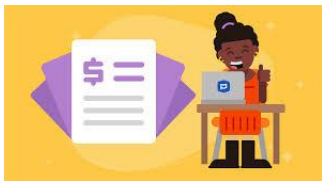




All Things St. Philip's During Our Blessed Interruption October 14, 2020



Year-to-Date Giving Statements
have been distributed. Check your email for your
statement. For those without email, a paper
statement will be mailed this week.

*If you have questions, please
contact stewardship@stphilipsrva.org or
call the church office 804-321-1266.*

The St. Philip's October 2020 Calendar can be found [HERE](#).
The October Birthday/Anniversary list is [HERE](#), and the
Sick, Shut-In, and Homebound list is [HERE](#).



A Meditation for the 20th Week after Pentecost

"Pinecones and Mushrooms"

by The Rt. Rev. Jennifer Brooke-Davidson, Assistant Bishop

Click [HERE](#)



8 Portable Desks Donated to Barack Obama Elementary School

Virtual learning can create many difficulties such as, a space a student can do their classwork?

Well, St. Philip's has assisted in solving that issue by donating eight portable desks to Barack Obama Elementary School for students learning virtually. These desk will help eight students, working virtually, have a dedicated space for their home classroom.

St. Philip's supports Barack Obama Elementary School and Anna Julia Cooper Episcopal School in many ways throughout the year, please look for more opportunities to help coming soon.



THE END OF AN ERA!

Walter Hammond officially passed the baton as Treasurer to Vickie Seymour when he turned over his keys to the church and to all the secret locks in the vestry room at the end of last month. Cliff McClenney, Assistant Treasurer, happily turned over his keys back in April to Renarda Williams, our new Assistant Treasurer, and he has probably already been on the tennis court!

Many thanks to Walter and Cliff for their dedicated service. We offer special thanks to Walter for his years of commitment and for single-handedly getting our financials ready for the 2019 audit. Walter has informed us that his golf clubs are on stand-by in the trunk of his car. Walter, you deserve all the golf you can fit into your schedule.

Well done, good and faithful servants!



A Successful "Blessing of the Animals"!

It was a beautiful day to be blessed!



Ten dogs and one cat were blessed at Saturday's "Blessing of the Animals". They all received a blessing from Rev. Marlene, a bag of treats which contained: dog biscuits, St. Philips hand sanitizer, "testamints" (mints with scripture), info on our services, and a St. Francis collar medal. We collected a box full of pet food which will be donated to a local animal shelter.

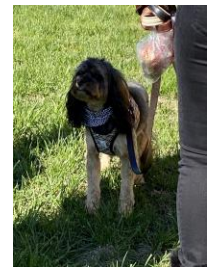


As always the dogs enjoyed seeing each other and welcoming new puppies to the St. Philip's Canine Crew!



We look forward to next year!

*** missing from pictures: Oscar Greene, a neighborhood dog and cat.*





Attention Parents and Students!!

**Church School for the
2020-2021 school year has started!**

The classes are held virtually via **ZOOM**.
The **ZOOM** link to the classes will be in the Saturday email.

If you have **NOT** registered your child, please click **HERE** to register.

Looking forward to seeing you virtually!



Be on the lookout for more information about:

- Fall Adult Formation Opportunities
- Homecoming
- All Saint's Sunday



ALL SAINTS' DAY

Commemoration of Our Departed Loved Ones

On **November 1**, we will celebrate **All Saints' Day**, one of our principal feasts, when the church remembers our saints and departed loved ones.

Please submit the name of your loved one(s) by **October 24**.

You may do so by calling the office: 804-321-1266
or by emailing: office@stphilipsrva.org



Recent Area USPS Incidents

Did You Mail Your Ballot? Please Read.

Six outdoor mail collection boxes were broken into between Saturday, October 3 and Monday, October 5. If you, or someone you know, used one of these mailboxes you should report it to the USPS (*United States Post Office*) hotline at **(877) 876-2455**.

The following are the locations of the post office boxes affected:

HENRICO:

4990 Sadler Place
2000 Starling Drive
2100 E. Parham Road

CHESTERFIELD:

7510 Lady Blair Lane
1201 Sycamore Square Drive

RICHMOND:

805 Glenburnie Road

You can track your ballot to see if it has been received by going to “*check my registration*” at the following link: elections.virginia.gov/voterinformation. If a voter needs a new ballot, they should contact their local general registrar’s office at the following link: elections.virginia.gov/localGR.

The good news is as of October 10, 887,000 Virginians have voted in person, by mail or by hand-delivering their ballots to a registrar's office or drop box. According to the Washington Post, this is probably three times the rate for early voting that we saw in 2016!

Exercise your right to vote as citizens and **know** that your vote is counted.
The early vote sticker is a bonus!

There is still time to vote early--the deadline is October 31!

OUR VOTES MATTER

GIVING INFORMATION

You can give by **sending a check** to St. Philip's Episcopal Church at PO Box 27492, Richmond VA 23261 or **by clicking here** to **donate with your credit card or bank account**. You can also **use your bank's online payment option** to send bank checks to our church.

Due to the pandemic, we are not going to the church as regularly to count donations and your checks may not clear your bank as quickly as before.

See below for more details and other ways to give and support our church.

Thank you!

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### **ST. PHILIP'S ONLINE DONATION \*\***

Donate easily with your credit card or your bank account. When you opt to pay the transaction fee, it is added to your donation--so your total donation is more and the church pays no transaction fee expense! Everyone wins!

**Donate by clicking here.**

**\*\*Preferred**

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TEXT-TO-GIVE

Conveniently donate via your phone. Text **GIVE** to **833-959-2287**.
Either your credit card or bank account can be set up to make your financial

gift. You also have the option to pay the transaction fee so our church doesn't have to!

ONLINE BANKING AND ELECTRONIC CHECKS

Donate using your bank's convenient online service that allows you to pay your bills through online banking. You can set up a payment to St. Philip's as a one-time gift or a recurring donation. An electronic check will then be mailed from your bank to St. Philip's. You no longer have to write and mail manual checks. And you save on stamps!

PAYPAL

PayPal is available on our website at GIVE or you can [click here](#) to donate.



Prayer of the Day

Collect for Proper 24 The Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

Almighty and everlasting God, in Christ you have revealed your glory among the nations: Preserve the works of your mercy, that your Church throughout the world may persevere with steadfast faith in the confession of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.