



All Things St. Philip's During Our Blessed Interruption September 22, 2021

St. Philip's Information for September

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*Congratulations to our New Vestry Members and Officers
Moses Golatt, Melissa Greene, and Nathaniel Lewis*

will join our current members

*Kenneth Anderson, Ernie Armstrong,
Sherrard Gardner, and Renarda Williams on the vestry.*

A special thank you to outgoing Vestry member,

Larry Clark,

for his hard work and dedication.

Liz Hayes-Mackey's term as Sr. Warden has ended.

We must give Liz our sincere appreciation
for the yeoman job she did during this very difficult year!

The members of the Vestry are:

Our ***Sr. Warden*** is now Thomas Beatty, last year's hard working Jr. Warden!
Working along side Thomas will Moses Golatt, the new ***Jr. Warden***.

Carolyn Lanier - Register

Sherrard Gardner - Assistant Register

Kenneth Anderson, Ernie Armstrong, Melissa Greene,
Nathaniel Lewis, and Renarda Williams

Officers of the Church are:

Vickie Seymour - Treasurer

Alan Foster - Assistant Treasurer

Ernestine Gilpin - Chancellor

Remember it's your vestry and they are here for you!



We will be conducting services from the sanctuary on
Sunday mornings at 10:00am.

The worship team and key participants will be
the **ONLY** ones present.

Livestreaming of Church Services to
FACEBOOK and ZOOM
will continue at 10:00am on Sunday mornings.

Out of an abundance of caution,
regathering in the sanctuary is delayed.
The transmission and cases of Covid have risen in
Richmond and surrounding areas once again.
We are now back in the Red Zone.

This is very disappointing, however,
the safety of the congregation is a priority.



Holy
Baptism

We will have
Holy Baptism
on

All Saints Sunday, Nov. 7, 2021.

If you are interest, please contact the Church Office.



Bishop's Meditation

"God Does the Heavy Lifting"

by Bishop Porter Taylor

Bishop's Meditation

St. Francis of Assisi Blessing of the Animals



Saturday, October 2, 2021 at 10:00am

in the church Greenspace

All pets are welcome!

Children may bring their "stuffed pets" for a blessing, also.

All pets will receive a blessing and gift.

Dogs must be on a leash.

Rats, Lizards, & Snakes in glass enclosures.

Lions, Tigers, and Bears - use your discretion.

For an offering, please bring:
pet food, cat litter, old towels, puppy pads, etc.
to be donated to the Richmond Animal Care & Control.

You can also make an online item donation at Amazon.

RACC Amazon Donation



2022 Giving Envelopes

We are about to order giving envelopes for 2022 and would like to be sure we order the correct number.

- If you received 2021 giving envelopes and **DO NOT want** 2022 envelopes, contact stewardship@stphilipsrva.org or call the office.
- If you **DID NOT receive** 2021 giving envelopes and want ones for 2022, contact stewardship@stphilipsrva.org or call the office.
- If you received 2021 giving envelopes and **WANT TO CONTINUE RECEIVING** envelopes, there isn't anything you need to do!

Please respond by October 1. Thank you for your assistance.



Homecoming Service and Celebration

Sunday, October 10, 2021

10:00am

Guest Speaker: Rev. Deacon Frederico Garza

Details to Follow!

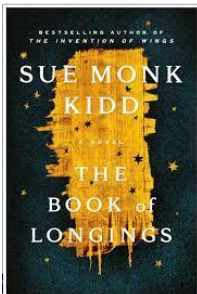


Applications for the Bishop Search Transition Committee Now Being Accepted

The Diocese is now accepting applications for the Transition Committee for the 14th Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Virginia. Members of the Transition Committee need imagination, creativity, and experience in event planning. Communication, confidentiality, collaboration skills, and hospitality are paramount traits for this Committee. The Committee will shepherd the process of choosing our next spiritual leader from the time of the selection of the candidates by the Search Committee through the consecration of our new Bishop Diocesan. You may find additional details about the Transition Committee's responsibilities in the attached application. The work of the Transition Committee is through subcommittees. We ask you prayerfully to consider where to apply your gifts. Download and complete the application and attach it to an email addressed to standingcommittee@thediocese.net.

Applications must be received by no later than midnight on September 30, 2021
in order to be considered.

Transition Team Application



St. Philip's Book Club

The Fall Selection of the St. Philip's Book Club is
"The Book of Longings"
by Sue Monk Kidd

The group will meet on
Monday, October 4, 11, 18, and 25th
7:00pm until 9:00pm

The facilitator will be Vickie Seymour

"I am Ana. I was the wife of Jesus." So begins the new novel from the number one New York Times bestselling author of The Secret Life of Bees and The Invention of Wings, an extraordinary story set in the first century about a woman who finds her voice and her destiny in a time of great despair and great hope.

Amazon - The Book of Longings



An Evening in Conversation with Episcopal HBCU Leaders'

Wednesday, September 29
5:00pm to 6:00pm

A virtual panel discussion highlighting the importance and history of two Episcopal historically Black colleges and universities (HBCUs) will include **Presiding Bishop Michael Curry** and **U.S. Rep. James Clyburn, D-S.C.**,

in conversation with the presidents of Saint Augustine's University and Voorhees College will be held on **ZOOM on Wednesday, September 29 from 5:00pm until 6:00pm.**

Hosted by The Episcopal Church Office of Development, this is a free event, however registration is required.

The panelists will discuss and invite questions about challenges facing HBCUs and their role in supporting the development of leaders of color across a wide array of professions. Other topics may include how to preserve and protect the legacy and history of Black colleges; how HBCU students are impacting the world; and how funding for HBCUs compares with funding for predominantly white institutions.

The Episcopal Church originally founded 10 HBCUs to provide education to previously enslaved people after the Civil War. Of those, Saint Augustine's in Raleigh, North Carolina, and Voorhees, in Denmark, South Carolina, remain. Registration is free for "An Evening in Conversation with Episcopal HBCU Leaders";

donations are gratefully received on behalf of the **Absalom Jones Fund for Episcopal HBCUs**, which equally supports Saint Augustine's University and Voorhees College.

[Register for An Evening in Conversation with Episcopal HBCU Leaders'](#)



Bishop John Shelby Spong, **Early Advocate for LGBTQ Persons, Has Died at 90**

One of America's best-known spokespersons for an open, scholarly and inclusive Christianity, Bishop John Shelby Spong, died Sunday, September 12, 2021 at his home in Richmond, Va.

Bishop Spong served as rector of St. Paul's Episcopal Church in downtown Richmond from 1969-1976.

He was elected 8th Bishop of Newark in 1976,
where he served for 24 years.
*If you're not familiar with the outspoken and sometimes
or most times controversial Bishop Spong,
click on the link below.*

Bishop Spong

St. Philip's Tee Shirts



**The shirts are \$15.00 and they come in sizes -
Small to 2XL.**

Contact Debi: office@stphilipsrva.org.



Ordinary Time

Prayer of the Day

Generous God, your Son gave his life that we might come to peace with you. Give us a share of your Spirit, and in all we do empower us to bear the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **AMEN.**

Ways to Donate to St. Philip's

Check - Send to PO Box 27492, Richmond VA 23261

Credit Card or Bank Account - [Click here](#)

Online Banking & Electronic checks - set up payment with your bank

PayPal - [Click here](#) to donate or go to our website and click GIVE

Text - Text **GIVE** to **833-959-2287**

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To learn about a specific ministry or associated programs, please contact the Vestry liaison for more information.

OUTREACH:
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In the near term, Vestry liaisons will be assigned to:
WORSHIP (*All things Sunday morning*)

YOUTH

COMMUNITY (*Fellowship, Welcome, Hospitality*)

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

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