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

May 11, 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 15th), 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

Upcoming Worship – Pentecost, May 15th

This Sunday is Pentecost! It's the next big church celebration after Christmas and Easter, but is frequently overlooked because it usually falls in the summer. Not this year! So let's celebrate! **Wear red!** Order red geraniums to decorate the sanctuary! Volunteer to read the lesson in another language! Come, join us on the 15th – there will be much to celebrate, as we welcome new members into our community of faith at the 8am service, and then recognize and honor our graduating high school seniors at the 10:45am service.

The first reading on Sunday will be read in several languages besides English – Latin, Russian, Spanish, French, and German. Please listen carefully as members of our congregation share their gift of language!

Upcoming Worship – May 15th – Welcome, New Members!

We will be welcoming three new families into the St. Philip community at the 8am service this Sunday. Please stop and say hello to: Janice and James Lingle, the Lofblad family – Alan, Madeline, Juliana, Marielle, Tristan, and Victoria, and Denton and Karen West.

Upcoming Worship - Class of 2016 High School Celebration Sunday, May 15th

Please join us on Sunday, May 15th at the 10:45 service when we will be celebrating the graduation of St. Philip high school students: Katy Anderson, Katrina Breidenbach, Madison Garcia, Ryan Marstiller, Connor McNamara, Katherine Parker, Davis Rhodes, Raymond Wall, Devlin Walton, Jordan Zimmerman, and Lauren Lamb. Look for information about each student in the narthex during May. (If you have a high school graduate in your family and you do not see his/her name here, please email thebreidenbachs1@comcast.net .)

Upcoming Worship – May 22 – Making a Joyful Noise!

The second service on May 22 is going to be full of music and children! <u>Plan on arriving</u> <u>early because the Sunday school children will begin the service by singing a selection of</u> <u>songs beginning at **10:40am**</u>. We will be recognizing and honoring all teachers at the beginning of worship, and then during the Children's Conversation, we will be serenaded with more music from the Sunday school children. We will be welcoming Emmersyn Stolin, great-granddaughter of Hal and Jan Erickson in the waters of holy baptism, and the service will conclude with the congregation and children singing "Allelu, Allelu" as our postlude.

Upcoming Worship – Summer Worship Schedule Begins May 29th

Effective on Sunday, **May 29th**, we will begin our summer worship schedule. The second service on Sunday will move to an earlier time slot of 9:30am. The other two worship services will remain at their regular times. Sunday school and adult education classes will be on break until September. Coffee fellowship in the narthex will continue from 9am to 9:30am. Please continue to join us for worship this summer!

Upcoming Worship – Memorial Day Tribute, Saturday, May 28-Sunday, May 29

Please come early to worship the weekend of May 28-29 as we pay tribute to those paid the ultimate price in service to our country. We will be featuring a slideshow with music as the prelude at all three worship services.

Altar Flowers

The 2016 flower chart is up, and there are dates available in May. Please come by the church office or call 303.979.4491 to reserve your special date. Arrangements are \$25, and must be pre-paid.

Scripture Readings for May 14-15, 2016

FIRST READING: Acts 2:1-21

Before Jesus ascended into heaven, he told his disciples they would be filled with the Holy Spirit. Now, surrounded by signs of fire, wind, and a variety of languages in their midst, the people were amazed and astonished at Jesus' promise coming true.

¹When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. ²And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. ³Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. ⁴All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

⁵Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. ⁶And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. ⁷Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? ⁸And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? ⁹Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts

of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, ¹¹Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." ¹²All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" ¹³But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine."

¹⁴But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. ¹⁵Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. ¹⁶No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

¹⁷ In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams.

¹⁸Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy.

¹⁹And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist.

²⁰The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day.

²¹Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'

SECOND READING: Romans 8:14-17

Here Paul speaks about the mystery of baptism: through the Holy Spirit we are claimed, gathered, and welcomed into Christ's body, the church. And we receive new names in our adoption: brother, sister, child of God.

¹⁴For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. ¹⁵For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" ¹⁶it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, ¹⁷and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ—if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

GOSPEL: John 14:8-17, 25-27

Though the disciples struggle with Jesus' nature and identity, they receive the promise that they too will be identified with God and God's mission. Though he must leave them now, Jesus promises the coming of the Advocate whom God will send to comfort and enlighten them.

⁸Philip said to [Jesus,] "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied." ⁹Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? ¹⁰Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. ¹¹Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. ¹²Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. ¹³I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. ¹⁴If in my name you ask me for anything, I

will do it.

¹⁵If you love me, you will keep my commandments. ¹⁶And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. ¹⁷This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you.

[²⁵I have said these things to you while I am still with you. ²⁶But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. ²⁷Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid.]

Worship Servants for May 14-15, 2016

Saturday worship, May 14, 2016

- Pianist Naomi Doerr
- Cantor Taylor White
- Usher Paul Stortz
- Altar Guild Linda Heesch
- A/V Jerry Jantz

| Worship Servants for Sunday, May 15, 2016 | | |
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| | 8:00am | 10:45am |
| Assisting Minister | Anne Klingman | Anne Klingman |
| Lector | Karen Morin | Jan Philpy |
| Acolytes | Melissa Giesen, Caroline Casson | Andy Carlson, Anna Carlson |
| Communion Deacons | Sandi Stevermer, Lisa Edington | Don Urben, Renate Muthart |
| Ushers | John Selden, Mike Graff, Tim Young | Al Herzl, Jim Cimino, Chuck Rogge |
| Prayer Partner | Barb Delong | Naomi Doerr |
| Altar Guild | JoAnn Breitbach, Jeanne Rasmussen | Mary Hatlestad, OPEN |
| A-V Sound & Slides | Joe Klingman | The Wall family |
| Greeters | Marilyn Belford | Ed & Gisela Fritsch |
| Ambassadors | Dick Rusch & Mary Hatlestad | |
| Coffee Cart | Rainbow Trail Youth | |
| KeyKeepers | Saturday (5/14): Dick Rock | Week beginning 5/15: John Breed |

Community Care & Compassion Ministry

The Blood Mobile is Coming!

The Children's Hospital Blood Mobile will visit St. Philip on **Friday, June 3rd** from 8:30am to 12:15pm. Just mark this important date on your calendar and plan on joining us in helping the young patients who are being treated for a variety of short and long term illnesses.

The online link to sign up is: <u>http://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b0c4aabab2da46-</u><u>stphilip</u>. You can also stop by the Welcome Center kiosk in the narthex to sign up. There is also a signup sheet at the Welcome Center kiosk.

Questions pertaining to donor eligibility may be directed to Jennifer Barksdale, the Children's Hospital Mobile Resource Coordinator, at 720.777.5365 or email Susan and Bill Shepard at swshep5@msn.com.

Family Promise Rotation – May 22-29

Our next Family Promise rotation is coming up soon (**May 22– 29**). There are a number of ways you can help our team serve the needs for several homeless families during their week stay at St. Philip. You can sign up at our table in the narthex to provide food, be an evening host, drive the van, be an overnight host or help with set-up or take-down. For more information, contact Bob Delong at 303.808.6423 or email at <u>delongfamilybob@gmail.com</u>.

May is Diaper Drive Month!

May is Diaper Drive month here at St. Philip! We are collecting for Love INC again this year for their two programs for underprivileged families: Dipes 'n Wipes and Haven's Hope. The greatest need is for larger diapers sizes 3, 4, 5, 6 and baby wipes. Let's help them out! Bring your donations to the Welcome Center kiosk in the narthex. For more information, contact Becky Near at <u>beckynear@q.com</u>.

Love INC and Partner Churches Help Fire Victims

Please continue to pray for the victims of the fire at Southview Place Apartments. The 131 displaced people are seniors and many medically fragile, and now find themselves homeless. Love INC was instrumental in placing 6 of the most critical in a cost-free room, compliments of Clare Bridge Assisted Living in Highlands Ranch. Mission Hills' Littleton Life Center opened its space to the Red Cross for additional sheltering and the transition to the Disaster Recovery Resource Center.

Sharing with Sheridan Food Pantry

A family opportunity to help! Any family! Singles, couples, groups! Volunteers are needed to work at Food Bank of the Rockies on **Saturday, June 11** 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 <u>ckess911@aol.com</u>.

Sharing with Sheridan Food Pantry – Donation Needs

Specific needs for April include feminine products and deodorant and other toiletries, 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.

Discipleship Ministry

SAVE THE DATE! - Family Fun Lunch, June 5th

Save the Date! Sunday, June 5, 10:45am-Noon is the first church family Fun Lunch of the summer! Gather up your friends and family, pack a picnic lunch, and come for fun! We'll have games for all ages, time for lunch, and a closing prayer and blessing.

Fundraiser for Rainbow Trail Campers – Youth Car Wash, May 15th

The children and youth going to Rainbow Trail Lutheran Camp will be washing cars on Sunday, May 15th! If you would like your car washed during worship, please park in the north part of the parking lot. The parking lot will be marked when you drive in, so you will know where to park. All cars in this part of the parking lot will be washed during worship. After worship you can drive away in your clean car (at least on the outside). This fundraiser is a free-will donation. Thank you for your support of the children and youth going to camp this summer!

Fundraiser for Rainbow Trail Campers – Krispy Kreme Doughnuts!

The children and youth going to Rainbow Trail Lutheran Camp will be pre-selling Krispy Kreme doughnuts during the first half of May. The children and youth will be in the narthex on Sunday May 1st, 8th and 15th for you to order your doughnuts. You can purchase original glazed, chocolate glazed, Kreme-filled, raspberry-filled, or lemon-filled doughnuts by the dozen. You can also purchase value cards (bogo cards) or certificates for a dozen original glazed doughnuts. The doughnuts purchased will then be at the church on May 22nd for pick-up. Thank you for your support of the children and youth going to camp this summer!

<u>5th & 6th Graders Bowling – May 15th</u> St. Philip 5th & 6th graders are invited to bowl together on Sunday, **May 15**. An evite was sent out to families with the details. If you did not receive the evite, please contact JoHanna at jbuchholz@stphilip-co.org.

Sunday School Update for May 15th

This Sunday, **May 15**, all Sunday school students Pre-K through 6th grade will meet in the Fellowship Hall to prepare songs and skits for worship on Sunday, May 22. The 22nd is our "Summer's Here" celebration and the final SPARK Sunday school hour of the school year. All students will be involved in the 10:45 service on the 22nd.

Vacation Bible School Update

It takes a village to run VBS! The St. Philip VBS team is looking for volunteers to help our 100+ VBS kids have a safe, fun, and meaningful week of Vacation Bible School this **July 11-15**:

- VBS Guides are adults and teens (9th-12th grade) who stick with a group of kids throughout the week. They greet and gather their group each morning, interact with the kids at their different workshops, and engage the kids throughout the morning. Guides need to be available 8:30-12:30, Monday-Friday of VBS, as well as complete an orientation beforehand.
- VBS Junior Guides are tweens (5th-8th grade) who stick with a group of kids throughout the week. They assist the guides with gathering their group each morning, pass out supplies, and engage the kids throughout the morning. Junior Guides need to be available 8:30-12:30, Monday-Friday of VBS and are invited to bring a lunch and take part in the afternoon arts academy (see more below).
- Helpers are adults and youth (5th-12th grade) who help with set-up, clean-up, or in specific workshop stations, such as crafts, snacks, Bible lessons, or games. This is a great opportunity for those that want to help, but can't commit to being present every day of VBS. Helpers need to be available 8:30-12:30 on the days they choose to help.

If you or someone you know would be a great Guide, Jr. Guide, or Helper, contact JoHanna in the church office or at <u>jbuchholz@stphilip-co.org</u>.

Register NOW for Vacation Bible School!

Vacation Bible School registration is now open! VBS is **July 11-15**, **9-noon**, and is for incoming Pre-K (4 years) through 4th grade students. 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. To register, please visit <u>http://www.stphilip-co.org/childrens-ministries/vacation-bible-school</u>. Cost for the week is \$35 per child, or only \$30 if registered by July 1! Contact JoHanna Buchholz in the church office or by email at <u>ibuchholz@stphilip-co.org</u> with questions.

Register for Fine Arts Academy (4th-7th Graders)

Registration for the St. Philip Fine Arts Academy is now open! This is a brand new opportunity for incoming 5th-8th graders to connect faith, creativity, and community, as well as use their gifts and interests to glorify God! The academy is **July 11-15, 12:30-3:30pm**, with the option of being a Jr. Guide for VBS in the morning. Each afternoon, participants will have music, Bible study, and an art elective of their choice. To register, please visit <u>http://www.stphilip-co.org/fine-arts-academy</u>. Cost for the academy is \$35 per participant, or only \$30 if registered by July 1! Talk with JoHanna Buchholz or contact Jan Philpy 317-709-5045 or <u>giphilpy@gmail.com</u> for more information.

Schedule for Sr. High Youth Group

Children and youth are both the present and the future of the church and the world. We, as a church, nourish the faith of these young people as they grow in their relationship and knowledge about God, build relationships with others, and serve those in need. Just

as Jesus invited the children to come to him, we too invite and welcome all children and youth to St. Philip Lutheran Church.

Sr. High Youth Group is for all of our youth in high school to come together to hang out, play games, serve and enjoy one another. We hope that you or your youth will be able to join us for as many of the events as they can. Below is the schedule for the next couple of weeks:

May 1st: Youth Group from 7-8:30pm at the church.

May 8th: No Youth Group (Mother's Day).

May 15th: Youth Group from 7-8:30pm at the church.

May 22nd: Fellowship Event - Mini Golf at Adventure Golf in Westminster. May 29th: Service Project – TBD.

If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Brad (<u>bdoty@stphilip-co.org</u>).

Theology on Tap

Theology on Tap is on break for May and the summer. It will resume in the fall.

Evangelism & Global Outreach Ministry

Thank You from Soles for Souls

St. Philip received a lovely thank you letter from the Soles for Souls ministry, expressing their gratitude for our recent donations of used shoes. Please stop by the Evangelism & Global Outreach ministry bulletin board to read the entire letter. Thank you, St. Philip, for your continuing support of this worthwhile ministry.

Autumn Adult Mission Trip

Join us on our adult mission trip! The Thrivent/Habitat Builds will spend the week of October 9th – 15th in Taos, New Mexico building a home for a deserving family. The cost is approximately \$400 per person (transportation to Taos is extra). Some meals will be provided; most dinners will be paid for by each participant. No experience in homebuilding needed! Questions? Email Barb Delong at <u>delongfamilybarb@gmail.com</u> An informational meeting will take place on Sunday, **May 22nd at noon** in the FH-1 classroom. Contact Barb to secure your spot!

Campbell Soup Label Program is Ending

The Campbell Soup Label program will be discontinued on July 31, 2016. The Navajo Evangelical Lutheran Mission and School receives labels from all over the country, and many more are mailed directly to the program headquarters earmarked for the mission's benefit. Over the years, the piles of carefully clipped labels have added up to at least 8 new vehicles, along with tables, chairs, school supplies, and much, much more.

Labels received and recorded prior to July 31 can still count toward valuable resources for the mission and school. Please advise your label collectors so that everything can be sent in by July 1, 2016. If you have any questions, contact Pastor Edward Busch @ 626.799.0961.

The Campbell Soup Label program has been a godsend to Navajo Lutheran Mission. The benefits to the Navajo people are more than can be numbered. Please accept our sincere gratitude for the many dedicated individuals and congregations who have participated. <u>P.S. You can still send the "box tops for education" from General Mills to Solheim Lutheran Home or the Mission.</u>

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 <u>www.equalexchange.coop</u>. There you will find the Equal Exchange/Fair Trade mission statement and a complete listing of their products.

Family Life Ministry

Silver Sages Planning Meeting

Silver Sages 2017 planning meeting, **Monday, May 16**, 9:30am at the church in room MC-3. If you are 55 and older, married single or have a significant other, come with your ideas and help us plan our events for the upcoming year. For more information about the Silver Sages, please contact Chris Youngren or Louanne Isernhagen.

Men's Softball League

Men, it's time to play ball! Softball, that is! The men's Sunday evening league will play Schaffer Athletic Complex; games will start the week of May 22. A sign-up sheet is available at the Welcome Center kiosk or you can email Charlie Petersen to secure your place on the team. Cost per person will be approximately \$45, depending on how many sign up. You must be 18 years to play. Charlie Petersen is the coordinator/contact person for the league; you can reach him at petersens@q.com or call him at 303.912.6671. Batter up!

Tuesday Evening Men's Bible Study Update

The men's evening bible study group will start studying Paul's Letter to the Romans on Tuesday, May 3rd, continue for 3 weeks and then break until fall. Please contact Paul Selander at 303.794.9739 or email him at <u>p73101@msn.com</u> for more information.

Men's Bible Study "End of Study BBQ"

The annual men's Bible study "End of Study BBQ" will begin at 6 o'clock in the evening on **June 7**, **2016** at the Delong residence (#8 Hunter Run Lane, Littleton, 80123.) Everyone is invited to celebrate our year of study. If you were an active member, just thought about it or even looked at a Bible sometime, you are invited to celebrate with us.

Our leader, Rudy Swenson, is planning to attend. If you have not met Rudy and would like to, now is your chance! This will be a "Pot Luck" event. Meat will be provided so please bring a dish to share. If your last name begins with:

- A thru I, please bring a Salad
- J thru P, please bring a Hot Dish
- **Q thru Z**, please bring a Dessert.

So that we may plan accordingly, please let Paul Selander know via e-mail (<u>p73101@msn.com</u>) that you are coming.

"Let's Unwrap the Bible"

Our next meeting will be **Wednesday, May 24th at 9:30am** in the Fireside room. We normally 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

The newest men's Bible study group will meet on **Wednesday**, **May 24**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.

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 or 720.283.3102.

Church News

Security & Safety Issues

As many of you know by now, the church building was broken into a few weeks ago. A thief managed to force his way through the wooden door at the north end of the building, and then broke into both the church administrator's office and the preschool office. He broke into file cabinets and stole approximately \$850+ in gift cards, petty cash, and postage stamps. He also stole our church credit card. The thief was able to take his time while he was in the building because our security system had not yet armed itself for the evening. And although he was visible on our security cameras numerous times, we were unable to get a clear look at him because he was covered from head to toe.

As a result of the break-in and theft, we have re-examined our security and safety practices, and based on advice from our security company, the Jefferson County

Sheriff's department and other professionals, have made some significant changes in our security and safety protocols:

- The wooden door at the north end of the building will be replaced with a new glass and metal security door, complete with a panic exit bar (now required by state law).
- The preschool office door will be replaced with a more theft resistant knob and plate.
- Several external doors with sub-standard locks and knobs have been fitted with security plates, and the locks have been disabled. You can no longer enter the building through these doors with a key, but you can still exit safely through them.
- The number of external doors accessible by key entry have been reduced from 12 to 2. The two external doors which can be opened with a key are: the door at the north end of the building, and the sanctuary door on the east side of the building. At each of these doors there is a security system alarm panel. New locks have been installed in those doors, and new, higher security keys have been made. The new keys cannot be duplicated except by lock specialists.
- Because of the expense of the new higher security keys, only a limited number of people will be authorized to have a key to the building. Those who qualify for a building key must agree to be responsible for the cost of replacing all the locks and the purchase of new keys if their key is lost (estimated cost is approximately \$2,000). Linda Goodnough is the contact person for key distribution.
- The building is no longer on an automatic "self-arm" program. When the last person leaves the building, he or she is responsible for punching in a special code which will arm the security system. The first person into the building must disarm the system. The external doors will be locked unless there are people and scheduled activities taking place in the building.
- We will continue to rely on our Keykeepers each evening to patrol the building to ensure that lights are off and all windows and doors are locked, but the last person out after an activity is now responsible for doing a quick sweep of the building before setting the alarm and exiting.
- A new team of Saturday morning Keykeepers has been formed. They will come open the building around 8am so our regular Saturday morning groups can meet. At approximately noon, the Saturday Keykeeper will return to lock the building.
- Parishioners are strongly encouraged to plan ahead for their activities, and schedule building usage with Linda Goodnough. Please try to schedule your visits to the building during times when the building is open, and other people are around. There is safety in numbers, and we wish to limit the times when someone is alone in the building.

The break-in and theft were very upsetting. Although the situation could have been much worse, we are still looking for ways to reduce the possibility of future theft. All the security and safety professionals we consulted emphasized that deterrence is the strongest defense anyone can provide. By making it harder for someone to take advantage of us, we make our church building a safer place. It is our hope that the new security protocols will help accomplish that.

If you have questions or concerns about building usage or the new safety protocols, please call Linda Goodnough, our business administrator, at 303.979.4491.

Goodbye, and Welcome

Howard Hanson is stepping down from the Keykeeper team after many years of faithful service. He won't say how many years of faithful service, because he said it would make people think that he was old, but he's been a Keykeeper a long time! We want to thank Howard for his faithful and diligent service; he has truly been a blessing to this congregation.

We also want to say welcome to Chuck Krieger, who is coming onto the Keykeeper team. We appreciate your willingness to serve.

Welcome, Baby Selander!

Congratulations to Michael & Stella Selander on the birth of their daughter, Natalie Mary Selander! Natalie was born on Wednesday, April 27th at 5:06pm, and weighed in at 6lbs, 10oz. All are doing well, including ecstatic grandparents Laurie and Paul Selander – finally, a little girl!

Did You Know?

The golf outing and silent auction proceeds this year will be used to replace the dim, energy consuming lights in our parking lot with brighter, more efficient lights. Here's how you can help!

- Items for the silent auction are still being accepted (until Sunday, May 29th). Be creative! How about offering lessons or put together a themed basket?
- We are still looking for cart or hole sponsorships and we advertise them well! If you or your business are interested, talk with Linda Goodnough in the office.
- Donate a bottle of wine (or several!) to the wine wall red or white, valued at \$15-\$45. This will be part of the silent auction activities in June.

Congrats to 2016 High School Graduates!

St. Philip Church congratulations all of the 2016 high school graduates: Katy Anderson, Katrina Breidenbach, Madison Garcia, Ryan Marstiller, Connor McNamara, Katherine Parker, Davis Rhodes, Raymond Wall, Devlin Walton, Jordan Zimmerman, and Lauren Lamb. Look for information about each student in the narthex during May. If you have a high school graduate in your family and you do not see his/her name here, please email thebreidenbachs1@comcast.net.

Congrats to 2016 College Graduates!

St. Philip Church congratulations all of the 2016 college graduates: Amada Amsberry, Abby Shepard Eno, Riley Barta, Emma Goddery, Ilsa Hale, Sarah Henning, Becky Luoma, Katie Marstiller, Caroline Mielke, Sarah Miller, and Vanessa Rand. Look for information about each student in the narthex throughout the month of May. If you have a St. Philip college graduate in your family and you do not see his/her name, please email Anne at: <u>adhenning14@gmail.com</u>.

Did You Know?

The golf outing and silent auction proceeds this year will be used to replace the dim, energy consuming lights in our parking lot with brighter, more efficient lights. Here's how you can help!

- Start recruiting your team for the golf outing! The golf outing is June 25th at Arrowhead Golf Course. If you don't have a team, sign up anyway! We'll match you up. It's always a great day!
- Donate a bottle of wine (or several!) to the wine wall red or white, valued at \$15-\$45. This will be part of the silent auction activities in June.

Sign Up NOW for Dinner & Concert on May 14th

Saturday, May 14th 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. The menu for the new member dinner features Italian food from Olive Garden; unlimited salad and breadsticks, and a variety of Italian entrees (with items for vegetarians and those who need gluten-free). The signup sheet for the New Member dinner is at the Welcome Center kiosk; please indicate how many will be in your group. If you have any questions, or if you would like to volunteer to bring a fruit dish, please contact Melissa Keller at 720.891.8761 or email her at melissasuekeller@yahoo.com.

Community Events

Lutheran Chorale Concert – "Soli Deo Gloria"

The Lutheran Chorale will be singing their final concerts for the 2015-2016 season on Sunday, **May 15**, 2016. We sing to the glory of God with joyful and thoughtful music, including F. Melius Christiansen's *"Celestial Spring II Exaltation", "The Peace of God"* by John Rutter, and Morten Lauridsen's *"Sure On This Shining Night"*. We will be performing at 3pm at Hosanna Lutheran Church (10304 W. Belleview Avenue, Littleton), and at **7:30pm at St. Philip Lutheran Church**.

No tickets will be sold, but we appreciate your support in a free-will offering. For more information feel free to contact Linda Thompson, 303.666.6642, or email us at <u>thelutheranchorale@comcast.net</u>, or visit our website at thelutheranchorale.org.

Ken Caryl Concerts

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:

<u>Saturday, 5/14/16, 7:30 pm – Kickoff Concert.</u> 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.

Please note: A SignUp Genius link has been established for those who wish to donate dessert items for the reception. Please go to the link and choose the dessert you wish to donate: <u>http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0a49aaac2fa6ff2-kencaryl</u>. Questions about the desserts can be directed to Louanne Isernhagen at <u>gisernhagen@gmail.com</u>.

<u>Sunday, 7/17/16, 2:30 pm – Columbine Music Teachers Association (CMTA) 25th</u> <u>Anniversary Celebration Concert.</u> 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.

<u>Saturday, 10/15/16, 7:30 pm – Oktoberfest Concert.</u> 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 (<u>adavis@stpphilip-co.org</u>) or Kristen Celusniak (<u>kristen.celusniak@gmail.com</u>).

Calendar Events This Week (May 11 – May 22)

| Wednesday, May 11 9:30a – Men's Bible Study (MC-1) 9:30a – Women's Bible Study (FS) 6:00P – Confirmation Learning Event (FH, +) | Monday, May 16 6:00P – Property team (FH-1) 6:30P – Prayer Shawl Ministry (FS) |
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| Thursday, May 12 7:00a – Men's Breakfast (IHoP @ Bowles Xing) 1:15P – Prayer team (Sanc) 6:30P – Choir practice (Sanc) 7:00P – Overeaters Anonymous (MC-3) | Tuesday, May 17 1:30P – SPLC staff meeting (MC-1) 6:30P – Boy Scout Troop 554 (entry, FH, K) 7:00P – Men's Bible study (Selander's home) |
| Friday, May 13 (office open 8am - noon) 9:30a – Drop the Rock book study (MC-3) | Wednesday, May 18 9:00a – Ruth Circle (FH-1) 6:00P – Confirmation end-of-year party (off-site) |
| Saturday, May 14 9:00a – Council Retreat (MC4/5) 9:00a – ACA/Serenity's Child (MC-3) 10:30a – Al-Anon/Columbine AFG (MC-3) 11:00a – Eagle Scout ceremony (Sanc, FH, K) 5:30P – Worship 6:30P – New Member dinner (FH) 7:00P – KC Concert & Reception (Sanc, FH, K) | Thursday, May 19 7:00a – Men's Breakfast (IHoP @ Bowles Xing) 1:15P – Prayer team (FS) 6:30P – Choir practice (Sanc) 7:00P – Overeaters Anonymous (MC-3) |
| Sunday, May 15 PENTECOST 8:00a – Youth Car Wash Fundraiser (North lot) 8:00a – Worship-New Members Received 9:00a – Coffee Fellowship (narthex) 9:30a – Adult Classes (MC-1, MC-4/5) 9:30a – New Member class (FS) 9:30a – Sunday School (FH, K, other rooms) 10:45a – Worship-HS Sr. Recognition 10:45a – Youth Car Wash Fundraiser (North lot) 2:30P – 5 th & 6 th Grade Get-Together (off-site) 7:00P – Sr. High Youth (YR) 7:30P – Lutheran Chorale (Sanc, FH, narthex) | Friday, May 20 (office open 8am - noon) 9:30a – Drop the Rock book study (MC-3) |
| | Saturday, May 21 9:00a – ACA/Serenity's Child (MC-3) 10:30a – Al-Anon/Columbine AFG (MC-3) 5:30P – Worship |
| | Sunday, May 22 HOLY TRINITY SUNDAY 8:00a – Worship- 9:00a – Coffee Fellowship (narthex) 9:30a – Adult Classes (MC-1, MC-4/5) 9:30a – Sunday School (FH, K, other rooms) 10:45a – Worship 12:00N – Anita Sites, Habitat Build (FH-1) 3:00P – Sr. High Youth Group (off-site, mini-golf) 4:00P – SS teacher get-together (off-site) |

In Our Thoughts & Prayers

Members of St. Philip: Dale Hackstaff, Lillian Bauch, Carl Kuenne, Brian Counterman, Brett Borstad and his family, Ray Peterson, the Rob Murphy family, Jim Cimino and his family, Tim & Chris Youngren, Joanne Ermold, and Shirley LeVin.

Family Members: Mary Youngren (sister of Tim Youngren), Hana (relative of Suzanne Peterson), the family of Tory Paulson (nephew of Ann Nelson), Steven Hnatko (cousin of Marc Roswech), Janet Bailey (niece of Karen Otto), the family of Heidi Borstad (sister-in-law of Brett Borstad), Edward Belford (son of Marilyn Belford), James Gregitis (father of Susan Fagerness), 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), 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: Jeff Sebben (Pastor Nathan), Doris Herrman (Dori Hammer), the Cloeter family (Alyssa Bostrom), Kristi Koontz (Karen Otto), Joyce East (Sue Riecks), Phil Moeller (Ahlbrechts), the family of Donna Johnson (DeBoers), Tracy (Rogge family), Gem (Rebecca Anderson), 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 of thanksgiving for the birth of Natalie Mary Selander, daughter of Michael & Stella Selander.

Prayers for the people of Ft. McMurray in Canada, and the firefighters and other first responders.

Prayers of support and encouragement for all students.

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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