

# St. Philip Information and News (SPIN)

## *A weekly electronic newsletter*

**April 13, 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 – New Life in Christ Sermon Series**

Christ is Alive! As we continue to celebrate the resurrection of Christ in this Easter season, we are made aware of God's presence in our world even though Christ is not physically with us. People throughout our world experience God in amazing ways as God calls, inspires and transforms. God works in our world in ways we don't even realize. This can be seen through the power of prayer, the power of evangelism and the power of the church. In all of these things we experience a new life in Christ. For the next six weeks, from now through Pentecost (May 15<sup>th</sup>), we will be focusing on the New Life in Christ through a sermon series each Sunday. We hope you are able to join us as we look at new life people in the Bible receive through Christ and as we individually look at our new life in Christ:

- April 10: Callings
- **April 17: The Power of Prayer**
- April 24: Inspirations
- May 1: The Power of Evangelism
- May 8: Transformations
- May 15: The Power of the Church

### **Farewell and Godspeed**

This Sunday, April 17<sup>th</sup>, is the last Sunday that Mike and Mary Mahaffey will be worshipping with us. Please join us at the 10:45 service to wish them well.

### **Altar Flowers**

The altar is doubly blessed this week, with flowers donated by John & Geri Collins, in celebration of their 61<sup>st</sup> wedding anniversary, and with flowers donated by Barbara Smith in honor of spring!

### **Geraniums for Pentecost**

Pentecost is Sunday, **May 15<sup>th</sup>**, and we want to make our sanctuary festive with red geraniums! The geraniums will be placed along the edge of the altar under the communion rail, to provide a cheerful splash of color in the sanctuary. If you are interested in ordering and dedicating some geraniums for Pentecost, please complete the order form on the back of the Connection Card and place it in the offering plate with your check. The geraniums will come in a three-pack, for a total cost of \$21.00. Please be sure to mark "Pentecost Geraniums" on the memo line of your check. All flowers must be pre-paid; the deadline for ordering is Sunday, May 8<sup>th</sup>. Questions? Please contact the church office (303.979.4491) or contact Paula Willhouse.

## **Scripture Readings for April 16-17, 2016**

### **FIRST READING: Acts 9:36-43**

*Dorcas was a faithful and devoted woman of charity in the community of Joppa. Her kindness and her work with clothing was well-known, especially to the widows in town. When she fell ill and died, Peter raised her back to life through the power of prayer.*

<sup>36</sup>Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. <sup>37</sup>At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. <sup>38</sup>Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, "Please come to us without delay." <sup>39</sup>So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. <sup>40</sup>Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, "Tabitha, get up." Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. <sup>41</sup>He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. <sup>42</sup>This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. <sup>43</sup>Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

### **SECOND READING: Revelation 7:9-17**

*Christ is the shepherd who leads his faithful to springs of the water of life. Christ is also the lamb who vanquishes sin and suffering, in whose blood the saints have washed their robes and made them white.*

<sup>9</sup>After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. <sup>10</sup>They cried out in a loud voice, saying,

"Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!"

<sup>11</sup>And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, <sup>12</sup>singing, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen."

<sup>13</sup>Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" <sup>14</sup>I said to him, "Sir, you are the one that knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb."

<sup>15</sup>For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them.

<sup>16</sup>They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat;

<sup>17</sup>for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

## **GOSPEL: John 10:22-30**

*Jesus responds to questions about his identity with the remarkable claim that he and the Father are one. Those who understand this are his sheep; they hear his voice, follow, and will never be snatched from his hand.*

<sup>22</sup>At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, <sup>23</sup>and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. <sup>24</sup>So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly." <sup>25</sup>Jesus answered, "I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; <sup>26</sup>but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. <sup>27</sup>My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. <sup>28</sup>I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. <sup>29</sup>What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand. <sup>30</sup>The Father and I are one."

## **Worship Servants for April 16-17, 2016**

### **Saturday worship, April 16, 2016**

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

<b>Worship Servants for Sunday, April 17, 2016</b>		
	<b>8:00am</b>	<b>10:45am</b>
<b>Assisting Minister</b>	Mike Graff	Mike Graff
<b>Lector</b>	Lisa Edington	Renate Muthart
<b>Acolytes</b>	<b>OPEN</b>	Kaden Rahne
<b>Communion Deacons</b>	Linda Baker, Karen Otto	Renate Muthart, Linda Baker
<b>Ushers</b>	George Rasmussen, Tom Silco Bill Colbenson, Quinn Silco	Charlie Petersen, Mike McNamara, Mark Morse, Rod Mauler
<b>Prayer Partner</b>	Barb DeLong	Sandra Murphy
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Connie Schutt, Carolyn Endecott	Mary Hatlestad, Mary Mahaffey
<b>A-V Sound &amp; Slides</b>	<b>OPEN</b>	John Wall & Family
<b>Ambassadors</b>	Jill & Greg Luer	
<b>Coffee Cart –</b>		<b>KeyKeeper – Bob Kidder</b>

## Are You Interested in Becoming A Member of St. Philip?

At St. Philip we offer two kinds of classes for those wishing to learn more about St. Philip, and for those desiring to become members.

**The Inquirer Class** is for those who are new to the Evangelical Lutheran Church of America (ELCA), of which St. Philip is a part. This class covers what we believe about God and the practices of the church, including the sacraments of Baptism and Holy Communion. We offer this class for those who have come from traditions other than the ELCA who wish to become members of St. Philip Lutheran Church.

The next set of Inquirer classes will be held over three Sundays: **April 10<sup>th</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup>** from **9:30am to 10:30am in the Fireside room**. Childcare will be provided through the church nursery.

**The New Member Class** is for those who are either transferring their membership from an ELCA congregation, those returning to active membership at St. Philip, or those who have completed the Inquirer Class. In this class you'll learn more about the ministry of St. Philip and how you can become part of our vision: *"All of us sharing our gifts in service."*

The next New Member Class will be held over three Sundays: **May 1<sup>st</sup> – May 15<sup>th</sup>** from **9:30am to 10:30am in the Fireside room**. Childcare will be provided through the church nursery.

***Please RSVP to the church office at 303.979.4491 if you plan to attend either of these classes and if you need child care.*** After attending the New Member Class, if you would like to become a member of St. Philip Lutheran Church, you are invited to a new member dinner on **Saturday, May 14<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm** in the fellowship hall. We will welcome you into the congregation in worship on **Sunday, May 15<sup>th</sup>**.

## Worship & Music Ministry

### **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](mailto:rckuenne@yahoo.com) with questions.

### **Greeters Needed**

If you would like to put on a happy face and shake hands with all of your friends - old and new - we could use you! Sign up in the narthex to be a greeter at either first or second service. All you have to do is arrive about 20 minutes early and greet people as they come in at the east parking lot door. It's lots of fun!! You might even meet someone new!! Contact Nancy Oelz if you have questions at 303.973.5541 or email her at [nancyoelz@gmail.com](mailto:nancyoelz@gmail.com).

### **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](mailto:petersens@q.com).

## **Community Care & Compassion Ministry**

### **Holy Hammers April Update**

The construction season for our 2016 Holy Hammers, Habitat for Humanity house will begin on Wednesday, April 27<sup>th</sup>.

Our first work day will be **Friday, April 29**, and we are scheduled for four volunteers. For those of you who like to put the deck on the foundation, here is your opportunity. This house will be co-sponsored by Holy Hammers and the Thrivent Builds program. The location will be at Sable Ridge 9 which is located just north of I-70 and Chambers Road. For your information, the Thrivent Builds program in 2015 funded 816 homes in the U. S. providing affordable housing for 2067 people. Contact Roger Bracken to volunteer ([brackenridgeco33@comcast.net/303.795.5603](mailto:brackenridgeco33@comcast.net/303.795.5603)).

### **Sharing with Sheridan Food Pantry – Family Opportunity**

A family opportunity to help! Volunteers are needed to work at Food Bank of the Rockies on **Saturday, May 7** from 9am until noon. Families with older elementary school-aged children and above are welcome! Sharing with Sheridan Food Pantry gets food credit for all hours worked. Contact Carole Kessler at 303.238.6873 or [ckess911@aol.com](mailto:ckess911@aol.com).

### **Sharing with Sheridan Food Pantry – Donation Needs**

Specific needs for April include diapers (especially larger sizes), feminine products and deodorant, all items that cannot be purchased with food stamps and are not readily available from Food Bank of the Rockies. We also welcome any monetary contributions; these may be made through the church office.

### **Lutheran Family Services**

Join the Aging Life Care Managers with the Older Adult and Caregiver Services program at Lutheran Family Services Rocky Mountains for a FREE teleconference on **April 13, 2016 from 12:00- 1:00pm**. The topic will be **Selecting a Senior Living Facility**. To register please call 303.217.5864 or 970.232.1180 or visit us online at [www.lfsrm.org/caregiver-services](http://www.lfsrm.org/caregiver-services).

### **Lutheran Family Services – Job Opening**

Lutheran Family Services has many current job openings including a Church Relations and Development Assistant position for the metro area. Check out our website at <http://www.lfsrm.org/about/employment> for a current list of employment opportunities.

## **Discipleship Ministry**

### **New Adult Class – Carl Jung, Pastor of the Soul**

Psychologist Carl Jung saw himself as a caregiver to the soul. His groundbreaking work in psychology defined structures of the psyche that lend themselves well to the Christian message of transformation and rebirth. Meaning, purpose, and value...these are the measure of his methods. Love, forgiveness, trust, peace, and hope...this is the evidence of a healthy soul. He once suggested that the future of humankind no longer revolved around the science of the material world, but now lay in the hands of the spiritual. Human relationships...that is the focus today. How do I love my neighbor who resides in a foreign land and sees the world through the eyes of a strange culture? It takes the work of the Holy Spirit, the *Paraclete*, the healer of our souls. It takes self-sacrifice and the surrender of the will. It takes a self-consciousness willing to face the divisions in our own minds. It takes God's redemptive work.

This class is being taught by Jerry Jantz beginning Sunday, **April 10<sup>th</sup>**. The class will meet in room MC-4/5 from 9:30am – 10:30am. We will work from a book by Wallace Clift entitled, *Jung and Christianity...the Challenge of Reconciliation*. Come and see with me.

### **The Book of Ephesians**

**Please Note:** *This class will **not** meet on Sunday, April 17<sup>th</sup>. Please join us again next week on April 24<sup>th</sup> as we continue our study of the book of Ephesians.*

All are welcome to participate in a bible study of the book of Ephesians beginning **Sunday, April 10<sup>th</sup>** in MC-1 during Education Hour (9:30am-10:30am). The book of Ephesians is an invitation into a world of grace, teaching about God's eternal plan to redeem all creation. This letter to the Ephesians is about the geography of grace where God labors to fulfill the mystery of the divine plan. The study invites participants to a spirituality of knowing and living the peace of Jesus that is the destiny of the entire creation. Please join us! For more information, please contact Juli Jacobson at [juliajacobson@msn.com](mailto:juliajacobson@msn.com).

### **Sunday School Update**

SPARK Sunday continues exploring the Psalm 23 this **Sunday, April 17!** Pre-K through 4<sup>th</sup> grade students are invited to take part in the Art, and Cooking workshops. Meet in the Fellowship Hall at 9:30am for the opening! The 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> graders will continue with their regular Bible lessons on the parables.

### **Save the Date for Vacation Bible School!**

Save the date! Vacation Bible School is July 11-15, 2016! This year's theme is "What's Your Call?" and will again be led by talented college-age counselors from Rainbow Trail as well as our own dedicated volunteers. Vacation Bible School is for children entering Pre-K (4 years) through 4<sup>th</sup> grade in the 2016-17 school year. Students entering 5<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> grades in the 2016-17 school year are invited to check out our afternoon arts academy! Look for more information coming soon!

If you'd like to lend your time, talents, and gifts to VBS or join in the fun of the afternoon arts academy, please contact JoHanna at [jbuchholz@stphilip-co.org](mailto:jbuchholz@stphilip-co.org).

### **Fine Arts Academy for 4<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> Graders**

SPECIAL! JUST FOR YOUTH COMPLETING 4<sup>TH</sup> THROUGH 7<sup>TH</sup> GRADE! How about a Fine Arts Academy during the same week as VBS? You'll have an opportunity to connect faith, creativity, and community, really learning to use your gifts and interests to glorify God. You will have music, Bible study and choose an art elective. This will be offered in the afternoon, so you can still help with VBS if you like. Talk with JoHanna Buchholz or contact Jan Philpy 317.709.5045 or [gjphilpy@gmail.com](mailto:gjphilpy@gmail.com) for more information.

### **New Schedule for Sr. High Youth Group**

Sr. High Youth Group has been a great place for youth to come, learn about God, get to know other youth, and play games together. We have been meeting every week at church, which has been wonderful. The leaders met in January and decided to restructure the Sr. High Youth Group in an effort to reach out to more youth, participate in more service projects, and enjoy more fun activities offsite.

Sunday evenings has worked really well for youth group in regards to the youth having more time on the weekends to get homework done and be able to come to youth group. It also doesn't often interfere with sports practices and games. However, Sunday evenings do limit our ability to participate in volunteer activities since most places to volunteer do not offer Sunday volunteer opportunities. Therefore, we will start meeting on Saturdays or during the week to do service projects. The new schedule will look something like this:

- Week 1: Youth Group at church
- Week 2: Offsite Event (Most like Sunday afternoon or evening or Saturday)
- Week 3: Youth Group at church
- Week 4: Service Project (Saturday or during the week)

It is our hope that we can build youth group back up again with people interested in doing service projects and attending offsite events, and then joining us for youth group during the other weeks. This new schedule will start in April, after Easter. With this being said, our first offsite event will be going to the Bible Tour on **April 10<sup>th</sup>**. (Please see the Bible Tour announcement below.)

If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Brad ([bdoty@stphilip-co.org](mailto:bdoty@stphilip-co.org)).

### **Theology on Tap**

Theology on Tap is now meeting on the second Thursday of the month. We will next meet on **April 14<sup>th</sup>**. 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 & Global Outreach Ministry**

### **Have You Gotten Your Coffee?**

St. Philip carries a wide variety of Equal Exchange Fair Trade coffees that you can purchase. The coffee cabinet is located in the narthex, behind the church mailboxes. Stop by and buy a bag! Prices range from \$5 to \$14/bag, with the majority of the bags selling for \$7 or \$8. To find out more about Equal Exchange and Fair Trade, please go to [www.equalexchange.coop](http://www.equalexchange.coop). There you will find the Equal Exchange/Fair Trade mission statement and a complete listing of their products.

### **ELCA Says "Thank You"**

St. Philip recently received a lovely letter from Rev. Daniel Rift, the director of ELCA World Hunger and Disaster Appeal thanking us for our gift of \$1,120 to ELCA World Hunger. The letter has been posted on the Evangelism bulletin board; please stop by and read it!

## **Family Life Ministry**

### **Ties to the Community Reminder**

Ladies, please note that the Ties to the Community quilting/sewing group will NOT meet this month, due to the SPELC clothing consignment sale. For more information about Ties to the Community, please contact LeRae Schnickel at [tschnick1@msn.com](mailto:tschnick1@msn.com).

### **St. Philip Book Club**

The St. Philip Book Club will meet on Tuesday, **April 19<sup>th</sup>** at 6:30pm in the youth room. All are welcome! The book selection to be discussed is *The Girl on the Train* by Paula Hawkins. . For more information about the book club, please contact Sue Riecks in the church office – 303.979.4491. Hope to see you there!

### **Silver Sages – “Music & Dances of Hawaii”**

Silver Sages will gather at 11:30a.m. at St. Philip Lutheran in MC-4/5 on **Friday, April 29** for a Hawaiian luncheon and program. Cost is \$10 per person. Please sign up at the Welcome Center kiosk in the narthex if you plan to come. All folks of retirement age are welcome to attend. For more information call Louanne Isernhagen at 303.736.8655.

The program for Silver Sages on Friday, April 29 will be "Music and Dances of Hawaii" by Beth Maifeld, a wife, mother and grandmother from St. Francis, Kansas. Beth was 16 in the 1960s when she moved with her family from Iowa to the island of Molokai where her father did seed research and raised seed corn. Beth and her younger sisters took hula lessons from an elderly Hawaiian lady who knew all of the old traditions. Beth learned to play the ukulele, snorkel, and joined an outrigger canoe paddling team. She graduated from high school on Molokai and came back to Iowa State University for college.

Beth and her husband, Ron, a large animal veterinarian, live on a ranch outside of St. Francis, where they raise cattle. They have two grown children and three grandchildren. Beth has given programs about Hawaiian music and dancing and we look forward to her being with us for the Silver Sages luncheon.

### **College Outreach – Student Care Packages**

Hello, college student supporters! Spring means it's almost finals time!! We will soon collect food to stuff the 60 college student care packages. The pennants are up in the narthex, so please feel free to grab one or more. The snack items needed are highlighted on the pennants. You and a friend can go in on the snacks together as well. Return all snacks to the church no later than Saturday, **April 16<sup>th</sup> at 12noon**. The students really appreciate this generous package and all of our prayers. Thank you for your help. Questions, contact Anne Henning at [adhenning14@gmail.com](mailto:adhenning14@gmail.com).

### **Tuesday Evening Men's Bible Study**

The men's evening bible study group resumed on Tuesday nights at 7:00pm at the Selander's home with a new study on Hebrews. Please contact Paul Selander at 303.794.9739 or email him at [p73101@msn.com](mailto:p73101@msn.com) for more information.

### **2016 Men's Retreat**

Men of St. Philip, come to the men's 2016 annual retreat Friday, **April 22 - Sunday, April 24**. The retreat will be held at the Easter Seals Rocky Mountain Village, only 40 miles from St. Philip.

Spouses and families of men of St. Philip, we encourage you to encourage the men in your family to join us for the annual retreat. Sometimes, we men need to be pushed and encouraged to go, so we need your help!

Pr. Nathan will lead our presentation on the Gospel of Luke and then we will break out into discussion groups in the afternoon to talk about how we can relate this to our lives. Participate in bible study, spiritual music and lively discussions in the quiet of God's surroundings. Cost is \$100 for two nights lodging, five delicious meals and a weekend of Christian fellowship. Once again this year, we are encouraging those who can't come

up for the whole weekend to come up just for Saturday (9am-4pm) for only \$20, which includes lunch.

Information about carpooling and sign-up available at the Welcome Center kiosk. Need more information? Contact Pastor Brad at 303.979.4491.

### **“Let’s Unwrap the Bible”**

Our next meeting will be **Wednesday, April 27<sup>th</sup> at 9:30am** in the Fireside room. We normally meet the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> 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**

The newest men’s Bible study group will meet on **Wednesday, April 27<sup>th</sup> at 9:30am** at St. Philip in MC-1. We’ll meet the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> 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.

### **Upcoming Silver Sages Events**

“Save the Date”! Our trip to the Colorado Museum and lunch out will be Thursday, May 19<sup>th</sup>. More information will be available soon.

### **Ruth Circle March Meeting**

Please join us on **Wednesday, April 20, 2016** in FH-1 (the regular meeting room). 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 contact Karen Rossi at [krossi4635@gmail.com](mailto:krossi4635@gmail.com) or 720.283.3102.

## **Church News**

### **Great Expectations**

JoHanna and Scott Buchholz are excited to announce that they are expecting a baby at the end of July! The sex of the baby will remain a surprise until delivery. Thank you all for continued prayers of love and support!

### **Save the Date – Dinner & Concert!**

Saturday, May 14<sup>th</sup> is the next New Member fellowship dinner and this year, immediately following the dinner, St. Philip is hosting the first of its concert series. The dinner and the concert are free (a free-will offering will be taken), and all are welcome. More information will be coming soon in the SPIN, but mark your calendar now!

### **The Golf Outing is Coming!**

The 5<sup>th</sup> annual St. Philip golf outing is coming! Save June 25<sup>th</sup> for having lots of fun at the Arrowhead golf course, and start recruiting your team now!

### **Getting Ready for the Silent Auction**

Are you spring cleaning? Do you own or operate a business? Do you have a skill you can share? Can you find something to donate to the St. Philip silent auction to be held during the month of June in conjunction with the golf outing? You may bring any of these items to the church office at any time.

### **St. Philip Mission Endowment Fund 2016 Grant Applications Being Accepted**

Grant applications are being accepted by the St. Philip Mission Endowment Fund through **April 30, 2016**. Grant requests should be for programs or activities that support the church mission programs, evangelism, community outreach, scholarships for seminarians or Christian studies, or disaster relief. The maximum grant is \$1,500. Grant application forms are available on the bulletin board outside the church office, on the church website, or may be obtained from any Evangelism committee member. For additional information please contact George Rasmussen at 303.933.4656 or [georgerasm@aol.com](mailto:georgerasm@aol.com).

## Church Financial Update

### ***Financial Update as of March 2016***

	<b>YTD Actual</b>	<b>YTD Budget</b>	<b>Difference</b>
Income	169,890	183,412	-13,522
Expenses	<u>176,814</u>	<u>187,230</u>	<u>10,416</u>
	-6,924	-3,818	-3,106

### **CONTRIBUTIONS**

	<b>2016</b>	<b>2015</b>
YTD Actual	160,638	170,297
YTD Budgeted	<u>172,900</u>	
	(12,263)	

### **ELCA WORLD HUNGER**

	<b>2016</b>	<b>2015</b>
YTD Actual	2,307	1,936

### **SPEND OUT OF RESERVES**

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

## Community Events

### **Celebrate Wartburg West's 30<sup>th</sup> Year with the Wartburg Choir**

As part of the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration for the Wartburg West Urban Semester program, the renowned Wartburg Choir, along with members of the Denver School of the Arts choir, will present a concert at Saint John's Episcopal Cathedral in Denver on Friday, **April 22**, at 7:30pm. For more information, or to purchase tickets, visit <http://www.sjcathedral.org/Concerts>.

### **Ken Caryl Concert Series**

The Musicians of St Philip Lutheran Church are pleased to introduce "Ken Caryl Concerts", an exciting new concert series featuring a wide variety of musical talents from our church family and the surrounding community. We will offer 3-4 concerts per

year and all ages are welcome. The concerts will include sacred and secular music of all genres. It is our hope to entertain, educate, inspire, and extend a warm welcome to the surrounding community with these events. All concerts will be free of charge, though donations will be collected to support the series and related funds like our current campaign for a new sanctuary piano. Please save the following dates for our 2016 concerts:

**Saturday, 5/14/16, 7:30 pm – Kickoff Concert.** This is our first big bash and will feature various musicians from the St Philip Community. The concert will be followed by a lovely dessert reception in the Fellowship Hall.

**Sunday, 7/17/16, 2:30 pm – Columbine Music Teachers Association (CMTA) 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration Concert.** CMTA has been a strong presence in the musical community in our area for the past 25 years and many of the members and students from this group have strong ties to St Philip. This concert will feature performances by CMTA's best and brightest rising stars and teachers.

**Saturday, 10/15/16, 7:30 pm – Oktoberfest Concert.** Cellist, Josh Keltner, Soprano, Kristen Celusniak, and friends will present the works of Bach, Brahms, Beethoven, and more.

For more information on the concert series, and/or to learn how to get involved, please contact Alan Davis ([adavis@stpphilip-co.org](mailto:adavis@stpphilip-co.org)) or Kristen Celusniak ([kristen.celusniak@gmail.com](mailto:kristen.celusniak@gmail.com)).

### **Scottish Fiddle Club Concert**

The Scottish Fiddle Club is having a concert at St. Philip on Saturday, **April 23, 2016** at 1:30pm. St. Philip members Lora Stevens and Louanne Isernhagen are members of the Scottish Fiddle Club, and would like to invite you to attend our spring concert!

The group is composed of adults and kids, and they are very good! In addition to great fiddle music, the concert will feature tributes to legendary Scottish-American wilderness advocate John Muir, and the famous Scottish-American fiddler Eck Robertson. The Scottish Fiddle Club has been in operation since 2011, presented numerous concerts and workshops, and has performed on television. Although they never charge admission for their concerts, they are asking for a \$5 donation at the door which will be donated to the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation (JDRF). Be sure to sign up for the door prize drawing for a stay at the famous Glen Eyrie Castle in Colorado Springs, and a variety of other prizes! Light refreshments will be served following the concert.

## Calendar Events This Week (April 13 – April 24)

<b>Wednesday, April 13</b> SPELC Consignment Sale (entire building) 9:30a – Men's Bible study (Pr. Glenn's home) 6:00P – Confirmation Service Event (off-site)	<b>Monday, April 18</b> 6:00P – Property team (FH-1) 6:30P – Handbell Practice (Sanc) 6:30P – Prayer Shawl Ministry (FS)
<b>Thursday, April 14</b> SPELC Consignment Sale (entire building) 7:00a – Men's Breakfast (IHoP @ Bowles Xing) 1:15P – Prayer team (off-site) 5:00P – Theology on Tap (Locavore) 6:30P – Choir practice (CR)	<b>Tuesday, April 19</b> 1:30P – SPLC staff meeting (off-site) 3:00P – College Care Pkgs. (MC-4/5) 6:30P – Book Club (YR) 6:30P – BS Troop 554 (entry, FH, K) 7:00P – Men's Bible study (Selander's home)
<b>Friday, April 15</b> (office open 8am - noon) SPELC Consignment Sale (entire building)	<b>Wednesday, April 20</b> 9:00a – Ruth Circle (FH-1) 6:00P – Confirmation Learning Event (FH, +)
<b>Saturday, April 16</b> SPELC Consignment Sale (entire building) <b>5:30P – Worship</b>	<b>Thursday, April 21</b> 7:00a – Men's Breakfast (IHoP @ Bowles Xing) 1:15P – Prayer team (FS) 5:00P – Theology on Tap (Locavore) 6:30P – Choir practice (CR) 7:00P – Overeaters Anonymous (MC-3)
<b>Sunday, April 17</b> <b>8:00a – Worship</b> 9:00a – Coffee Fellowship (narthex) 9:30a – Adult Classes (MC-4/5) 9:30a – Inquirer's class (FS) 9:30a – Sunday School (FH, K, other rooms) <b>10:45a – Worship</b> 7:00P – Sr. High Youth (YR)	<b>Friday, April 22</b> (office open 8am - noon) Men's Retreat (Easter Seals Camp) 9:30a – Drop the Rock book study (MC-3)
	<b>Saturday, April 23</b> Men's Retreat (Easter Seals Camp) 9:00a – ACA (MC-3) 10:30a – Al-Anon (MC-3) 1:30P – Scottish Fiddle Concert (Sanc) 3:00P – Scottish Fiddle Reception (FH) <b>5:30P – Worship</b>
	<b>Sunday, April 24</b> Men's Retreat (Easter Seals Camp) <b>8:00a – Worship</b> 9:00a – Coffee Fellowship (narthex) 9:30a – Adult Classes (MC-1, MC-4/5) 9:30a – Inquirer's class (FS) 9:30a – Sunday School (FH, K, other rooms) <b>10:45a – Worship</b> 7:00P – Sr. High Youth (YR)

## **In Our Thoughts & Prayers**

**Members of St. Philip: Carl Kuenne, Joanne Ermold, Ginger Cordova, Barb Donaho, Amy Rahne and her family, the Stevens family Tom Schnickel, Shirley LeVin, Chris Youngren, Renee Hartman, and Sally Cox.**

**Family Members: Don Coleman** (father of Dawn Collins), **Zachary Lovato** (brother of Sarah Bleau), **Charles Larson** (nephew of Bob & Marcia Wagner), **the family of Roland Bonjour** (cousin of Dori Hammer), **the family of Lori Mull** (aunt of Linda Goodnough), **Jimmy Leiker** (uncle of Linda Thomas), **James Gregitis** (father of Susan Fagerness), **Dorothy Koenig** (mother of Jan Philpy), **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), **Katie Dale** (sister-in-law of Mary Mahaffey), **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: Kim Elliott and his family** (Stevermers), **the Oberg family**, **William Beaver** (Stevermers), **Dan Casebolt and his family** (Sandi Stevermer), **the Landy family** (Amy Rahne), **Pastor Kate Killebrew** (Paul & Nancy Jacobs), **Richard Lindvall** (Karen Smith), **Rev. Rick Thompson**, **JoAnn Beckham** (Brackens), **Emily Mulhollen** (Celusniaks), **Nick Quintana** (Knight family), and **Dr. Jill Pechacek** (Roswech family).

**Prayers for those who struggle with mental health issues.**

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

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