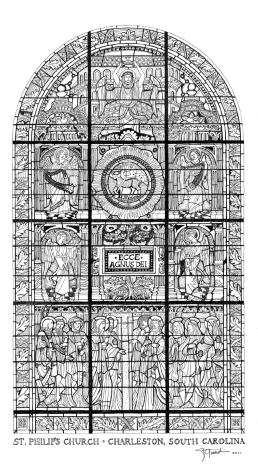
# ST. PHILIP'S CHURCH

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# THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MORNING PRAYER May 11, 2025 • 10:30 a.m.

# WELCOME

To all who are spiritually weary *and seek rest*, to all who mourn *and long for comfort*, to all who struggle *and desire victory*, to all who sin *and need a Savior*, to all who are strangers *and want fellowship*, to all who hunger *and thirst after righteousness*, to all who have been blessed *and wish to give thanks*, and to whoever will come—*this church opens wide her doors and offers her welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ*.

**Restrooms are available** in the Parish House, located at the corner of Church and Cumberland Streets. A greeter or usher will be happy to direct you.

**Headsets for the hard of hearing** are available in the video/sound booth at the end of the north side aisle. The ListenWifi app is available for use with Bluetooth hearing aids.

A nursery for children three years old and younger and **Children's Church** for children ages four through third grade are available in the Parish House on the corner of Church and Cumberland Streets. A greeter or usher will be happy to direct you.

**Our Family Respite Room is available** on the ground floor of the Parish House in room 107. It is equipped with rocking chairs, a changing table, toddler toys, and a smart TV, which will be showing the worship service via livestream. Families are welcome to use this facility as they feel is needed during the service. No unaccompanied children, please.

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card either in the pew, at the table, or via the QR code. Cards can be placed in the offering plate or dropped off at the tent. If you'd like to learn more about St. Philip's, please visit our website, **saintphilips.church**, where you can also find our teaching ministry podcasts (including sermons, Bible studies, and C.S. Lewis studies). May God bless your time with us today!



# St. Philip's Tree of Life



Worship

We are disciples of Christ, and for us to foster a personal relationship with him, become mature Christians, and grow into the full stature of Christ, we engage in ALL of the following—please join us!

- weekly or twice-weekly corporate worship (making the Lord's Day a priority)
- weekly Sunday Christian formation (e.g. Rector's Forum, Sunday School)
- weekly corporate Bible study (Rector's Bible Study and/or small group)
- daily prayer and study of God's Word
- service to the church (lay ministry, missions, etc., plus tithing)
- Christian fellowship (e.g. foyer group, Theology on Tuesdays)
- making disciples (sharing the faith)

## RESOURCES

The Rector's current recommendations for daily devotionals and online resources are available at:

saintphilips.churchcenter.com/pages/resources



## **MORNING PRAYER**

**OPENING VOLUNTARY** 

Three Preludes on American Hymntunes for Piano and Organ 1. He Leadeth Me Charles Callahan (1951-2023)

My Shepherd Will Supply My Need Virgil Thompson (1896-1989)

THE INTROIT

My Shepherd will supply my need, Jehovah is his Name; In pastures fresh he makes me feed beside the living stream. He brings my wandering spirit back when I forsake his ways, And leads me, for his mercy's sake, in paths of truth and grace. When I walk through the shades of death, thy presence is my stay; One word of thy supporting breath drives all my fears away. Thy hand, in sight of all my foes, doth still my table spread; My cup with blessings overflows, thy oil anoints my head. The sure provisions of my God attend me all my days; Oh, may thy house be mine abode and all my work be praise. There would I find a settled rest, while others go and come; No more a stranger or a guest, but like a child at home.

Words: Isaac Watts (1674-1748); para. of Psalm 23. Tune: *Resignation*, Southern folk hymn, this arr. Virgil Thomson (1896-1989) ©1947, renewed 1966 The H.W. Gray Co.

#### THE WORD OF GOD

The People are invited to stand and sing the opening hymn.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN 345 The King of Love my Shepherd Is The King of love my shepherd is, whose goodness faileth never; I nothing lack if I am his, and he is mine forever.

Where streams of living water flow, my ransomed soul he leadeth, And where the verdant pastures grow, with food celestial feedeth.

Perverse and foolish oft I strayed, but yet in love he sought me, And on his shoulder gently laid, and home, rejoicing, brought me.

In death's dark vale I fear no ill with thee, dear Lord, beside me; Thy rod and staff my comfort still, thy cross before to guide me.

Thou spread'st a table in my sight; thy unction grace bestoweth; And oh, what transport of delight from thy pure chalice floweth!

And so through all the length of days thy goodness faileth never: Good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise within thy house for ever.

Words: Henry Williams Baker (1821-1877); para. of Psalm 23 Music: *St. Columba*, Irish melody

The People remain standing as the Officiant begins the service with the opening sentences.

THE OPENING SENTENCES

The Book of Common Prayer, p. 28

St. Columba

#### THE CONFESSION OF SIN

All kneeling, the Officiant and People say

Almighty and most merciful Father, we have erred and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against thy holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done, and we have done those things which we ought not to have done; and apart from thy grace, there is no health in us. But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable offenders. Spare thou those, O God, who confess their faults. Restore thou those who are penitent, according to thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesus our Lord. And grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake, that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, to the glory of thy holy Name. Amen.

*Officiant* The Almighty and merciful Lord grant you absolution and remission of all your sins, true repentance, amendment of life, and the grace and consolation of his Holy Spirit. *Amen.* 

### THE INVITATORY AND PSALTER

All standing, the Officiant says

O Lord, open thou our lips.

People And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.

Officiant O God, make speed to save us;

People O Lord, make haste to help us.

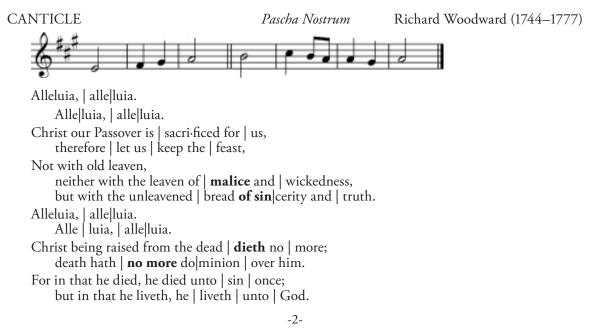
Officiant Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

People As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

*Officiant* Praise ye the Lord.

People The Lord's Name be praised.

The People stand and sing the canticle.



BCP, p. 13

Likewise reckon ye also yourselves to be dead in|deed unto | sin, but alive unto God through | Jesus | Christ our | Lord.
Alleluia, | alle|luia. Alle|luia, | alle|luia.
Christ is | risen • from the | dead, and become the | first fruits of | them that | slept.
For since by | man came | death, by man came also the resur|rection | of the | dead.
For as in | Adam all | die, even so in Christ shall | all be | made a|live.

Alleluia, | alle|luia. Alle|luia, | alle|luia.

The People remain standing and read the psalm responsively by whole verse.

### PSALM 100

- <sup>1</sup> O be joyful in the LORD, all you lands; serve the LORD with gladness, and come before his presence with a song.
- <sup>2</sup> Be assured that the LORD, he is God; it is he that has made us, and not we ourselves; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.
- <sup>3</sup> O go your way into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise; be thankful unto him, and speak good of his Name.
- <sup>4</sup> For the LORD is gracious, his mercy is everlasting, and his truth endures from generation to generation.
   Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost: as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

The People are seated for the reading of God's Word.

### THE FIRST LESSON

Revelation 7:9–17

<sup>9</sup> After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands, <sup>10</sup> and crying out with a loud voice, "Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!" <sup>11</sup> And all the angels were standing around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, <sup>12</sup> saying, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen." <sup>13</sup> Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, clothed in white robes, and from where have they come?" <sup>14</sup> I said to him, "Sir, you know." And he said to me, "These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation. They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. <sup>15</sup> Therefore they are before the throne of God, and serve him day and night in his temple; and he who sits on the throne will shelter them with his presence. <sup>16</sup> They shall hunger no more, neither thirst anymore; the sun shall not strike them, nor any scorching heat. <sup>17</sup> For the Lamb in the midst of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of living water, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

*Reader* The Word of the Lord. *People* **Thanks be to God.**  The People stand and sing the canticle.

CANTICLE, HYMN 642 Jubilate Deo C
O be joyful in the Lord | all ye lands: serve the Lord with gladness, and come before his | presence with a song.
Be ye sure that the Lord he is God; it is he that hath made us and not | we ourselves; we are his people and the | sheep of • his pasture.
O go your way into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his | courts with praise; be thankful unto him and | speak | good of • his Name.
For the Lord is gracious, his mercy is | everlasting; and his truth endureth from generation to | generation.
Glory be to the Father and | to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now and | ever shall be, world without | end. Amen.

The People are seated for the reading of God's Word.

#### THE SECOND LESSON

<sup>22</sup> At that time the Feast of Dedication took place at Jerusalem. It was winter, <sup>23</sup> and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the colonnade of Solomon. <sup>24</sup> So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Christ, tell us plainly." <sup>25</sup> Jesus answered them, "I told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name bear witness about me, <sup>26</sup> but you do not believe because you are not among my sheep. <sup>27</sup> My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me. <sup>28</sup> I give them eternal life, and they will never perish, and no one will snatch them out of my hand. <sup>29</sup> My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all, and no one is able to snatch them out of the Father's hand. <sup>30</sup> I and the Father are one."

ReaderThe Word of the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.

The People stand and sing the hymn.

HYMN

Psalm 23

Stuart Townend (b. 1963)

The Lord's my Shepherd, I'll not want; he makes me lie in pastures green; He leads me by the still still waters; his goodness restores my soul.

*Refrain:* And I will trust in you alone, and I will trust in you alone, For your endless mercy follows me, your goodness will lead me home.

He guides my ways in righteousness, and he anoints my head with oil, And my cup it overflows with joy; I feast on his pure delights. *Refrain* 

And though I walk the darkest path,

I will not fear the evil one, for you are with me.

And your rod and staff are the comfort I need to know. Refrain

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John 10:22–30

#### THE APOSTLES' CREED

#### All standing, Officiant and People say

I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father almighty. From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Whose Sheep?

#### THE PRAYERS

OfficiantThe Lord be with you.PeopleAnd with thy spirit.OfficiantLet us pray.

The People kneel.

OfficiantLord, have mercy upon us.PeopleChrist, have mercy upon us.OfficiantLord, have mercy upon us.

#### The Officiant and People pray

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

O Lord, show thy mercy upon us; Officiant And grant us thy salvation. People O Lord, guide those who govern us; Officiant People And lead us in the way of justice and truth. Officiant Endue thy ministers with righteousness; People And make thy chosen people joyful. Officiant O Lord, save thy people; People And bless thine inheritance. Officiant Give peace in our time, O Lord; People And defend us by thy mighty power. Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten; Officiant Nor the hope of the poor be taken away. People Officiant O God, make clean our hearts within us; People And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

The Rev. Brian K. McGreevy

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### THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

O God, whose Son Jesus is the Good Shepherd of thy people: Grant that when we hear his voice, we may know him who calleth us each by name, and follow where he doth lead; who, with thee and the Holy Ghost, liveth and reigneth, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.* 

### A COLLECT FOR PEACE

O God who art the author of peace, and lover of concord, in knowledge of whom standeth our eternal life, whose service is perfect freedom: defend us thy humble servants in all assaults of our enemies, that we, surely trusting in thy defense, may not fear the power of any adversaries, through the might of Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.* 

#### A COLLECT FOR MISSION

O God, our heavenly Father, who didst manifest thy love by sending thine only-begotten Son into the world that all might live through Him: Pour thy Spirit upon thy church and upon our Mission partners: Hope to Home Ministries, Lowcountry Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Lowcountry Pregnancy Center, Star Gospel Mission, Water Mission and the Global Water Center, and the Gospel ministries in Haiti, Honduras, Liberia, Rwanda, and Uganda; that thy people may fulfill the command to preach the Gospel to every creature; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.* 

### A COLLECT FOR THE NATION

O Lord our Governor, whose glory is in all the world; We commend this nation to thy merciful care. Grant to the President of the United States, the Members of Congress, and the Justices of the Supreme Court wisdom and strength to know and do thy will, that being guided by thy providence, we may dwell secure in thy peace. In particular, we commend to thy gracious care and keeping all the men and women of our armed forces at home and abroad, especially *those on our parish prayer list*. Defend them day by day with thy heavenly grace, and grant them a sense of thy abiding presence wherever they may be. *Amen.* 

### A COLLECT FOR THOSE IN NEED

Almighty and Immortal God, the giver of life and health: We beseech thee to hear our prayers for thy servants in need, especially *those on our parish prayer list*, that by thy blessing, they may be restored to perfect health in body, mind, and spirit. And we remember before thee all thy servants who have departed this life in thy faith and fear, [especially \_\_\_\_\_\_,] beseeching thee to grant to them that crown of victory which fadeth not away, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.* 

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#### THE GENERAL THANKSGIVING

### Officiant and People

Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we, thine unworthy servants, do give thee most humble and hearty thanks for all thy goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all men. We bless thee for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all, for thine inestimable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And, we beseech thee, give us that due sense of all thy mercies, that our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful: and that we show forth thy praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up our selves to thy service, and by walking before thee in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

## A PRAYER OF ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM

Almighty God, who hast given us grace at this time, with one accord to make our common supplications unto thee; and who hast promised through thy well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered to-gether in his Name thou wilt grant their requests: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of thy truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. *Amen.* 

Officiant Let us bless the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The Officiant says this or another concluding sentence.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. *Amen.* 

Psalm 23

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### COMMISSIONING OF HURRICANE HELENE DISASTER RELIEF

#### OFFERTORY ANTHEM

The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want. He leads me beside still waters, he restores my soul. He leads me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake. Yea, though I walk through the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, For you are with me; your rod and staff: they comfort me.

You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies.

You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

Surely love and goodness will follow me all the days of my life,

And I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever. Amen.

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#### All are invited to stand and sing the Doxology.

### THE DOXOLOGY HYMN

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below; Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise him above, ye heav'nly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

### THE CLOSING PRAYERS AND BLESSING

PriestThe Lord be with you.PeopleAnd with thy spirit.PriestLet us pray.

All kneel. After the blessing, all stand and sing the closing hymn.

#### Lasst uns Erfreuen

Craig Courtney (b. 1956)

BCP, p. 26

#### PROCESSIONAL HYMN 426

He Leadeth Me

He leadeth me: O blessed thought! O words with heavenly comfort fraught! Whate'er I do, where'er I be, still 'tis God's hand that leadeth me.

*Refrain:* He leadeth me! He leadeth me! By his own hand he leadeth me! His faithful follower I would be, for by his hand he leadeth me.

Sometimes mid scenes of deepest gloom, sometimes where Eden's bowers bloom, By waters calm, o'er troubled sea, still 'tis his hand that leadeth me. *Refrain* 

Lord, I would clasp thy hand in mine, nor ever murmur nor repine; Content, whatever lot I see, since 'tis my God that leadeth me. *Refrain* 

And when my task on earth is done, when, by thy grace, the victory's won, E'en death's cold wave I will not flee, since God through Jordan leadeth me. *Refrain* 

Text: Joseph Henry Gilmore (1934-1918). Music: William Bradbury (1816-1868)

#### THE DISMISSAL

The Priest dismisses the People, and the People respond: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

He Leadeth Me: O Blessed Thought! Dale Wood (1934-2003)

# SERVING IN WORSHIP

**Preacher** The Rev. Brian K. McGreevy

**Greeters** Lavinia Thaxton, Garden Blincow

**Lectors** Mara Brockbank, Jimmy Hagood

**Ushers** Lee Batchelder, Will Burris, Harry Gregorie, Mark Ghegan

> Acolyte Mentor John Settle

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#### Flower Guild

Jane Jilich, Tamera Dengler, Meredith Gale, Ashley Jackson, Liza Layfield, Nancy McGowan, Jody Millis

# SERMON NOTES

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Our Annual Diaper Drive** for Lowcountry Pregnancy Center begins tomorrow! You may drop off your donations of diapers (sizes 3, 4, 5, and 6) and wipes at the **Detail** church office this week, or you may bring them with you to church Wednesday or next Sunday the 18th. LPC also has an Amazon Wishlist you may use to have your 🗊 donations shipped directly to them for free. Scan the QR code for more information!

**Our Monthly Men's Lunch** is this Wednesday at noon in the Parish Hall. All men of the community are invited to enjoy a delicious lunch and hear testimony from Citadel alum Taylor Locklear, owner of Taylor Locklear Drywall.

Our final Wednesdays Alive! service/supper/class lineup is this week! Join us for worship at 5:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall, followed by supper and part two of the Rev. Brian McGreevy's study of J.R.R. Tolkien's "On Fairy-Stories."

**Senior Recognition** is next Sunday, May 18, and we will be listing our hardworking high school, college, and grad school graduates in the service bulletin and in this 🗒 week's inSPIRE and eSPIRE (mailed and emailed Wednesday). High school seniors will also be invited up for a blessing during the 10:30 service. Please scan the QR code to submit your graduate's (or your own) information by the end of the day.

ECW Springtime Celebration: Ladies, join the ECW (Every Church Woman) of St. Philip's at the Rectory (Miller residence) from 5:30 to 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, May 29, for a springtime gathering complete with light bites and libations!

The Summer Red Cross Blood Drive is Tuesday, June 3, from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall. Donors are needed in June to ensure there's enough blood available throughout the busy summer months. Every pint collected can save up to three lives! Visit saintphilips.church/events or scan the QR code to sign up to donate and/or volunteer at the drive.

Vacation Bible School (VBS) registration is open! On June 9-12 we will travel back to the Old West and shout "Yee-haw" as we climb aboard and head to Wonder Junction to marvel at Jesus's life, teachings, and resurrection. Participants will worship and learn together in small groups and enjoy playing games and creating crafts. Please visit our website or scan the QR code to register your children currently in 3k-5th-grade.

Diocesan Night at the Riverdogs is Friday, June 13, and we are competing with other churches in the diocese for the largest representation! (We won last year and are defending our title.) Riverdogs games are always so much fun, and they are even more fun with the bishop, his family, and our other diocesan friends. The deadline to register is this Friday, May 16—scan the QR code or visit adosc.org to get your tickets and meet us there!

#### **Important Dates**

- May 24 ~ Sacred Harp Shape Note Singing (9:30 a.m. in the Parish Hall)
- May 27 Preservation Society's Steeples of the Holy City Lecture (5:30 p.m.)
- May 28 ~ Adult Confirmation and Reception (6:00 p.m.)

For further details about all of our upcoming events and for registrations, please visit saintphilips.church/events











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