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

August 10, 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 - Healing Services, August 13-14th

This is the final healing service of the summer, and will focus on personal healing and wholeness. Prayer partners will be available for laying on of hands and special petitions.

Upcoming Worship - Sunday, August 14th - Blessing of Backpacks

As students prepare to begin a new school year, we will mark the milestone with a "Blessing of the Backpacks" on Sunday, August 14th. Students of all grades and ages should bring a backpack or book bag with them to worship. They will be called up front during the children's conversation to acknowledge the milestone, and have their backpacks and bags blessed.

Altar Flowers

The altar will be blessed with flowers donated by Michael & Sandi Stevermer to celebrate their 33rd wedding anniversary.

Scripture Readings for August 13-14, 2016

Please note: Because of the Personal Healing Service, there is only one scripture reading this week.

READING: James 5:13-16

Are any among you suffering? They should pray. Are any cheerful? They should sing songs of praise. Are any among you sick? They should call for the elders of the church and have them pray over them, anointing them with oil in the name of the Lord. The prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise them up; and anyone who has committed sins will be forgiven. Therefore confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, so that you may be healed. The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective.

GOSPEL: Luke 7:1-10

After Jesus had finished all his sayings in the hearing of the people, he entered Capernaum. A centurion there had a slave whom he valued highly, and who was ill and close to death. When he heard about Jesus, he sent some Jewish elders to him, asking him to come and heal his slave. When they came to Jesus, they appealed to him earnestly, saying, "He is worthy of having you do this for him, for he loves our people, and it is he who built our synagogue for us." And Jesus went with them, but when he was not far from the house, the centurion sent friends to say to him, "Lord, do not trouble yourself, for I am not worthy to have you come under my roof; therefore I did not presume to come to you. But only speak the word, and let my servant be healed. For I also am a man set under authority, with soldiers under me; and I say to one, 'Go,' and he goes, and to another, 'Come,' and he comes, and to my slave, 'Do this,' and the slave does it." When Jesus heard this he was amazed at him, and turning to the crowd that followed him, he said, "I tell you, not even in Israel have I found such faith." When those who had been sent returned to the house, they found the slave in good health.

Worship Servants for August 13-14, 2016

Saturday worship, August 13, 2016

- Pianist Becky Miller
- Cantor Quinn Silco
- Usher Joanne Ermold
- Altar Guild Linda Heesch
- A/V Jerry Jantz
- Prayer Partner Barb Delong

Worship Servants for Sunday, August 14, 2016				
	8:00am	9:30am		
Assisting Minister	Sandi Stevermer	Sandi Stevermer		
Lector	Karen Morin	Chris Youngren		
Acolytes	OPEN	OPEN		
Communion Deacons	OPEN	Renate Muthart, Susan Shepard		
Ushers	Dave Oelz, Peter Mielke, Jay Breidenbach, Jerry Mydlach	Nick Schell, Nancy Schell, Rob Simons		
Prayer Partners	Barb Delong, Jill Luer, Becky Near	Sandra Murphy, Naomi Doerr		
Altar Guild	Barb Delong, Betty Welch	OPEN		
A-V Sound & Slides	Beth Mielke	John Wall & family		
Greeters	OPEN	OPEN		
Ambassadors	Glenn & Louanne Isernhagen			
Coffee Cart	Dave & Nancy Oelz			
KeyKeepers	Saturday (8/13): Dick Rock Week beg. 8/14: Mark Pixley			

Sharing the Good News

Congratulations to the St. Philip Softball Team

Congratulations to the St. Philip Softball Team. The team went 9-0 in the regular season and got second place in the tournament this past Sunday; ending the season with a 10-1 record! Great job!

Thank You from the St. Mark's Methodist Mission Trip Group

Thank you so much for the use of your space this last week. We very much appreciate the ability to stay at your church this week while we did mission work in Denver. We felt very comfortable here and considered it our home away from home. It was such blessing to stay at your church, thank you so much!

Worship & Music Ministry

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

Lutheran Family Services Foster Care Information Meeting

Every day there are children in need of a safe environment in Colorado and we need more people to commit to these children! Informational meetings for foster care in the Denver Metro area are on Wednesday, **August 10**th from 12:30-1:30pm and from 5:30-6:30pm at the LFS office 363 S. Harlan Street, Suite 105, Denver, 80226. We hope to see you! Please contact Anne Hamilton for more information 303.217.5869.

Sharing with Sheridan Needs Fresh Produce

Have extra garden produce? Sharing with Sheridan can use it! Just bring your extras to the church by noon on Thursday, and leave it on the Sharing with Sheridan table in the narthex. We will take it over to the food pantry. Thank you for sharing the bounty of your garden with us!

Sharing with Sheridan Food Pantry - ¿Habla Espanol?

The food pantry needs help with translating communications into Spanish. If you can help with this, please contact Carole Kessler at 303.238.6873 or ckess911@aol.com.

Sharing with Sheridan Food Pantry – Donation Needs

Specific non-food 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. Food items needed include protein items such as beans or canned meats and seafood. We also welcome any monetary contributions; these may be made through the church office.

Discipleship Ministry

Summer Youth Group

Summer Youth Group is a time for youth (those who will be in 7th grade in the fall through graduating high school seniors) to hang out, learn about God, play games, do service projects, and go on fun outings. We hope and encourage you to bring your friends with you! The Summer Youth Group schedule changes each week, so make sure you check the SPIN or get onto Pastor Brad's text list to ensure you get the most up to date information. Most events will take place on Wednesdays, and when the youth group is at the church, it will take place from 6:30-8:30pm. If you have any questions, please contact Pr. Brad at bdoty@stphilip-co.org.

- August 10 Youth group at church
- August 17 Youth group at church

The Flat Jesus Project

Summer is here, 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 kiosk 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!

Evangelism & Global Outreach Ministry

2016 Foothills CROP Hunger Walk

PLEASE JOIN US for the 2016 Foothills CROP Hunger Walk. This 5K hunger hike will take place on World Food Day, Sunday, October 16, 2016 at Clement Park in Littleton. The Foothills CROP Hunger Walk provides food for those who hunger, while also giving an example of faithfulness and justice to our community. When you walk with us, your congregation will support the global hunger fighting work of Church World Service and the local hunger fighting work of The Action Center, the Arvada Food Bank, the Sharing with Sheridan Food Pantry, and Love INC of Littleton. For more information, please contact Sue Counterman at sue.counterman@coloradoacademy.org.

<u>Update on Campbell Soup Label Program</u>

For many years St. Philip has helped the Navajo Indian Reservation School in AZ by sending in "Labels for Education" from Campbell Soup products and also General Mills products called "Box Tops for Education." Hundreds of churches like us participate in this program helping this school receive vehicles, school supplies, etc. each year.

Recently Campbell Soup sent out a letter saying they were discontinuing the "Labels for Education" program due to a lack of participation. HOWEVER, any school that is already enrolled in their program for "Labels for Education" can turn in these labels with this program (such as the Navajo School) until August 2017. Campbell Soups corporation is no longer enrolling any new schools in the label program.

The label is generally on Campbell soup cans and has a UPC. The UPC must not be marked through. The label has a tiny red apple in the corner. Please continue to turn in any labels you have, and keep cutting them off the soup cans. Also, do continue to save and turn in the "Box Tops for Education" that are on many General Mills products such as cereal, Bisquick, snacks, hefty bags, ziplock bags, Motts applesauce, etc. General Mills did not discontinue their program. Look for the decorated can in the narthex when you bring in your donations. Carolyn Rapp is our contact person for the label program, and she sends the labels once a month. Please continue to support the Navajo Indian reservation school - they have benefited a hundredfold from these labels.

Family Life Ministry

ATTENTION Post-High School Students and Young Adults

Attention all Young Adults ages 18-26! Please send Anne Henning your mailing and emailing addresses for this upcoming year. Whether you are attending school in-state, out of state, living at home, working toward an undergraduate or post-graduate program, studying a trade, or taking a break from school – we want to stay in touch with you, pray for you and encourage you. Send this info to adhenning14@gmail.com by September 18th please.

TEMPORARY Change of Venue for Men's Fellowship Breakfast

The men's fellowship group will meet for breakfast at 7am on Thursday, **August 18**th at the Village Inn restaurant at 12622 W. Ken Caryl Avenue, **ONE TIME ONLY.** Our regular location, the IHOP at Bowles Crossing will be closed for remodeling on that date. So, men, plan to meet at the Village Inn on August 18th ONE TIME ONLY. Questions? Contact Paul Selander at 303.974.9739 or email him at p73101@msn.com.

"Fellowship in the Word" is on Summer Break

The men's Bible study, "Fellowship in the Word" will be on summer break for the month of August. They will resume meeting in September, on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays, at 9:30am in room MC-1 here at the church. Need more information? Contact Glenn Isernhagen at 303.475.4834 or gisernhagen@gmail.com.

Guest Speaker at Women's Fellowship Luncheon

On Thursday, **August 25**, at 12:00noon at The Bistro restaurant in Aspen Grove, Josna Azim from LaHore, Pakistan will speak to the Women of St. Philip. Josna is the Director of the Christian Womens Development Association in that city. CWDA is one of the organizations that the Women of St. Philip support during our fall "Pay It Forward" fundraiser. CWDA works to educate women and children in Pakistan. Over 5,000 women and children have been assisted for over 16 years from this organization here in Denver.

What and Who are the Silver Sages?

It is a group of seniors from St. Philip Lutheran Church, age 55 and older, married, single, or single with a significant other, who gather together for fellowship and learning, where we can connect and build relationships. Everyone is welcome.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR - Silver Sages Oktoberfest

September 23rd, from 5pm to 7pm at Glenn and Louanne Isernhagen's home, 7789 S. Waverly Mountain, Littleton. Donation: \$10.00 On the menu: Bratwurst, sauerkraut, German potato salad and salads, desserts, coffee. Bring your own beverage if you like. Everyone one is welcome to come and enjoy the food, fellowship, and music. We had a great time last year!!! Watch for a sign-up sheet at the Welcome Center kiosk.

Meals for Members Program

We are beginning a program to sign up for meals for our members who may need some help during a difficult period of time, or even for 1 day. We will be using a website called TakeThemAMeal.com to help us plan and schedule meals. Each week in the SPIN we will have a list of people who would like meals brought in. When you check your email, the SPIN will have a list of person/persons that need help with a meal. The process for signing up is as follows:

- 1. Read your weekly SPIN, see the names listed in the Family Life Take Them A Meal section.
- 2. Go to website, www.TakeThemAMeal.com.
- 3. Enter person's name when prompted: example: Smith, Mary
- 4. Enter the password. Password is the person's last name: Smith

5. Sign up for whatever you can do.

If you know of a member who may appreciate having meals brought to them, but whose name isn't listed, please call Karen Rossi at 720.935.3021 (cell). Karen will contact the person/family, and set it up with them on the administrative side so their name will appear on the website. They will be included in the next week's SPIN list so others may sign up as well. Please be sure to leave a voicemail for Karen – she checks her messages often. Thank you for your support as we move forward in our Caring ministry for our beloved members.

Ruth Circle is on Summer Break

Ruth Circle will not meet in July or August, but will resume their meetings in September. Contact Flo Figge at 303.932.6197 with questions.

Church News

Temporary Changes to St. Philip Prayer Chain

Tuesday morning we sent out a church-wide email of our prayer requests. Please forgive us if you received the church-wide email, but are not on our normal prayer list. Our normal prayer chain is down for two weeks, but we wanted those who needed prayers to be prayed for. If you do not want to receive these church-wide emails for the next two weeks, please let Linda Goodnough in the church office know so that she can ensure you don't receive them in the future. Thank you for your understanding and your patience.

Fair Trade Coffee Clearance Sale

The Fair Trade coffee program is being discontinued, and all the remaining packages of coffee are being sold at special clearance prices. Grab your favorite type while you can, because once they are sold, they are gone.

Church Tables for Sale- Great Bargains!

We have twelve 60" round tables (seat 8) and twenty-four 30"x90" rectangular tables that we are selling for \$20 each 'as is'. You would need to pick them up. We are purchasing new tables with the proceeds from our silent auction/golf tournament. First come, first served. No returns. Please contact Linda Goodnough in the church office if you are interested.

It's Time for a New Pictorial Directory

It's been 3 years since our last pictorial directory, and a lot of new faces are now members of our church family. We are working to produce a new directory, and need your participation to make it a success! Our goal is to get 100% participation from our congregation!

Bettinger Photography will be taking the photos. Starting immediately, you can go online to www.BettingerPhoto.com or call the Bettinger studio directly at 303.400.6023 to schedule a photo session at their studio – you can choose an indoor or outdoor setting

(you can even bring your family pet)! Or, you can wait and schedule your photo session here at St. Philip in September – our photo dates are September 6 and 7, and September 9 and 10. THERE IS NO CHARGE FOR HAVING YOUR PHOTOGRAPH TAKEN. The only fee you will pay is if you decide to purchase photographs from Bettinger, and there is NO OBLIGATION to do so. The bonus to you is that by having your photo taken, you will receive a FREE 5x7 photograph and a complimentary copy of our new pictorial directory.

Please start making plans for having your photographs taken – now is the perfect time for families who have college students home for the summer, or for those who like to give photographs as Christmas gifts. If you have questions, or need more information, please contact Linda Goodnough in the church office.

Need a Preschool? Parent's Day Out?

Haven't found the perfect 4 hour Parent's Day Out, preschool or pre-kindergarten program for the 2016-2017 school year? Stop by or give us a call for a tour! Visit our website at www.stphilipelc.org or call 303.972.9774.

Think Ahead! Save the Date for the 2017 Golf Tournament

Next year our golf tournament fundraiser will be on **Saturday**, **June 24**th. Our proceeds will be used to permanently repair the outside of the building so we can get rid of the woodpeckers without killing them. So, please mark your calendars now. It should be the best one ever!

Church Financial Update

Financial Update as of July 2016

	YTD Actual	YTD Budget	Difference
Income	413,573	421,162	(7,589)
Expenses	<u>401,832</u>	<u>444,978</u>	<u>43,146</u>
	11,741	(23,816)	35,557

CONTRIBUTIONS

2016 2015 YTD Actual 390,964 386,703

YTD Budgeted 392,500

(1,536)

ELCA WORLD HUNGER

2016 2015 YTD Actual \$4,453 \$3,907

SPEND OUT OF RESERVES

January 734.20 Lutheran Family Services

734.20 MOSAIC of Denver

1,000.00 Rainbow Trail Lutheran Camp

2,468.40

Calendar Events This Week (August 10 – August 21)

Wednesday, August 10 2:00P – Prayer team (Sanc) 5:00P – Stewardship Interview (FS, MC-1) 6:00P – Worship Styles & Formats team (MC-3) 6:30P – Youth Group (YR)	Monday, August 15 6:00P – Property team mtg (FH-1) 6:30P – Prayer Shawl Ministry (FS)	
Thursday, August 11 7:00a – Men's Breakfast (IHoP @ Bowles Xing) 7:00P – Overeaters Anonymous (MC-3)	Tuesday, August 16 1:30P – SPLC Staff meeting (MC-1) 6:30P – Troop 554 meeting (FH, entry, K)	
Friday, August 12 (office open 8am - noon) 8:00a – SPELC Breakfast (MC 4/5) 9:30a – Drop the Rock book study (MC-3)	Wednesday, August 17 2:00P – Prayer team (Sanc) 6:30P – Youth Group (YR)	
Saturday, August 13 8:00a – Holy Fit (outside in courtyard) 9:00a – ACA/Serenity's Child (MC-3) 10:30a – Al-Anon/Columbine AFG (MC-3) 5:30P – Worship	Thursday, August 18 7:00a – Men's Breakfast (Village Inn-Ken Caryl) 7:00P – Overeaters Anonymous (MC-3)	
Sunday, August 14 8:00a – Worship – Healing Service, Blessing of Backpacks 9:00a – Coffee Fellowship (narthex) 9:30a – Worship – Healing Service, Blessing of Backpacks 10:45a – Executive Council planning mtg (FH-1)	Friday, August 19 (office open 8am - noon) 6:00a – Ken Caryl Middle School (entire building) 9:30a – Drop the Rock book study (MC-3)	
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Community Events

Christian Concert at Elitch Gardens

The group "Skillet" will be performing on **Saturday, August 13th** at Elitch Gardens. The concert is free with your admission ticket. A special rate of \$25.99 is available, but you must purchase your ticket in advance online.

Go to www.elitchgardens.com/groups/religious-youth-groups to get discount ticket information. There are also several admission and meal options available online.

Annual Love INC BBQ

You are invited to the 2016 Love INC BBQ on **Sunday**, **August 21**st at noon at Clement Park (Shelters A and B). No RSVP is needed, and you don't need to bring anything but yourself! Please join us for fun activities, delicious food, and lots of good company! Questions? Please contact Jessi Lambert at iessi@loveinclittleton.org or call her at 303.798.0037.

The Polarized Politics of Our Time:Reclaiming Politics for the Common Good Momentum is growing to build a powerful diverse organization in Denver and its surrounding environs. Leaders from across Denver will gather on Thursday, August 25th at 6 p.m. at Abiding Hope Lutheran Church (6337 S. Robb Way) to talk about politics and power from the ground up. (A meal will be provided, free will offering accepted)

Our work is growing:

- Leaders in Brighton are organizing church-school partnerships after their successful bond vote last fall
- Leaders in Jefferson County formed a "Jeffco Connects" effort to build relationships that combat isolation, suicide and disconnection
- Leaders from the Rocky Mountain United Church of Christ are gathering as a denomination to make "radical connections"
- Regis University hosted conversations on "Catholics for the Common Good"

Change is happening! See you on August 25th!

Benefit Luncheon for WDA - September 13, 2016

On Tuesday, **September 13** from 10am until 1:00pm, please join us at a benefit luncheon for the Womens Development Association. It will be held at Cherry Creek Presbyterian Church in Greenwood Village. Everyone is invited to attend. Tickets are \$35 each and the presenters will be Krista Kafer and Steve Kelly from KNUS 710AM radio. They will be doing a "Radio Talk Show." RSVP to Kelly Jacobson before Aug. 30th at 303.817.2858.

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In Our Thoughts & Prayers

Members of St. Philip: Shirley LeVin, Joanne Ermold, Karen Otto, Virginia Brennan, Hope Bergren, Renate Muthart, Dale & Marlene Hackstaff, Kirstine Rand, Dianne Mydlach, and Ron Rossi.

Family Members: Luke Muthart (grandson of Renate Muthart), the Markwell family (aunt & uncle of Mike Graff), the Amadee family (cousins of Mike Graff), Chris Lucken (sister of Kelly Barber), Hana Okano (relative of Suzanne Peterson), Tracy Murphy (daughter of Paul & Kathy Stortz), the family of Harry Taylor (cousin of Susan Fagerness), Adrienne Rone (relative of Michael & Sandi Stevermer), Katy Erickson (daughter of Hal & Jan Erickson), Clara Nedved (mother of Steve Nedved), Craig Buchholz (father of Scott Buchholz), Scott Worman (son of Monica Auch), 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: Dale & Glenda Norblom (Galinda Knight), Carol Poteet (Sue Miller), Deb Schaller & Marlene (Erin Petersen), Carol VanKouwenberg (Stacy Finney), Chris Finney (Stacy Finney), Mike McGera (Hensons), Cindy A. (Anderson family), Eva Field and her family (Jonathan Anderson), Susan Cash (Amy Rahne), Ed & Maureen (Kuennes), Lynn Baron and her family (Carolyn Endecott), Pr. Vernon Gunderman (Seep), the Terwilliger family, Rev. Rick Thompson, Emily Mulhollen (Celusniaks), Nick Quintana (Knight family), and Dr. Jill Pechacek (Roswech family).

Prayers for peace and healing for the people of Madagascar. Prayers of support and love for our companion synods and friends in Madagascar, and our Madagascar missionary Kirsten Laderach.

Prayers of remembrance and love for all our homebound members.

Prayers for all servicemen and women deployed around the world, especially those with ties to St. Philip. Prayers for healing and comfort for those suffering with physical and mental injuries.

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