

# St. Philip Information and News (SPIN)

March 20, 2019

## Church News

### Upcoming Services

**March 20, 27, April 3, & 10 - Midweek Lenten Services** Our theme this year is *Spirituality-Loving Jesus*. We will be using Holden's *Prayer at the Cross* service and incorporating candle lighting and chanting into our worship.

**April 14 - Palm/Passion Sunday**

**April 18 - Maundy Thursday** Worship is at 7:30pm

**April 19 - Good Friday** Worship is at 7pm

**April 20 - Easter Vigil** Worship begins at 5:30pm and typically lasts about 2 hours.

**April 21 - Easter Sunday** Worship services at 6:30, 8, 9:30, and 11am

### New St. Philip Early Learning Center Preschool Director

We are very excited to welcome our new Preschool Director, Blair Strickland! Blair is coming to us from Christ Lutheran (in Highlands Ranch) where she is finishing out the school year as their Assistant Preschool Director. She has worked the past 7+ years as an Assistant Preschool Director, and 8 years prior to that as a Preschool Teacher. Blair is a current member of the Early Childhood Christian Director's Association and comes to us with a wealth of knowledge and an unmeasurable amount of love for children and the Lord. Blair and her husband Gregory live in Highlands Ranch with their four children, and are very active in their church and children's schools. She will begin working with our Preschool Staff (part time) on April 2 to help finish out our current school year; getting to know our staff, program, children, and families. We will have three commissioning services the weekend of **March 30/31** (one at each of our Saturday evening and Sunday morning services) to welcome Blair to our staff. We invite you to attend one of these services and help us welcome Blair into our family!

### Inquirer's Class/New Member Class

We invite those interested to attend our next **Inquirer's/New Member Classes, March 31 to May 12 (excluding April 21)**. The first three weeks will be for those who want to learn more about the Lutheran church and its teachings. The second three weeks are for those who want to learn more about St. Philip Lutheran Church and how you might get involved in its ministries. Pastor Nathan will be teaching this class on Sunday mornings from 9:30 – 10:30am in the Fireside Room. Please RSVP to the church office at 303.979.4491 if you are planning to attend.

### Falling Upward by Richard Rohr: A 7-week class by Jerry Jantz

**Beginning March 31 at 9:30am**

Franciscan Richard Rohr has become one of the leading authors on spirituality around the globe. We will study his work through the eyes of one of his best-selling books *Falling Upward*. In this book, Rohr defines two halves of the religious life. During the first half of life we build our egos and the container that we then fill in the second half. The first part of our lives is a horizontal journey through the world, finishing school, getting jobs, and creating families; while the second is the vertical spiritual journey which fulfills the first half and gives it meaning. In the first part of life we do the things

expected of us by our culture; in the second half we become ourselves, living souls in relationship with all others. We grow from ego to soul driven lives.

Rohr quotes Carl Jung: "One cannot live the afternoon of life according to the program of life's morning for what was great in the morning will be of little importance in the evening, and what in the morning was true will at evening have become a lie."

The book is available at Amazon (Hardcover for \$14, and Kindle for \$11). I hope to review two chapters per week (there are 13 chapters; we will do chapter 1 during the first class) I will anticipate that you have read the chapters and will come with questions and comments, from which I hope to generate class discussion. I too will come with questions and comments.

### **Volunteer Appreciation Dinner**

Watch your email; an invitation to our second Volunteer Appreciation Dinner is coming soon! Join us **Sunday, April 7 at 5pm** in the Fellowship Hall as your St. Philip staff treat you to a feast to say thank you for all you do here at church. We know it is the volunteers who make everything run so smoothly around here, and this is our way of saying thanks!

### **8th Annual St. Philip Golf Tournament**

Save the Date! The 8<sup>th</sup> annual St. Philip Lutheran Church Golf Tournament will be held at The Club at Ravenna, a lovely private golf course, on **Monday, August 19**. All skill levels are welcome. Please consider getting a group together and then enjoying the fun and fellowship. Or, come as a single...we can pair you up. Lunch is included.

## **Church Needs/Fundraising**

### **Butter Braids & Honey Baked Hams**

The youth going to Rainbow Trail this summer are earning funds to help defray the cost of going. They will be selling Butter Braids and Honey Baked Ham gift cards through **Sunday, March 31**. They will be available for pick up on **April 13 and 14**. Please consider supporting our youth.

### **Coffee Grinder Needed**

Does anyone have access to a commercial coffee grinder? Sharing with Sheridan frequently gets coffee beans at Food Bank of the Rockies, but our guests usually don't have a way to grind them. If you can help, please contact Carole Kessler at 303.238.6873 or [ckess911@aol.com](mailto:ckess911@aol.com).

### **Bread & Broth Meals**

Monica Auch has graciously volunteered to coordinate our Bread and Broth meals this year. These are simple meals that we share in our Fellowship Hall before our mid-week Lenten services. They begin at 6:00pm each Wednesday in Lent, beginning on **March 13** and running through **April 10**. Worship on each of these nights begins at 7:00pm.

If you are willing to help with set up, kitchen duty, or clean up on any of these Wednesday nights, please let the church office or Monica know.

We also need people willing to bring soup on these Wednesday nights. If you are

willing, please go online and sign up at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090448afaa2dabfb6-midweek>.

We look forward to our time of fellowship as well as our gathering for worship on these Wednesday nights in Lent!

### **Sharing with Sheridan Food Pantry—March Donations**

This month we are asking for jelly, canned chicken, and especially canned fruit.. Please place these items in the bins by the office. **Please remember that the food pantry cannot use gourmet condiments, opened packages, or expired food.** Thank you!

### **Take Them a Meal**

If you know a member who may appreciate having meals brought to them, please call Karen Rossi at 720.935.3021 (cell).

## **Thank You**

I would like to thank my St Philip family for all of your prayers, hugs, and calls during my recent setback. I am finished with radiation now, which is great! On the road to recovery. I very much appreciated Pastors Nathan and Pastor Brad's calls and concerns as well. Also, LOVE my beautiful prayer shawl; so comforting! Many thanks, you are all a blessing.

*Fondly, Vicki Slusser*

## **Children & Family Ministries**

### **Sunday School**

Sunday School begins at 9:30am in the Fellowship Hall! For the next 4 weeks we will be studying our Fed & Forgiven lessons which will prepare the children for communion. Parents will decide if their children are ready for First Communion on **Maundy Thursday, April 18 at 7:30pm.**

**Preschool & Kindergarten:** Fed & Forgiven 2; God Feeds Us

**First-Third Grades:** Fed & Forgiven 2; Jesus gives us a special meal.

**Fourth-Sixth Grades:** Fed & Forgiven 2; Communion connects us with God's saving love.

### **Save the Date!**

Vacation Bible School 2019 (PreK-4th grade)

Arts Academy 2019 (5th-12th grade)

**July 8-12 (mornings)**

**July 8-11 (afternoons)**

## **Events**

### **Cindy and Friends – In Concert!**

Greatly-admired organist Cindy Lindeen-Martin and several of her friends will come together for an evening of music extolling the assorted sonorities of the pipe organ in combination with various instruments such as bassoon, oboe, trombone, saxophone, bagpipe, and more. Join us on **Saturday, March 23 at 7:30pm** at Augustana Lutheran Church, 5000 E. Alameda Ave., Denver. Tickets can be purchased online or at the

door. Use code RMS25 for 25% off all tickets. Visit [www.AugustanaArts.org](http://www.AugustanaArts.org) for more info.

### **Lutheran Chorale**

The Lutheran Chorale will be presenting two special concerts in March to celebrate the passion of our Lord. We will be presenting *St John's Passion* by Bob Chilcot on **Saturday, March 30 at 7:30 pm**. This concert will be held at Bethany Lutheran Church, 4500 E. Hampden Ave, Cherry Hills Village, CO .

We will again perform *St John's Passion* on **Sunday, March 31 at 3:00 pm**. This concert will be held at Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 2100 Wadsworth Blvd, Lakewood, CO.

The Chorale presented this piece in 2015, which was the second time it was presented in the United States. It is a very moving piece using modern hymns to present the passion.

A freewill donation will be collected to help with costs of the concert. We will also be collecting non-perishable canned goods to donate to Metro Caring food bank.

If you have any questions or concerns, please email us at [thelutheranchorale@comcast.net](mailto:thelutheranchorale@comcast.net), or visit our website at [www.thelutheranchorale.org](http://www.thelutheranchorale.org). You can also call David Peterson at 303.210.9428.

### **Augustana Arts' Heart for the Arts Gala**

Please join us for a night to remember on **Saturday, April 6** at Augustana Lutheran Church. Support the arts with this grand evening, which includes dinner, silent/live auctions, and performances of Stratus Chamber Orchestra, Colorado Women's & Men's Chorales, and City Strings students. Tickets are \$65 per guest, \$110 per couple, or \$400 a table for eight, and all proceeds benefit outreach and education in the arts throughout the metro-Denver area. Visit [www.AugustanaArts.org](http://www.AugustanaArts.org) for reservations or more details.

### **Scottish Fiddle Club Concert**

The pleasure of your company is requested at the Scottish Fiddle Club of Colorado Concert!

**WHEN: Saturday, April 13 at 1:00pm**

**WHERE:** St. Philip Lutheran Church Sanctuary

**COST:** FREE (and refreshments will be served after the concert)

Come enjoy the fiddle, dance, and vocal music of Scotland and Ireland, which laid the foundation for American folk and fiddle music. You might win a stay at Castle Marne in Denver! ([www.castlemarne.com](http://www.castlemarne.com))

The concert will be a benefit for the Speech Therapy Program at Children's Hospital through the Scottish Rite Foundation ([www.scottishritefoundation.org/SRF\\_Home.html](http://www.scottishritefoundation.org/SRF_Home.html)) and donations will be accepted.

Please direct any questions to Ken McIntosh at [kenmcintosh@idcomm.com](mailto:kenmcintosh@idcomm.com) or 303.234.0469.

**Theater & Theology**

*Sweat* is a Pulitzer Prize-winning drama in which layoffs and a cheaper workforce threaten a local union as the threads that once kept a community together begin to unravel. This play will be presented on **May 14 at 6:30pm** in the Space Theater at the Denver Center for Performing Arts complex, followed by a talk-back led by Pastor Bollman. If you would like to attend, please sign up in the narthex by **April 21**, put your check for \$35 in the offering plate or the office, and arrive at the theater by 6:15pm on May 14 to receive your ticket. For questions, call Nancy Oelz at 720.231.5189, or email her at [nancyoelz@gmail.com](mailto:nancyoelz@gmail.com).

Save The Date-2019	
1 <sup>st</sup> Saturday of each month – work at Food Bank of the Rockies	
March 20, 27, April 3 & 10	Bread & Broth 6pm Midweek Lenten Worship 7pm
April 7	Volunteer Appreciation Dinner 5pm
April 14	Palm/Passion Sunday
April 18	Maundy Thursday 7:30pm worship
April 19	Good Friday 7pm worship
April 20	Vigil of Easter 5:30pm worship
April 21	Easter Sunday Worship Services 6:30, 8, 9:30, & 11am
May 26	Summer Worship Schedule Begins Services at 8am & 9:30am
June 26	Ken Caryl Concerts: <i>An All-American Evening</i> 7pm
July 8-12	Vacation Bible School 9am-12pm
July 8-11	Arts Academy afternoons
August 19	8th Annual St. Philip Golf Tournament
September 28	Ken Caryl Concerts: <i>Latin Serenade</i> 7:30pm
December 8	Ken Caryl Concerts: <i>Christmas Around the World</i> 2:30pm

<b>Preparing for Worship - March 23 &amp; 24</b>
<b>First Reading: Isaiah 55:1-9</b>
<b>Second Reading: I Corinthians 10:1-13</b>
<b>Gospel Reading: Luke 13:1-9</b>

### **Worship Servants**

#### **Saturday, March 23, 2019**

**Pianist** – Becky Miller  
**Cantor** – Quinn Silco  
**Sacrament Servant** – TBD  
**Usher** – Joanne Ermold  
**A/V** – Jerry Jantz

<b>Worship Servants for Sunday, March 24, 2019</b>		
	<b>8:00am</b>	<b>10:45am</b>
<b>Assisting Minister</b>	Jim Smith	Jan Philpy
<b>Lector</b>	Karen Morin	Jim Smith
<b>Acolytes</b>	Kaden Rahne	Anna Carlson, Abby Carlson
<b>Communion Deacons</b>	Karen Otto, Diane Bracken	Gary Philpy
<b>Ushers</b>	John Schutt, Dave Daubers, Denton West, Gaylen Rapp	Tyler Henson, Ron Ramey, Rod Mauler, Andy Osborne
<b>Sacrament Servants</b>	Carole Kessler, JoAnn Breitbach	TBD, Nancy Schell
<b>Ambassadors</b>	Dick Rusch, Mary Hatlestad	Char Nauman, Lorren Ballard
<b>A-V Sound &amp; Slides</b>	Beth Mielke	John Wall
<b>Coffee Cart</b>	Carolyn Rapp	
<b>KeyKeepers</b>	<b>Sat. (3/23):</b> Carolyn Rapp	<b>Week beg. 3/24:</b> Sue Riecks

## Calendar of Events This Week (March 20 - 31, 2019)

<p><b>Wednesday, March 20</b>                  2:00p – SPLC Staff Meeting (MC-1)                  6:00p – Sr. High Youth Group (YR)                  6:00p – Bread &amp; Broth (FH, Kitchen)                  6:30p – Confirmation Classes  <b>7:00p – Midweek Lenten Worship (Sanc.)</b></p>	<p><b>Tuesday, March 26</b>                  9:00a – League of Women Voters (MC-3)                  1:30p – Worship Planning (MC-1)                  2:00p – Prayer Team (FS)                  6:30p – Boy Scouts                  7:00p – Bell Choir Rehearsal (Sanc.)                  7:00p – Tuesday Bible Study (Selander house)</p>
<p><b>Thursday, March 21</b>                  7:00a – Men’s Breakfast (IHOP Bowles Crossing)                  7:00p – Sanctuary Choir (CR)                  7:00p – Overeaters Anonymous (MC-3)</p>	<p><b>Wednesday, March 27</b>                  9:30a – Fellowship in the Word (MC-1)                  9:30a – Let’s Unwrap the Bible (FS)                  2:00p – SPLC Staff Meeting (MC-1)                  6:00p – Sr. High Youth Group (YR)                  6:00p – Bread &amp; Broth (FH, Kitchen)                  6:30p – Confirmation Classes  <b>7:00p – Midweek Lenten Worship (Sanc.)</b></p>
<p><b>Friday, March 22</b>  <i>Church office open 8am-noon</i>                  No activities scheduled</p>	<p><b>Thursday, March 28</b>                  7:00a – Men’s Breakfast (IHOP Bowles Crossing)                  7:00p – Sanctuary Choir (CR)                  7:00p – Overeaters Anonymous (MC-3)</p>
<p><b>Saturday, March 23</b>                  9:00a – ACA/Serenity’s Child (MC-3)                  10:30a – Al-Anon/Columbine AFG (MC-3)  <b>5:30p – Worship</b></p>	<p><b>Friday, March 29</b>  <i>Church office open 8am-noon</i>                  No activities scheduled</p>
<p><b>Sunday, March 24</b>  <b>8:00a – Worship</b>                  9:00a – Coffee Fellowship                  9:30a – Education Hour (FH; MC-4/5; MC-3)  <b>10:45a – Worship</b></p>	<p><b>Saturday, March 30</b>  <i>Commission Blair Strickland</i>                  9:00a – ACA/Serenity’s Child (MC-3)                  10:30a – Al-Anon/Columbine AFG (MC-3)  <b>5:30p – Worship</b></p>
<p><b>Monday, March 25</b>                  7:00p – Congregational Council Mtg (MC-4/5)                  7:00p – Troop 554 PLC Meeting (FH-1a/b)</p>	<p><b>Sunday, March 31</b>  <i>Commission Blair Strickland (both services)</i>  <b>8:00a – Worship</b>                  9:00a – Coffee Fellowship                  9:30a – Inquirers’ Class (FS)                  9:30a – Education Hour (FH; MC-4/5; MC-3)  <b>10:45a – Worship</b></p>

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# Our Prayer List

## Members:

**Jonathan Anderson, Family & friends of Max Landon, Elvira Barber, Carol Whittenburg, Rita Kuenne, Sherry Anderson**

## Family Members:

**Peg & Jack Fields** (Rob Murphy's parents)

**Karen Mallette** (Lisa Edington's sister)

**Samson Belford** (Marilyn Belford's great-grandson)

**Lauren Person** (Mary Person's daughter)

**Neva Flatley** (Tom Flatley's mother)

**Ruth Anderson** (Carol Whittenburg's mother)

**Tarry Rahne** (Amy Rahne's uncle)

**Denise Burgess** (Rob Murphy's sister-in-law)

**Jason Perkins** (Larry & Phyllis Kemp's nephew)

**Becky Jenkins** (Suzanne Peterson's cousin)

**Fawn Kemp** (Larry Kemp's daughter)

**Phil Ott** (Rita Kuenne's cousin)

**Caroline Carroll** (Arne & Harriet Truman's daughter)

**Ryan Ermold** (Joanne Ermold's son)

**Erika Kuenne** (Carl & Rita Kuenne's daughter)

## Friends:

**Carol Ann** (Reed)

**Kirsten, Ben, and Rowan Rueschhoff** (Anderson)

**Andrew Johnson** (Johnson)

**Richard Hoehler** (Hoehler)

**Christa** (Endecott)

**The family of Kamish** (Kuenne)

**Iani Chamber** (Carter)

**William Arceneaux** (Stevermer)

**Breanne & Nathan Hall** (Cimino)

**Prayers of thanksgiving for the birth of boy and girl twins to Chad and Kelsey Miller, grandchildren of Sue Miller, Prayers for the baby boy who is in NICU.**

**Prayers of love, support, and protection for Pastor Brad, Roseanna, Lucas, and Madison Doty as they journey on sabbatical. May the Lord bring them back to us safely.**

**Prayers for our prayer partner congregations, Abiding Hope and Christ Lutheran.**

**Prayers of love and support for JoHanna Buchholz as she continues her seminary studies. Prayers of support and encouragement for Garang Manyok Giet as he continues his seminary studies at African International University.**

**Prayers of support and love for our companion synods and friends in Madagascar, and our Madagascar missionary Kirsten Laderach. Prayers of support for Aaron and Anna Silco and their mission work in Thailand.**

**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 Angela Seep at [aseep@stphilip-co.org](mailto:aseep@stphilip-co.org). Prayer requests will run for two weeks unless otherwise requested.*