

St. Philip Information and News (SPIN)

November 8, 2017

Church News

Upcoming Services-November

Sunday, November 12 Deacon Erin Powers from the Rocky Mountain Synod office will be preaching. We will also bless our college care packages, and view a Veteran's Day slide show before the start of service in place of the Prelude.

Sunday, November 19 is Pay It Forward Sunday for the women of St. Philip, as well as Commitment Sunday.

Wednesday, November 22 is the Thanksgiving Eve service. Worship begins at 7pm, and don't forget to bring packaged food for Sharing with Sheridan.

Join us for the annual pie social after the service in the Fellowship Hall. Please bring a pie to share, pre-sliced, with any additional toppings you would like to add. Drinks and plates will be provided.

Upcoming Services-December

Wednesday, December 6, 13, and 20 our weeknight Advent services will take place at 6pm.

Sunday, December 10 we will have our Choir Cantata at both services. Madison Doty will be baptized at the 10:45am service.

Sunday, December 17 our Sunday School children will present their Christmas Program at the 10:45am service.

Sunday, December 24 **we will have one morning service for the 4th Sunday in Advent at 9:30am.** Then we will proceed with our regular Christmas Eve services at 3pm, 5pm, 7pm, and 9pm.

Monday, December 25 we will have our Christmas Day service at 10am.

Altar Flowers

Flowers this weekend have been given by Brett & Leilani Borstad in celebration of John & Jeri Phillips' 50th wedding anniversary.

If you are interested in donating flowers, please contact the church office. The cost is \$25 and needs to be pre-paid. You are welcome to take the flowers home after the second service on Sunday. Please return the vase to church when finished.

An Invitation to Prayer

All are invited to a time of prayer **Wednesday, November 8 through Friday, November 10**, 8:30-9:15am and 12:45-1:30pm each day. Prayer stations in the sanctuary invite you to remember, reflect, release, and rejoice!

Chili Cook Off Results

The 10th Annual St. Philip Men's Chili Cook-Off was a great success! Over \$120 went to our youth group for their trip to the national youth gathering. The results of the cook-



off: 1st Place and a prize of \$100 - Glen Isernhagen; 2nd Place and a prize of \$50 - Chuck Krieger; 3rd Place and a prize of \$25 - Corey Reynders; and the Best Named Chili and a prize of \$25 - Mark Selander for "C.A.N.N.E.D. (Completely Awesome Never Nuked Edible Delicious) Chili." Hope to see you all next year!

Thanksgiving Smoked Turkey Fundraiser

The Men of St. Philip will once again be smoking boneless turkey breasts for Thanksgiving. These turkey breasts are approximately 4 ^{3/4} lbs and are very tasty after being smoked for 3-4 hours. The cost is \$30 with all proceeds going to support the Sr. High Youth going to the ELCA Youth Gathering in Houston, TX. You may order your turkey by signing up at the Welcome Kiosk or by contacting Pastor Brad (bdoty@stphilip-co.org) by **Sunday, November 19**. The turkey breasts can then be picked up on **Wednesday, November 22** between 4:30 and 8:30pm. If you will not be here for Thanksgiving, we will be happy to freeze your turkey breast for you and will taste great for a different occasion.

Facing the Mourning

This interactive class has been designed by Heartlight Center of Denver for people of all ages, types of death, and length of grieving. This class is designed to help with the grieving process by using visual and thought-provoking tools. During the five sessions, you will be shown tools, ideas, and creative projects which can help you as you travel through the mourning process. You will be offered an opportunity for learning and self-discovery to keep your loved one's memory alive for you and your family.

This class will meet on Sundays, from 9:30 – 10:30am **November 19, 26, and December 3 and 17** in the Fireside Room. Pastor Nathan will be the class facilitator. Please join us as we support one another in our grief.

Women's Pay It Forward Weekend - Please Join Us!

Sew In, Quilts for the Sanctuary, and Pay It Forward Gifts

Saturday, November 18, 9am - 12pm Sew In

St Philip's projects that support the congregation and the community will be set up in the Fellowship Hall and might include: rag quilts, fleece tied blankets, tying quilts, etc. No sewing experience necessary! All are welcome to come fellowship and work on projects that support a variety of ministries.

Saturday, November 18, 9am - 11am Sanctuary Quilts

Please bring your beautiful quilts no later than 11am to be hung up in the sanctuary. Quilts will be up from Saturday, November 18 - Sunday, November 26. Please pick up your quilts by Monday, November 27.

Food, coffee, and drinks will be available for those sewing and/or volunteering to hang up quilts.

Sunday, November 19 Pay It Forward Sunday

Please consider an extra donation to support important work locally, nationally, and in the world. Please make your donation (checks made out to St. Philip) in the Pay it Forward Basket on Sunday, November 19 and the money we collect will be divided 3 ways. 1) Delores Project (local shelter for homeless women) 2) Mosaic (in memory of Ginny Flack) 3) ELCA World Hunger (Lutheran organization working in 50 countries around the world). Thank you sincerely for supporting these local and world charities that support people in need.

Building Our Outreach

This weekend, **November 11 and 12**, as the third week of our Temple Talks for our stewardship appeal, we will be lifting up an area of ministry that truly gives us life at St. Philip. We will be lifting up our OUTREACH! Jesus calls us to reach out beyond ourselves. We are doing so in many ways already. Our Sharing with Sheridan food pantry is feeding almost 40 families per week. On a regular basis we house the homeless through Family Promise. Through the ELCA, we are supporting 286 missionaries throughout the world, feeding the hungry through the ELCA World Hunger Appeal, helping people rebuild their lives through Disaster Response funds, and much, much more. We want to increase our support to our food pantry and to the wider church. We want to become a church that tithes each dollar we receive to the ministries of the ELCA. Come this weekend and learn more about how these dollars are making a huge difference!

Church Needs

Marketing Specialists Needed

The Evangelism team is looking for people who have experience in marketing and public relations. Sophisticated computer skills would be very helpful. Please contact LeRae Schnickel at lschnickel@icloud.com as soon as possible. Thank you!

Volunteer Opportunities

Two of our speakers from the Advocacy series on Newcomers to America, would welcome volunteers to their programs. Contact Sarah Secrist at 303.957.2883 to volunteer a couple hours a week at the Learning Source. The Learning Source promotes and provides educational opportunities through collaborative partnerships for adults and families to support their future achievements.

Contact Sarah Jackman at sjackson@casadepazcolorado.org to see how you can help at the Casa de Paz. Casa de Paz is located just blocks away from the immigrant detention center in Aurora. They offer housing, meals, transportation, and emotional support for the men and women released from detention. They help them reunite with their families.

Please check for additional information on these two outreach programs in the narthex or through Google.

Come Make a Difference in the Life of a Confirmation Student

Are you interested in making a difference and having an active role in the faith of one of our confirmation students? St. Philip is continuing its mentoring program for our confirmation students! Our mentors have and continue to make a big impact on our confirmation students and their faith. One of our confirmation students wrote, "One very special person who influenced my faith was...my 7th and 8th grade mentor during confirmation. She helped me to strengthen my faith and come out of my comfort zone with prayer. She taught me a very valuable lesson about the Bible and how to connect it to prayer. I am very thankful to have had her as a mentor during this confirmation experience."

Our goal is to pair up one confirmation student with one adult in the congregation. The mentors come to mentor during the seasons of Advent and Lent. We would like the mentors to walk with the confirmation student for two years as they go through confirmation. The hope then is that this relationship continues as they are in high school.

There are three Wednesdays in Advent where the mentors will meet with their mentee (December 6, 13 and 20). Then we will come back in Lent to meet again (February 21 and 28 as well as March 7, 14 and 21). We will begin with worship at 6pm and then join in a meal together after worship. After the meal the mentors and the confirmation students will meet for mentoring for 30-45 minutes, until 8pm.

The responsibility of the mentors will be to get to know the confirmation student you are paired up with, talk with them, pray with them, pray for them, share your faith with them, encourage them, and support them in their life and faith. This will be done through natural conversation, a guided discussion on a certain topic and connecting with them outside of mentoring.

Are you interested in making a difference and having an active role in the faith of one of our confirmation students? If so, please sign up in the narthex or contact Pastor Brad (bdoty@stphilip-co.org. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact Pastor Brad.

Advent Readers Wanted

We need people to read during the lighting of the Advent wreath on Sunday mornings during Advent. We encourage all to consider this: families with young children, families with older children, couples, groups of singles. Sign up on the sheet in the narthex. Contact Jan Philpy if you have questions.

Food Bank of the Rockies Volunteer Opportunity

Looking for a volunteer opportunity on a Saturday? For everyone who volunteers at the Food Bank of the Rockies, Sharing with Sheridan Food Pantry gets credit to use for food purchase. It's a win-win! We have a group scheduled to work on **Saturday, December 9** from 9am-noon. If you would like to help, contact Carole Kessler at 303.238.6873 or ckess911@aol.com.

Church Families in Need – Take Them A Meal

If you know of a member who may appreciate having meals brought to them, please call Karen Rossi at 720.935.3021(cell).

Thanksgiving for Sheridan

The Sharing with Sheridan food pantry has several ways you can help needy families celebrate Thanksgiving this year.

1. We will be collecting King Soopers gift cards, which can be placed in the bins outside the office, and 10-15 lb. turkeys, which can be placed in the church kitchen freezer and marked Sheridan.
2. We will be setting up a table in the hallway for food collection during the month of November.
3. Come to the Thanksgiving Eve service and bring your food to donate. Suggested items include canned meats, soup, gravy, stuffing, jelly, and cereal.

Sharing with Sheridan Food Pantry – November Donations

For November we are asking for 5 lb. bags of sugar and flour. Please place these items in the bins by the office. Thank you!

Children and Family Ministries

Sunday School

Frolic Parent-Child Sunday School (0-3 years old) continues this **Sunday, November 12**. Gather at 9:30am in the Fellowship Hall for the Sunday School opening program, then travel to the preschool wing for more songs, a story, and learning centers. We've added free-play into the hour, allowing for kids to connect with one another and caregivers to connect with other caregivers!

SPARK Sunday School (PK-4th grade) continues with the story of Joseph & Pharaoh this **Sunday, November 12!** Meet at 9:30am in the Fellowship Hall for the Sunday School opening program, then explore through the Art, Cooking, and Bible Skills & Games workshops!

Connect (5th & 6th grade) continues their Bible study this **Sunday, November 12**. Come see, explore, and make!

Events

Rejoicing Spirits Service

Rejoicing Spirits is a "no shush" worship service for all - including people thriving with cognitive disabilities. There will be songs, a Bible story, prayers, a service project, and a traditional Thanksgiving dinner. This is all happening at Bethany Lutheran Church **Sunday, November 12** from 4-7pm. Bring a canned food donation, and contact Rebecca Near if you are willing to bring mashed potatoes and/or gravy!

Seeds of South Sudan

Join Sue Counterman and Arok Garang, founder of Seeds of South Sudan, on **Sunday, November 12** for a luncheon to support seminary student Garang Manyot Giet. We will meet in the Fellowship Hall at noon, with lunch provided by Robert's Deli, to listen to the remarkable story of Garang's life and how you can help him achieve his dream of becoming a pastor and helping other orphans. Please contact Sue Counterman for details.

Preparing for Worship – November 11 & 12
First Reading: Amos 5:18-24
Second Reading: I Thessalonians 4:13-18
Gospel: Matthew 25:1-13

Worship Servants

Saturday Worship, November 11, 2017

Pianist – Becky Miller

Cantor – Quinn Silco

Altar Guild – TBD

Usher – Paul Stortz

A/V – Jerry Jantz

Worship Servants for Sunday, November 12, 2017			
	8:00am		10:45am
Assisting Minister	Sandi Stevermer		
Lector	Sue Counterman		Anne Krause
Acolytes	Erin Finnerty, Miranda Bleau		Kaden Rahne, William Parker
Communion Deacons	Peter Mielke, Linda Baker		Renate Muthart
Ushers	John Selden, Mike Graff, Tim Young		Jim Cimino, Al Herzl, Chuck Rogge
Altar Guild	Carole Kessler	Mary Hatlestad, JoAnn Breitbach	Diane Michael
A-V Sound & Slides	Denton West		John Wall
Greeters	OPEN		Kris, Rod, Jordan Mauler
Ambassadors	Glenn & Louanne Isernhagen		Stacy Wacholz
Coffee Cart	Karen Nelson		
KeyKeepers	Sat. (11/11): Dick Rock		Week beg. 11/12: Peter Mielke
Save The Date			
2 nd Saturday of each month – work at Food Bank of the Rockies			
November 22	Thanksgiving Eve Service-7pm		
December 3	Ken Caryl Concerts <i>Christmas Classics</i> -2:30pm		
December 10	Choir Cantata-8am & 10:45am		
December 17	Children's Christmas Program-10:45am		
December 24	Christmas Eve Worship Services-3pm, 5pm, 7pm, 9pm		
December 25	Christmas Day Worship Service-10am		
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May 12	Ken Caryl Concerts <i>Singin' and Swingin'</i> -7:30pm		
August 18	Ken Caryl Concerts <i>Rags to Rock</i> -7:30pm		
August 20	7th Annual Golf Tournament		
November 4	Ken Caryl Concerts <i>Harvest Hoedown</i> -2:30pm		

Calendar of Events This Week (November 8 - 19, 2017)

Wednesday, November 8 8:30a – Comfort Series Prayer Time (Sanc.) 9:30a – Fellowship in the Word (MC-1) 9:30a – Let's Unwrap the Bible (FS) 12:45p – Comfort Series Prayer Time (Sanc.) 6:00p – Confirmation 6:00p – Sr. Youth Group	Tuesday, November 14 9:00a – Girl Scout Training (MC-3) 2:00p – Prayer Team 6:00p – Book Club (FS) 6:30p – Boy Scouts 7:00p – Bell Rehearsal (Sanc.) 7:00p – Men's Bible Study (Selander Home)
Thursday, November 9 7:00a – Men's Breakfast (IHoP Bowles Crossing) 8:30a – Comfort Series Prayer Time (Sanc.) 12:45p – Comfort Series Prayer Time (Sanc.) 6:30p – Choir Rehearsal (Choir room) 7:00p – Overeaters Anonymous (MC-3)	Wednesday, November 15 6:00p – Confirmation 6:00p – Sr. Youth Group
Friday, November 10 (church office open 8-12noon) 8:30a – Comfort Series Prayer Time (Sanc.) 12:45p – Comfort Series Prayer Time (Sanc.)	Thursday, November 16 7:00a – Men's Breakfast (IHoP Bowles Crossing) 6:30p – Choir Rehearsal (Choir room) 7:00p – Overeaters Anonymous (MC-3)
Saturday, November 11-Veteran's Day 9:00a – ACA/Serenity's Child (MC-3) 9:00a – CHCA Meeting (MC-1) 10:30a – Al-Anon/Columbine AFG (MC-3) 5:30p – Worship	Friday, November 17 (church office open 8-12noon) <i>No activities scheduled</i>
Sunday, November 12 8:00a – Worship 9:00a – Coffee Fellowship (Narthex) 9:30a – Education Hour 10:45a – Worship 12:00p – Seeds of South Sudan Fundraiser	Saturday, November 18 9:00a – ACA/Serenity's Child (MC-3) 9:00a – Girl Scouts (MC-1, FH-1a/b) 9:00a – Ties to the Community (FH) 10:30a – Al-Anon/Columbine AFG (MC-3) 5:30p – Worship
Monday, November 13 <i>No activities scheduled</i>	Sunday, November 19 <i>Commitment Sunday</i> <i>Pay It Forward</i> 8:00a – Worship 9:00a – Coffee Fellowship (Narthex) 9:30a – Education Hour 10:45a – Worship

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Our Prayer List

Members:

Velton Michael, Tyler, Ji, & Ethan Henson, Scott & JoHanna Buchholz, Galinda Knight, Pam Kubicek, Kay Mosier, Rita Kuenne, Chuck Krieger, Nancy Bott, Janet Wagner, and Bree Amsberry.

Family Members:

Todd Coleman (Dawn Collins' brother)	Jennifer Gilliland (Arne & Harriet Truman's daughter)
Scott Clementi (Kevin Collins' brother-in-law)	Sharon (Carol Doehler's cousin)
Maryon Boren (Katie Amaya's grandmother)	Fawn Kemp & her children (Larry Kemp's daughter & grandchildren)
Jessica & Matt Murray (Teresa Cline's daughter and son-in-law)	Mark Overholser (Barb Delong's brother)
The Hackenberger Family (Tyler Henson's cousins)	Richard Truman (Arne Truman's nephew)
Cate Meyer (Linda Thomas' cousin)	Jenica Knight (Galinda & Robin Knight's daughter)
Jane Stevermer (Michael Stevermer's mother)	Nathaniel Knight (Robin & Galinda Knight's son)
Henry Wade (Steve & Mary DeBoer's nephew)	Scott Worman (Monica Auch's son)
Jen Mosser (Erin White's cousin)	Ryan Ermold (Joanne Ermold's son)
Family & friends of Craig Buchholz (Scott Buchholz's father)	Jim Dawson (Dave Husted's uncle)

Friends:

Fred Laroche (Ahlbrecht)	Beth Trammell & family (White)
Irene, Emma, Zach & Jess (Anderson)	Keith Stechmesser (Philpy)
Kevin Doherty (Rahne & Lamb)	Lore Schnell (Fritsch)
Tammy Glassner (Stevermer)	Janet Arceneaux (Stevermer)
June Cho (Kuenne)	Ryan Pfister (Belford)
Heather, Chad, Amy (Miller)	Emily Mulhollen (Celusniak)
Jane Webster (Connor)	Dr. Jill Pechacek (Roswech)

Prayers for all affected by the shooting at First Baptist Church in Sutherland Springs, TX.

Prayers for our sister congregations, Abiding Hope and Christ Lutheran.

Prayers of love, support, and encouragement for JoHanna Buchholz and Aaron Silco, as they continue their seminary studies.

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 Angela Seep at aseep@stphilip-co.org. Prayer requests will run for two weeks unless otherwise requested.