

# St. Philip Information and News (SPIN)

November 15, 2017

## Church News

### Upcoming Services-November

**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.

### Office Closed

The church office will be closed **Thursday, November 23 and Friday, November 24** to give our staff the opportunity to spend time with their families. Happy Thanksgiving!

### Poinsettias for Our Sanctuary

Orders are being taken for poinsettias to decorate the sanctuary on Christmas Eve. See your Connection Cards for details or contact the church office.

### Raise the Tree

It's time once again to raise the St. Philip sanctuary tree! St. Philip Men will be raising the tree after the Thursday morning breakfast on December 7. If you would like to help, meet us at the church at 8:45am. Or join us for men's breakfast and then on to the tree raising and decorating!

### Altar Flowers

**Flowers this weekend have been given by Sue Miller in celebration of Ginny Reitze's 95th birthday!**

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.

### **Angel Tree**

All the gift requests for the Angel Tree are covered! If you are getting clothing items, ANY size is fine. Refugees are choosing what they need this year and a variety of sizes are helpful. Gifts are due by **Monday, December 4**. Place your unwrapped items in the bins next to the tree. Any questions? Call Carl or Rita Kuenne at 720.320.7201 or email [rckuenne@yahoo.com](mailto:rckuenne@yahoo.com). Blessings to all and thank you!

### **ELCA Good Gifts**

Is there someone on your Christmas list who declares that he/she doesn't want or need anything for Christmas? If you are like me, you feel like some kind of gift is necessary. ELCA Good Gifts is the perfect solution for that person. You will find Good Gifts catalogs and ornaments on the World Hunger table in the narthex. Gift ideas range from water filters to pigs to health care, all of which can be given to help people in need throughout the world. Good Gifts are also a great way to show a child in your life about the importance of giving to others. After you choose a gift (or gifts), you can pick up an ornament that describes the gift and it can be given to the person you are honoring. Contact Nancy Oelz if you have questions.

### **Realizing Our Mission Weekend**

This coming weekend, **November 18 and 19**, at all three of our worship services you will have the opportunity to celebrate God's blessings and support the ministry initiatives of our congregation by bringing your completed Statement of Intent card and bringing it forward to be dedicated to the Lord's use. We will have additional Statement of Intent cards available for those who forget to bring their card with them. Together we can do far more than we ever thought possible. Together, we are making a difference. Come, join in the ministry of our congregation through the sharing of your financial gifts.

### **Silver Sages Dinner**

Join us for good food and good company at the White Fence Farm **Wednesday, December 6**. We will meet at the church to carpool at 4:45pm. Dinner is at 5:30pm. Cost is \$24.25 per person, which includes dinner, beverage, and gratuity. Please sign up on the sheet in the narthex no later than December 3.

### **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 <sup>3/4</sup> 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](mailto: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.

### **Let Us Wrap Your Christmas Gifts!**

The high school youth going to Houston this summer would love to wrap your Christmas gifts! They will be wrapping on **Sunday, December 10** and **Sunday, December 17** during both services. Bring them your gifts before service and they will have them wrapped and ready to pick up after. Goodwill offering will be accepted, and all money

raised will go towards the ELCA Youth Gathering trip this summer.

If you'd like to donate gift wrap, bags, bows, ribbon, etc there is a donation bin in front of the church office.

### **Facing the Mourning**

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.

## **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](mailto: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](mailto: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.

### **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!

### **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).

## **Thank You**

Thank you to all who have provided hugs, warm thoughts, cards, prayers, and condolences following the passing of Scott's father. This community is carrying us in our grief. We are grateful for you. – *Scott, JoHanna, & Lydia Buchholz*

## **Children and Family Ministries**

### **Sunday School**

Frolic Parent-Child Sunday School (0-3 years old) continues this **Sunday, Novem-**

**ber 19.** 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-4<sup>th</sup> grade) continues with the story of Joseph & Pharaoh this **Sunday, November 19!** Meet at 9:30am in the Fellowship Hall for the Sunday School opening program, then explore through the Bible Skills and Games workshops!

**Connect** (5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> grade) continues their Bible study this **Sunday, November 19.** Come see, explore, and make!

### **Children's Christmas Program**

The Children's Christmas Program is **Sunday, December 17 at the 10:45am service.** Children of all ages are invited to share their musical gifts during the service, and children in grades 3-6 are invited to be readers, ushers, narrators and puppeteers. Sign up for a role by November 26 when practice begins, at <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0d49adae2da57-20171>.

## **Events**

### **Ken Caryl Concert Series-Christmas Classics**

Please join us **Sunday, December 3 at 2:30pm** for a collection of sacred and secular holiday favorites performed by our choir, handbells, Bluegrass Group, and various solo and small ensemble groups. There may also be a visit by a certain man in a red suit! Festive refreshments will be served following the performance, and there may. This is a free and family-friendly event. A free-will offering will be collected to support our concert series and related funds. For more information visit [stphilip-co.org/concerts/](http://stphilip-co.org/concerts/).

<b>Preparing for Worship – November 18 &amp; 19</b>
<b>First Reading: Zephaniah 1:7, 12-18</b>
<b>Second Reading: I Thessalonians 5:1-11</b>
<b>Gospel: Matthew 25:14-30</b>

## **Worship Servants**

### **Saturday Worship, November 18, 2017**

**Pianist** – Michael Clough  
**Cantor** – Beth Clough  
**Altar Guild** – Linda Heesch  
**Usher** – Monica Auch  
**A/V** – Jerry Jantz

Worship Servants for Sunday, November 19, 2017			
	8:00am		10:45am
<b>Assisting Minister</b>	Anne Krause		Jan Philpy
<b>Lector</b>	JoAnn Breitbach		Suzanne Peterson
<b>Acolytes</b>	Abby Husted, Mason Lawrence		Tristan Bolt, Jake Hamm
<b>Communion Deacons</b>	Karen Otto, Diane Bracken		Renate Muthart, LeRae Schnickel
<b>Prayer Partner</b>	Jill Luer		Naomi Doerr
<b>Ushers</b>	Anne Husted, Mary DeBoer, Mary Hatlestad, Paula Willhouse		Nancy Schell, Kris Mauler, Carol Wall, Char Nauman
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Paula Willhouse	JoAnn Breitbach, Sue Bryant	TBD
<b>A-V Sound &amp; Slides</b>	Beth Mielke		John Wall
<b>Greeters</b>	Carolyn Endecott, Kathy Reitz, Vicki Slusser		Stacy Wacholz, Charlotte Miller
<b>Ambassadors</b>	Jill & Greg Luer		Char Nauman, Lorren Ballard
<b>Coffee Cart</b>	Rainbow Trail		
<b>KeyKeepers</b>	<b>Sat. (11/18):</b> Karen Otto		<b>Week beg. 11/19:</b> Chris White

Save The Date	
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of each month – work at Food Bank of the Rockies</b>	
<b>November 22</b>	<b>Thanksgiving Eve Service-7pm</b>
<b>December 3</b>	<b>Ken Caryl Concerts <i>Christmas Classics</i>-2:30pm</b>
<b>December 10</b>	<b>Choir Cantata-8am &amp; 10:45am</b>
<b>December 17</b>	<b>Children's Christmas Program-10:45am</b>
<b>December 24</b>	<b>Christmas Eve Worship Services-3pm, 5pm, 7pm, 9pm</b>
<b>December 25</b>	<b>Christmas Day Worship Service-10am</b>
<b>2018</b>	
<b>May 12</b>	<b>Ken Caryl Concerts <i>Singin' and Swingin'</i>-7:30pm</b>
<b>August 18</b>	<b>Ken Caryl Concerts <i>Rags to Rock</i>-7:30pm</b>
<b>August 20</b>	<b>7th Annual Golf Tournament</b>
<b>November 4</b>	<b>Ken Caryl Concerts <i>Harvest Hoedown</i>-2:30pm</b>

## Calendar of Events This Week (November 15 - 26, 2017)

<b>Wednesday, November 15</b> 6:00p – Confirmation 6:00p – Sr. Youth Group	<b>Tuesday, November 21</b> 2:00p – Prayer Team 6:30p – Boy Scouts 7:00p – Bell Rehearsal (Sanc.) 7:00p – Men's Bible Study (Selander Home)
<b>Thursday, November 16</b> 7:00a – Men's Breakfast (IHoP Bowles Crossing) 6:30p – Choir Rehearsal (Choir room) 7:00p – Overeaters Anonymous (MC-3)	<b>Wednesday, November 22</b> 9:30a – Fellowship in the Word (MC-1) 9:30a – Let's Unwrap the Bible (FS) <b>7:00p – Thanksgiving Eve Service</b> 8:00p – Pie Social (FH)
<b>Friday, November 17</b> (church office open 8-12noon) <i>No activities scheduled</i>	<b>Thursday, November 23-Thanksgiving</b> <i>Office closed</i> <i>No activities scheduled</i>
<b>Saturday, November 18</b> 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) <b>5:30p – Worship</b>	<b>Friday, November 24</b> <i>Office closed</i> <i>No activities scheduled</i>
<b>Sunday, November 19</b> <i>Commitment Sunday</i> <i>Pay It Forward</i> <b>8:00a – Worship</b> 9:00a – Coffee Fellowship (Narthex) 9:30a – Education Hour <b>10:45a – Worship</b>	<b>Saturday, November 25</b> 9:00a – ACA/Serenity's Child (MC-3) 10:30a – Al-Anon/Columbine AFG (MC-3) <b>5:30p – Worship</b>
<b>Monday, November 20</b> 10:00a – Property Team Meeting (FH-1a/b)	<b>Sunday, November 26</b> <i>Christ the King Sunday</i> <b>8:00a – Worship</b> 9:00a – Coffee Fellowship (Narthex) 9:30a – Education Hour <b>10:45a – Worship</b>

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# Our Prayer List

## Members:

**Isaac Keller, Dawn Collins, Velton Michael, Tyler, Ji, & Ethan Henson, Galinda Knight, Pam Kubicek, Kay Mosier, Chuck Krieger, Nancy Bott, Janet Wagner, and Bree Amsherry.**

## Family Members:

<b>Viki Thomson</b> (Sandi Stevermer's cousin's wife)	daughter)
<b>Family &amp; friends of Don Coleman</b> (Dawn Collins' father)	<b>Sharon</b> (Carol Doehler's cousin)
<b>Rani Youngman</b> (Amy Leonard's sister-in-law)	<b>Fawn Kemp &amp; her children</b> (Larry Kemp's daughter & grandchildren)
<b>Dick Siegfried</b> (Sandi Stevermer's father)	<b>Mark Overholser</b> (Barb Delong's brother)
<b>Todd Coleman</b> (Dawn Collins' brother)	<b>Richard Truman</b> (Arne Truman's nephew)
<b>Scott Clementi</b> (Kevin Collins' brother-in-law)	<b>Jenica Knight</b> (Galinda & Robin Knight's daughter)
<b>Maryon Boren</b> (Katie Amaya's grandmother)	<b>Nathaniel Knight</b> (Robin & Galinda Knight's son)
<b>Jessica &amp; Matt Murray</b> (Teresa Cline's daughter and son-in-law)	<b>Scott Worman</b> (Monica Auch's son)
<b>The Hackenberger Family</b> (Tyler Henson's cousins)	<b>Ryan Ermold</b> (Joanne Ermold's son)
<b>Jennifer Gilliland</b> (Arne & Harriet Truman's	<b>Jim Dawson</b> (Dave Husted's uncle)
	<b>Bill Orf</b> (Howard & Nancy Hanson's son-in-law)
	<b>Erika Kuenne</b> (Carl & Rita Kuenne's daughter)

## Friends:

<b>Family &amp; friends of Tracy Hunt</b> (Stevermer)	Lamb)
<b>Sarah Davis</b> (Anderson)	<b>Keith Stechmesser</b> (Philpy)
<b>The Manion Family</b> (Shibly)	<b>Lore Schnell</b> (Fritsch)
<b>The Kastens Family</b> (Shibly)	<b>Janet Arceneaux</b> (Stevermer)
<b>Fred Laroche</b> (Ahlbrecht)	<b>Ryan Pfister</b> (Belford)
<b>Irene, Emma, Zach &amp; Jess</b> (Anderson)	<b>Emily Mulhollen</b> (Celusniak)
<b>Family &amp; friends of Kevin Doherty</b> (Rahne &	<b>Dr. Jill Pechacek</b> (Roswech )

**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](mailto:aseep@stphilip-co.org). Prayer requests will run for two weeks unless otherwise requested.*