

St. Philip Information and News (SPIN)

A weekly electronic newsletter

June 1, 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 – Sunday, June 5th

Please join us in worship at the 9:30am service as we celebrate the baptism of Trayse Scott Newton, son of Shari and Andrew Newton.

Upcoming Worship - Healing of Creation & Blessing of Animals, Sun., June 12th

The first of our three summer healing services will be on Sunday, June 12th. Our worship services that day will center around the Healing of Creation. They will be held outdoors in our courtyard at the north end of the building, and will include the Blessing of Animals. You are encouraged to bring your pets with you to worship this day for a blessing. If you are not able to bring an animal, you may wish to bring a picture of an animal you love, or an endangered species in the wild. If you do bring a pet, all animals must be on a leash, or in a secure container, for the safety of the other animals.

Let everything that breathes, praise the Lord!

Please note: the information about the Blessing of the Animals that was listed in last week's SPIN was incorrect.

Altar Flowers

The altar flowers this week are being donated by Mary & Steve DeBoer, in celebration of their 45th wedding anniversary. Congratulations!

Scripture Readings for June 4-5, 2016

FIRST READING: 1 Kings 17:17-24

Having offered hospitality to Elijah, a widow in Zarephath loses her son to an illness.

Through prayer, Elijah restores the boy to life, and the joyful mother acknowledges that Elijah is indeed a man of God.

¹⁷After this the son of the woman, the mistress of the house, became ill; his illness was so severe that there was no breath left in him. ¹⁸She then said to Elijah, "What have you against me, O man of God? You have come to me to bring my sin to remembrance, and to cause the death of my son!" ¹⁹But he said to her, "Give me your son." He took him from her bosom, carried him up into the upper chamber where he was lodging, and laid him on his own bed. ²⁰He cried out to the LORD, "O LORD my God, have you brought calamity even upon the widow with whom I am staying, by killing her son?" ²¹Then he stretched himself upon the child three times, and cried out to the LORD, "O LORD my God, let this child's life come into him again." ²²The LORD listened to the voice of Elijah; the life of the child came into him again, and he revived. ²³Elijah took the child, brought him down from the upper chamber into the house, and gave him to his mother; then Elijah said, "See, your son is alive." ²⁴So the woman said to Elijah, "Now I know that you are a man of God, and that the word of the LORD in your mouth is truth."

SECOND READING: Galatians 1:11-24

The apostle and church-planter Paul tells the story of his ministry given to him by Jesus Christ. In the midst of grave tension in his church in Galatia, he assures his congregation that his work is centered in the pure gospel of Jesus Christ, unlike the other teachers among them.

¹¹For I want you to know, brothers and sisters, that the gospel that was proclaimed by me is not of human origin; ¹²for I did not receive it from a human source, nor was I taught it, but I received it through a revelation of Jesus Christ.

¹³You have heard, no doubt, of my earlier life in Judaism. I was violently persecuting the church of God and was trying to destroy it. ¹⁴I advanced in Judaism beyond many among my people of the same age, for I was far more zealous for the traditions of my ancestors. ¹⁵But when God, who had set me apart before I was born and called me through his grace, was pleased ¹⁶to reveal his Son to me, so that I might proclaim him among the Gentiles, I did not confer with any human being, ¹⁷nor did I go up to Jerusalem to those who were already apostles before me, but I went away at once into Arabia, and afterwards I returned to Damascus.

¹⁸Then after three years I did go up to Jerusalem to visit Cephas and stayed with him fifteen days; ¹⁹but I did not see any other apostle except James the Lord's brother. ²⁰In what I am writing to you, before God, I do not lie! ²¹Then I went into the regions of Syria and Cilicia, ²²and I was still unknown by sight to the churches of Judea that are in Christ; ²³they only heard it said, "The one who formerly was persecuting us is now proclaiming the faith he once tried to destroy." ²⁴And they glorified God because of me.

GOSPEL: Luke 7:11-17

Jesus' ministry bears witness to God's coming reign, where the lowly are shown mercy and the dead are raised. Here, Jesus ministers to a widow by raising her only son to life.

¹¹Soon afterwards [Jesus] went to a town called Nain, and his disciples and a large crowd went with him. ¹²As he approached the gate of the town, a man who had died was being carried out. He was his mother's only son, and she was a widow; and with her was a large crowd from the town. ¹³When the Lord saw her, he had compassion for her and said to her, "Do not weep." ¹⁴Then he came forward and touched the bier, and the bearers stood still. And he said, "Young man, I say to you, rise!" ¹⁵The dead man sat up and began to speak, and Jesus gave him to his mother. ¹⁶Fear seized all of them; and they glorified God, saying, "A great prophet has risen among us!" and "God has looked favorably on his people!" ¹⁷This word about him spread throughout Judea and all the surrounding country.

Worship Servants for June 4-5, 2016

Saturday worship, June 4, 2016

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

Worship Servants for Sunday, June 5, 2016		
	8:00am	9:30am
Assisting Minister	Bill Shepard	Bill Shepard
Lector	George Rasmussen	Charlie Petersen
Acolytes	OPEN	Taylor White, Jacob White
Communion Deacons	Paula Willhouse, Lynn Nourse	Susan Shepard,
Ushers	Bob & Barb Delong, Linda Vehrs, Bob Kidder, Harry Breitbach	Marc Roswech, Chris White, Bryant Barchet, Joe Klingman
Prayer Partner	Barb Delong	Sandra Murphy
Altar Guild	Paula Willhouse, Betty Welch	Jeanne Rasmussen,
A-V Sound & Slides	Joe Klingman	OPEN
Greeters	The Amaya family	
Ambassadors	Connie & John Schutt	
Coffee Cart	Charlie & Erin Petersen	
KeyKeepers	Saturday (6/4): John Breed	Week beg. 6/5: Mark Pixley

Worship & Music Ministry

Volunteers Needed for Outdoor Service, June 12th

The Healing of Creation service will be on Sunday, **June 12th**, with both worship services being held outdoors in the courtyard. The Worship, Styles, and Format team is looking for volunteers to help with set up and take down for this event. On Saturday, June 11th at 6:30pm, we'll need people to help gather all the items needed for Sunday's service. On Sunday, June 12th, we need volunteers to help set up everything outside beginning at 6:45am so we will be ready to begin service at 8am. And finally, after the 9:30am service (approximately 10:30am), we will need volunteers to help us bring everything back indoors. There is a sign-up sheet at the Welcome Center kiosk in the narthex, or you can contact Sandi Stevermer at slstevermer@gmail.com or 303.379.9253. Thank you in advance, and we hope you will bring your family, friends, and pet(s) to this service celebrating God's creation and creatures.

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.

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.

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.

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: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b0c4aabab2da46-stphilip>. You can also stop by the Welcome Center kiosk in the narthex to sign up. 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.

MOSAIC Summer Prom

MOSAIC in Denver (a program which serves individuals with disabilities) is hosting a summer prom on July 23rd, and they are looking for formal wear for their clients. If you have an extra suit, tux, fancy dress or jewelry that you don't mind donating, please contact Rebecca Near at beckynear@q.com.

May Diaper Drive a Success!

Update: We did it again – collected over 2,000 diapers for underprivileged families in our community through Love INC – thank you all for your generous donations!

Lutheran Family Services – Advance Care Planning

How do I talk to my family about my wishes? Who will make medical decisions for me if I no longer can? Advance Care Planning (ACP) is the proactive approach to making decisions about future medical care. The Older Adult and Caregiver Services at Lutheran Family Services will be hosting part two of our two-part series on ACP on **June 8th at 12:00PM**. Please visit us online at <http://www.lfsrm.org/caregiver-services>, or call 303.217.5864 or 970.232.1180 for more information.

Lutheran Family Services – Refugee Needs

Lutheran Family Services is in need of twin sheet sets and bowls (cereal bowls) for their Unaccompanied Refugee Minor (URM) youth who are moving into independent living. Additionally, LFS just received word that they will be able to help reunify a refugee father with his five URM children in June! He will need a lot of help getting his house ready for them though – please help LFS collect household goods for them! Any kitchen or bathroom item is welcomed, along with any furniture (including beds). If you have items you're able to donate, please contact Beth Howes at 719.314.0212. Thank you!

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 ckess911@aol.com.

Sharing with Sheridan Food Pantry – Donation Needs

Specific needs 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

Lock-In this Friday, June 3rd

Who's invited? Incoming 7th graders-graduating seniors!

Summer youth group is starting this Friday, **June 3rd**, with a Lock-In! The Lock-in will begin at 7pm and go until 7am on Saturday morning. Once you join us for the lock-in you are locked in for the night. We ask that you do not leave until 7am, unless previously arranged with adult permission for each youth.

We will meet at the church at 7pm and then leave around 7:30pm for an offsite activity, which will be confirmed on Wednesday. The plan is to go play laser tag at Laser Quest, but I have not received confirmation yet. After laser tag, or other activity, we will then return to the church for the rest of the night. There will be many fun games including Gaga ball, capture the flag, four square volleyball (featured at the ELCA Youth Gathering), 8 ball, tag, cards, board games, Romans and Christians, four on a couch and much more! Our theme is "Story Telling"!

All incoming 7th graders (those who just finished 6th grade) through graduating seniors are welcome to join us. We hope that you will bring your friends for what we like to call the best event of the year! Please let me know if you will be joining us for the Lock-in. The cost is \$15 which includes laser tag and everything for the whole night.

Parents: If you are willing to help out throughout any part of the night, please let Pastor Brad know.

Summer Youth Group

This lock-in is the kick off for our Summer Youth Group. We will then meet on **Wednesday evenings from 6:30-8:30pm** at the church for normal youth group and then we will be doing service projects some weeks and other offsite activities other weeks. Here is the schedule for the next couple of weeks:

June 3-4th: Lock-in

June 8th: Youth Group 6:30-8:30pm at the church

June 15th: Volunteering (digging up dirt at a neighbor's house near the church) and then back for games

June 18th: (Saturday): Volunteering at Food Bank of the Rockies (14 year old with an adult or 16 years old and up)

June 22nd: Youth Group 6:30-8:30pm at the church

Theology on Tap

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

The Flat Jesus Project

Summer's coming and that means members of our St. Philip family are taking vacations, visiting family, headed to camps, and enjoying the outdoors! Wherever summer takes you, stay connected to your St. Philip family and be reminded that "Jesus sticks with you" by participating in **The Flat Jesus Project**. Pick up a "flat Jesus" at the

welcome desk or download one from our website: www.stphilip-co.org/childrens-ministries. Color flat Jesus, cut him out, and take him with you wherever you go this summer. Take photos and post them on St. Philip's Facebook page, or pin them to the flat Jesus bulletin board at church. Check in to see where all flat Jesus has been, share with others where you've seen Jesus, and remember that Jesus is always with you!

Sign Up to be a VBS Helper

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!** To sign up to be a Guide (adults and 9-12th grade students), Jr. Guide (5-8th grade students), or a Helper (adults and 5-12th grade students), please visit the sign-up genius page: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0b4aa8a829a4ff2-20161>.

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 <http://www.stphilip-co.org/childrens-ministries/vacation-bible-school>. 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 jbuchholz@stphilip-co.org 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 <http://www.stphilip-co.org/fine-arts-academy>. 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 gjphilpy@gmail.com for more information.

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

Everyone is invited to the first Family Fun Lunch on **Sunday, June 5, 10:45-Noon**. 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.

Evangelism & Global Outreach Ministry

Lutheran Disaster Response

DOUBLE YOUR GIFT TO LUTHERAN DISASTER RESPONSE. It's impossible not to know that we are in the season of disasters: floods, tornados, droughts, earthquakes, fires, waves of refugees...the list goes on and on. But right now, Lutheran Disaster Response is in the season of response. Thanks to a generous donor, your gift to Lutheran Disaster Response will be matched until \$100,000 is reached. Your gift

provides help and hope in the lives of disaster survivors. You can donate online or put a check in the envelopes provided in the back of the pews.

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.

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. *P.S. You can still send the "box tops for education" from General Mills to Solheim Lutheran Home or the Mission.*

Family Life Ministry

Thank You from Family Promise

Thank you to everyone that helped out with our May Family Promise rotation. Our team provided hospitality to four families during the week. Those families included:

- Mom & Dad and two sons ages 10 & 3
- Mom and two daughters ages 1 & 2
- Mom & Dad and one daughter age 14 and two sons ages 10 & 12
- Grandma and her 11 year old grand daughter

The families were very appreciative of your wonderful hospitality and the delicious food.

There are, of course, bags of laundry to be taken home washed, folded and returned for our next rotation that will be July 31 – August 7.

Special thank you to Michael Krohn and Linda Baker who both served as overnight hosts for two nights during the week. Additional special thanks go out to our van drivers: Howard & Nancy Hanson, Dick Rock, Ed Fritsch, Susan Shepard, Gaylen Rapp, John Schutt, Lorren Ballard & Char Nauman.

Family Promise is a unique ministry that focuses on the needs of homeless children and their guardians. Being involved in this ministry is both self-fulfilling and greatly appreciated. We believe that this is a place where **God** uses us to do **His** work. For more information about Family Promise call Bob Delong 303.973.3996.

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 (p73101@msn.com) that you are coming.

"Let's Unwrap the Bible" – Women's Bible Study

Our next meeting will be **Wednesday, June 8th at 9:30am** in the Fireside room. We normally meet the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of every month. We will finish the Book of Esther at our next meeting. 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.

ELCA/Rocky Mountain Synod News

2016 Rocky Mountain Synod Report

Submitted by Michael & Sandi Stevermer

The 2016 theme for the Assembly was Many Voices, One Song. Our theme song throughout the assembly was entitled, "Together" written by Gary Schmidt, a member of the Rocky Mountain Synod(RMS). The song's theme is about how together we will be God's holy body, God's holy church, and with water, wine, and bread, we will be claimed and fed.

Five Resolutions/Memorials were discussed and voted on, as well as, the 2017 Budget. The one outstanding piece of the budget that was discussed concerned the reduction from 50% to 46% in the amount given to the ELCA. The other Resolutions/Memorials, after lengthy discussions and amendments, were passed. You can access those amended Resolutions/Memorials and other information on the Rocky Mountain Synod website (www.rmselca.org/assembly).

During the Assembly, we were provided opportunities to learn about various programs throughout the ELCA through seminars, expos, and excursions. Some that stood out to us were world hunger, global outreach, and AMMPARO (Accompanying Migrant Minors with Protection, Advocacy, Representation and Opportunities).

The year 2017 represents the 500th anniversary of the start of the Lutheran Reformation. Using the theme Re-Formation, we will be asked how we are being renewed and recreated for the unique ELCA witness that is our gift to the Body of Christ and shapes our ministry in the world. The ELCA is asking us to create local events that will help engage our story as a church of the Reformation, as the ELCA, and as a congregation.

We were exposed to several catch phrases that we're sure we'll all be hearing in the coming months ahead. Bishop Gonia talked about the Both/And of Lutheran identity; better together; and many voices, one song. We thank you for allowing us to be YOUR voice at the Assembly and if you have any questions, please feel free to contact us at slstevermer@gmail.com or 303.379.9253.

Church News

Let the Bidding Begin!

The silent auction fundraiser begins this weekend and will last through June! Come bid on your favorite items, and support funding for the new outdoor LED lights for the parking lot. The auction will be open for bidding on the weekend before and after worship services, and during the week during regular office hours. The silent auction items are located in MC 4/5, just off the narthex. Lots of great items for EVERYONE – Broncos memorabilia, items for kids, jewelry, handmade items, gift certificates, and much, much more. And of course, the Wine Wall is back – tickets are \$20 each, and you get to choose a white or red wine.

Time to Sign Up for Golf!

Gather your team together, or sign up individually for the golf outing on **June 25th** at the beautiful Arrowhead golf course. 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. 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.

Memorial Service for Lillian Bauch

Lillian Bauch passed through death to life eternal on Monday, May 16. A memorial service for Lillian will be held at St. Philip on **Saturday, June 4th** at 11am, with a reception immediately following in the fellowship hall. Please keep her three children, Kevin, James, and Georgine, and their families, in your prayers as they mourn her passing. The Bauch family was one of the charter member families of St. Philip.

Say Cheese! New Church Pictorial Directory in the Works

How time flies! It's been three years since we published our last pictorial directory, and it's time for a new directory! More details will be coming soon, but start thinking about getting your family together this summer for a group photo – we will have photo opportunities available both here at St. Philip or at the Bettinger studio. Lots of exciting options available! Remember that by being photographed you will receive a complimentary 5x7 photo portrait and directory. We are shooting for lots of participation from the congregation!

Baby Shower for JoHanna & Scott Buchholz - SAVE THE DATE!

Please join us on **Saturday, June 4th from 3-5pm** in the fellowship hall to shower JoHanna & Scott Buchholz with gifts and love in anticipation of the arrival of their first child due July 29th. Food and fun will be had by all, and if you would like to help, please contact Melissa Keller at 720.891.8761 or email her at: melissasuekeller@yahoo.com.

A few things to note:

- They are registered at babylistregistry.com and monetary gifts and cards are also appreciated.
- They already have a crib, and the color of the baby's room is yellow and turquoise, with a loose theme of African animals from their travels to Tanzania. (Please note: They do not need plush stuffed animal toys as they already have plenty of those.)
- They do not know the sex of the baby, but they *are* sure it's a boy or a girl!

Thank You from Dianne & Jerry Mydlach

Thank you for keeping us in your thoughts and prayers. Thank you also for the cards and the prayer shawl. Dianne is getting better, and hopes to be back soon.

VFW Post 9644 Needs Our Support

On April 21st a motor home crashed into the VFW building a few feet from the main front door. It crashed through and over the gas main on its way in, destroying the bar in the big hall. The building immediately filled with natural gas, but thanks to heroic efforts of the fire department, they somehow kept the building from blowing up. After examination from a structural engineer, that part of the building was declared unsafe. As of now, all hall rentals, dinners, and breakfasts are stopped, until the gas lines can be redone. This eliminates our usual money making projects, which makes our Buddy Poppy distribution critical for this year. The contributions are kept in the Post and auxiliaries for relief to any member in need, plus those funds are used for funeral lunches, and outreach to the soldier homes and various programs. So, this year, please be sure to buy a Buddy Poppy, and wear it proudly. If you have any questions about the VFW and their mission or programs, please contact Norma or Doug Mayotte.

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 has 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.

June Birthdays & Anniversaries (corrected)

Birthdays			
<u>6/1</u>	<u>6/16</u>	<u>6/30</u>	
Jay Breidenbach	Char Nauman	Gene Whitman	
Ann LaPoint	Carl Kuenne	Glenda Smallwood	
Aimee Thomas	Jeri Phillips	Alannah Gates	
	Claire Mitchell		
<u>6/4</u>		Anniversaries	
Dawn Collins	<u>6/17</u>		
Linda Young	Janet Wagner		
Marc Roswech	Lesia Hatlestad	<u>6/4</u>	<u>6/22</u>
		Jeff & Angy Lyslo	Ken & Suzanne Lopata
<u>6/6</u>	<u>6/18</u>		Andrew & Chris Hancock
Mark Gates	Lynae Foley	<u>6/5</u>	Brett & Leilani Borstad
Theodore Leonard		Carl & Rita Kuenne	Ron & Regina Ramey
	<u>6/19</u>	Steven & Mary DeBoer	
<u>6/7</u>	Mark Minardi		<u>6/23</u>
Colby Celusniak	Jacob Luoma	<u>6/9</u>	Brenda & Carl Norgren
	Emilie Young	Larry & Linda Heesch	
<u>6/8</u>			<u>6/24</u>
Valerie Nixon	<u>6/20</u>	<u>6/10</u>	James & Janice Lingle
Kathleen Reitz	Carolyn Morgheim	John & Hope Bergren	
Corban Lapp	James Obermeyer		<u>6/26</u>
		<u>6/12</u>	Philip & Norma Yonker
<u>6/9</u>	<u>6/22</u>	Nathan & Ruth Brown	Kent & Shera Eddy
JoHanna Buchholz	Diane Blue	Aaron & Ann LaPoint	
	Ross Wilhite	Charles & Heather Varnell	<u>6/27</u>
<u>6/10</u>	Mallorie Lapp		Velton & Diane Michael
Melanie Hamm	Lexie Clough	<u>6/14</u>	Gaylen & Carolyn Rapp
	Grace Watson	Clifford & Kay Mosier	
<u>6/11</u>		Denton & Karen West	<u>6/28</u>
Velton Michael	<u>6/23</u>		Brad & Roseanna Doty
Steve Rower	Debra Perkins-Smith	<u>6/17</u>	
Claire Stevens	Kathy Starrs	Ross & Kathy Wilhite	<u>6/30</u>
Jillian Stevens		Doug & Sandra Murphy	Tony & Ginger Cordova
	<u>6/24</u>	Pat & Everett Thomas	
<u>6/12</u>	Chuck Krieger		
Arnie Truman	Bob Carter	<u>6/18</u>	
Karen West	David Blandin	Lisa & Dwaine Edington	
	Ken Butts		
<u>6/13</u>		<u>6/19</u>	
Jacob White	<u>6/26</u>	Bob & Barb DeLong	
	Melissa Kohn	Alan & Gretchen Goral	
<u>6/14</u>		Henry & Janet Parker	
Jerry Jantz	<u>6/28</u>	Arnie & Harriet Truman	
Matt Luoma	Charlie Petersen, Jr.	Karen & Steve Smith	
Faith Dailey	Andrew Carlson		
		<u>6/20</u>	
	<u>6/29</u>	Chris & Erin White	
	Al Herzl		
	Casey Graff		

Church Financial Update

Financial Update as of April 2016

	YTD Actual	YTD Budget	Difference
Income	213,808	240,725	(26,917)
Expenses	<u>233,263</u>	<u>254,429</u>	<u>21,166</u>
	(19,455)	(13,704)	(5,751)

CONTRIBUTIONS

	2016	2015
YTD Actual	202,177	223,290
YTD Budgeted	<u>226,400</u>	
	(24,224)	

ELCA WORLD HUNGER

	2016	2015
YTD Actual	\$2,765	\$2,428

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

Katelyn Henning Fun and Fundamentals Basketball Camp

The 6th annual Katelyn Henning Fun and Fundamentals Basketball Camp will be held **June 27-30, 2016** from 2:30-5pm each day. This year the camp is for girls AND boys ages 8-13. You can sign up online at www.denverymca.org/youth-sports/sports-camp.

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:

Sunday, 7/17/16, 2:30 pm – Columbine Music Teachers Association (CMTA) 25th 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) or Kristen Celusniak (kristen.celusniak@gmail.com).

Calendar Events This Week (June 1 – June 12)

Wednesday, June 1 <i>No church activities scheduled</i>	Monday, June 6 <i>Silent auction underway (MC 4/5)</i> 6:30P – Prayer shawl ministry (FS) 7:00P – Troop 554 committee mtg. (FH-1)
Thursday, June 2 7:00a – Men's Breakfast (IHoP @ Bowles Xing) 1:15P – Prayer team (Sanc) 7:00P – Overeaters Anonymous (MC-3)	Tuesday, June 7 <i>Silent auction underway (MC 4/5)</i> 1:30P – SPLC staff meeting (MC-1) 6:00P – Men's Bible Study BBQ (Delong's home)
Friday, June 3 (office open 8am - noon) 9:30a – Drop the Rock book study (MC-3) 9:00a – Blood Drive for Children's Hospital (narthex/parking lot) 7:00P – Youth Lock-In (entire building)	Wednesday, June 8 <i>Silent auction underway (MC 4/5)</i> 9:30a – Men's Bible study (MC-1) 9:30a – Women's Bible study (FS) 6:00P – Youth Group (FH, K)
Saturday, June 4 <i>Silent auction begins (MC 4/5)</i> 9:00a – ACA/Serenity's Child (MC-3) 10:30a – Al-Anon/Columbine AFG (MC-3) 11:00a – Lillian Bauch memorial service 12:00N – Lillian Bauch reception (FH) 3:00P – Buchholz Baby Shower (FH) 5:30P – Worship	Thursday, June 9 <i>Silent auction underway (MC 4/5)</i> 7:00a – Men's Breakfast (IHoP @ Bowles Xing) 1:15P – Prayer team (Sanc) 7:00P – Overeaters Anonymous (MC-3)
Sunday, June 5 <i>Silent auction begins (MC 4/5)</i> 8:00a – Worship- 9:00a – Coffee Fellowship (narthex) 9:30a – Worship 11:00a – Family Fun Lunch (backyard, K, FH)	Friday, June 10 (office open 8am - noon) <i>Silent auction underway (MC 4/5)</i> 9:30a – Drop the Rock book study (MC-3)
	Saturday, June 11 <i>Silent auction underway (MC 4/5)</i> 9:00a – ACA/Serenity's Child (MC-3) 10:30a – Al-Anon/Columbine AFG (MC-3) 5:30P – Worship
	Sunday, June 12 <i>Silent auction underway (MC 4/5)</i> 8:00a – Worship- Healing Service/Blessing of the Animals 9:00a – Coffee Fellowship (narthex) 9:30a – Worship- Healing Service/Blessing of the Animals

In Our Thoughts & Prayers

Members of St. Philip: Bob & Shirley LeVin and their family, Dave Husted, Kirstine Rand, Susan Fagerness and her family, Trevor Woods, Ron Rossi, Dianne Mydlach, the family of Lillian Bauch, Dale Hackstaff, the Rob Murphy family, and Tim & Chris Youngren. Safe travel for Renate Muthart.

Family Members: The family of Sonia LeVin (daughter-in-law of Bob & Shirley LeVin), **the family of Elliott Netherton** (cousin of Carol Doeher), **Mark Woods** (husband of Kim Woods), **Faith Borchardt** (aunt of Pastor Nathan), **the family of James Gregitis** (father of Susan Fagerness), **Craig Buchholz** (father of Scott Buchholz), **Scott Worman** (son of Monica Auch), **Renee Chavez** (mother of Galinda Knight), **the family of June Genz** (aunt of Robin Knight), **Mary Youngren** (sister of Tim Youngren), **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), **Ron & Louise Carlson** (Kirstine Rand's parents), **Erika Kuenne** (Carl & Rita Kuenne's daughter), and **Sally Casterline** (Nancy Hanson's sister).

Friends: The Terwilliger family, the Todd family (Andersons), **Tom Glattfelter** (Delongs), **Lisa O'Bryan and her family** (Muthart), **the Finney family** (Stevermers), **Gary Feltes** (DeBoers), **the family of Otto Haney** (DeBoers), **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 Carl Kuenne's successful surgery and continued recovery.

Prayers of thanksgiving for the safe return of Major Jason Kneuer (grandson of Norma & Doug Mayotte) **from Afghanistan.**

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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