

June 20, 2021



St. Philip's inSPIRE

THE FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Theology on Tap:

A New Twice-Monthly Gathering for Young Adults



“Two priests walk into a bar ...” It sounds more like the beginning of a joke than the beginning of a ministry. But I assure you, Theology on Tap is no joke! Rooted in the convictions that (1) everyone is a theologian (has thoughts about God) and (2) everyone longs for genuine friendships and

meaningful conversation (even, perhaps especially, if they don't go to church), two St. Philip's priests, Brian McGreevy and I (Justin), set out to create an environment where people in their 20s-30s could feel welcomed and relaxed enough to be their true selves and honestly ask *anything*.

After three young adults approached us with the idea in May, the Lord quickly began opening doors (sometimes literally). A neighbor of one of these young adults owns Henry's on the Market, and he kindly donated their swanky Whiskey Room throughout the summer to host us. If you've never been to the Whiskey Room at Henry's, just imagine a jazzy speak-easy combined with an art studio filled with comfortable seating and a few tables sprinkled throughout.

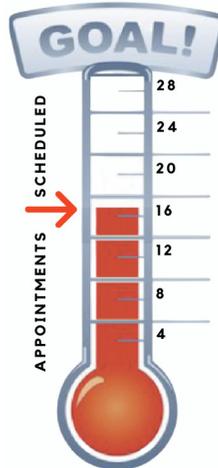
Word began to spread about our idea, and since the room can only hold about 30-40 comfortably, we didn't really advertise our first event beyond word of mouth. But by 7:15 p.m. on Wednesday, June 2, 50 folks had crammed into the Whiskey Room, grabbed a drink, and taken a seat as Brian and I began. Essentially, the two of us have a mic'd conversation (imagine a “live podcast”) over a specific topic. At our first gathering, we addressed the rampant anxiety of young people. Next we will discuss loneliness and how Christian friendship is something that is desperately needed today. The most exciting part of the night is when we start to answer all the anonymous questions that were submitted using an app. It's easier to ask the real questions that lie in our hearts when we don't have to raise our hand, and thanks to modern technology, we can receive and engage these questions from a live audience.



If this first gathering is any indication, our hunch was right. After all, we are convinced that Jesus is what all our hearts ultimately long for and his gospel is the ultimate solution to our deepest needs. As we seek to be hospitable to all who come and combine truth and grace the way our Lord did, we pray that we might see many come to or be revitalized in their faith and refreshed in their relationships. We, indeed, are excited to see how God continues to work in this ministry in the days ahead!

—Justin+

Blood Drive Is Just Around the Corner: Help Us Reach 30 Appointments!



Blood Drive registration is open! The drive is on June 29 from 12:00-6:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall, but you can help the Home Missions Team reach their goal of 30 donors by making your appointment today. Scan the QR code below using the camera on your smartphone or visit stphilipchurchsc.org/events for the links to register and/or volunteer and for helpful information for first-time donors.

**One pint=
Three lives
saved!**



Lightning Strike Damages the Church



Those who tried tuning into the livestream on Sunday know that the church suffered damage from a lightning strike Saturday night, but they may not know the extent of the damage.

The National Weather Service reported five lightning strikes on the Peninsula Saturday night, and one such strike reportedly landed near the corner of Church and Market Streets. More than likely, since the location may be approximate, “near the corner” may just be the tallest landing spot in the area: the St. Philip's steeple.

The steeple bells were damaged beyond repair, as were three of the four video cameras used for streaming and parts of the air conditioning units. But the damage was not limited to the church building itself. The electrical current reached the Ministries Hall (church office building), knocking out one desktop computer and three phones (and temporarily knocking out the entire phone system), along with some PoE (power over ethernet) ports and the network card of the production printer used for the inSPIRE and bulletin preparation.

However, we remain thankful in many ways. The organ console, which was replaced in 2020, was thoroughly protected by a capacitor, relays, and breakers, all of which did their jobs and bore the damage from the current; they will now need to be replaced, but the organ is intact. We are thankful there was no damage to the Parish House building. And we are thankful for swift attention from Ben Singleton, Sexton; Chisolm Leonard, Parish Administrator; and Eric Pickford, Assistant Sexton, all of whom worked to survey and correct any damage they could on Sunday morning.

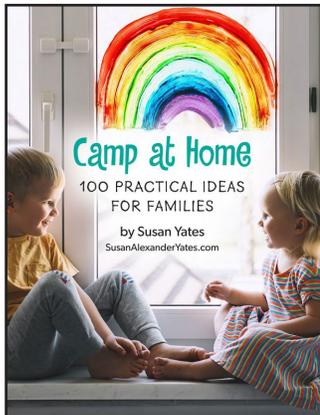
Susan Yates's "Camp at Home," Free e-Book for Parents and Grandparents

A note from Lynn Land Dayton, Generations Ministry: Susan Yates has wonderful ideas for us! Another great one comes from this year's theme at GrandCamp, which is "Family Reunion." Preparing for this time with my grandchildren has challenged me to write my faith story—when and how I asked Jesus into my heart and how my grandparents impacted me with their faith or in other ways. I am making copies of family pictures for a small photo album and sharing my recollections and the faith of our ancestors. I will also tell them about a childhood friend who shared her faith with me—I still remember the very words she said. I will talk about the friends we choose and how they influence us and the importance of having friends who influence us positively. We will talk about making good decisions in other areas as well.

"Only take care, and keep your soul diligently, lest you forget the things that your eyes have seen, and lest they depart from your heart all the days of your life. Make them known to your children and your children's children."—Deuteronomy 4:9

Ready to be intentional with your grandchildren?

From Susan Alexander Yates: Looking for fun, creative ideas to do with your family this summer?



Maybe you feel like . . .

"It's just early summer and I'm already out of ideas for things to do with my kids."

"Finally we're able to have a family gathering, but I'm too exhausted to plan it."

"I'd like to do something with other moms, but I don't know where to begin."

Or maybe you are a grandparent, and you're thinking ...

"At last we get to see our grandkids, but I'm worried that they won't have fun with me (us)."

Here's help for you! I have created an 11-page free ebook for you called "Camp at Home."

This freebie contains a simple plan for creating your own vision for building a strong family. In addition I give you 100 fun activities to do with your kids or grandkids. Ideas for the little years, the middle years, and the teen years.

Also included are ideas for your whole family (cousins, grandparents, extended family members far away) which will enable you to grow closer together as you laugh throughout this summer of '21!

The ideas here can easily be adapted for a neighborhood camp or a church camp.



To get your free ebook, scan the QR code at left using the camera on your smartphone, or visit Susan Yates' website:

susanalexanderyates.com



Sacred Music of the Baltic States: A Doctoral Concert

Directed by Jolene Hethcox,
Candidate for Doctor of Sacred Music
from the Graduate Theological Foundation

Sunday, June 27, at 3:00 p.m.
First Baptist Church of Charleston, 61 Church St.

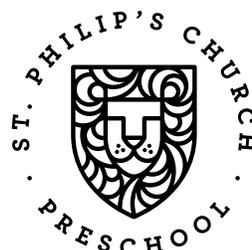
You are invited to attend a concert of the sacred music of the Baltic States on Sunday, June 27, at First Baptist Church! This concert, one of the final requirements of Jo Hethcox's doctorate, features the music of Rihards Dubra, Ēriks Esenvalds, Arvo Pärt, and Uģis Prauliņš. Choir members include professional and volunteer singers and students. Featured soloists are sopranos Katie Clarkson and Jill Hethcox.

About the director: Jo Hethcox earned her Bachelor of Music from the University of Central Florida and her Master of Music from the University of Utah. She has been an organist and choir director in Florida, North Carolina, and South Carolina and was the assistant organist/choirmaster at St. Philip's from 2006 to 2020.

Choral Evensong Recording Available

In preparation for their residency at St. Paul's Cathedral in London next summer, the St. Philip's Choir will be presenting services of choral evensong several times throughout the year.

The most recent service was June 6, and if you missed this contemplative service of prayer and music or if you'd like to listen to it again, you may! Visit our YouTube channel, youtube.com/c/StPhilipsChurch, or scan the QR code at right using your smartphone's camera. You will also find a link to the order of service so you may follow along.



Teaching Position Open at St. Philip's Preschool

St. Philip's Preschool has an opening for a teaching position!

This is a five-day, 8:15 until 12:15 commitment, from August through May. Please email preschool co-directors Lee Moore (lmoore@stphilipschurchsc.org) or Angela

Clark (aclark@stphilipschurchsc.org) or call them at (843) 722-7610 if you would like to apply.

St. Philip's Preschool offers a safe, loving, Christ-centered learning environment with a craft/activity-based curriculum for children ages 3 months through 3 years. Photo below by Travis Dew Photography.



CALENDAR

The inSPIRE will be printed biweekly through September 12

Sunday, June 20 (The Fourth Sunday After Pentecost)

The Rev. Jeffrey S. Miller, preacher

8:15 a.m. **Holy Communion: Rite I - Church**

Usher Richard Hutson

Greeters Heather Dawson

10:30 a.m. Childcare - Parish House

10:30 a.m. **Holy Communion: Rite I**

Ushers Team 4: Bruce Freshley, captain

Greeters Kitti Mullins, Lawrence Hollingsworth

Tuesday, June 22

9:15 a.m. Staff Meeting - Ministries Hall, Parlor

Wednesday, June 23

8:00 a.m. **Morning Prayer: 1928 BCP** - Chapel of the Good Shepherd

Thursday, June 24

7:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study, Dana Heikes - Ministries Hall, Parlor

Friday, June 25

7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study, Guv Gottshalk - Tea Garden

7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study, Group Led - Ministries Hall, Parlor

6:00 p.m. Endless Summer Youth Group - Parish House, Parish Hall

Sunday, June 27 (The Fifth Sunday After Pentecost)

The Rev. Justin C. Hare, preacher

8:15 a.m. **Holy Communion: Rite I - Church**

Greeter Sam and Carol Robinson

Usher Gray Bailey

10:30 a.m. Childcare - Parish House

10:30 a.m. **Morning Prayer: Rite I - Church**

Ushers Team 5: Gregg Lancaster, captain

Greeters Kitti Mullins, Nancy McGowan

Tuesday, June 29

9:15 a.m. Staff Meeting - Ministries Hall, Parlor

12:00 Blood Drive (Parish House, Parish Hall)

Wednesday, June 30

8:00 a.m. **Morning Prayer: 1928 BCP** - Chapel of the Good Shepherd

10:00 a.m. inSPIRE mailing preparation - Ministries Hall, Parlor

Thursday, July 1

7:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study, Dana Heikes - Ministries Hall, Parlor

Friday, July 2

7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study, Guv Gottshalk - Tea Garden

7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study, Group Led - Ministries Hall, Parlor

6:00 p.m. Endless Summer Youth Group - Parish House, Parish Hall

Sunday, July 4 (The Sixth Sunday After Pentecost)

The Rev. Brian K. McGreevy, preacher

8:15 a.m. **Holy Communion: Rite I - Church**

Greeter Heather Dawson

Usher Howell Morrison

10:30 a.m. Childcare - Parish House

10:30 a.m. **Holy Communion: Rite I - Church**

Ushers Team 6: Bradley Wallace, captain

Greeters Tammy Gottshalk, Sara Forbes

Questions about the calendar?

Need to reserve a room for a church meeting or event?

Contact Rachel Murphy: rmurphy@stphilipchurchsc.org

"Proud Momma Moment" at Preschool Summer Camp Session One

Registration Open for Session 2: July 12-16

*Open to St. Philip's Preschool students, members of
St. Philip's, and the surrounding community*

The first session of St. Philip's Preschool summer camp is in the books, and what a great time all the campers had! They played and learned and went home happy each day—one preschool parent reported the "proud momma moment" she had when her three-year-old daughter recited a Bible story to her on their way home!



*Ann Dunn and her
sister Eliza both had
a blast at camp!*

Session two is coming up in July, and registration is open now! The fee per child is \$250, and campers do not have to be St. Philip's Preschool students to attend (campers must have been born after September 1, 2017). Space is limited, with preference given for church members and for full-week camp attendance.



*Visit stphilipchurchsc.org/events or call Lee Moore,
Preschool Co-Director, at (843)722-7610 to register.*



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Facebook and Instagram?**

**Be sure to follow us for
updates throughout the week!**

facebook.com/stphilipchurchsc

Instagram: @st.philips.church

SAVE THE DATE

June 29 - Red Cross Blood Drive (noon-6:00 in the Parish Hall)

July 5 - Independence Day observed (church office closed)

July 12-16 - Preschool Summer Camp (session two)

July 21 - Georgia Boy Choir concert (5:30 p.m.)

WORSHIP INFORMATION

Livestream link, printable bulletin:

Visit stphilipchurchsc.org/news on Sunday morning

St. Philip's World Missions Update from Haiti: St. Jean Baptiste, Our Sister Church and School on La Gonave

by Suzanne McCord, World Missions Committee

Haiti is going through a very difficult time right now. On May 24, Haiti declared a state of health emergency due to the increase in COVID-19 cases. President Jovenel Moise has been ruling by decree after legislative elections due in 2018 were delayed following disputes on the limits of his term. Moise had even announced plans to hold a constitutional referendum to submit a new draft of the constitution to a popular vote on June 27 (three days after St. Jean Baptiste Feast Day, which St. Philipians usually celebrate in Haiti with our sister church). However, this vote was postponed due to the pandemic with no new date given, further deepening the country's political crisis. Insecurity arising from an increase in gang violence and kidnappings for ransom is complicating the situation even more.

Because of the political unrest and the increasing COVID-19 numbers, St. Philipians will not be able to visit our sister church again this year. So, instead of packing our bags (lots of bags) and traveling there in person, we have been filming a video of St. Philip's parishioners sharing their love and continued support for our friends in Haiti. Thank you to all those kind St. Philipians who allowed me to video them on the spur of the moment. Hopefully, when the priest in charge, Père Vil, visits St. Jean Baptiste on June 24, he will be able to take us with him virtually by showing our video on WhatsApp to the members of the church there.



Clockwise from top left: 2019 St. Jean-Baptiste Feast Day service, Clay Hershey hands a fresh Polaroid picture to a student, early construction on middle school in Palma.

In spite of the trials Haitians are facing, our friends on the island of La Gonave remain hopeful and continue to trust the Lord for their future.

Here are a few of the good things happening in Haiti:

Our partners have built a new middle school. Located in Palma, it will be close enough for St. Jean Baptiste to send their 7th-, 8th-, and 9th-grade students. The students were only able to attend school until 6th grade before.

There are plans to build a new fence around the church and school that will help with security and also with proper drainage to prevent erosion.

So please keep our friends in your prayers. Pray for the country to find political stability. Pray for the world to provide vaccines for Haiti, to help protect them from COVID-19 virus and variants. Pray for protection from hurricanes for Haiti and South Carolina.

More good news: Haiti beat Nicaragua 1 to 0 in the first round of the World Cup qualifiers. All Haitians will be cheering their team on! Go, Haiti!



We pray for the sick:

Kay Bartlett, Sam Chesnutt, Sarah Clarkson, Gerry Dickinson, Elizabeth Flowers, James Gettys III, Robert Gould, Steve Green, Jonathan Hanger, Steve Jarrett, Denise Keranen, Claudia Kolster, Joe Livesay, Connor Lowndes, Brumby McLeod, Beverly Melvin, Andrew Nash, Olivia Palmer, Deborah Pollak, Fran Sanders, Rose Tisdale, Carolyn Warlick, Lindsey Wing.

We grieve with and pray for:

Marian and Bart Proctor and family on the death of her sister, Maggie Murdaugh, and nephew, Paul Murdaugh, on June 7.

Pete Sperr and family on the death of his sister, Leslie Sperr Hamilton, on June 9.

We pray for our expectant parents:

Justin and Molly Hare, Tim and Liz Strickland.

We pray for protection for:

Becca Baird, Chris and Julia Beasley, Graham Blunt, Henry Clayton, Ben Colyer, David Daughtridge, Hayes Fair, Morgan and Mason Herring,

Andrew Kane, Horry Kerrison, Charles Kirkman, Frazier Kulze, John Mason, Zach McFadden, Philip Middleton III, Jackson Miller, Ned Montgomery, Edward Pritchard, and David Scott serving in our Armed Forces.

We pray for our home missions:

Star Gospel Mission, Tricounty Family Ministries, Lowcountry Pregnancy Center, St. John's Chapel, and the Open Door Ministry.

We pray for our world missions:

Suzy McCall and LAMB, for the medical missions to Honduras, for ministry to victims of genocide and AIDS in Rwanda, for the Persecuted Church, for Water Mission and the Global Water Center, and for St. Jean Baptiste, our sister church, and the schools in Haiti.

Collect and Readings for Sunday:

O Lord, we beseech thee, make us to have a perpetual fear and love of thy holy Name, for thou never failest to help and govern those whom thou hast set upon the sure foundation of thy loving-kindness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

- 2 Corinthians 5:14-21
- Psalm 107:1-3, 23-32
- Mark 4:35-5:20

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