St. Philip Information and News (SPIN)

May 9, 2018

Church News

Upcoming Services

May 20 - Pentecost Sunday; Receive New Members (8am); Senior Recognition (10:45am)

May 27 - Holy Trinity Sunday; Memorial Day slide show; Summer Worship Schedule begins (Worship times: 8am & 9:30am; no Education hour)

Pentecost

Sunday, May 20 is Pentecost. Please wear red to celebrate the day!

Sanctuary Improvements Complete!

Our Property Team has finished the wood paneling addition to the sanctuary. Make sure to take a look next time you are at church. Special thanks to Jerry Mydlach, Gaylen Rapp, Michael Stevermer, Bill Colbenson, and John Phillips for all their hard work. And of course a very special thank you to Mary and Steve DeBoer who funded this project.

St. Philip Donation Garden

The donation garden is up and running for its 4th season. Thanks to Dave Bolt who just build two new raised beds which will become hoop houses (green houses). There are still community plots available if you're interested in growing your own vegetables; \$30 for the season. Seeds and tomato cages available too. Volunteers are welcome to help with prepping, planting, and watering. A planting workday is scheduled for **Saturday, May 26**, 8am to 12pm -- stop by to plant a row! f you'd like to help, please contact Ana Tolentino at 303.949.6088 or atolenti@aol.com.

Book Sale Extended!

Books will be available for sale through **Sunday, May 13**. You can shop during the week and leave a free will offering. They are located in the classroom area to the right of the main entrance. (Ministry Center) Thank you for supporting the youth of St. Philip!

Silver Sages Potluck Picnic

Tuesday, June 12 at 11:30am

Our picnic will be at Dick & Joanne Rock's Community Room, north on DePew at Coal Mine. Please bring a dish to share and your own beverage. Join us if you're over 55, single, married, or have a significant other. Everyone is welcome!

Attention All You Cribbage Sharks

Come join us for the Annual Cribbage Tournament on **Saturday, June 23**, 10am – 2pm in the Fellowship Hall. Lunch will be provided and prizes will be awarded. <u>Please feel free to bring a snack to share with your fellow competitors.</u> All ages and levels of experience are welcome (hoping to have my 10 and 15 year-old grandchildren attend). The entry fee is \$20 and the proceeds are "pegged" for the kitchen renovation. The sign-up sheet is located in the narthex. For more information/questions, please contact Michael Stevermer at 303.379.9253 or email me at slstevermer@gmail.com. Let's

make this the biggest tournament ever!

Soul Shop

It is estimated that half of the members of any given congregation are impacted by suicidal desperation. Soul Shop offers engaging workshops that strive to equip congregations to minister to those impacted by suicidal desperation. Participants will gain competence and confidence in their ability to create faith communities of hope and social connection. Soul Shop will be at New Hope Presbyterian Church in Castle Rock on **Saturday, May 19**. Register at https://www.eventbrite.com/e/soul-shop-ministering-to-suicidal-desperation-tickets-43622581315.

Church Needs/Fundraising

Readers for Pentecost Sunday

We are looking for those who are familiar with another language to read the lesson on **Pentecost Sunday, May 20**. This is done from your seat without a microphone and can be at either service. Please contact Jan Philpy (gjphilpy@gmail.com or 317.709.5045) by **May 13** if you are interested.

Flamingos, Flamingos, Flamingos Everywhere!

The youth going to the ELCA Youth Gathering in Houston Texas at the end of June are starting the Flamingo Flocking Fundraiser this weekend! Either the youth or other members of the congregation choose people from our congregation to flock. This means, they quietly and surreptitiously place twenty or so large and small flamingos all over the front yard. The youth will happily remove the flamingos the next day. The idea is that you have to make a donation to get the flamingos off your yard, which can be placed in the envelope in the sign or brought to the church. The suggested donation is \$10, but the youth will be happy with any donation as they raise funds to attend the ELCA Youth Gathering in Houston. You can also make a donation to designate someone to be flocked or to not be flocked: anti-flocking insurance. Come check out the table in the Narthex this Sunday for more info or contact Pastor Brad! Thank you for your support!

Wanted for VBS

We are in need of empty paper towel or wrapping paper tubes for a Vacation Bible School craft. Please put them in the marked bin by the church office.

VBS Volunteers Needed

Adult and youth volunteers are needed for VBS! Job descriptions and sign up is at https://vbspro.events/p/events/stphilip.

Arts Academy Instructors Needed

Fine Arts Academy is looking for people of faith who enjoy doing any kind of art (like, but certainly not limited to, calligraphy, scrapbooking, needlework, communications, food, dance) and would like to share it with students 5th grade and older. This is a four-day program and you only need to lead one class. Talk with JoHanna Buchholz or Jan Philpy if you are interested.

Volunteer Opportunity

Looking for a volunteer opportunity? For everyone who volunteers at the Food Bank of the Rockies, Sharing with Sheridan Food Pantry gets credit to use for food purchase. It's a win-win! We have a group scheduled to work on **Saturday May 5** from 9am - 12pm. If you would like to help, contact Carole Kessler at 303.238.6873 or ckess911@aol.com.

<u>Sharing with Sheridan Food Pantry – May Donations</u>

This month we are asking for canned corn, toilet paper, jelly, and spaghetti noodles (no whole wheat). Please place these items in the bins by the office. Thank you!

Church Families in Need - Take Them A Meal

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

Children & Family Ministries

Sunday School

The Spark Sunday School season comes to a close this **Sunday**, **May 13** with "Jesus Feeds 5,000." Meet at 9:30am in the Fellowship Hall.

Next **Sunday, May 20**, we will celebrate the end of the Sunday School year with a Pentecost Party! Parents are welcome too! We'll see you at 9:30am in the Fellowship Hall.

Registration is Now Open!

Come to "This Changes Everything!" VBS to engage in Bible stories, play, sing, art, and snack with friends! VBS is **July 9-13**, 9am – noon for 4-year-olds through incoming 4th grade. Cost is \$40 for the first child, \$30 for each additional child. Register at https://vbspro.events/p/events/stphilip.

The St. Philip Arts Academy is **July 9-12**, 12:30-4:30pm for incoming 5th grade and older. Cost is \$40 for the first student, \$30 for each additional student. Students will take part in Bible Theme and Music classes, plus two electives of their choice. Electives may include Drama, Photography, Watercolor, and Woodworking. Register at vbspro.events/p/arts-academy.

Events

Plant Sale

Cub Scout Pack 63 will host a fundraiser plant sale here at St. Philip on **Saturday**, **May 12** from 10am-3pm. The sale will be located in the parking lot. Some of the items you can purchase are hanging baskets, vegetables, herbs, and 4-pack annual flowers.

Ken Caryl Concert Series

We hope you will join us **May 12** at 7:30pm for our first concert of 2018 - **Singin' and Swingin'** - featuring the Denver Jazz Club Youth All Stars. Refreshments will be served following the performance and the band will keep playing for those who wish to dance. As always, the concert is free and family-friendly. A free-will offering will be collected to benefit the MC-1 Foundation.

Lutheran Chorale

The Lutheran Chorale presents their free spring concert *All Things New* with two performances on **Sunday, May 20**. The first concert is at 3pm at Lutheran Church of the Cross (28253 Meadow Dr. Evergreen), followed by a second performance at 7:30pm at St. Philip. Enjoy this beautiful and joyful music as the Chorale sings American spirituals, *Four Celtic Mantras*, and other hymns.

Theater & Theology

Our last play of the season, *Human Error*, will run from **May 18 through June 24** in the Galleria Theater at DCPA. Human Error is about the communication gap between two couples who have totally opposite political views and the unlikely but heartfelt friendship that develops between them. Since the Galleria Theater has very limited seating, there will not be a specific date for us to attend this play. If you would like to see *Human Error*, you may choose your own date and purchase your own ticket(s) online at denvercenter.org, or call the box office at 800.642.1222. Use the code **Theology** and you will receive the discounted \$30/ticket price. Tickets may be purchased any time during the run depending upon availability. There will be no talk back for this play. Contact Nancy Oelz if you have any questions.

8th Annual Katelyn Henning Memorial Basketball Camp

The 8th Annual Basketball camp for girls and boys ages 7-13 will be held at the Littleton Y at Broadway and Dry Creek the week of **June 18**. The camp will celebrate Katelyn's love for basketball and will focus on fundamentals through drills, games, and skill development. The camp will be held **Monday - Thursday**, **June 18-21** from 2:00-4:30pm each day. There will be t-shirts and prizes for all participants. If interested, please stop by the Y or register online at www.denverymca.org/fun-and-fundamentals.

Stewardship 101

Thank God for our families

[Jesus was dying on the cross.] When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple whom he loved standing beside her, he said to his mother, "Woman, here is your son." Then he said to the disciple, "Here is your mother." -John 19:26-27

On the second Sunday of this month we celebrate the mothers and mother figures in our lives, and then in June we celebrate our fathers and father figures. What a wonderful opportunity to honor the strong bond between parents and children. How strong? The first use of the word "love" in the Bible, Genesis 22:2, describes the connection between Abraham and his son, Isaac. Family is one of our most valuable gifts from God, and one that, as all holy gifts, we are entrusted to treasure, love and nourish. As parents, we are responsible for nourishing children to become healthy adults. And as children, we are responsible for caring for parents as they age. Jesus indicates in the passage above that there need not be a blood connection for a parent-child relationship (as any family with adopted children can attest). In Matthew 12:46-50, Jesus actually redefines family, saying that all who love and follow him are mothers, brothers, sisters, fathers. So, all of us are parent, child and sibling to one another. Now THAT'S some family!

As we honor the mother and father figures this spring, we can also challenge ourselves

to be better stewards of the family bonds God has given us.

- Explore through Scripture what it means to be a family, including a faith family.
- Work with your congregation promote healthy family connections.
- Support and accompany families that are in crisis or paralyzed by dysfunction.
- Learn about foster-parent programs and support foster families.
- Explore and support Big Brother and Big Sister programs. Be a mentor to a child or youth.
- Befriend a senior citizen who may not have children (or children nearby).
- Remember that not all family relationships are positive. Avoid judgment and listen thoughtfully to those whose experiences may differ from yours.
- With your congregation, explore ways to live as brothers and sisters, mothers and fathers to one another.

God ordained families to be the fundamental unit of human life. We can be good stewards of family relationships by caring for one another and helping everyone to grow into the faith family God intends.

--Rob Blezard

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Preparing for Worship - May 12 & 13

First Reading: Acts 1:15-17, 21-26

Second Reading: I John 5:9-13

Gospel Reading: John 17:6-19

Worship Servants

Saturday, May 12, 2018
Pianist – Naomi Doerr
Cantor – Tom Schnickel
Altar Guild – Linda Heesch
Usher – OPEN
A/V – Jerry Jantz

Worship Servants for Sunday, May 13, 2018			
	8:00am	10:45am	
Assisting Minister	George Rasmussen	Bill Shepard	
Lector	Sandra Fishko	Jonathan Anderson	
Acolytes	Jackson Krause, Erin Finnerty	Jada Rogge, McKenna Rogge	
Communion Deacons	Karen Otto, Diane Bracken	Jonathan Anderson, Susan Shepard	
Ushers	John Selden, Mike Graff, Tim Young	Jim Cimino, Al Herzl, Chuck Rogge	
Altar Guild	Carole Kessler, Carolyn Endecott	Betty Welch, Teresa Cline	
A-V Sound & Slides	Denton West	John Wall	
Ambassadors	Connie & John Schutt	Stacey Wacholz	
Coffee Cart	OPEN		
KeyKeepers	Sat. (5/12): Dick Rock	Week beg. 5/13: Gaylen Rapp	

Save The Date 1 st Saturday of each month – work at Food Bank of the Rockies		
May 12	Ken Caryl Concerts Singin' and Swingin'-7:30pm	
May 27	Summer Service Hours Begin (8am & 9:30am)	
July 9-13	Vacation Bible School, 9:30am-noon	
July 9-12	Fine Arts Academy, 12:30-4:30pm	
August 18	Ken Caryl Concerts Rags to Rock-7:30pm	
August 20	7th Annual Golf Tournament	
October 5 & 6	SPELC Consignment Sale	
November 4	Ken Caryl Concerts <i>Harvest Hoedown-</i> 2:30pm	

Calendar of Events This Week (May 9 - May 20, 2018)

Wednesday, May 9 9:30a – Fellowship in the Word (MC-1) 9:30a – Let's Unwrap the Bible (FS) 2:00p – Musician Rehearsal (Sanc.) 6:00p – Sr. Youth Group 6:00p – Confirmation	Tuesday, May 15 6:30p – Boy Scouts 7:00p – Men's Bible Study (Selander home)	
Thursday, May 10 7:00a – Men's Breakfast (IHoP Bowles Crossing) 6:30p – Choir Rehearsal (choir room) 7:00p – Overeaters Anonymous (MC-3)	Wednesday, May 16 6:00p – Sr. Youth Group 6:00p – Confirmation	
Friday, May 11 (church office open 8am-noon) 11:00a – SPELC Board Luncheon (FH, Kitchen)	Thursday, May 17 7:00a – Men's Breakfast (IHoP Bowles Crossing) 7:00p – Overeaters Anonymous (MC-3)	
Saturday, May 12 9:00a – ACA/Serenity's Child (MC-3) 10:00a – Cub Scout Fundraiser (Parking lot) 10:30a – Al-Anon/Columbine AFG (MC-3) 11:00a – Eagle Scout Court of Honor (Sanc.) 5:30p – Worship 7:30p – Ken Caryl Concert Series (Sanc., FH)	Friday, May 18 (church office open 8am-noon) No activities scheduled	
Sunday, May 13 Mother's Day 8:00a – Worship 9:00a – Coffee Fellowship 9:30a – Education Hour 9:30a – New Member Class (FS) 10:45a – Worship	Saturday, May 19 6:30a – Scouting Firearms Safety Training (MC-4/5) 9:00a – ACA/Serenity's Child (MC-3) 9:00a – Girl Scouts (MC-1, FH-1a/b) 9:00a – Ties to the Community (FH) 10:30a – Al-Anon/Columbine AFG (MC-3) 5:30p – Worship	
Monday, May 14 7:00p – Lutheran Chorale Practice (Sanc.)	Sunday, May 20-Pentecost Sunday Welcome New Members-8am Senior Recognition-10:45am 8:00a – Worship 9:00a – Coffee Fellowship 9:30a – Education Hour 10:45a – Worship 7:30p – Lutheran Chorale (Sanc.)	

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Our Prayer List

Members:

Louanne Isernhagen, Sarah Henning, John Guran, Gary Donaho, Jack Dice, Leo Wasserman, Elvira Barber, Howard Olson, Ray Peterson, and Janet Wagner.

Family Members:

Emma Figge (Flo Figge's daughter-in-law)
Bailey Bagwell (Monica Auch's granddaughter)

Christina (Annelore Fecht's daughter)

Family of Marice Guran (John Guran's mother)

Fawn Kemp & her children (Larry Kemp's daughter & grandchildren)

Jennifer Gilliland (Arne & Harriet Truman's

daughter)

Caroline Carroll (Arne & Harriet Truman's daughter)

daughter)

Mark Overholser (Barb Delong's brother) Scott Worman (Monica Auch's son)

Ryan Ermold (Joanne Ermold's son)

Jim Dawson (Dave Husted's uncle)

Bill Orf (Howard & Nancy Hanson's son-in-law)

Erika Kuenne (Carl & Rita Kuenne's daughter)

Friends:

Family of Ernest Kariainen (Figge)
Abi & Tyler Burtch (Anderson)
Josh Klimpel & family (Anderson)
Betty Ansad (Fecht)
Richard Hoehler (Hoehler)
Michael Boswell (Morin)
Susan Bouton (Stevermer)

Jane Webster
Family & friends of Zeke (Anderson)
Tracey, Sandra, & Rachel (Pazalos)
Keith Stechmesser (Philpy)
Lore Schnell (Fritsch)
Janet Arceneaux (Stevermer)
Emily Mulhollen (Celusniak)

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

Prayers of love, support, and encouragement for JoHanna Buchholz and Aaron Silco, as they continue their seminary studies.

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.

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. Prayer requests will run for two weeks unless otherwise requested.