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# The Philippian

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Dear Friends,

One of my several dozen favorite quotes is “If the only prayer you said was thank you, that would be enough.” (Meister Eckhart). Giving thanks to God is something we should do often. Saying thank you is our humble acknowledgement that God is the source of all that is good and holy in our lives including our very life. The beauty and blessing that surrounds each of us is the gift of a glimpse of the Eternal One, and that should bring us peace and a natural desire to give thanks.

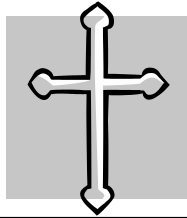
November is a time each year that we in this country dedicate to Thanksgiving. I know that I am daily thankful to be your rector and pastor, and the blessings I receive from being a part of this community of faith are too many to count. One blessing is to see the members of this parish giving thanks to God through so many different forms of stewardship. Rare is the day that there is not one or more person in the church quietly volunteering their time and talents for the betterment of all of us.

Giving back to God through the church is one way to say thank you.

On the Wednesday night before Thanksgiving Day, we will again have our service of thanks in the church. On Thanksgiving Day, I assume most of us will be engaged in much eating, visiting with family, and football. Amid all of those good things, please do not forget to pray. Pray for those with no family. Pray for those protecting us. Pray for those less fortunate than we. First and foremost, however, pray thank you.

In Christ,

*Fr. Steve +*



### We Can Help!

*St. Philip's is offering  
free tutoring!*



Sessions are being offered here at the church Monday through Friday, 3:00PM to 6:00PM. Anyone who wishes to bring children for help or would like to tutor, please contact the church office at 504-394-2408 or Jamie Camardelle 504-208-0054. Tutors may choose what and how many hours they want to teach.



### **The Vestry and Vestry Notes**

The Rev. Stephen Craft, Susette Bradley, Ken Bradley, Mark Bullard, Norma Gatlin, Geneva Landry, Gordon Stackel, Susan Smith and Kayce Stackel.

1. The Jr. Warden reported a recently shattered window should be replaced with Plexiglass.
2. The ongoing upgrade of security around the building was discussed including fencing and cameras. Fr. Steve will contact the commander of the 4<sup>th</sup> District to check on NOPD's shared camera program.
3. A dumpster will be ordered for the first part of November to facilitate the cleaning and upgrade of the back building as well as to dispose of limbs from tree trimming. This will be paid for by a donation from a parishioner.
4. Beginning in November, Morning Prayer will be said Monday – Thursday at 8:30 in the chapel.
5. In November, Fr. Steve will lose his COBRA health insurance from Ochsner and will go on church insurance. This will cause an increase of around \$300.00 per month.

### **Office Hours:**

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### November Church Closing

2nd	Susan Smith Mark Bullard	23rd	Kayce Stackel Susette Bradley
9th	Kayce Stackel Susette Bradley	30th	Ken Bradley Gordon Stackel
16th	Norma Gatlin Geneva Landry		

### September Financial Statement

Income:	\$18,506.00
Expenses:	-\$22,233.00
YTD Projected Net Income:	-\$18,485.00
YTD Actual:	-\$11,324.00

### Regular Worship Schedule

#### Weekend Services

##### **Sunday:**

8:00AM	Holy Eucharist, Rite I
10:30AM	Holy Eucharist, Rite II
11:40AM	Coffee and Fellowship

##### **Saturday:**

5:00PM	Holy Eucharist, Rite II
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#### Weekday Services

##### **Monday:**

2:00 P.M. The Landing

##### **Tuesday:**

6:30 P.M. Adult Bible Study

##### **Wednesday:**

9:00AM Holy Eucharist followed by Bible Study

### FROM THE PARISH REGISTER:

New Baptized Member:

**Keith Herron**

Holy Matrimony:

**Amy Byrne and Shane Young**

Rite of Christian Burial:

**Marion Wright**

## Scouts Corner

At the end of summer troop 60 took a four night backpacking trip in the Blue Ridge Mountains in Georgia and trekked a small part of the Benton McKaye trail.

Last weekend, the troop went to Clear Springs, MS for an overnight trip. Everyone enjoyed the weather. They focused on cooking and fire building with the 5 new scouts that bridged over recently. As is done annually, Troop 60 will be at Applebee's on Gen. de Gaulle on Veteran's Day to serve the Veterans.

## First Fridays

Listed below are the last two **First Fridays** for 2014! Please consider signing up to sponsor a First Friday in the new year. It's a wonderful opportunity to share time with your church family and have lots of fun too!

**November 7th Noretta & Gordon Stackel**  
**December 5th Grace Benson**



Call the office to host a **First Friday** in 2015!

## Sanctuary Farm and Wellness News...

Since our October Wellness Program, I have seen a great amount of enthusiasm from Wellness fans regarding the recipes. I have spoken with many folks who have been creating these healthy foods for themselves and their families. This is so exciting to me because that's why we are here! The information we provide in Wellness can only work to help you if you take it home with you and make it part of your life. Although our monthly visits are fun, supportive and good for your spirit, the effort you give to maintaining wellness must continue when you are away from your church family. It is so very important to determine where your individual needs are and work daily to overcome that which prevents you from living in optimal wellness. We want to do everything we can to help, but only you can do that work for you. As you know, we have been working diligently on our Wellness-To-Go program through the Sanctuary Farms web site. Very soon Wellness Program menu items will be available at the click of a button!

Our next **Wellness Program** will be **Wednesday, November 19th, 6:30 pm** in the **Parish Hall**. This program is free and open to the public although we do take donations to cover the cost of food and research materials. Childcare is provided. Come and bring a friend!

Also, the **Prep and Prepare Program** will be **Tuesday, November 18th, 9am to Noon** in the **Parish Hall**. Bring your chopping knife and board and come give us a hand as we get ready for Wednesday night!

## November Readings

- 2nd **Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost**  
Micah 3:5-12  
Psalm 43  
1 Thessalonians 2:9-13  
Matthew 23:1-12
- 9th **Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost**  
Wisdom of Solomon 6:12-16  
Psalm 70  
1 Thessalonians 4:13-18  
Matthew 25:1-13
- 16th **Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost**  
Zephaniah 1:7, 12-18  
Psalm 90:1-12  
1 Thessalonians 5:1-11  
Matthew 25:14-30
- 23rd **Christ the King**  
Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24  
Psalm 95:1-7a  
Ephesians 1:15-23  
Matthew 25:31-46
- 30th **First Sunday of Advent**  
Isaiah 64:1-9  
Psalm 80:1-7, 16-18  
1 Corinthians 1:3-9  
Mark 13:24-37

**Altar Guild for November**

- 2nd Betty Gaudet, Mary Olsen, Don Schwarzenbach, Frances Webb
- 9th Joy Kaler, Connie Brechtel, Anne Cain
- 16th Mary Ann Bass, Grace Benson, Anne Lewis
- 23rd Pat Blackman, Martine Lowe, Joy Miller
- 26th Volunteers, Thanksgiving Service, Wed., 7:00P.M.
- 30th Betty Gaudet, Mary Olsen, Don Schwarzenbach, Frances Webb

**A Time for Healing**

**St. Martin's** is hosting a **Healing Service**. The **Real Presence Trio** featuring Jack Craft on cello, the voice of Kimberly Mouledoux and Jim Walpole on piano will perform a healing concert which will take place on **Thursday, November 13, at 6:30p.m. at St. Martin's Episcopal Church**. This is a wonderful opportunity to spend time in God's presence and allow him to wrap his arms around you and fill you with hope, love and peace.

Are you on "Facebook"?



You can help your church grow in two easy steps! Search St. Philip's New Orleans and become a friend! Then invite your friends to become friends too!

Congratulations to all of those who took the challenge and managed to lose unwanted pounds in October! I was able to meet my goal of a ten pound loss and plan to work to loose 5 pounds per month until the summer! I feel so much better! Keep up the good work and feel free to come meet with me if you'd like some helpful hints on how you can start walking on your own personal path to Wellness! Lots of love, Mimi

**UPCOPMING ECW EVENTS**

**BAKE SALE**

The ECW of the Diocese of Louisiana will be holding a bake sale to benefit Youth Conference Center. **November 2nd, The Great Bake Sale** will be offering goodies for sale and all proceeds will go to the YCC! Get some yummys for a good cause.

**INGATHERING**

**November 23rd is United Thank Offering Fall Ingathering.** Please bring in your collections or write a check payable to the United Thank Offering.

**November Altar Flowers**

- 2nd Joy Miller
- 9th Heintz family/ Zrabkowski family
- 16th Hammatt
- 23rd Lyon family
- 30th Advent (there are no altar flowers during Advent)

**Serving Our Worship in November**

**8:00AM Eucharist**

**Lectors:**

- 2nd Allen Hero
- 9th Frances Webb
- 16th Mark Bullard
- 23rd Rob Zrabkowski
- 26th Jean Heintz (Thanksgiving service, Wed., 7:00P.M.)
- 30th Allen Hero

**Lay Eucharistic Ministers:**

- 2nd Allen Hero
- 9th Frances Webb
- 16th Mark Bullard
- 23rd Rob Zrabkowski
- 26th Jean Heintz (Thanksgiving service, Wed., 7:00P.M.)
- 30th Norma Gatlin

**November Ushers**

- 2nd Melissa Zrabkowski, Brett Heintz
- 9th Jim Lyon, Jim Olsen
- 16th Casey Bass, Mary Ann Bass
- 23rd Pamala Judd, Morris Judd
- 30th Pat Blackman, Volunteer

**November Hospitality Guild**

**St. Joan Team:**

**Team Captain :** Anne Cain  
Mildred Smith, Janet West, Connie Brechtel, Martine Lowe.

**Serving Our Worship in November**

**10:30 AM Eucharist**

**Lectors**

- 2nd Susan Smith
- 9th Bonnie Warren
- 16th Martin Lowe
- 23rd Jamie Camardelle
- 26th Jean Heintz (Thanksgiving service, Wed., 7:00P.M.)
- 30th Susan Smith

**Lay Eucharistic Ministers**

- 2nd Don Schwarzenbach
- 9th Sherri Hammatt
- 16th Jean Heintz
- 23rd Pat Blackman
- 26th Jean Heintz (Thanksgiving service, Wed., 7:00P.M.)
- 30th Rob Zrabkowski

**Acolytes**

- 2nd Sophia Lucurto
- 9th Jamie Camardelle
- 16th VOLUNTEER
- 23rd Tyler Hargrave
- 30th Sophia Lucurto

**November Church Opening**

Joy Kaler, Grace Benson