

# Saint Philip's in the Hills Calendar and Announcements: *The Week of Easter VI*



## WORSHIP AND ACTIVITIES FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

We welcome children in our worship, and we recognize and value the fact that children are wonderfully spontaneous. If you wish, you may make use of the soft space in the West Transept, with an open carpeted area and baskets of soft toys and books (the West Transept is near the front, to the left if you are facing the altar). There is also a more private room, known as the Bride's Room, off of the East Transept, where you may go if you need that type of facility. There is also nursery care available at no charge from 8:30AM until 12:30PM in the Children's Center.

On second Sundays at 9:15AM, we have a special "Comfy Space" service for those who tend to wiggle during worship and those who worship with them, held in the Children's Chapel. During the school year, the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Atriums are open for Children's Formation (Rooms 6,7 and 8 in the Children's Center) and Youth Groups meet in La Parroquia at 10:15AM.

## COMMUNION

All are welcome to come forward at the time of Communion. The standard practice in the Episcopal Church is that those who are Baptized are welcome to receive Holy Communion. If you are visiting today and are not Baptized but are feeling drawn to receive Communion, we hope that you will come forward and receive, and that afterwards you will talk to one of the clergy about Baptism and what it means both to take Bread and to become part of the Body.

If you don't want to receive communion or are unsure, you are more than welcome to come forward for a blessing, indicated by crossing your arms over your chest.

If you have a food sensitivity that requires a **gluten-free Communion Wafer**, simply mention that to the clergy person administering Communion. The receptacle containing the gluten-free Hosts will be brought to you, and you may help yourself to a Host (to avoid cross-contamination). To receive the Wine, you may either drink from the common Chalice or hold it for the Chalice Minister to intinct for you and place on your tongue. For those who have difficulty approaching the Communion rail, you have the option of **receiving Communion in your seat**. Simply notify an usher, or ask a parishioner seated near you to notify an usher for you.

## RESTROOMS

Restrooms are located in the hallway north of the Murphey Gallery, across the Fishpond Garden and up the walkway from the Church. There is a diaper changing table in the gender-neutral ADA-compliant restroom there. Changing tables are also found in both the men's and women's restrooms in the Music Center.

## ACCESSIBILITY

This facility is **fully accessible**. Please speak to an usher if you need assistance. The main area of the Church, forward of the choir stalls, is **looped** to assist those who have difficulty hearing. If you have a T-coil in your hearing aid, you may sit anywhere in this section and hear via the amplification system. **Hearing assist devices** are also available from the ushers. These are operational anywhere in the Church. The ushers will ask for your car keys as a reminder to return the device. **Large print copies** of the Book of Common Prayer are available from the ushers for your use during the service.

## DAILY OFFICE READINGS

Monday <i>Feria</i>	Tuesday <i>Mechthild of Magdeburg</i>	Wednesday <i>Feria</i>	Thursday <i>The Ascension</i>	Friday <i>The Visitation</i>	Saturday <i>Justin Martyr</i>
Psalm 80; AM Psalm 77, 79; PM Deut. 8:1-10; James 1:1-15; Luke 9:18-27	Psalm 78:1-39; AM Psalm 78:40-72; PM Deut. 8:11-20; James 1:16-27; Luke 11:1-13	Psalm 119:97-120; AM Psalm 68:1-20; PM 2 Kings 2:1-15; Revelation 5:1-14; Luke 12:22-31	Psalm 8, 47; AM Psalm 24, 96; PM Ezek. 1:1-14, 24-28b; Hebrews 2:5-18; Matthew 28:16-20	Psalm 72; AM Psalm 146, 147; PM 1 Samuel 1:1-20; Hebrews 3:1-6; John 3:25-30	Psalm 87, 90; AM Psalm 136; PM Ezekiel 3:4-17; Hebrews 5:7-14; Luke 9:37-50

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## Today's Events

### ***Pet Memorial Dedication Today***

This morning at the end of the 9:00AM service we will process to and dedicate the newly-completed pet memorial located in the Labyrinth Plaza. Join us as we celebrate God's love for all of creation, the joy we find in caring for and loving the animals that are part of our lives, and the fond memories we have of pets who have died.

## Upcoming Events

### ***Church Office Closed May 27th***

The parish office and campus will be closed all day tomorrow, May 27th, in observance of Memorial Day. We will reopen on our normal schedule on Tuesday, May 28th.

### ***Women's Bible Study Continues***

Our Thursday evening women's Bible study has resumed! We meet each Thursday at 6:15PM in the Renouf-Nelson Parish Library. For more information, contact Mtr. Kelli (k.d.joyce@stphilipstucson.org) or Mtr. Taylor (taylor.devine@stphilipstucson.org)!

### ***Summer Service Schedule Begins Next Week!***

Summer is almost here, which means that it's time to get ready for our shift to a summer service schedule. During the months of June, July, and August, our 9:00AM and 11:15AM services will combine, and meet at 10:00AM. All other services will continue to meet at their usual times, including Comfy Space on the second Sunday of each month. The combined service will not have incense.

### ***Join the Summer Choir***

During the months of June, July and August, our volunteer Summer Choir will sing at the 10:00AM Sunday service each week. Rehearsals start each Sunday at 9:30AM in the Music Center. Are you thinking of joining the choir, but feel you don't have the time or ability? Summer is a perfect, low-stress opportunity to give choir a try! Just drop in and sing!

## Items of Note

### ***Save Your Hotel Toiletries!***

Many of us here at Saint Philip's travel during the summer, whether it be for vacation, or to return to cooler climates for a while. As you travel, please consider saving the toiletries from any hotel stays you may make for the Toiletry Ministry here at Saint Philip's. We collect these toiletries and give them to a variety of local programs such as Emerge! Center Against Domestic Abuse, the Sister Jose Women's Center, and Cruzando Fronteras. Your donations of these essential items are an easy way to help make a difference in the lives of people in need.

Toiletry donations should be left in the credenza in the hallway that leads from the Murphey Galleries to the Parish Office. (The credenza is right underneath a very large painting of Saint Francis Day at Saint Philip's - you can't miss it!)

### ***In-School Mentoring Opportunities***

Might you be interested in working with children from Rio Vista or Holaway schools who need homework help? During the past year, a team of Saint Philipians explored possible ways of building on the rewarding experiences of volunteers

in the former After School Music and Homework Program. Principals, guidance counselors, and teachers from our two partner schools were interviewed, along with leaders from the public library, Literacy Connects, and from every organization in the city that offers music or arts programs for children. We learned what children in our neighborhood schools most need: consistent relationships with loving adults, who will pay attention to them as individuals. And we heard clearly from the principals their strong desire for Saint Philip's continuing involvement with students, especially if we could provide mentors who would work with children at their school in the afternoon to help with homework and offer some enrichment activities. The principals have committed to supporting our efforts in significant ways.

Consequently, we are now recruiting and organizing adult volunteers to provide patient, loving attention to children on site at Rio Vista or Holaway for 90 minutes once a week on Monday, Wednesday, or Thursday afternoon. The focus of our program will be helping children with homework. In addition, experiences in arts, crafts, sciences, and games will be included in the enrichment activities we provide. The range of activities offered can be expanded through the contributions of specialized enrichment volunteers, who will join the regular team of mentors at a school for one session or several to share with the children a particular skill—such as photography or knitting or drumming. We hope to be able to draw on the expertise of many talented Saint Philipians. Intrigued? Information tables will be set up on April 14th and May 5th. You can also email Mtr. Taylor Devine (taylor.devine@stphilipstucson.org) for more information!

### ***Help us Update the Parish Database!***

If you receive mail or email from Saint Philip's and notice a misspelling, a name that isn't where it belongs, or any other error, please let us know! We want our records to be as accurate as possible, and need your help to accomplish that goal. If your contact information changes, or if you think we might not have full contact information for you at all, please let us know that too!

### ***IRA Charitable Rollover***

Are you looking for a way to make a big difference and help further the mission of Saint Philip's? If you are 70½ or older, you may also be interested in a way to lower the income and taxes from your IRA withdrawals. Saint Philip's can receive Qualified Charitable Distributions (QCD) from your IRA and can be used to satisfy all or part of your Required Minimum Distribution (RMD). If this gift is to be used for anything other than unrestricted giving or to satisfy your current pledge, please do let us know.

Benefits of a Charitable Rollover:

- Avoid taxes on transfers of up to \$100,000 from your IRA to Saint Philip's
- Satisfy your required minimum distribution for the year
- Reduce your taxable income, even if you do not itemize deductions
- Make a gift that is not subject to the 50% deduction limits on charitable gifts
- Help further the mission and ministries of Saint Philip's

As always, we appreciate your generosity, and thank you for thinking of Saint Philip's when directing your RMD giving.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

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## ***Please Excuse Any Errors!***

Our Curate for Communications has been away on vacation this past week, so all print and digital communications have been prepared further in advance than usual. Please excuse any errors or omissions!

## ***Beloved in the Desert begins July 22, 2019***

It's graduation time and there will be many speeches about making an impact on the world, and we are working to support that hope! Beloved in the Desert will provide space and support for exploring and understanding vocation, calling, and the ways we can make an impact in the world while furthering a faithful relationship with God, self, and community. If you know of 21-29 year olds who are interested in a year of service, tell them about Beloved in the Desert or connect them to Mtr. Taylor. The young adult community will pray, serve in local non-profits, and live in intentional community in Tucson and in our community starting July 22, 2019. If you are interested in donating a twin bed, a dresser, a bookcase, a working bicycle,

## ***Thank You For Giving!***

Dear friends,

Thank you for your enthusiastic support of the ingathering of food for the food pantry on May 12th. The premise of the gathering of food keeps reminding me of how we and our gifts are transformed by grace. Gathering food for the hungry in and of itself is a good and right thing, and is an expectation of the Christian life. But when we lend part of ourselves in that action, it becomes an expression of love. Through this work grief transformed into love of others, families of all shapes were honored, and people will be fed. Thank you.

If you are interested in working in the Saint Philip's Food Pantry to feed between 80 and 100 families and individuals each month please be in touch! This commitment includes bagging and distributing food, and welcoming people with hospitality, on Tuesday or Thursday morning periodically. For more information about ministries where we are sent to serve, please see: <https://stphilipstucson.org/service-opportunities>

Many thanks to Elizabeth and Jeff Higby who organized and collected the food, to all who donated, to all who jumped in to move the gifts, and to the Food Pantry for their ongoing ministry.

In Christ,  
Mtr Taylor

## ***The Real Pilgrimage Begins...***

The real pilgrimage begins the first step you take toward home. I learned that all over again on the heels of St. Philip's recent 10-day parish pilgrimage to Israel. The group and I arrived back in Tucson Tuesday night (May 14), exhausted. We awoke that morning at 2:00 a.m. to catch our first of two return flights.

En route to London from Tel Aviv, I settled into my aisle seat, drifting toward dreams, and with what energy I possessed weighed the whirlwind itinerary of the last ten days. We hit the ground running and visited more than thirty holy sites throughout Galilee and the West Bank. I have journeyed to Israel several times and have come to know well many of the holy sites our group visited.

I have a special affection for the Church of the Holy Sepulcher in the Old City of Jerusalem; the Church of the Nativity in Bethlehem; the site of Jacob's Well in the Orthodox Monastery Church of St. Photina; and the Saint Mary of the Resurrection Abbey, built by Crusaders, on the site of the biblical Emmaus.

At each site, like Christian pilgrims of old, we shared a simple routine: read from scripture, sing a hymn, offer prayer, and at times celebrate the Holy Eucharist. This routine reminded me that a pilgrimage is a journey made for the sake of prayer, born of a heart's longing to make the sacred its own. And it is a conscious decision to follow in the footsteps of Jesus.

Toward the latter half of our pilgrimage, we also met representatives from several local organizations, including two that operate under the auspices of the Episcopal Diocese of Jerusalem: the Princess Basma Centre that empowers children with disabilities and their families, and the Saint Luke's Hospital in Nablus. We visited as well the St. Vincent La Crèche orphanage, a ministry of the Roman Catholic Sisters of Charity in Palestine, and with students from Bethlehem University, the first university founded in the West Bank and an oasis of peace and hope for the future of Palestine.

I recollected these encounters and realized that a Christian pilgrimage is more than a tourist's itinerary. To walk in the footsteps of our Lord is to stand where Jesus stood, which is to say arm in arm with people. Christian pilgrims journey together in love. They give themselves, body and soul, to stand with others, as Jesus did, amid the very pain and joy and messiness of life.

Couched in my aisle seat, then, I knew the real pilgrimage was only now beginning. I was returning home to share the many stories—joyful and heart-rending alike—of the people I encountered along the pilgrim's way, of orphans and the nuns laboring to safeguard human dignity, of Palestinian Christians and Muslims dreaming for peace, of young children differently abled flourishing with the help of their faithful caretakers. Friends, their stories are our stories, and we are nothing without them. Let us walk in love.

Fr Peter

## **Summer Service Schedule**

### **Sunday Services**

- 7:45AM Holy Eucharist Rite I
- 9:15AM Second Sundays: "Comfy Space" service
- 10:00AM Sung Eucharist Rite II
- 4:00PM "Come and See" Service
- 5:30PM Holy Eucharist Rite II

### **Weekday Services**

- 8:30AM Morning Prayer (Monday–Thursday)
- 10:00AM Holy Eucharist Rite II & Healing (Tuesdays)
- 11:00PM Holy Eucharist Rite I (Thursdays)
- 12:15PM Holy Eucharist Rite I (Mondays and Wednesdays)

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## Sunday, May 26

7:45AM Holy Eucharist Rite I  
9:00AM Faith and Reason  
9:00AM Holy Eucharist Rite II  
10:15AM Coffee Hour  
10:15AM The Haven  
11:15AM Holy Eucharist Rite II  
4:00PM Come and See  
5:30PM Holy Eucharist Rite II

## Monday, May 27 Church Office Closed

12:00PM Men's Al-Anon  
1:00PM Create and Rejuvenate With Clay  
3:00PM Food Addicts in Recovery  
5:30PM Create and Rejuvenate With Clay  
6:00PM SLAA Tucson  
7:00PM Debtors Anonymous

## Tuesday, May 28

8:30AM Morning Prayer  
9:00AM Parish Nurse Office Hours  
9:30AM Southwest String Quartet Advanced Workshop  
10:00AM Holy Eucharist Rite II with Healing  
3:00PM Finance Committee  
5:30PM Overeaters Anonymous  
6:30PM Education for Ministry

## Wednesday, May 29

8:30AM Morning Prayer  
9:30AM Southwest String Quartet Advanced Workshop  
12:00PM Men's Al-Anon  
12:15PM Holy Eucharist Rite I  
6:00PM SLAA Tucson  
7:00PM Alanon

## Thursday, May 30 The Ascension

8:30AM Morning Prayer  
9:00AM Tai Chi  
9:30AM Southwest String Quartet Advanced Workshop  
10:00AM Create and Rejuvenate With Clay  
11:00AM Holy Eucharist Rite I  
6:00PM Depression and Bipolar Support Alliance  
6:15PM Women's Bible Study  
6:30PM Children of Divorce  
6:30PM Emotional Sobriety  
7:00PM Adult Choir Rehearsals

## Friday, May 31 Church Campus and Office Closed

9:00AM Create and Rejuvenate with Clay  
9:30AM Southwest String Quartet Advanced Workshop

## Saturday, June 1

8:00AM Altar Guild Work Day  
9:30AM Southwest String Quartet Advanced Workshop  
10:00AM Tucson Summer Music Welcome  
10:30AM Debtors Anonymous  
10:30AM Prayer Shawl Knitters  
7:30PM Southwest String Quartet Chamber Music Concert

## Sunday, June 2

7:45AM Holy Eucharist Rite I  
10:00AM Holy Eucharist Rite II  
10:15AM Coffee Hour  
10:15AM The Haven  
4:00PM Come and See  
5:30PM Holy Eucharist Rite II

**This week's announcement sheet was produced in advance due to early print deadlines, and some information may have changed. For the most current version of the parish calendar, visit <https://stphilipstucson.org/events-1>.**