

# *the* EPISTLE

## *Preparing for The Sunday of the Passion/Palm Sunday—March 20*

The Sunday of the Passion/Palm Sunday marks the beginning of Holy Week and is unique in our liturgical cycle. The liturgy begins outside as we gather with palm branches and hear the account of Jesus' entrance into Jerusalem. Once inside, the liturgy makes a dramatic shift as we turn to the reading of the Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

Within this liturgy, the joy of Palm Sunday quickly moves to the sadness of what happens to Jesus after the welcome parade is over. These shifts in mood remind us of the dramatic events that occurred between that triumphal entry and the death of Jesus on the cross. We humbly and reverently move through this liturgy giving thanks that Jesus Christ is God for us and acknowledging that his death is the reality that gives us salvation. Together we proclaim "Hosanna!" Save us, Lord.

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## THE THREE DAYS OF HOLY WEEK

### Worship during The Three Days

Mar. 24 – Maundy Thursday – Noon and 7:00 p.m.  
 Mar. 25 – Good Friday – Noon and 7:00 p.m.  
 Mar. 26 – Holy Saturday/Vigil of Easter – 7:00 p.m.

Thursday, March 24, marks the beginning of the shortest season in the liturgical year. This season is called **The**

**Three Days.** This season is also known as The Triduum. The Latin term Triduum means "three days." It is the three-day celebration of the death and resurrection of Jesus - Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and the Vigil of Easter. Each of The Three Days "tells" a different part of the story of Jesus' saving action.

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## **THE THREE DAYS OF HOLY WEEK**      *CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1*

On **Maundy Thursday** we gather at Noon and at 7 PM. This liturgy includes four different emphases. First, we begin the service with confession and the opportunity for individual absolution. We end what we started on Ash Wednesday with what was absent then: a clear and personal statement of the gospel: “In obedience to the command of our Lord Jesus Christ, I forgive you all your sins.” The second emphasis is the New Commandment (*mandatum*) that we love one another as he has loved us. It is from that commandment that this day receives its title. We will embody the command “to love one another” as we share in the washing of hands. The third emphasis is Jesus’ gift of himself in the bread and cup and his commanding this as the way to remember him, the crucified and risen one. Finally, there is the foreshadowing of Good Friday with the stripping of the altar and leaving in silence at the end of the service.

When we return on **Good Friday** at Noon and at 7 PM it is to hear the passion according to John, sing the traditional hymns associated with the crucifixion, and to offer prayers for people in all conditions of life. The services focus on the contemplation and adoration of the cross, a means of death becomes the means of life and salvation. We will leave this service in silence.

On Saturday evening we will gather outside at 7 PM for the most ancient liturgy the Church has—the **Vigil of Easter**, the original celebration of Jesus’ death and resurrection. It begins in the darkness of Good Friday with the striking of a new fire from which the paschal candle is lighted. We will process into the darkened church carrying this light of Christ. A song will be sung that proclaims the wonder of Christ and his resurrection, then we will listen to a series of Bible readings to remember God’s prior actions to save his people. We will renew our baptismal promises as a sign of the way the hope of the resurrection comes into our lives. Then we will celebrate the resurrection with the Lord’s Supper.

We look at The Triduum as one single celebration that lasts for three days. We do not spend all of the three days in church, but at various times during those days, we are called to church to gather and remember together. You are encouraged to make participating in worship during these Three Days a high priority in the time preceding Easter Sunday.

# Uniting our Eyes, Ears, Hands, Hearts, and Lives in the Journey of Lent

The season of Lent is a journey. A journey with Jesus from life, to death, to life again. It's a journey for us as faithful followers of Jesus who also journey from life to death, to life again. And this year it's a journey for our congregation as many of us are engaged in reading the book *Unbinding Your Heart* and participating in small groups.

Along this journey, we are drawn into a deeper love of God, each other, and our neighbors. The journey to living out the great commandment to "love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength" (Mark 12:30) involves the whole body, the whole body of an individual and the whole body of the congregation.

In your home devotions during this journey of Lent, I invite you to use this prayer every day so that the whole body is praying together.

## **PRAYER**

*Jesus Christ, this time of year we remember your time on earth. We remember your hunger and your time of prayer. Be with us now and open our eyes to all who hunger. We remember that you prayed and listened for God's voice. Be with us now and open our ears so we can hear what the hungry want us to know. We remember how you touched and healed all manner of people. Be with us now and open our hands to touch all who hunger. We remember how you loved all people. Be with us now and open our hearts to feel connected with all who hunger. We remember how your whole life was about teaching us about God. Be with us now and show us how to have life and have it more abundantly. Show us how to share that abundance with all who hunger. Walk with us during this Lenten Journey and help us to be changed and to bring change in the world. Amen.*

Then, after the prayer, enter into a time of silence. You're invited to use the coloring page that is included in the newsletter (page 5) to be still and rest in the presence of God. Let this be a deliberate discipline so pace yourself by coloring a portion of the picture each week. Additional copies of the picture will be at the Welcome Center.

## **A TIME OF SILENCE**

*Bring color to what was black and white. Walk with Jesus through the Labyrinth of your eye, your ear, your hands, your heart, and your life. With God's help, consider how you might see and hear things in a new way. Consider how you might pray in a new way. Consider how you might feel connected to all of creation in a new way. Consider how you might live abundantly with God's help. (When "walking" a paper labyrinth, trace the way to the middle, pause in prayer, and then trace the way out.)*

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Consider incorporating the Blessing for the Journey into your daily routine.

## *Blessing for the Journey*

*May God bless our eyes.  
May they see more clearly those who hunger.  
May they see more clearly the big picture of our involvement.  
May they see a way toward change.*



*May God bless our ears.  
May they hear what the hungry need us to know.  
May they hear the cry of God's people for unity.  
May they hear plans of change.*



*May God bless our hands.  
May they touch our neighbors in community.  
May they build solutions together.  
May they join with others in prayer for change.*



*May God bless our hearts.  
May they feel connected with all of nature.  
May they feel connected with all people.  
May they find connection with you, God, and find room for change.*



*May God bless our lives.  
May we live creatively.  
May we live simply.  
May we live generously.  
May we live knowing you are with us. Amen.*





## HELP WANTED:

Seeking individuals who enjoy non-stress, independent projects:-)

*[a.k.a. Stamping the name/address of St. Philip Lutheran Church on multiple copies of choral, instrumental and handbell music]*

Throughout its history, St. Philip Lutheran Church has been blessed to have acquired a library of printed sacred music. Now, in 2016, as the organization and cataloging process continues within the Music Room walls, there is GREAT need of persons who might be looking for a new way to participate in the ministries of this congregation.

Set your own hours, select one color of an array of ink pads, open a drawer of music, and... you are ready to begin this exciting venture!

Interested in knowing more?

Chat with Marcia K-B, Director of Music Ministries, or...  
email her at: [marciakb@st-philip.org](mailto:marciakb@st-philip.org)



# A CONFERENCE DAY RETREAT

## *celebrating joy*

**Mark your calendars Now!**  
**A Conference Day Retreat**  
**Celebrating Joy – Saturday, April 16, 2016**

*“The joy of the Lord is our strength” Nehemiah 8:10*

Ezra the priest had just read and explained the Book of the Law to the Israelites and the people were feeling overwhelmed. The full magnitude of the Law seemed impossible to live up to. But Nehemiah said to them “go and enjoy choice food and sweet drinks, and send some to those who have nothing prepared. This day is sacred to our Lord. Do not grieve, for the joy of the Lord is your strength.” Essentially he was saying: do not focus on your hardship, rejoice in what God has

done for you and share your joy with others.

These days we all feel overwhelmed. We all have so many responsibilities and can feel hopeless in the face of all of the negative news we see in the world. The purpose of this conference is to offer hope and comfort by encouraging one another to celebrate and share what God has done for us. God wants us to be happy and delights in our joy.

This event will include several female Lutheran pastors, including Pastor Pam, who will be presenting their own perspective on the theme topic of joy. Between speakers there will be

praise, prayer and worship. A simple bag lunch will be provided. While the event is geared towards women, there is no reason that men could not attend.

The date is set for April 16th. It will take place at Abiding Presence Lutheran Church in Fuquay Varina. The cost of the event will be \$20.00 per person. Look for more information on how to sign up for this event in the coming weeks. Come and enjoy a day of Fellowship! For more information, please contact Murney Rinholm [bgr@nc.rr.com](mailto:bgr@nc.rr.com) or Debbie Worden [apexdebbie@aol.com](mailto:apexdebbie@aol.com). We hope to see you on April 16th.

## *We've Agreed to Become an Internship Site, Now What?*

At the Annual Meeting on Sunday, Feb. 14, the congregation approved becoming an internship site for seminarians preparing to be pastors. The congregation also approved increasing the 2016 budget by \$17,000 to cover the associated expenses for 2016.

Here's an update on what's happened since that meeting and the process moving forward.

- 1) Our Congregation Application for an Intern has been submitted to Lutheran Theological Southern Seminary (LTSS).
- 2) The coordinator for internship assignments at the seminary reviews the applications from congregations willing to serve as a host site and the applications from potential interns to identify a good fit for both congregation and intern.
- 3) The coordinator will consult with the supervising pastors at the congregations to ensure that the potential matches are good fits.
- 4) The potential interns are notified about their internship assignments in late March.
- 5) After the seminarians know where they are assigned, the supervising pastor can inform the congregation about who they will be hosting.

### **Next Steps:**

Formation of an Internship Committee – this committee would handle the logistics (housing, moving, etc.) of hosting an intern and would meet monthly with the intern to talk about what they are learning. They would participate in a mid-year and final evaluation process. Speak to Pastor Pam if you feel called to work closely with the intern.

Arrival of the intern – most likely the intern will begin their year of internship in August 2016. They may come for a visit before they begin their work among us.

Internship expectations – it is expected that the intern will participate in every aspect of congregational life. This is a full-time position and will include one day off each week. He or she will preach, assist in worship, lead Bible study, teach classes, visit the sick and the homebound, attend committee and council meetings, plan worship, support ministries, and engage different aspects of parish administration.

Financial considerations – As always, regular and generous financial giving by everyone in the faith community is necessary throughout this year to support the spending plan of St. Philip. If you wish to make a contribution over and beyond your usual giving to support this new ministry, please note "internship" on the memo line.

## *Building Up Event*

On Saturday, January 30, congregation council members, staff, and committee and small group leaders gathered for a leadership training event. The event was planned and organized by the Mutual Ministry team of St. Philip. The Rev. Doug Kearney, an interim pastor in the N.C. Synod, facilitated the event. The workshop included a short worship service and the sharing of Holy Communion.

The purpose of the event was to support, develop, and enable ministry leaders to help unleash the assets and gifts within St. Philip for the building up of the Body of Christ. In small table groups, the ministry leaders discussed the joyful aspects and the challenging aspects of church leadership. Some of the joys identified include: being part of a team, getting to know people, making a difference, and serving God and the community. Some of the challenges included: budget constraints, getting volunteers, and carving out time. Later in the workshop, the table groups explored and shared strategies for addressing the challenging aspects.

We talked together about organizational effectiveness and identified the need for us to be more intentional about how our different ministries relate to each other. It was noted that newcomers and members might see our congregational structure as various random and loosely configured ministries. This makes it extremely difficult for people to participate more fully in the life of the congregation. In a leadership exercise, a ball of yarn was randomly tossed across and around the large circle formed by 30 participants. This created a web of connectedness as we explored the relationships among us and acknowledging that it takes each one of us to accomplish the ministries of St. Philip. Then different people were asked to let go of the yarn demonstrating that when someone disengages the entire structure becomes more fragile.

Ministry leaders were given a toolkit to strengthen their work. This toolkit included resources for inviting others to participate in the various ministries, sample prayers and devotional materials, resources for facilitating the work of a group, and templates for communication. They also received a directory and a document summarizing all the different ways that members indicated a desire to participate in ministry.

Ministry leaders were challenged to grow their ministry by 10%! So, you may be getting a call from a ministry leader inviting YOU to participate in some way. God has called each one of us to St. Philip and has equipped us for the work that God gives us to do. Your unique skills, abilities and gifts are essential to the healthy functioning of St. Philip!





## *How to Make St. Philip Church More Welcoming*

*Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for thereby some have entertained angels unawares.” Hebrews 13:2*

*Jesus said, “Come, O blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepares for you from the foundation of the world; for I... was a stranger and you welcomed me...”  
Matthew 25:34*

Church visitors are VIP's because:

- ...the Christian church exists for mission
- ...because many are seeking God and a church family
- ...because they often have a specific need.

Join us during Sunday School hour on April 10 and 17 to learn more about how we can become a more warm and welcoming congregation. We'll explore what conditions make a church more welcoming and discuss how each of us can do our part to welcome the stranger. The point is that regardless of whether you are shy or open, you can be a part of this and we will show you ways you can serve.

## *Financial Peace University*

Tired of living with debt? Feel like you can't catch up on loan payments? Paying the minimum on Credit Cards? Do you have an Emergency Fund?

There's no need to feel embarrassed or overwhelmed, come get help. Learn God's way of handling money with Dave Ramsey's *Financial Peace University*. This 9-week class will show you how to get rid of debt, manage your money, spend and save wisely and more! The average turnaround is \$8,000 in the first 3 months!

Classes begin March 28th at St. Philip. Sign up at <http://www.daveramsey.com/fpu/classfinder>





## WHAT HOME MEANS TO A CHILD

Did you know that last year at PLM Families Together, over **60%** of the 346 individuals we served were children under the age of 16? The effect of homelessness on children is greater than we might ever be able to understand, but what we do know is this: Children experiencing homelessness are more likely to drop out of school, be exposed to violence, and face a host of mental health and other issues. So keeping families together during this traumatic time is critical for their success as well as the community's.

We believe that every family deserves a home, and children should never have to wonder where they're going to sleep at night. That's why we connect families with children to a stable home as quickly as possible so they can begin the process of bettering their lives. Beginning on April 1<sup>st</sup> and running until May 31<sup>st</sup>, you will have the opportunity to say, "I believe that every child in our community deserves a home" by supporting our 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Campaign. We have great teams who will be helping us with this most important fundraiser and we hope you'll support us in our efforts.

What does home mean to a child? We'll let them tell you!

"Somewhere to put your clothes"

"Because you can always share good moments with your family"

"You could always keep your food in a cold place"

"Where mom and daddy keep me safe"

***Share and help us get the word out***

*Do you use Instagram? Connect with us (PLMFT).*

*You'll also find regular updates on our Facebook page ([www.facebook.com/PLMFT](http://www.facebook.com/PLMFT)),  
and on Twitter (@PLMFT).*



Please join us Saturday,  
March 19, 8:30-noon for a  
property spring work day.  
We will be doing projects  
inside and out. We need all  
available hands.

## Abundance Ministry

### *What is Abundance Ministry?*

*This ministry grew out of a need we saw through developing relationships with those we serve through Brown Bag Ministry. Many of us have an abundance, more than enough. In fact, our stuff sometimes complicates our lives. This ministry creates a win-win situation! We bring in our stuff (gently used clothes, housewares, shoes, strollers, highchairs, etc.) and then the families we serve at Cedar Point, families in need, can come and 'shop' for what they need.*

### *What are the Ministry*

*Needs? Prayers...that with what we share we offer hope and security to people in need. Your donations! Your hands!*

### *When does this happen?*

*We meet every 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday between 11:30 and 1:30 in Luther Hall to organize donations and host families who have a need. If you are interested in being part of Abundance Ministry in any way, please contact Stacey Bell at [raleighbells@gmail.com](mailto:raleighbells@gmail.com).*

### *Acceptable Items:*

*Gently used clothes  
New underwear, bras, socks  
Books/School supplies  
Kitchen necessities  
Bedding  
Gently used shoes  
Baby items: high chairs, strollers, pack & play, car seats (all in safe, working order and clean)  
TVs in working order with all parts/remotes  
For large items like bikes or furniture, please contact Stacey Bell.*

It's almost Spring. Practice leaving the house now by coming to **The Men's Breakfast Club, 8:30 am on March 22<sup>nd</sup>**. Join us at Big Ed's in Quail Corners Shopping Center, 5009 Falls of Neuse Road. Enjoy good food and fellowship. To reserve your place; talk to, call, or email Frank Bouknight (919-302-1812 or [bouknightf@yahoo.com](mailto:bouknightf@yahoo.com)).



## MEN'S BREAKFAST



The next Ladies Lunch will be held at First Watch, 6320 Capital Blvd, on April 7th beginning at noon. This is the FIRST Thursday in April. Mark your calendar now. We are looking forward to catching up with everyone after the sabbatical. Sign up with Sandra Kelly, 919-247-1038 or [sankelly55@hotmail.com](mailto:sankelly55@hotmail.com). Also, let Sandy know if you need transportation.

MILESTONES: Get your cards ready to mail and help a couple of members celebrate their **90<sup>th</sup> Birthday.**

**March 11**, James Harris, 8005 Shellnut Road, Raleigh, NC 27615

**March 22**, Esther Arne, 1200 Carlos Drive, Apt. 409, Raleigh, NC 27609

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU !!!**





## Easter Lilies

*If you would like to place a lily in the Church Sanctuary to decorate for the Easter season, complete this form and place it in the offering plate or drop it off at the church office. Check payable to "St. Philip Lutheran Church" for \$12.50 and note "Easter Lilies" in the memo line. If you would like to donate to the large palms please indicate below.*

**The deadline is Palm Sunday, March 20.**

Number of Lilies \_\_\_\_\_ Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Large Palm Donation Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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*Please print clearly and exactly as you wish the name(s) to appear in the bulletin on Easter Sunday.*



## All Youth Sleepover - May 6th

**Who:** K - 12th Grades

**Where:** St. Philip

**Time:** 7:00PM Friday - 8:00AM Saturday

**What to Bring:** pj's, sleeping bag, and a great attitude

Let us know if we are expecting your child!!



## New Mothers Blessing

Join us on May 8th at the 11:15 service to celebrate and gift our new mothers!

## GRADUATE MILESTONE BLESSING MAY 15TH AT THE 11:15 SERVICE

Join us as we gather to celebrate our graduates as they prepare to enter the next phase of their lives. We will bless and gift our graduates at the 11:15 service.



## First Camp Experience Blessing

Attention rising third graders!!! Beginning this summer, you are now old enough to attend sleep away camp at Camp Agape with St. Philip! Camp is an experience that leaves lasting memories in faith development. At camp youth get to learn more about themselves and their faith while enjoying the blessings of an intentionally Christian community, new friendships, Creation, games, music, devotions, swimming, hiking, crafts and on and on and on. We would like to bless and gift our rising third graders on May 22nd to mark this milestone!!



# Car Wash – June 5th



The middle and high school youth will worship together at 8AM and will then wash cars throughout the remainder of the morning. Our hope is to continue our efforts to raise money for the Youth Scholarship Fund which helps many of our youth get to camp, retreats, mission trips, and National Youth Gathering.

Free will offerings will be greatly appreciated!!

Bring your cars dirty!!

## Campfirmation 2016

<b>Who?</b>	Current 7th Graders
<b>What?</b>	Campfirmation
<b>Where?</b>	Camp Agape
<b>When?</b>	June 12-17, 2016
<b>Cost?</b>	\$435

• **Payment Schedule:**

- ~ Deposit \$150 due with registration by Nov 1
- ~ 2nd Installment of \$150 due by Jan. 30
- ~ Final Payment of \$135 due by April 3rd



# March

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		<b>1</b> <b>10:00 AM</b> Staff Meeting <b>7:00 PM</b> Boy Scouts	<b>2</b> <b>9:30 AM</b> Preschool Chapel <b>5:45 PM</b> GROW Meal <b>6:20 PM</b> Youth Choir <b>6:45 PM</b> MS & HS Youth Groups <b>6:45 PM</b> Joyful Noise Kidz Choir <b>6:45 PM</b> Unbinding Your Heart <b>7:15 PM</b> Jr Youth Group <b>7:45 PM</b> Adult Choir	<b>3</b> <b>10:00 AM</b> Unbinding Your Heart	<b>4</b> <b>10:00 AM</b> Al-Anon <b>7:00 PM</b> AA	<b>5</b> <b>7:00 PM</b> AA
<b>6</b> <b>8:00 AM</b> Worship Service with Communion <b>9:10 AM</b> Crossing <b>9:15 AM</b> Unbinding Your Heart <b>10:20 AM</b> Sunday School <b>11:15 AM</b> Worship Service with Communion <b>11:15 AM</b> Unbinding Your Heart <b>1:30 PM</b> RAFA Rehearsal	<b>7</b> <b>10:00 AM</b> Unbinding Your Heart <b>6:45 PM</b> Unbinding Your Heart	<b>8</b> <b>10:00 AM</b> Staff Meeting <b>11:30 AM</b> Saints & Sinners <b>5:30 PM</b> PLMFT Training <b>7:00 PM</b> Preschool <b>7:00 PM</b> Boy Scouts	<b>9</b> <b>9:30 AM</b> Preschool Chapel <b>9:30 AM</b> Quilting <b>5:45 PM</b> GROW Meal <b>6:20 PM</b> Youth Choir <b>6:45 PM</b> MS & HS Youth Groups <b>6:45 PM</b> Joyful Noise Kidz Choir <b>6:45 PM</b> Unbinding Your Heart <b>7:15 PM</b> Jr Youth Group <b>7:45 PM</b> Adult Choir	<b>10</b> <b>10:00 AM</b> Unbinding Your Heart <b>6:30 PM</b> Girl Scouts <b>7:00 PM</b> Finance <b>7:00 PM</b> UYH Facilitators	<b>11</b> <b>10:00 AM</b> Al-Anon <b>7:00 PM</b> AA	<b>12</b> <b>10:00 AM</b> Brown Bag Ministry <b>7:00 PM</b> AA
<b>13 Daylight Savings</b> <b>8:00 AM</b> Worship Service with Communion <b>9:10 AM</b> Crossing <b>9:15 AM</b> Unbinding Your Heart <b>10:20 AM</b> Sunday School <b>11:15 AM</b> Worship Service with Communion <b>11:15 AM</b> Unbinding Your Heart <b>1:30 PM</b> RAFA Rehearsal <b>6:00 PM</b> Congregation Council <b>6:30 PM</b> Handbell Practice	<b>14</b> <b>10:00 AM</b> Unbinding Your Heart <b>6:45 PM</b> Unbinding Your Heart	<b>15</b> <b>8:30 AM</b> Men's Breakfast <b>10:00 AM</b> Staff Meeting <b>5:30 PM</b> PLMFT Training <b>7:00 PM</b> Boy Scouts	<b>16</b> <b>9:30 AM</b> Preschool Chapel <b>5:45 PM</b> GROW Meal <b>6:20 PM</b> Youth Choir <b>6:45 PM</b> MS & HS Youth Groups <b>6:45 PM</b> Joyful Noise Kidz Choir <b>6:45 PM</b> Unbinding Your Heart <b>7:15 PM</b> Jr Youth Group <b>7:45 PM</b> Adult Choir	<b>17</b> <b>10:00 AM</b> Unbinding Your Heart <b>4:30 PM</b> Salvation Army	<b>18</b> <b>10:00 AM</b> Al-Anon <b>7:00 PM</b> AA	<b>19</b> <b>8:30 AM</b> Property Spring Workday <b>7:00 PM</b> AA
<b>20</b> <b>8:00 AM</b> Worship Service with Communion <b>9:10 AM</b> Crossing <b>9:15 AM</b> Unbinding Your Heart <b>10:20 AM</b> Sunday School <b>11:15 AM</b> Worship Service with Communion <b>11:15 AM</b> Unbinding Your Heart	<b>21</b> <b>5:30 PM</b> PLMFT	<b>22</b> <b>10:00 AM</b> Staff Meeting <b>6:30 PM</b> Women's Group <b>7:00 PM</b> Boy Scouts	<b>23</b> <b>9:30 AM</b> Preschool Chapel <b>9:30 AM</b> Quilting	<b>24</b> <b>12:00 PM</b> Maundy Thursday Service <b>6:30 PM</b> Girl Scouts <b>7:00 PM</b> Maundy Thursday Service	<b>25</b> <b>10:00 AM</b> Al-Anon <b>12:00 PM</b> Good Friday Service <b>7:00 PM</b> Good Friday Service <b>7:00 PM</b> AA	<b>26</b> <b>10:00 AM</b> Brown Bag Ministry <b>7:00 PM</b> Easter Vigil <b>7:00 PM</b> AA
<b>27 EASTER SUNDAY</b> <b>8:00 AM</b> Worship Service with Communion <b>9:10 AM</b> Crossing <b>11:15 AM</b> Worship Service with Communion	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b> <b>9:30 AM</b> Quilting	<b>31</b>		



## Upcoming Newcomer Orientation

*Are you interested in learning more about the Lutheran Church and the ministries of St. Philip?  
Have you been worshipping at St. Philip and are considering becoming part of this community of faith?*

If you answered “yes” to either of these questions, then attending a Newcomer Orientation is the thing for you! The next Newcomer Orientation is a 4 session class that will be held on the following Sunday mornings **May 1, May 8, May 15, and May 22 at 10:20 am** (during Sunday School). Mark these dates on your calendar and make plans to attend!

Newcomers will be received into membership at the service they attend on Sunday, June 5. Pick up a brochure at the Welcome Center or on the table outside of Kepley Hall. Please register so that we can be sure to have enough materials on hand.

You may register by:

Completing the form in the brochure.

By clicking on the event in the MyChurch app and tapping on “register.” Open the Event tab of the app and scroll through the calendar until you get to May 1, then select the event and tap on “register.”

Calling the church office at 919-846-2992.

If you have questions or need more information please contact at Pastor Pam.



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Deadline for the April Epistle is **Tuesday, March 15**. Submissions should be sent to Natalie at [admin@st-philip.org](mailto:admin@st-philip.org). Submissions received after the 15th may be sent out in the weekly E-News.

Deadline for E-News and BBN is Wednesday at 12:00 noon.

**Sunday Morning Schedule:**  
8:00 a.m. Traditional Service  
9:10 a.m. Crossing Service in  
Kepley Hall  
10:20 a.m. Sunday School  
11:15 a.m. Traditional Service

Office Hours: 8:30am-4:30pm  
Website: [www.st-philip.org](http://www.st-philip.org)

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