November 2026

St Philip's Lutheran Church
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 **10am** All Saints Sunday	2	3 **10.30am** Nourish Box preparation	4 **10am** Cover Girls **1pm** Book Club **7:30pm** Choir	5	6	7
8 **10am** Pastor Bethan Riehle-Johns' first service **11.15am** Auction Planning Meeting	9 **7.15pm** Handbell Choir	10	11 **10am** Cover Girls+ **7:30pm** Choir	12	13 **7pm** Lakeshore African Voilet Society meeting	14 **9am** ELCIC-led Community Care workshop
15 **12pm** ELCIC-led Community Care workshop	16 **7.15pm** Handbell Choir	17	18 **10am** Cover Girls+ **7:30pm** Choir	19 **12.30pm** 50+ Lasagna Luncheon **7.30pm** Council Meeting	20	21
22 **11.30am** Lunch and Learn: Alzheimer's Caregiving	23 **7.15pm** Handbell Choir	24	25 **10am** Cover Girls+ **7:30pm** Choir	26	27	28 **4-6pm** Messy Church
29 Advent 1	30 **7.15pm** Handbell Choir	1	2	3	4	5
6	7	Notes Office Administrator will be on leave on Friday 13, Monday 15, Friday 27 and Monday 30 November.				



Date	Readings	Introduction	Birthdays
Sunday, November 1, 2026 **All Saints Day**	Revelation 7:9-17 Psalm 34:1-10, 22 1 John 3:1-3 Matthew 5:1-12	All Saints celebrates the baptized people of God, living and dead, who are the body of Christ. As November heralds the dying of the landscape in many northern regions, the readings and liturgy call us to remember all who have died in Christ and whose baptism is complete. At the Lord's table we gather with the faithful of every time and place, trusting that the promises of God will be fulfilled and that all tears will be wiped away in the new Jerusalem.	1st – Ella C. 5th – Louise C. and Brielle E. 6th – Susan M. 7th – Benjamin M. 8th – Randa M., Dan P. and Sandy S. 14th Yolanda F. 15th – Michael S. 17th – Emily W. 19th - Fay B. 21st – Marleah R. 24th – Alexia D. 27th – Mona K. 28th – Eric F. 29th – Buks v.R. and Alan W. 30th – Charlotte K. **Anniversaries** 11th – Pauline and Michael Ivan. 21st – Eric Fergin and Tatiana Samila.
Sunday, November 8, 2026 **24th Sunday after Pentecost**	Amos 5:18-24 Psalm 70 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 Matthew 25:1-13	Today the prophet Amos calls for justice to roll down like waters. Paul urges us to encourage one another with the promised coming of the Lord. Jesus tells the parable of the wise and foolish bridesmaids. Surrounded by the faithful of every time and place, we celebrate Christ's coming in our midst in the word of life and the feast of victory—the marriage feast of the Lamb.	
Sunday, November 15, 2026 **25th Sunday after Pentecost**	Zephaniah 1:7, 12-18 Psalm 90:1-8 [9-11] 12 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11 Matthew 25:14-30	Our readings during November speak of the end times. Zephaniah proclaims that the coming day of the LORD will be filled with wrath and distress. Paul says it will come like a thief in the night and urges us to be awake and sober. Jesus tells the parable of the talents, calling us to use our gifts, while we still have time, for the greater and common good. In a world filled with violence and despair, we gather around signs of hope—word, water, bread, and wine—eager to welcome the good news of Christ's coming among us.	
Sunday, November 22, 2026 **Christ the King**	Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24 Psalm 95:1-7a Ephesians 1:15-23 Matthew 25:31-462	On this final Sunday of the church year our gospel is Jesus' great story of judgment. In the end, the faithful are those who served Christ by ministering to those who are poor, hungry, naked, sick, or estranged. In the first reading God is the shepherd who seeks the lost, weak, and injured and feeds them with justice. We gather this day to celebrate the reign of Christ and his victory over death, yet we await the consummation of all things yet to come. Acknowledging Christ as our merciful ruler, we go forth that his reign may be known in our loving words and deeds.	
Sunday, November 29, 2026 **First Sunday of Advent**	Isaiah 64:1-9 Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19 1 Corinthians 1:3-9 Mark 13:24-37	Stir up your power, and come! The psalmist's plea in Psalm 80:2 has become familiar to us in the Advent prayers. Isaiah wants God to rip the heavens open. Both cry out for an apparently distant, angry God to show up, to save, to restore. When we hear Jesus describing the coming of the Son of Man with stars falling from heaven, it can sound dire and horrible, not like anything we would ever hope for. But when we really look at the suffering of people God loves, we can share the hope that God would tear open the heavens and come.	