

*Please stand*

### Gospel Acclamation

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

### The Holy Gospel

John 14:15-21

*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

Norah Long, Children's Ministry

Please stand

## Hymn of the Day

Come Down, O Love Divine

Red Hymnal #804



1 Come down, O Love di - vine; seek thou this soul of mine  
 2 Oh, let it free - ly burn, till world - ly pas - sions turn  
 3 Let ho - ly char - i - ty mine out - ward ves - ture be,  
 4 And so the yearn - ing strong, with which the soul will long,



and vis - it it with thine own ar - dor glow - ing;  
 to dust and ash - es in its heat con - sum - ing;  
 and low - li - ness be - come mine in - ner cloth - ing—  
 shall far out - pass the pow'r of hu - man tell - ing;



O Com - fort - er, draw near; with - in my heart ap - pear  
 and let thy glo - rious light shine ev - er on my sight,  
 true low - li - ness of heart, which takes the hum - bler part,  
 no soul can guess Love's grace till it be - come the place



and kin - dle it, thy ho - ly flame be - stow - ing.  
 and clothe me round, the while my path il - lum - ing.  
 and o'er its own short - com - ings weeps with loath - ing.  
 where - in the Ho - ly Spir - it makes a dwell - ing.

Please be seated

## Homily

Pastor Valerie Strand Patterson

## Offering

The Promise

John Behnke

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](http://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.

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.

## We Remember in Prayer . . .

Mike Windsor  
 Jack Osberg  
 Jane Johnson  
 Greg Path  
 Roger Elias  
 Lynn Carlson  
 Mark Utter  
 Pam Sikkila  
 Steven Wangstad

## Those Grieving

Michelle Trent & family,  
 mourning the death of her  
 father, Robert Engebretsen

Marv Menken & family,  
 mourning the death of his  
 wife, Cindie Menken

## 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](mailto:prayers@spdcl.org).

### Next Week's Scriptures

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

Acts 1:6-14  
Psalm 68:1-10, 32-35  
1 Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11  
John 17:1-11

### New Member Class

Our next new member class will be offered in late summer. In the meantime, if you would like to learn more about this faith community and our mission and ministry, please contact Pastor Tim Westermeyer at [twestermeyer@spdlc.org](mailto:twestermeyer@spdlc.org) or Cindy Carlson at [ccarlson@spdlc.org](mailto:ccarlson@spdlc.org).

*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

*Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen!*

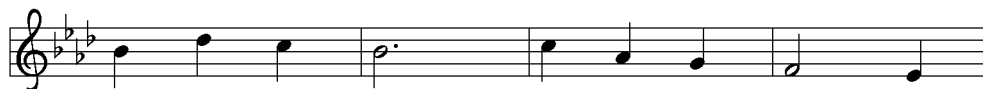
Red Hymnal #377



1 Al - le - lu - ia! Je - sus is ris - en!  
2 Walk - ing the way, Christ in the cen - ter  
3 Je - sus the vine, we are the branch - es;  
4 Weep - ing, be gone; sor - row, be si - lent:  
5 Cit - y of God, Eas - ter for - ev - er,



Trum - pets re - sound - ing in glo - ri - ous light!  
tell - ing the sto - ry to o - pen our eyes;  
life in the Spir - it the fruit of the tree;  
death put a - sun - der, and Eas - ter is bright.  
gold - en Je - ru - sa - lem, Je - sus the Lamb,



Splen - dor, the Lamb, heav - en for - ev - er!  
break - ing our bread, giv - ing us glo - ry:  
heav - en to earth, Christ to the peo - ple,  
Cher - u - bim sing: O grave, be o - pen!  
riv - er of life, saints and arch - an - gels,



Oh, what a mir - a - cle God has in sight!  
Je - sus our bless - ing, our con - stant sur - prise.  
gift of the fu - ture now flow - ing to me.  
Clothe us in won - der, a - dorn us in light.  
sing with cre - a - tion to God the I AM!



Je - sus is ris - en and we shall a - rise.



Give God the glo - ry! Al - le - lu - ia!

### Dismissal

Go in peace. In Christ you are made new. **Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

### Postlude

*Praise to the Lord the Almighty*

arr. Kevin McChesney

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*“Remember, then, that you received a spiritual seal,  
the spirit of wisdom and understanding,  
the spirit of knowledge and reverence,  
the spirit of holy fear.  
Keep safe what you received.  
God the Father sealed you,  
Christ the Lord strengthened you  
and sent the Spirit into your hearts  
as the pledge of what is to come.”  
—St. Ambrose (340–397)*

## Your Gifts Make a Difference

Many volunteers shared their gifts and talents in Sunday School this year by greeting guests, teaching in classrooms, assisting as youth helpers, being a buddy to children with special needs, and providing other behind the scenes support. These volunteers have helped to shape the lives of children in our faith community, and we are grateful for their commitment and dedication. Remember: Your gifts make a difference. Thank you.

## Did You Know

### Women’s Spring Event: *The Art of Neighboring* Wednesday, May 27 at 6:30-8 p.m.

Women of all ages are invited to *The Art of Neighboring*, a spring event that celebrates each of us as a masterpiece—uniquely designed to reflect God’s love in the world as no one else can. Through Scripture and engaging conversation, we’ll discover simple, practical ways we can respond to Jesus’ call to love our neighbors. We’ll also put love into action by working together on a service project. The evening will conclude with a time of worship led by Pastors Valerie and Makayla. The cost is \$15 per person. Please register by Wednesday, May 20 at [spdlc.org/register](https://spdlc.org/register). Dessert will be served. If you have questions, please contact Cindy Carlson at [ccarlson@spdlc.org](mailto:ccarlson@spdlc.org).

## Worship Schedule

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

<sup>+</sup>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

**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

**Charlie Olson**

Middle School

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**Celina Kobetitsch**

Organist

**Steve Griffiths**

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**JoBeth Ranfranz**

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## This Week at St. Philip the Deacon

### SUNDAY, May 10

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

9:30<sup>†</sup> a.m. **Worship**

Sunday School/Sunday Friends

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

Sunday School

### MONDAY, May 11

11:30 a.m. Chair Yoga

11:30 a.m. Healing Prayer Group

6:30 p.m. Bible Study: Acts

### TUESDAY, May 12

8 a.m. Men's Discussion Group

1 p.m. The Conversation

5 p.m. Dynamic Deacons End of Year Party

6:30 p.m. AA Group

6:30 p.m. The Healing Letter

7 p.m. Church Council

7 p.m. SPD Ringers

### WEDNESDAY, May 13

6:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study and Fellowship

9:30 a.m. SPD Bible Study

1 p.m. Caregivers Support Group

5 p.m. SPD Singers End of Year Party

### THURSDAY, May 14

9 a.m. Yoga

9 a.m. Spring Garden Clean-up at Mission Nursing Home

11:30 a.m. Chair Yoga

6 p.m. Naomi Circle

7 p.m. Pathfinders

### FRIDAY, May 15

12:15 p.m. Joy Circle

### SATURDAY, May 16

9 a.m. SPD Ploggers

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

### SUNDAY, May 17

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

9:30<sup>†</sup> a.m. **Worship**

Sunday School/Sunday Friends

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

Sunday School

<sup>†</sup> *Livestreamed*