St. Philip Information and News (SPIN) A weekly electronic newsletter

September 21, 2016

Greetings,

Below is your weekly St. Philip Information & News (SPIN). We hope that it will help you stay informed about the events here at St. Philip, encourage you to pray for those in our St. Philip community, and to help you prepare your hearts for worship this coming weekend.

If you do not wish to receive this weekly email publication, please let Linda Goodnough know by replying to this email.

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Worship News

CORRECTION: Upcoming Baptisms - September 25, 2016

We will be celebrating a baptism at the second service on Sunday, September 25th. Rileigh Christine Loomis, daughter of Chris and Jessica (Houdek) Loomis will be baptized. Please join us in worship! (Alden Keltner's baptism will take place in October.)

Scripture Readings for September 24-25, 2016

FIRST READING: Deuteronomy 6:4-9

⁴ Hear, O Israel: The LORD is our God, the LORD alone. ⁵You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your might. ⁶Keep these words that I am commanding you today in your heart. ⁷Recite them to your children and talk about them when you are at home and when you are away, when you lie down and when you rise.⁸Bind them as a sign on your hand, fix them as an emblem on your forehead, ⁹and write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates.

SECOND READING: Acts 16:11-15

¹¹We set sail from Troas and took a straight course to Samothrace, the following day to Neapolis, ¹²and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city for some days. ¹³On the sabbath day we went outside the gate by the river, where we supposed there was a place of prayer; and we sat down and spoke to the women who had gathered there. ¹⁴A certain woman named Lydia, a worshipper of God, was listening to us; she was from the city of Thyatira and a dealer in purple cloth. The Lord opened her heart to listen eagerly to what was said by Paul. ¹⁵When she and her household were baptized, she urged us, saying, 'If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come and stay at my home. And she prevailed upon us.

GOSPEL: John 19:25-27

²⁵Meanwhile, standing near the cross of Jesus were his mother, and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. ²⁶When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple whom he loved standing beside her, he said to his mother, 'Woman, here is your son.' ²⁷Then he said to the disciple, 'Here is your mother.' And from that hour the disciple took her into his own home.

Worship Servants for September 24-25, 2016

Saturday worship, September 24, 2016

- Pianist Michael Clough
- Cantor Beth Clough
- Usher Monica Auch
- Altar Guild Suzanne Peterson
- A/V Jerry Jantz

Worship Servants for Sunday, September 25, 2016			
	8:00am		10:45am
Assisting Minister	Anne Smith-Krause		Jan Philpy
Lector	Chris Youngren		Jonathan Anderson
Acolytes	OPEN		Carson Minardi, Griffin Minardi
Communion Deacons	Paula Willhouse, Karen Otto		OPEN
Ushers	John Schutt, Connie Schutt		Rod Mauler, Kris Mauler, Tyler Henson, Ron Ramey
Prayer Partners	n/a		n/a
Altar Guild	Paula Willhouse, Carole Kessler		Jennifer Butts
A-V Sound & Slides	OPEN		John Wall & family
Greeters	????		
Ambassadors	Glenn & Louanne Isernhagen		
Coffee Cart	Chris Youngren		
KeyKeepers	Sat. (9/24): Karen Otto Week beg. 9/25: Chris White		

Sharing the Good News

New Additions to the Wall of Crosses

It's been a while since we thanked people for their donations to the Wall of Crosses in the church office. We are going to remedy that now!

First of all, thanks go to **Lisa & Victoria Edington** for the "Cruz de el Desierto" that they picked up on their vacation to New Mexico. The cross is made from the skeletal "wood" of the New Mexico cactus.

Second, from **Wauneta Rogge & Bob Timm** – a beautiful multi-colored wooden cross from Costa Rica. It's composed of teak, rosewood, and mahogany.

Third, from **Sarah Cordova & Beau Winters** – a small wooden cross that they got in Old Jerusalem. What's really interesting on this cross are the veins running through the cross – they are very similar to the lines on our St. Philip cross!

Fourth – from **Erika Kuenne**, daughter of Carl & Rita Kuenne. Erika sent us a lovely blue glass cross from Ljubljana, Slovenia. (BTW, Rita tells me that Ljubljana is pronounced Loob-lee-ana.)

To all who have donated crosses to decorate our Wall of Crosses, thank you very much!

Church News

From Alan Davis, Director of Music

Dear St. Philip Community,

Things can happen when you least expect them. When I returned from a great summer of studying at Cal State LA, I did not intend for the following to occur. A week and a half after I returned, I was asked to interview for a long-term substitute teaching job at Brighton High School. I interviewed and was offered the long-term substitute job, which was to last until Nov 1st. However, nearly 3 weeks into working full-time at Brighton High School and part-time at St. Philip, the administration at Brighton High School offered me a contract for the entire 2016-2017 school year. From the moment I was offered the contract, I have thought about the time commitments necessary for me to work both jobs and the amount of time I would have left to spend with Miranda. After a lot of contemplation and talking with numerous important people in my life, as well as praying about it, I have decided that I cannot maintain both jobs for the entire year.

Though it was not easy, I have decided to end my employment at St. Philip beginning January 1, 2017. I am committed to staying and would love to continue working with the music ministry at St. Philip through the holidays.

From the Personnel Committee:

Members of St. Philip, the personnel committee would like to thank Alan Davis for his service, and wish him the best in his new position. The committee will choose a search task force to fill the vacancy, and will report their progress to the congregation. Dick Rock, Chair

St. Philip Early Learning Center 25th Anniversary Children's Consignment Sale

Your ELC is gearing up for our special silver anniversary Children's Consignment and Bake Sale the week of **October 2-8**. This is SPELC's biggest fundraiser and we would appreciate your help. Volunteers are in great need throughout the week, including evening and weekend slots, and also for the bake sale. You can contact the volunteer team at <u>elcjobs1@yahoo.com</u>, call the SPELC office at 303.972.9774, or visit the website for more information: <u>www.stphilipelc.org/mapaer-consignment-sale/</u>.

Columbarium Project

The next big project for St. Philip is the design and construction of a columbarium. We are looking for members like you to be on our design team. Charlie Petersen has agreed to be our CAD expert but we would like a team of 4-5 additional people to actually come up with a design for this structure and to get this project completed. We need the following types of talents: a project manager, one or two aesthetic-type of people who could help with layout and placement, possibly a person to help with the county requirements (licenses, inspections, etc.) and someone as a general user—hopefully someone who would be interested in being laid to rest here so that they can have some input. If this sounds like something you would be interested in being involved with, please contact Linda at the church office – 303.979.4491.

Pictorial Directory Update – Next Photo Session Scheduled!

Because of the great response to our first scheduled photo session here at the church, Bettinger Photography has scheduled a second session for Monday & Tuesday, November 7th and 8th. The Monday session will be from 1-4pm, and the Tuesday session will be from 4-7pm.

If you have already given your name to Linda Goodnough indicating an interest in having your photo taken here at church, you will receive a call from Bettinger directly to schedule an appointment time.

If you have not yet signed up for a photo session appointment, please do so NOW!! Please contact Bettinger directly at 303.400.6023 or go online to <u>www.BettingerPhoto.com</u>. You can also schedule an appointment <u>at their studio</u>; doing so will give you more background and setting options (you can even do an outdoor photo if you desire!). Call Bettinger at 303.400.6023 or go online to <u>www.BettingerPhoto.com</u> to schedule a studio appointment.

Above all, please remember that THERE IS NO CHARGE FOR HAVING YOUR PHOTOGRAPHS TAKEN. The only fee you will pay is if you decide to purchase photos from Bettinger, and there is NO OBLIGATION to do so. The bonus to you is that by having your photo taken, you will receive a FREE 5x7 photograph and a complimentary copy of our new pictorial directory.

Please start making plans for having your photographs taken – we want to maximize congregational participation this year, and we need YOU to make the new directory a success!

We Want to Share Our Abundance!

Monica Auch has a bumper crop of delicious Concord grapes this year, and they are ready to be harvested! (They taste great, and are wonderful for making jelly!) If you are interested in having some grapes, they are FREE for the picking – just contact Monica at 303.517.2102.

Worship & Music Ministry

Community Care & Compassion Ministry

Family Promise – October Rotation

Our next week for hosting homeless families will be October 16-23. Volunteer sign-up sheets can be found at the Family Promise table in the narthex. See where you might share your gifts with a homeless family who will be very grateful for your help.

Holy Hammers/Thrivent Builds Update

The Holy Hammers/Thrivent Builds house is completed for 2016. The home will be dedicated on Thursday, **September 29th at 6:00pm**. The address is 4101 N. Fraser

Way in Denver, located just north of I-70East at Chambers Road. Come and meet the recipient family and see their new home.

Next year's project will be in Sheridan Square, a new location just north of Fort Logan near Lowell Blvd. and Kenyon Avenue. This will be Habitat for Humanity of Metro Denver's largest project to date comprising of 63 units (duplex and triplex) to be built over four years. Fortunately, our volunteers will not have to travel so far next year to participate in this worthwhile activity! For more information about the Holy Hammers and how you can get involved, please contact Roger Bracken at 303.795.5603 or email him at <u>brackenridgeco33@comcast.net</u>.

<u>Blood Drive for Children's Hospital – September 23rd</u>

Here's an easy way to provide on-going medical aid to children, and to support their medical care. Sign up to donate blood!

The Children's Hospital Blood Mobile will make its next visit to St. Philip on Friday, **September 23rd** from 8:30 am to 12:15 pm. The goal will again be to collect 32 pints of whole blood which will have a major impact on healing, and sometimes saving the life of young patients. Remember to allow 56 days between your whole blood donations (July 30th was the cut off day).Sign up online at the following link: http://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b0c4aabab2da46-stphilips

<u> Harvest Dinner – September 24, 2016</u>

Save the date for the 2nd annual Harvest Dinner on Saturday, September 24th at 6:15pm! We'll be celebrating another banner year in the donation garden with a potluck dinner, pumpkin raffle, door prizes, and games for the kids. Please bring a potluck item to share and/or a packet of new seeds for the garden. Everyone is welcome! For more information, please contact Ana Tolentino at 303.949.6088 or email her at anaincolorado@gmail.com.

Sharing with Sheridan Food Pantry – A New Way to Donate

Sharing with Sheridan Food Pantry is an outreach ministry of St. Philip. Many of you have helped out in the past and that is sincerely appreciated! Starting in September, the food pantry team will be requesting a specific item each month with the idea that you will buy and donate that item each time you get groceries during the month. Of course, you may continue to help monetarily or with other items as well, but we think this approach will help both you and the pantry as we work with our neighbors in Sheridan. For the rest of August and for September, canned and jarred protein items are greatly needed. (Examples: peanut butter, canned chicken, canned tuna etc.)

Sharing with Sheridan Food Pantry – ¿Habla Espanol?

The food pantry needs help with translating communications into Spanish. If you can help with this, please contact Carole Kessler at 303.238.6873 or <a href="https://www.ckessler.ex/ckessler/action-ckessler/light-cke

Sharing with Sheridan Needs Fresh Produce

Have extra garden produce? Sharing with Sheridan can use it! Just bring your extras to the church by noon on Thursday, and leave it on the Sharing with Sheridan table in the

narthex. We will take it over to the food pantry. Thank you for sharing the bounty of your garden with us!

Discipleship Ministry

Introducing Frolic! Faith Formation for Little Ones

Frolic is a family of early childhood (birth-3 years) faith formation resources for congregations and families. As part of our subscription to the online resource, we have the opportunity to sign up families of young children for a monthly Enewsletter. Each Enewsletter arrives on the first of the month and features four articles about child development and faith formation. The goal of each monthly issue is to support parents in helping their young children take their first steps of faith. Content is based on the age of your child and the month of the year. If you'd like to receive this Enewsletter, please contact JoHanna at <u>jbuchholz@stphilip-co.org</u> with your child's name, date of birth, and email addresses for up to four caregivers who would like to receive this monthly Enewsletter. Each Enewsletter comes from the publisher Sparkhouse; they will use your email address only for this purpose. You may receive additional emails from St. Philip about children and family ministries, like Frolic parent-child Sunday school and family get-togethers!

Frolic Parent-Child Sunday School

Frolic Parent-Child Sunday school is for children ages 0-3 years and their caregivers. This is a time for adult caregivers (parents, grandparents, and the like) to meet other caregivers, hear a Bible story in an infant-friendly format, sing songs, visit learning centers, and learn a ritual that can be shared daily in the home. Meet in the fellowship hall at 9:30am for the Sunday sSchool opening, and then follow the facilitator to the classroom in the preschool wing.

SPARK! Sunday School Begins New Rotation

SPARK! Sunday School continues with the story of Lydia this week! Pre-K through 4th grade students are invited to explore the story of Lydia through the cooking, games, and science workshops on **September 25** and **October 2**. Meet in the fellowship hall at 9:30am for the opening!

The 5th and 6th grade Sunday school meets at 9:30am in FH-1.

Sunday school registration forms may be picked up at the Sunday school sign-in table on Sunday morning or downloaded from our website: <u>www.stphilip-co.org/childrens-ministries</u>. One form covers all children birth-6th grade.

SPARK! Sunday school is in need of workshop leaders to facilitate learning through art, cooking, drama, games, music, science, or video. Workshops leaders commit to teaching two Sundays at time; the lesson and materials are provided and set-up is done for you! Workshop leaders need only to come prepared to facilitate learning for and build relationships with a group of PreK-4th graders! Upcoming lessons include: Lydia, Ten Men Healed, Baby Moses, and Advent. Please contact JoHanna at jbuchholz@stphilip-co.org to sign up to lead this important ministry to and with the children of St. Philip!

New Adult Discipleship Class – "The 5 Love Languages of Children"

Calling parents, aunts, uncles, grandparents, caregivers of school-aged children to join a new adult education class focusing on children!! We will work through the book *"The 5 Love Languages of Children"* by Gary Chapman and Ross Campbell with some additional teaching around children's temperament and normal (though sometimes challenging!!) developmental behaviors. The goal of the class and the book is "to help parents give their children a greater experience of the love you have for them" with the added benefit of increasing individual and family happiness and strength.

The class runs during the education hour from 9:30-10:30am starting on Sunday **September 18th** (in room MC-4/5), and will continue on Sept 25, Oct 9, Oct 16 and Oct 30 (note: no class Oct 2nd). Heather Varnell will be teaching the class. If you are interested but busy as one of our wonderful Sunday school volunteers, let Heather know. Feel free to join even just one of the classes--everyone is welcome as many or as few times you can come! The book is available at Mardel bookstore and on Amazon. Contact Heather Varnell with additional questions at 720.941.1605 or email her at heather.varnell@yahoo.com.

New Adult Discipleship Class – Study of Galatians

All are welcome to join the Galatians Bible Study during the Sunday Education Hour between services. We will read and study the book of Galatians which defines Christian liberty and refutes the idea that salvation is based on religious code. The book has been described as "a sword in a great warrior's hand", the warrior being Paul. Galatians is all about God's grace, and this grace is what sets Christianity apart from other religions. Please join us as we discover Paul's arguments to the early church that it is by faith, not by the law that we receive salvation. Juli Jacobson will be the class facilitator; the class will meet in room MC-1, from 9:30-10:30am, starting Sunday, September 18th.

<u>NEW Adult Discipleship Class – "Heaven"</u>

So what is heaven about? How do we think and talk about heaven today? A recent poll suggested that over 70% of Americans believe in heaven, but when asked to discuss in more detail what that meant, very few had an answer. Where is it? When is it? What will it be like? Streets of gold? Will your friends and family be there? Does your soul go to heaven? And what is a "soul"? And the resurrection of the body? My old body? Don't want it. Can I have your body? The questions are endless. Yet over the years many have tried to picture more clearly the afterlife. But in this day and age of science, it is difficult to even believe in heaven, yet alone describe it. The class looks like this:

- I. Introduction: Now not yet...Jacob's ladder
- II. Eschatology (last things and "days") and the Book of Revelation
- III. History of the idea part I: the ancients and their myths
- IV. History of the idea part II: the medieval world and the creation of heaven
- V. Empty belief or authentic faith? Science hints at the way

VI. Back to the bible, a metaphorical life of worlds founded in faith Last question: Does heaven exist if we don't talk about it? Come, let us talk about it. Jerry Jantz will be leading this six-week long class which will begin on Sunday, September 18th, and will meet in MC-3 from 9:30-10:30am.

Senior High Youth Group

Sr. High Youth group for all youth in 9th-12th grade has started again! Sr. high youth group is a place for youth to come, be themselves, have fun and learn about God. We invite and encourage you to bring your friends for this time of fun, fellowship, Bible study, games, service, and much more. The format for youth group is to meet at St. Philip twice a week from 7:00-8:30pm, have an offsite fun event once a month, and to do a service project once a month. Contact Pr. Brad for more information, or with questions. Please see the schedule below for the next youth group events:

September 25th: Youth Group at St. Philip

October 2nd: Service Project – ELC Consignment Sale set-up from 4-6pm at St. Philip. Pizza will be served!

Bible Study Groups at St. Philip

Men's Tuesday evening Bible study meets every week at 7pm at the home of Paul Selander (6338 S. Harlan Way, Littleton 80123). Questions? Call Paul at 303.794.9739, or email him at <u>p73101@msn.com</u>.

"Fellowship in the Word" is a men's Bible study that meets on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month at 9:30am here at St. Philip in room MC-1. Pr. Glenn Isernhagen is the study facilitator.

"Let's Unwrap the Bible" is a women's Bible study that meets on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month at 9:30am here at St. Philip in the Fireside room. Please contact Chris Youngren at 303.973.3096.

Ruth Circle is a women's group that meets once a month on the 3rd Wednesday here at St. Philip in FH-1 at 9:30am. Contact Flo Figge at 303.932.6197 for more information.

Evangelism & Global Outreach Ministry

ELCA Disaster Response – Gulf Coast Flooding

Dear sisters and brothers in Christ,

Historic floodwaters have required tens of thousands of people to be rescued and even more have been evacuated as rain sweeps across southern Louisiana. Floodwaters have affected communication, overwhelmed streets and highways, and damaged or destroyed more than 40,000 homes. This flood comes on the heels of several other floods that have hit the Gulf Coast region, starting earlier this spring. Entire neighborhoods and communities still remain under water, and the full extent of the damage has yet to be realized. We know that it will be a long road to recovery, and Lutheran Disaster Response will be there to assist through every phase of this disaster recovery process.

Your gifts are needed to help respond to the Gulf Coast flooding. Your gifts through Lutheran Disaster Response will bring God's hope, healing and refuge to those who are affected by these devastating floods. Lutheran Disaster Response coordinators are actively present, collaborating with local community leaders and officials to begin planning the proper responses, particularly the long-term recovery efforts. We will respond and walk with survivors in the days, weeks, months and years ahead, for as long as we are needed.

Gifts designated for "**Gulf Coast Flooding**" will be used (100 percent) until the response is complete to help disaster survivors recover and rebuild their lives. Your generous offerings of prayer and financial support will help address the many needs, especially the long-term recovery efforts of those affected.

2016 Foothills CROP Hunger Walk

PLEASE JOIN US for the 2016 Foothills CROP Hunger Walk. This 5K hunger hike will take place on World Food Day, Sunday, **October 16, 2016** at Clement Park in Littleton. The Foothills CROP Hunger Walk provides food for those who hunger, while also giving an example of faithfulness and justice to our community. When you walk with us, your congregation will support the global hunger fighting work of Church World Service and the local hunger fighting work of The Action Center, the Arvada Food Bank, the Sharing with Sheridan Food Pantry, and Love INC of Littleton. The link to sign up for the St. Philip CROP Walk team is: <u>St. Philip Lutheran Church - Foothills (CO) CROP Hunger Walk</u>. For more information, please contact Sue Counterman at <u>sue.counterman@coloradoacademy.org</u>.

2016 CROP Walk Coordinator Needed

Sue Counterman is stepping down from the position of CROP Walk coordinator for St. Philip. St. Philip has participated in the Church World Service annual Foothills CROP Walk for decades, and our contributions have been significant. If you are interested in taking over this role for St. Philip, please contact Sue Counterman at 720.218.9302.

Family Life Ministry

Men's Tuesday Evening Bible Study

The men's fellowship Tuesday evening Bible study has resumed! We are continuing our study of Romans. We meet each week at the Selander home located at 6338 W. Harlan Way, Littleton, 80123. Please come and join us. Questions? Contact Paul Selander at 303.974.9739 or email him at p73101@msn.com.

Theater and Theology – "Frankenstein"

The next offering for Theater and Theology is "*Frankenstein*" on Tuesday, **October 25**th at 6:30pm. After the performance, the audience is invited to stay for a discussion led by Pastor Dan Bollman, a retired Lutheran pastor. Tickets are \$35 each (make checks payable to St. Philip; please write Theater & Theology on the memo line). Sign up at the Welcome Center kiosk by **October 2nd**. Questions? Please contact Nancy Oelz at nancyoelz@gmail.com.

Ruth Circle

Ruth Circle meets on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 9:30am in FH-1. All women are welcome. October 19th we will study God's forgiveness in Matthew 20:1-16. Any questions, please contact Flo Figge at 303.932.6197 or Margaret Rusch at 303.979.7456.

Men's Breakfast at IHoP

The men's fellowship group meets for breakfast at 7am on Thursdays, at the IHoP at Bowles Crossing. Questions? Contact Paul Selander at 303.974.9739 or email him at p73101@msn.com.

Oktoberfest Celebration – Friday, September 23rd

We hope all seniors 55 and older--whether single, married, or single with a significant other--will join us for this event. We'll play some German music, have delightful conversation and the opportunity to greet new and old friends.

When: Friday, September 23 from 5 to 7pm
Where: At the home of Louanne and Glenn Isernhagen, 7789 S. Waverly Mountain, Littleton.
BYOB: Bring your own beverage
Donation: \$10 per person
Menu: Bratwurst and buns, condiments, German potato salad and desserts.
Please sign up at the Welcome Center kiosk by Sunday, September 17th.

Church Families Need Help – Take Them A Meal

Family #1: Illness – Kathy Dechant has been ill, and she and her husband Jack would appreciate some meals. Please follow the instructions below to sign up on the Take Them A Meal website. Thank you!

- 1. Go to website, <u>www.TakeThemAMeal.com</u>.
- 2. Go to the center section entitled "Find"

- 3. Enter person's last name when prompted: Dechant
- 4. Enter the password. Password is the person's last name: Dechant

Family #2: New Baby - Alysha and Nick Deaver just had a baby, and would greatly appreciate having some meals brought to them. Please follow the instructions below to sign up on the Take Them A Meal website. Thank you!

- 1. Go to website, <u>www.TakeThemAMeal.com</u>.
- 2. Go to the center section entitled "Find"
- 3. Enter person's last name when prompted: **Deaver**
- 4. Enter the password. Password is the person's last name: **Deaver**
- 5. Sign up for whatever you can do.

If you know of a member who may appreciate having meals brought to them, but whose name isn't listed, please call Karen Rossi at 720.935.3021 (cell).Karen will contact the person/family, and set it up with them on the administrative side so their name will appear on the website. They will be included in the next week's SPIN list so others may sign up as well. Please be sure to leave a voicemail for Karen – she checks her messages often. Thank you for your support as we move forward in our Caring ministry for our beloved members.

"Let's Unwrap the Bible" Women's Bible Study

All women are welcome. We'll begin our year on Wednesday, September 14th at 9:30am in the Fireside room. We'll study the minor prophets from the "Life Change Series--Minor Prophets 1, Hosea, Joel, Amos, Obadiah, Jonah and Micah." The book is published by Nav Press, and is available at Mardel or online. PLEASE read pages 4-12, and review lesson 1 which will be our topic for discussion on September 14th. Bring your favorite beverage and have a "life-changing encounter with God's word" as we converse about scripture and faith. We meet the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of every month. Our next meeting will be **September 28th**. For more information, please contact Chris Youngren at 303.973.3096 or Sandra Fishko at 720.502.3628.

"Fellowship in the Word" is Back!

The men's Bible study, "Fellowship in the Word" will resume meeting in September, on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays, at 9:30am in room MC-1 here at the church. Next meeting in September will be Wednesday, **September 28th**. Need more information? Contact Glenn Isernhagen at 303.475.4834 or <u>gisernhagen@gmail.com</u>.

Church Financial Update

Financial Update as of August 2016

	YTD Actual	YTD Budget	Difference
Income	465,406	482,975	(17,569)
Expenses	<u>455,964</u>	<u>506,597</u>	50,633
-	9,442	(23,622)	33,064

CONTRIBUTIONS

	2016	2015
YTD Actual	441,353	441,242
YTD Budgeted	<u>449,600</u>	
	(8,247)	

ELCA WORLD HUNGER

	2016	2015
YTD Actual	\$4,830	\$5,424

SPEND OUT OF RESERVES

January	734.20	Lutheran Family Services
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	<u>1,000.00</u>	Rainbow Trail Lutheran Camp
	2,468.40	

Calendar Events This Week (September 21 – October 2)

Wednesday, September 21 Pastors at Theological Conference in WY 9:30a – Ruth Circle (FH-1) 6:00P – Confirmation Learning (entire bldg)	Monday, September 26 6:00P – Property team (FH-1) 6:30P – Prayer Shawl ministry (FS) 7:00P – Church Council (FH-1) 7:00P – Troop 554 PLC mtg. (MC-4/5)	
Thursday, September 22 Pastors at Theological Conference in WY 7:00a – Men's Breakfast (IHoP Bowles Crossing) 12:00N – Women's luncheon (Le Bistro) 1:30P – Prayer team (Sanc) 6:30P – Choir rehearsal (Sanc/CR) 7:00P – Overeaters Anonymous (MC-3)	Tuesday, September 27 9:00a – League of Women Voters (MC-3) 1:30P – SPLC staff meeting (MC-1) 6:30P – Troop 554 meeting (FH, entry, K) 7:00P – Handbell choir rehearsal (Sanc)	
Friday, September 23(office open 8am - noon) 9:00a – Blood Drive for Children's Hosp.	Wednesday, September 28 9:30a – "Fellowship in the Word" (MC-1) 9:30a – "Let's Unwrap the Bible" (FS) 6:00P – Confirmation Learning (entire bldg)	
Saturday, September 24 8:00a – Holy Fit (outside in courtyard) 9:00a – ACA/Serenity's Child (MC-3) 10:30a – Al-Anon/Columbine AFG (MC-3) 5:30P – Worship 6:15P – Harvest Dinner (FH, K)	Thursday, September 29 7:00a – Men's Breakfast (IHoP Bowles Crossing) 1:30P – Prayer team (Sanc) 6:30P – Choir rehearsal (Sanc/CR) 7:00P – Overeaters Anonymous (MC-3)	
Sunday, September 25 8:00a – Worship 9:00a – Coffee Fellowship (narthex) 9:30a – Education Hour – all ages 10:45a – Worship 7:00P – Sr. High Youth Group (YR)	Friday, September 30(office open 8am - noon) Confirmation Retreat @ Sky Ranch LC No other activities scheduled.	
	Saturday, October 1 Confirmation Retreat @ Sky Ranch LC 8:00a – Holy Fit (outside in courtyard) 9:00a – ACA/Serenity's Child (MC-3) 10:30a – Al-Anon/Columbine AFG (MC-3) 5:30P – Worship 6:15P – Harvest Dinner (FH, K)	
	Sunday, October 2 Confirmation Retreat @ Sky Ranch LC ELC Consignment Sale (entire building) 8:00a – Worship 9:00a – Coffee Fellowship (narthex) 9:30a – Education Hour – all ages 10:45a – Worship 7:00P – Sr. High Youth Group (YR)	

Community Events

Cry Out! Prayer Session for Women

On September 23rd at 6:30pm, please join other women of faith to pray for our world. The Cry Out! prayer session will be at Bear Creek Church (3101 S. Kipling, Lakewood). For more information about the prayer session, please contact Carol Giles at 303.989.1982.

Seeds of South Sudan Luncheon

Seeds of South Sudan will be hosting the third annual luncheon at Montview Presbyterian Church on Sunday **October 2nd at noon** in the Fellowship Hall. Arok Garang, former *Lost Boy of Sudan*, and founder of Seeds of South Sudan has presented at St. Philip Church and shared his story. The luncheon will focus on our first college scholarship recipient who has begun medical school at the University of Nairobi this September. The luncheon is catered by Relish Catering and is free and open to the public. RSVP is suggested. Please see the website at <u>www.seedsofsouthsudan.org</u> or contact Sue Counterman for further information.

Senior Law and Safety Summit - October 14, 2016

This educational program focuses on topics pertaining to legal, safety, and fraud awareness issues in later life. Seniors, family members, professionals in the field of aging; and individuals contemplating retirement are particularly encouraged to attend. Registration is \$10, and includes snacks, a box lunch, the 2016 Senior Law handbook, and the opportunity to sign up at no cost for a private consultation with an attorney on a first-come, first-serve basis. Medicare counselors will also be available to answer questions. Free parking/shuttle services provide to take participants between Cabela's and the Schwab Event Center. For more information, please call 720.874.8487 or email bmw@da18.state.co.us.

The event will take place at the Charles Schwab Events Center in Lone Tree, from 8am until 1:35pm. You are encouraged to sign up early; space is limited. Workshop topics include:

- Safe investing
- Fraud Protection
- Crime Prevention

- ID Theft PreventionWills, Trusts, Probate
- Powers of Attorney
- Medicare and Benefits
- Reverse Mortgages

Ken Caryl Concert Series

Please save the date for our next concert – Saturday, **October 15th at 7:30pm**. The theme is "Oktoberfest – musical selections by German composers". Reception to follow. All are welcome to this FREE event!

Lutheran Chorale Concert

The Lutheran Chorale is excited to announce their 2016-2017 season. We will be celebrating our 40th anniversary as well as Martin Luther's 500th anniversary of nailing the 95 Theses to the cathedral door.

Rehearsals will begin on Monday, September 12th at 7:00pm at Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 1200 N. Wadsworth Blvd. Lakewood. If you have any questions please contact our director, David Hodel, at 303.551.2822 or Linda Thompson at 303.666.6642. There will be no auditions; all are welcome!

Our concert season will begin with a Reformation concert on **Sunday, October 16th**. We will perform at 3pm at St. Andrews Lutheran Church (6774 W. 66th Ave. Arvada), and at 7:30pm at Holy Shepherd Lutheran Church (720 Kipling St, Lakewood). The performances are FREE; a free-will offering will be collected.

2016 Foothills CROP Hunger Walk

PLEASE JOIN US for the 2016 Foothills CROP Hunger Walk. This 5K hunger hike will take place on World Food Day, Sunday, **October 16, 2016** at Clement Park in Littleton. The Foothills CROP Hunger Walk provides food for those who hunger, while also giving an example of faithfulness and justice to our community. When you walk with us, your congregation will support the global hunger fighting work of Church World Service and the local hunger fighting work of The Action Center, the Arvada Food Bank, the Sharing with Sheridan Food Pantry, and Love INC of Littleton. The link to sign up for the St. Philip CROP Walk team is: <u>St. Philip Lutheran Church - Foothills (CO) CROP Hunger Walk</u>. For more information, please contact Sue Counterman at <u>sue.counterman@coloradoacademy.org</u>.

October Birthdays & Anniversaries

Birthdays			Anniversaries
10/1	10/11	10/20	10/5
Katie Amaya	Megan Bolt	John Vanderau	Jay & Cindy Breidenbach
Laura Cashman	Taylor White	Gillian McDaniel	
Erin Dunbar		Leyna Sanford	10/6
	10/12		David & Kristen O'Hanahan
10/2	Will Joslin	10/21	
Hope Bergren	Jack Carlson	Rachael Murphy	10/7
Linda Thomas			Joe & Jennifer Razes
Zachary Shepard	10/13	10/23	
· · ·	Pam Kubicek	Trevor Woods	10/10
10/3	Aaron Breed		Kathy & Paul Stortz
Emma Murphy		10/24	
	10/14	Laura Iverson	10/11
10/4	Diane Michael	Katie Whitaker	Kirstine & Mark Rand
Lorene Kirby	Brady Roswech		
Mark Selander		10/25	10/15
Kyle Castor	10/15	Rebecca Luoma	Roy & Ann Hager
	Marcia Wagner		Jon & Amy Leonard
10/5	Loretta Schmidt	10/26	Kyle & Andrew Pitts
Sandra Fishko	Angy Lyslo	Barb Donaho	
Kathy Wilhite		Brian Counterman	10/16
Judi Barchet	10/16		Gary & Barb Donaho
	JoAnn Breitbach	10/29	
10/7		Joel Sigdestad	10/21
Connie Schutt	10/17	0	Ron & Karen Rossi
Leilani Borstad	Gisela Fritsch	10/30	
	Maxwell Fritsch	Linda Swain	10/23
10/8		Charlie Petersen	Nick & Nancy Schell
Rob Simons	10/18		,
	Ron Rossi	10/31	10/24
10/10	Kyle Pitts	Roger Crowner	Danny & Laura Worzella
Gary Donaho	Kayleigh O'Hanahan	5	
Charlie Stevens			10/27
			Paul & Laurie Selander
			10/28
			Charlie & Erin Petersen

In Our Thoughts & Prayers

Members of St. Philip: Gisela Fritsch, Logan Kime, Gail Thomas & Travis Stokes, Linda Heesch, Phyllis Kemp, Bree Amsberry, Jo Rock, Rita Kuenne, Bob LeVin and his family, Connie Bloom, Kathy Dechant, Renate Muthart, Virginia Brennan, Dale & Marlene Hackstaff, Kirstine Rand, and Ron Rossi.

Family Members: Jeff Hansen (brother-in-law of Brian Lamb), Anne (sister of Paula Rogge), Lincoln and his family (son of Carolyn Endecott), Ronald Kimmel (relative of Galinda Knight), Brandan Tornes (relative of the Stevermers), Rose Canales (mother of Linda Baker), Craig Buchholz (father of Scott Buchholz), Scott Worman (son of Monica Auch), Ryan Ermold (son of Joanne Ermold), Nathaniel Knight (son of Robin & Galinda Knight), Jim Dawson (uncle of Dave Husted), Bill Orf (son-in-law of Howard & Nancy Hanson), Ron & Louise Carlson (Kirstine Rand's parents), Erika Kuenne (Carl & Rita Kuenne's daughter), and Sally Casterline (Nancy Hanson's sister).

Friends: Uta (Annelore Fecht), Elliott Birell (Stevermers), Chas & Kathy Goldstien (Mary DeBoer), Bert Schroeder (Bill & Marilyn Reitz), Lore Schnell & Helmut Heinle (Fritsch family), Samantha Braun (Vehrs), Rev. Rick Thompson, Emily Mulhollen (Celusniaks), Nick Quintana (Knight family), and Dr. Jill Pechacek (Roswech family).

Prayers of support and comfort to the family of Kyra Connelly, the students of Castle View High School, and those involved in the tragic accident that resulted in Kyra's death.

Prayers for peace and healing for the people of Madagascar. Prayers of support and love for our companion synods and friends in Madagascar, and our Madagascar missionary Kirsten Laderach.

Prayers of remembrance and love for all our homebound members.

Prayers for all servicemen and women deployed around the world, especially those with ties to St. Philip. Prayers for healing and comfort for those suffering with physical and mental injuries.

If you have a prayer concern, please call the church office at 303.979.4491, or send an email to Sue Riecks at sriecks@stphilip-co.org. Prayer requests will run for two weeks unless otherwise requested.

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