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

February 3, 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

Upcoming Worship - Ash Wednesday, February 10th

Join us on Wednesday, **February 10th**, **at 7:00pm** as we begin our keeping of Lent with a penitential service that includes the imposition of ashes and Holy Communion. During the season of Lent, we seek spiritual renewal as we walk with our Lord on his journey to the cross. Let us recognize our need for the gift of a Savior and be strengthened in our call to be his disciples for the sake of the world!

Altar Flowers

The altar flowers this week are dedicated by Val and Vince Lawrence, to honor the memory of Val's mother, Neva Nixon.

Scripture Readings for February 6-7, 2016

FIRST READING: Exodus 34:29-35

Moses' face shone with the reflected glory of God after he received the ten commandments on Mount Sinai. The sight caused the Israelites to be afraid, so Moses wore a veil to mask the radiance of God's glory, taking it off when he spoke directly with God.

²⁹Moses came down from Mount Sinai. As he came down from the mountain with the two tablets of the covenant in his hand, Moses did not know that the skin of his face shone because he had been talking with God. ³⁰When Aaron and all the Israelites saw Moses, the skin of his face was shining, and they were afraid to come near him. ³¹But Moses called to them; and Aaron and all the leaders of the congregation returned to him, and Moses spoke with them. ³²Afterward all the Israelites came near, and he gave them in commandment all that the LORD had spoken with him on Mount Sinai. ³³When Moses had finished speaking with them, he put a veil on his face; ³⁴but whenever Moses went in before the LORD to speak with him, he would take the veil off, until he came out; and when he came out, and told the Israelites what he had been commanded, ³⁵the Israelites would see the face of Moses, that the skin of his face was shining; and Moses would put the veil on his face again, until he went in to speak with him.

SECOND READING: 2 Corinthians 3:12-4:2

In his debates with the Corinthians, Paul contrasts the glory of Moses with the glory of Christ. The Israelites could not see Moses' face because of the veil. But in Christ we see the unveiled glory of God and are transformed into Christ's likeness.

¹²Since, then, we have such a hope, we act with great boldness, ¹³not like Moses, who put a veil over his face to keep the people of Israel from gazing at the end of the glory that was being set aside. ¹⁴But their minds were hardened. Indeed, to this very day, when they hear the reading of the old covenant, that same veil is still there, since only in Christ is it set aside. ¹⁵Indeed, to this very day whenever Moses is read, a veil lies over their minds; ¹⁶but when one turns to the Lord, the veil is removed. ¹⁷Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. ¹⁸And all of us, with unveiled

faces, seeing the glory of the Lord as though reflected in a mirror, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another; for this comes from the Lord, the Spirit.

^{4:1}Therefore, since it is by God's mercy that we are engaged in this ministry, we do not lose heart. ²We have renounced the shameful things that one hides; we refuse to practice cunning or to falsify God's word; but by the open statement of the truth we commend ourselves to the conscience of everyone in the sight of God.

GOSPEL: Luke 9:28-43a

The conversation about Jesus' suffering and death is enclosed in a dazzling foreshadowing of the resurrection. God affirms Jesus' identity, the disciples are stunned speechless, and Jesus resumes his mission with a demonstration of his power over evil.

²⁸Now about eight days after these sayings Jesus took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. ²⁹And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. ³⁰Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. ³¹They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. ³²Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep; but since they had stayed awake, they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. ³³Just as they were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, "Master, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah"—not knowing what he said. ³⁴While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. ³⁵Then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my Son, my Chosen listen to him!" ³⁶When the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and in those days told no one any of the things they had seen.

³⁷On the next day, when they had come down from the mountain, a great crowd met him. ³⁸Just then a man from the crowd shouted, "Teacher, I beg you to look at my son; he is my only child. ³⁹Suddenly a spirit seizes him, and all at once he shrieks. It convulses him until he foams at the mouth; it mauls him and will scarcely leave him. ⁴⁰I begged your disciples to cast it out, but they could not." ⁴¹Jesus answered, "You faithless and perverse generation, how much longer must I be with you and bear with you? Bring your son here." ⁴²While he was coming, the demon dashed him to the ground in convulsions. But Jesus rebuked the unclean spirit, healed the boy, and gave him back to his father. ⁴³And all were astounded at the greatness of God.

Worship Servants for February 6-7, 2016

Saturday worship, February 6, 2016

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

Worship Servants for Sunday, February 7, 2016		
	8:00am	10:45am
Assisting Minister	Anne Klingman	Anne Klingman
Lector	George Rasmussen	Jonathan Anderson
Acolytes	OPEN	OPEN
Communion Deacons	Paula Willhouse	OPEN
Ushers	Dave Oelz, Peter Mielke, Jay Breidenbach, Jerry Mydlach	Nick Schell, Nancy Schell, Rob Simons
Prayer Partner	Heather Varnell	Sandra Murphy
Altar Guild	Barb Delong, Jeanne Rasmussen	Margaret Rusch, Kris Mauler
A-V Sound & Slides	Beth Mielke	John Wall & family
Greeters	OPEN	OPEN
Ambassadors	Char Nauman & Lorren Ballard	
Coffee Cart - Chris Youngren		KeyKeeper – Bob Kidder

Worship & Music Ministry

Interested in Being an Usher?

Men and women of St. Philip, please consider joining the usher team! This is an easy way to get involved and to meet some more people at St. Philip. At St. Philip we have 12 usher teams; 6 early service teams, and 6 late service teams. Each team ushers two months out of the year, six months apart. (Example: one team ushers in April and again in October.) Each team should have 4 members, which allows for individual flexibility. If you are interested in learning more, please contact Charlie Petersen at 303.948.7953 or petersens@q.com.

Communion Deacons Needed

We have a need for communion deacons. Please contact Lisa Edington at cdotlme@aol.com or call Lisa at 303.918.2033.

ATTENTION! Altar Guild Volunteers Needed NOW!

Altar Guild is in desperate need of help this coming Sunday (January 31) for both set up for the first service and clean up after the second service! If you can help please sign up ASAP! Thank you! For more information, please contact Victoria Edington at edingtonvr@aol.com.

Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal Schedule

Sanctuary Choir is open to all men and women. Rehearsals are on Thursday evenings beginning at 6:30pm in the choir room or the sanctuary. The choir sings at both worship services on every other Sunday. For more information, please contact Alan Davis, at 303.979.4491 or 253.359.3962 or email him at adavis@stphilip-co.org.

Ringing Brass (handbell choir) Rehearsal Schedule

The Ringing Brass meets Monday evenings in the sanctuary at 6:30pm. For more information, please contact Alan Davis, at 303.979.4491 or 253.359.3962 or email at adavis@stphilip-co.org.

Bread Bakers Needed

Volunteers are needed to bake bread for communion. Please sign up at the Welcome Center kiosk. Contact Rita Kuenne at 720.320.6602 or rckuenne@yahoo.com with questions.

Community Care & Compassion Ministry

Jeffco Connects Open Forum

Several members of St. Philip have joined other faith and community people to address the concerns of the Jefferson county area about working together towards a healthier community for our children and adults. We have formed a group called Jeffco Connects which is working towards building community and overcoming isolation.

We will be sponsoring an open forum on **Thursday, February 18, 2016 at 6:30pm** at Abiding Hope Lutheran Church (6337 S. Robb Way, Littleton). Anyone from this community is invited to attend. There is no cost to attend, but a chance for us to deepen community connections with our neighbors and make a difference. You will hear from suicide prevention experts and hear stories from people impacted by suicide and isolation. You will get to practice and learn foundational skills to build community. You will also get the opportunity to join a "campaign of connection" to strengthen and celebrate community in Jefferson county.

Participating institutions include: Abiding Hope Lutheran Church, St. Philip Lutheran Church, Heritage United Methodist, Colorado Industrial Areas Foundation, Jeffco Education Association, Sources of Strength, Second Wind Foundation, Colorado Office of Suicide Prevention, and Jeffco school district.

Please see LeRae Schnickel or Shera Eddy if you have questions about this information.

The Blood Mobile is Coming!

Donate blood, but <u>not after February 12th</u>, so you are eligible to donate when the Children's Hospital Blood Mobile visits St. Philip on **Friday, April 8th** from 9am to 1pm. Sign-up information will be available closer to the drive. Just mark these two important dates and plan on helping us help the young patients who are being treated for a variety of short and long term illnesses. Questions pertaining to donor eligibility may be directed to Jennifer Barksdale, the Children's Hospital Mobile Resource Coordinator, at 720.777.5365.

A New Year for Sharing with Sheridan Food Pantry

A new year, and Sharing with Sheridan Food Pantry is still going strong! All volunteer support is appreciated—last year our volunteers put in nearly 3,700 hours, an average of more than 70 hours per week. New volunteers are always needed; if you can help, please contact Carole Kessler at 303.238.6873 or ckess911@aol.com. One opportunity coming up is to work at the Food Bank of the Rockies—SwS earns food credit for all hours worked and it's a great experience! Upcoming dates are February 6 and March 5 from 9 am to noon.

Did you know? Sharing with Sheridan Food Pantry had over 1400 family visits, representing 5,800 people last year! Current SwS needs are personal care items (these are not covered by food stamps), diapers and non-cream soups.

Ask Your Care Manager - Lutheran Family Services

Aging is a tough and complicated subject and there can be many questions. The Older Adult and Caregiver program at Lutheran Family Services Rocky Mountains has answers. Join us the **2nd Wednesday of every month** from **12:00 PM to 1:00 PM** for a **free**, phone-based, topic- specific conversation. To register for a session, call Diane Cohn at 970.232.1180 or 303.217.5864 or visit http://www.lfsrm.org/caregiver-services.

- **February 10**th Benefits for Veterans
- March 9th When to Move Your Loved One

Discipleship Ministry

Children's Sunday School Schedule

SPARK Sunday school beings a new rotation this **Sunday**, **Feb. 7**! Pre-K through 4th grade students are invited to explore the stories of the Lost Sheep and the Lost Coin through the art, cooking, and science workshops on Feb.7, 14, and 21. Meet in the fellowship hall at 9:30am for the opening! The fifth and sixth graders will continue with their Bible lessons in their own classroom.

Sweethearts Dinner – February 21st

Gather up your loved ones and treat them to a Sweethearts Dinner on **Sunday, Feb. 21!** The Junior, Confirmation, and Sr. High campers headed to Rainbow Trail this summer will serve up salad, pasta, and dessert to raise funds for camp. Seating begins at 5:30pm and goes until 7pm in the fellowship hall. Childcare is available. Reservations are not required, but helpful as we aim to be good stewards of the food! A sign-up sheet is located at the Welcome Center kiosk. Funds raised through the free-will offering will support St. Philip's 25 students going to Rainbow Trail Lutheran Camp this summer.

5th Grade First Communion Classes

This is an exciting time for our 5th grade students. It is the time where they learn about the Lord's Supper, participate in a traditional Seder Meal and take Holy Communion for the first time on Maundy Thursday (March 24th).

We invite the 5th graders and their parents to attend the First Communion classes on **March 6th from noon to 2pm and March 13th from noon to 2:30pm.** We will begin with lunch and then move to learning about Holy Communion. The students will be able to make their own chalice, from which they will take their first communion.

The 5th graders and their families are also invited to attend the Seder meal, where they will learn about the traditional Jewish Passover and eat some wonderful traditional Passover food. The Seder meal is on **March 24th at 5:30pm**, before the Maundy Thursday service. Contact Pastor Brad, Pastor Nathan, or JoHanna if you have any questions.

Join the Vacation Bible School Team

The Vacation Bible School team is looking for fresh faces to help plan and organize crafts, snacks, games, and a possible afternoon extension. If you're interested in joining the team, please contact JoHanna at jbuchholz@stphilip-co.org.

Theology on Tap

Theology on Tap is now meeting on the second Thursday of the month. We will next meet on **February 11**th. Theology on Tap is not your typical Bible study! The focus is to have conversations and discussions about God, God's presence in our world and in our lives of faith. Instead of meeting at the church, we meet at a place where we can grab a drink and talk around a table. We meet at the Locavore Beer Works at 5950 S. Platte Canyon Road, Littleton 80123 (at Bowles & Platte Canyon). Come and join us any time between 5-6:30pm. All are welcome; feel free to bring your kids and join us for a drink (they also have great root beer made on site) and great conversation! Contact Pr. Brad with any questions.

Evangelism

ELCA World Hunger Synod Challenge

Team DENVER (the Rocky Mountain Synod) takes on Team CAROLINA (The North and South Carolina Synods) to see which fans can raise the most money to support ELCA World Hunger!

Celebrate your team making it to the "Big Game" and help tackle hunger. While the Broncos and the Panthers are playing for football's ultimate prize, you can help in this epic battle. It's SUPER easy to give a gift online and also check the progress of the challenge!

Give a gift online for Team DENVER! Go to: http://support.elca.org/goto/TeamDenver The combined goal is to raise \$50,000 in celebration of Super Bowl 50!

ELCA Malaria Campaign Says "Thank You, St. Philip!"

St. Philip recently received a certificate of appreciation from the ELCA Malaria Campaign for their generous donations in 2015. St. Philip was among the top 250 congregations in the entire ELCA for their donations to the malaria campaign. Please take a moment to stop by the Evangelism bulletin board in the main hallway to see the certificate. St. Philip continues to make a difference in the world. Thank you, one and all.

Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper

Everyone is invited to come out for an evening of fun and frivolity! The annual Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper/New Member Dinner will be held on **February 9**th **at 6:00pm** in the fellowship hall. There will be live music, Mardi Gras beads and crowns, new members to meet, and delicious pancakes (regular and gluten-free) for all to enjoy! Please sign up at the Welcome Center kiosk if you are coming.

Family Life Ministry

Ties to the Community

The women's quilting/sewing ministry will be meeting **Saturday**, **February 20**, **2016** from 9:00 to 11:00am in the fellowship hall. Please come for coffee, fellowship and fun as we tie blankets and quilts together. We encourage you to come even if you can stay for only an hour. More hands make for less work and more fun. All materials are provided for your convenience.

"Let's Unwrap the Bible"

Our next meeting will be **Wednesday, February 24**th **at 9:30am** in the Fireside room. We meet the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of every month. We've just begun the Book of Esther using the bible study guide by Max Lucado. Bring your favorite cup of coffee/beverage, and be ready for discussion and insight as to how scripture relates to your life today. Questions? Contact Dianne Mydlach at 303.972.6567.

"Fellowship in the Word" – a NEW Bible Study for Men

A new men's Bible study group will begin on **Wednesday**, **March 9**th **at 9:30am** at St. Philip in MC-1. We'll meet the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of each month to focus on the Gospel and lessons for the week we're meeting. We'll also talk about what we'd like to focus on in the future, and make plans accordingly. All men are welcome! Please sign up at the Welcome Center kiosk in the narthex. Questions? Contact Glenn Isernhagen at 303.736.8655.

Silver Sages Dinner - February 21, 2016

Where: The White Fence Farm (in Lakewood) A menu is posted on the Silver Sages bulletin board in the main hallway.

Carpools: Leaving the church at 3:30pm Contact: Paula Willhouse at 720.878.8565

Silver Sages activities are for ALL seniors, whether single, single with a significant other, or married. Our purpose is to offer opportunities for fellowship and learning where we can connect and build relationships for those who are 55 and older.

Upcoming Silver Sages Events

"Save the Date"! Our Hawaiian theme pot luck lunch is on April 29th at 11am! More information will be available soon.

"Save the Date"! Our trip to the Colorado Museum and lunch out will be Thursday, May 19th. More information will be available soon.

New Member Dinner - February 9, 2016

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like you need a volunteer opportunity, the World Hunger Team is looking for people to help set up, serve, flip pancakes, and clean-up. Contact Nancy Oelz at nancyoelz@gmail.com.

War Room Bible Study

It's time to sign up for this intriguing look at the power of prayer in our everyday lives. Based on the movie, *War Room*, this 5-week Bible study will look to inspire us all to unite in prayer and develop a closer relationship with God. We will screen the movie here at church in the Fellowship Hall on **February 13 at 6:30pm** and **February 14 at noon**. Food and childcare will be provided at both screenings.

Then, starting on February 14 and 17, join us for the *War Room* Bible Study. Led by Pastor Nathan, Pastor Brad, Heather Varnell, Jerry Jantz, Juli Jacobson, Kevin Collins, and Rebecca Near, sessions will focus on clips from the movie as well as related Bible verses and group discussion. Sunday sessions fall on February 14, 21, March 6, 13, and 20 and will take place during the education hour (no class February 28; please attend the congregational meeting). Wednesday evening sessions will occur on February 17, 24, March 2, 9, and 16 and will take place during Bread and Broth. (Dinner and Bible study; what could be better!) Childcare will be provided.

In addition, each mid-week Lenten service will focus on prayer and themes from the *War Room* Bible Study. So make plans to attend! Sign-up sheets can be found at the Welcome Center kiosk or at http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0449afa729a31-warroom.

Theatre & Theology

The next play in the Theater and Theology series is *Fade* on **March 8**th at 6:30pm in the Ricketson Theater. This show is a true-to-life comedy in which Lucia, a Mexican-American, is hired to write for a cutthroat TV studio. The deadline for signing up is Sunday, February 14. Tickets are \$35/person and will be handed out the evening of the performance outside of the Ricketson Theater. Arrive by 6:15 to receive your ticket. If you have a question, contact Nancy Oelz at nancyoelz@gmail.com or 303.973.5541.

Ruth Circle February Meeting

Please join us on **Wednesday, February 17, 2016** in Fellowship Hall Room 1. The Bible study for January, February, March, and April will be Philippians. Please call Flo Figge (303.932.6197) or Margaret Rusch (303.979.7456) with questions.

Take Them A Meal – A Caring Ministry of St. Philip

Do you like to cook? Or do you want to help a family in need? We have several members of our congregation who could use some help. If you are interested, please go online to: www.takethemameal.com. If you have questions, please contact Karen Rossi at krossi4635@gmail.com or 720.283.3102.

Men's Evening Bible Study

Men's Bible study resumes on Tuesday, **January 5, 2016**. For more information, please feel free to contact Paul Selander via email at: <u>p73101@msn.com or phone him at 303.794.9739</u>. All are welcome!

Events

Lutheran Chorale Workshop

Join the Lutheran Chorale for a day of fellowship, fun and learning. We will offer breakout sessions that will help you in your ability to read music, to develop healthy lifelong vocal habits and to study the Servant Songs from Isaiah. Our group reading will focus on accessible anthems for all the seasons of the church year. Take the songs you sing with us back to your home choir and add to the depth of your library. Remember, the Lutheran Chorale wants to be here to serve, so if there is a title you need that we have in our library - let us know so we can arrange for you to borrow it.

We will be meeting on **Saturday, February 20, 2016 from 9am-2pm** at Faith Lutheran Church (17701 W 16th Avenue, Golden). We will have concert for family and friends on Sunday, February 21, 2016 at 3pm also at Faith Lutheran to share what we have learned during the workshop. Cost of the workshop is \$5 which includes lunch and music. Please RSVP to Dave Peterson at 303,210,9428.

Free Dental Day for Needy Children – February 25, 2016

In honor of Children's Dental Health Month in February, Dr. Alan Goral is hosting a one day only dental screening for children ages 17 and under at no charge. This charitable service is intended for families in need. The screening includes a doctor's exam, polish and fluoride application. If additional treatment is deemed necessary, in most cases the treatment can be performed the same day. Space is limited, so please call soon to schedule an appointment for **February 25, 2016**. Call the Ken Caryl Dental Center at 303.933.2273 to make appointments. The office is located at 10789 Bradford Road, Suite100, Littleton, 80127.

Safonia Spring Concerts – "Chaos & Order"

Safonia women's chorus presents their spring concerts on **March 4, 2016** at 7:30pm and **March 6, 2016** at 2:30pm. The concerts will take place at Highlands United Methodist Church (3131 Osceola Street, Denver, 80212). Tickets are \$15/person. To get more information or to order tickets online, please go to www.safonia.org.

<u>Colfax Marathon – Fundraiser for Lutheran Family Services</u>

Help support refugees resettling in Colorado by participating in the Colfax Marathon and fundraising for Lutheran Family Services! Events take place on **May 14**th **and 15**th and include a Marathon, Half Marathon, 10 Miler, Marathon Relay, and 5K (with run/walk and dog-friendly waves!) Register for the race at www.runcolfax.org and select LFS as your charity of choice. You can then set up a fundraising page at www.crowdrise.com/Run4Refugees2016.

Save the Date! 5th Annual St. Philip Golf Tournament
Our 5th annual golf tournament is scheduled for Saturday, June 25, 2016 at the beautiful Arrowhead golf course. Please plan on joining us. Skill levels are unimportant, and we welcome all. Each year we have a lot of fun, and food and fellowship afterwards is always good. More information to follow soon!

Church News

Wall of Crosses Gets TWO New Crosses!

Our Wall of Crosses in the church office has received two new additions, thanks to Carl and Rita Kuenne, who are home from their travels abroad. Please come by to see these two lovely crosses - one is from Belgrade, Serbia, and the other is Thessaloniki in Greece. The Serbian cross is lovely in its traditional elements, while the Greek cross is interesting because of its abstract properties. Come and see for yourself!

Need a Nametag?

Has your church nametag gone missing? Does the information need to be changed? Don Urben is our resident nametag maker and will be preparing a new batch of nametags this coming week. Please contact Don directly at 303.972.4412 or email him at adonurben@msn.com to notify him that you need a new church nametag.

Thank You from Sandi Stevermer

Dear St. Philip Family,

Thank you for the prayers, cards, phone calls, and visits following my knee replacement surgery. They have meant the world to me, and I appreciate the support. Not a quick process, so I'm learning patience...something I haven't always been good at, but realizing I just have to take it day-by-day, and put my faith and healing in God's hands...and the physical therapist's! © Blessings,

Sandi Stevermer

Sweethearts Dinner – February 21st

Gather up your loved ones and treat them to a Sweethearts Dinner on Sunday, Feb. 21! The Junior, Confirmation, and Sr. High campers headed to Rainbow Trail this summer will serve up salad, pasta, and dessert to raise funds for camp. Seating begins at 5:30pm and goes until 7pm in the fellowship hall. Childcare is available. Reservations are not required, but helpful as we aim to be good stewards of the food! A sign-up sheet is located at the Welcome Center kiosk. Funds raised through the free-will offering will support St. Philip's 25 students going to Rainbow Trail Lutheran Camp this summer.

Financial Auditors/Reviewers Needed

Are you familiar with accounting books? Do you have about 2-3 hours quarterly to help? We are in need of people to help with quarterly audits/reviews of our accounting books. We ask you to verify receipts, ensure appropriate documentation is provided for each

expenditure and to review financial statements. If you could spare about 2-3 hours one time every three months, please contact Linda at the church office at 303.979.4491.

Financial Peace University

This life-changing class taught by Dave Ramsey, the FPU teaching team, and on-site coordinator Travis Teague will help you achieve your financial goals by showing you how to eliminate debt, save for the future, and give like never before. You will be challenged and motivated to make a plan for your money and change your family forever.

The nine-week class begins on Thursday, January 21, 2016 from 6:30-8:30pm in MC-3 at St. Philip. Cost is \$93 and includes all materials. (Couples can share materials.) To sign up, go to: http://www.daveramsey.com/fpu/locations/class/1011137

<u>St. Philip Mission Endowment Committee</u> St. Philip Mission Endowment grant requests for 2016 are being accepted through April 30th. The endowment program supports both global and local projects. Grant requests will be considered for, but are not limited to:

- Church Mission Programs
- Evangelism
- Community Outreach
- Scholarships for church member seminarians
- Disaster Relief

Grant requests forms may be downloaded from the Endowment Committee page of the St. Philip Lutheran Church web site, from the Endowment Committee portion of the bulletin board in the church narthex, or from the church office. Due to the financial market downturn the total amount of grants awarded in 2016 is anticipated to be less than was awarded in 2015.

Check out the Buy/Sell, Help Wanted/Needed Board

Have something to sell? Want some help with a project? Looking for a part-time job or a babysitter? Check out the Buy/Sell, Help Wanted/Need bulletin board just outside the church office. You will find all sorts of items for sale, job opportunities, services, and technicians listed. A wonderful FREE resource at your fingertips.

Calendar Events This Week (February 3 – February 14)

Wednesday, February 3 9:30a – Women's Bible Study on Psalms (FS) 2:00P – Aerobic Dance class (FH) 6:00P – Confirmation Learning Event (FH)	Monday, February 8 6:30P – Handbell practice (Sanc) 6:30P – Prayer Shawl Ministry (FS)
Thursday, February 4 7:00a – Men's Breakfast (IHoP @ Bowles Xing) 1:15P – Prayer Team (Sanc) 2:00P – Aerobic Dance class (FH) 6:30P – Choir Practice (CR) 6:30P – Financial Peace Univ. (MC-4/5) 7:00P – Overeaters Anonymous (MC-3)	Tuesday, February 9 – Shrove Tuesday 9:00a – League of Women Voters (MC-3) 1:30P – SPLC staff meeting (MC-1) 6:00P – Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper & New Member Dinner (FH, K) 7:00P – Men's Bible Study (Selander's home)
Friday, February 5 (office open 8am - noon) 9:30a - Drop the Rock book study (MC-3)	Wednesday, February 10 – Ash Wednesday 9:30a – Women's Bible Study (FS) 7:00P – Worship
Saturday, February 6 9:00a – ACA (MC-3) 10:30a – Al-Anon (MC-3) 5:30P – Worship	Thursday, February 11 7:00a – Men's Breakfast (IHoP @ Bowles Xing) 1:15P – Prayer Team (Sanc) 6:30P – Choir Practice (Sanc) 6:30P – Financial Peace Univ. (MC-4/5) 7:00P – Overeaters Anonymous (MC-3)
Sunday, February 7 8:00a – Worship 9:00a – Coffee Fellowship (narthex) 9:30a – Sunday School – all youth (FH) 9:30a – New Member Class (FS) 10:45a – Worship 7:00P – Sr. High Youth Group (YR)	Friday, February 12 (office open 8am - noon) 9:30a – Drop the Rock book study (MC-3)
	Saturday, February 13 9:00a – ACA (MC-3) 10:30a – Al-Anon (MC-3) 5:30P – Worship 6:30P – War Room Viewing (FH/YR)
	Sunday, February 14 Receiving New Members 8:00a – Worship 9:00a – Coffee Fellowship (narthex) 9:30a – Sunday School – all youth (FH) 9:30a – War Room Bible study (classrooms) 10:45a – Worship 12:00N – War Room Viewing (FH/YR) 7:00P – Sr. High Youth Group (YR)

In Our Thoughts & Prayers

Members of St. Philip: Geri Collins, Sharon Gaare and her family, the Murphy family, Kirstine Rand, Don Zundel and his family, Sandi Stevermer, Dale Hackstaff, Renee Hartman, Sally Cox, Shirley LeVin, & Marian Schild.

Family Members: Jan Thomson (relative of Sandi Stevermer), Marilyn (stepmother of Anne Henning), Dorothy, Jackie (aunts of Anne Henning), Dianne & Al Votaw (sister & brother-in-law of Sandi Stevermer), Steven (cousin of March Roswech), Lila Lehman (granddaughter of Martha & Bob Miller), the family of Harriet Hansen (great-aunt of Kirstine Rand), Zane Walker (father of Sandra Murphy), Erwin Olson (uncle of Dori Hammer), Sonja Hammer Lataweic (cousin of Dori Hammer), Joshua Morgheim (grandson of Carolyn Morgheim), Mark Doehler (brother of Carol Doehler), Nathaniel Knight (son of Robin & Galinda Knight), Jim Dawson (uncle of Dave Husted), Bill Orf (son-in-law of Howard & Nancy Hanson), Katie Dale (sister-in-law of Mary Mahaffey), Valley (Larry & Phyllis Kemp's daughter), Sonia LeVin (daughter-in-law of Bob & Shirley LeVin), Ron & Louise Carlson (Kirstine Rand's parents), Erika Kuenne (Carl & Rita Kuenne's daughter), and Sally Casterline (Nancy Hanson's sister).

Friends: Madison Sitsler (Brian Counterman), Chas Goldstien (Mary DeBoer), Nikki (LeRae Schnickel), the family of Karalee Schafer (LeRae Schnickel), the Donamaria family (Anderson family), Carol Bymers (Karen Otto), Pam Owens and her family (Karen Smith), JoAnn Beckham (Brackens), Emily Mulhollen (Celusniaks), Nick Quintana (Knight family), and Dr. Jill Pechacek (Roswech family).

Prayers for those who suffer with mental illness. Prayers for those who need guidance in making good choices. Prayers for those affected by depression and grief.

Prayers of support and encouragement for JoHanna Buchholz as she continues her seminary studies. Prayers of encouragement and support for Aaron Silco on his Global Mission assignment in Bratislava, Slovakia.

Prayers 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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