

St. Philip Information and News (SPIN)

November 7, 2018

Church News

Thank you to all who supported our *Harvest Hoedown* concert on Sunday, November 4. Performers, greeters, kitchen help, stage/sound help, audience members - you all played a crucial part in making this event a success. We aimed for a bash to celebrate the end of our 3rd season and our 10th concert, and we certainly got one! We had 325 people in attendance and raised \$1,000 to support Ralston House Child Advocacy Center.

Thank you, thank you, thank you. See you next year!

Sunday, March 3, 2019, 2:30 pm - An Afternoon in Paris
Wednesday, June 26, 2019, 7 pm - An All-American Evening
Saturday, September 28, 2019, 7:30 pm - Spanish Serenade
Sunday, December 8, 2019, 2:30 pm - Christmas Around the World

The Ken Caryl Concerts Committee

Upcoming Services

November 10th-11th: Inward to Outward

This coming Sunday in worship we will hear the last of a sermon series on how we as God's people are transformed! Come join us to hear about this transformation!

Wednesday, November 21 join us for our Thanksgiving Eve worship service. Bring a non-perishable item to donate to Sharing with Sheridan. After the service, come to the annual pie social in the Fellowship Hall.

Altar Flowers

Please consider donating flowers this year! If you are interested, please contact the church office. The cost is \$25 and needs to be prepaid. You are welcome to take the flowers home after the second service on Sunday. Please return the vase to the church when finished.

Save the Date

Saturday, December 1 - St. Nicholas: Anticipating Christmas

This will be a fun morning activity for all! More information coming soon.

Did You Know?

The Rocky Mountain Synod's Director for Evangelical Mission (DEM), Rev. Matt Barnhouse, is funded by our church-wide organization, made possible by your mission support.

Sabbatical for Pastor Brad

In August, it was announced that Pastor Brad has been granted a three-month sabbatical after serving our congregation for six years. A sabbatical is a blessing to our pastors as they have the opportunity to be renewed, re-energized, and re-equipped for ministry in the future.

Pastor Brad feels blessed to have this opportunity to take a sabbatical. He will use his study time to learn about and experience what the church needs to do in the future to engage, motivate, and care for people of all ages. Christians in our society have the

desire to be people of faith and the desire to go to church, but there is something missing. What tends to be missing is the drive to go to church and a lack of motivation to be involved. Pastor Brad will be looking at how churches do ministry a little differently or provide more opportunities to encourage more people to attend, be involved, and engage with a community of faith.

Pastor Brad's sabbatical will start on January 1, 2019, and he will return to the office on April 1, 2019. Please type <http://www.stphilip-co.org/sabbatical/> into your internet browser to read more about what Pastor Brad will be doing on his sabbatical. If you have any questions, please feel free to ask Pastor Brad.

College Outreach Ministry

The end of the first semester of the school year draws near, and that means it's time to prepare for College Outreach Care packages. We will be collecting and mailing boxes at the end of November. We will display pennants in the Narthex **beginning Saturday, November 10**. The pennants will highlight the specific number and type of snack needed to fill 55 student boxes. The snacks should be **returned by Sunday, November 25**. It is important that you bring in the specific snacks highlighted on your pennant. Thank you for supporting this ministry as we love on these young adults. They are so appreciative! Contact Anne Henning with any questions adhenning14@gmail.com

Angel Tree

The angels are back! Yes! Angel Tree is up and waiting for us to give essentials to Refugees for Lutheran Family Services. How can you contribute?

1. Sign up on sign-up sheet
2. Choose an angel. Bring ONE or more gift from the tag list on the angel. (There are several choices, but you only have to choose one).
3. Return the gift with the tag on the gift. Do not wrap.
4. Place in box provided by the tree.

Gifts are due back to church by **Sunday, December 2** Questions? Call Carl Kuenne at 720.320.7201 or Rita Kuenne at 720.320.6602.

Traditional Baking

Calling all Norskies and Norskie wannabes! There will be lefse and krumkake baking on **Saturday, November 17 beginning at 12:30pm** in the Fellowship Hall. Bring your lefse dough and krumkake dough all ready to roll out and bake. See the following website for directions and recipes for lefse and krumkake: www.lefsetime.com.

If you have a grill or an electric krumkake iron, please bring them. Presently, we may have four grills for lefse and two electric krumkake irons. Bring a couple of clean towels, large baggies, a pastry board, a rolling pin or two, a sleeve or two for your rolling pins, flour, and a lefse stick. Contact LeRae Schnickel at lschnickel@icloud.com if you have questions.

Quilts on Display

Do you have a quilt you have created that you would like to share? They will hang in the Sanctuary from **November 17-24**. Please bring the quilts to church on **Saturday, November 17** by 9am and we will hang them for you. Any questions? Call Barb Donaho at 303.794.1796 or Rita Kuenne at 720.320.6602.

Bios of Candidates for Council and Endowment Committee

At the Congregational Meeting between services on **November 18**, we will be voting for Church Council Nominees and Endowment Committee Nominees. Go to <http://www.stphilip-co.org/council-candidates/> to read the Church Council nominee bios. Go to <http://www.stphilip-co.org/endowment-committee-bios/> to read the bios for the Endowment Committee nominees.

Silver Sages

Dinner at the White Fence Farm

Tuesday, December 4

We will meet at church at 4:15pm for those of you who wish to carpool. The address is 6263 Jewel Ave., Lakewood. **There is a LIMIT of 20 people.** Please sign up in the narthex. **Reservations are required and the deadline is Tuesday, November 20.** If you're 55 or older, single, married, or have a significant other, we hope you will join us for this outing.

What is a Prayer Shawl?

They wrap, enfold, comfort, cover, and give solace to those who receive them to make known the unconditional love of God. The Women of St. Philip continue our practice of creating shawls with love and prayers as we make each stitch. We pray that those who receive a shawl be uplifted, as if given wings to fly above their troubles. If you would like a Prayer Shawl for someone you know or don't know well, please contact Chris Youngren at 303.973.3096.

Women of St. Philip (formerly Women's Fellowship)

Our vision is to develop a caring community of women devoted to Christ through developing and deepening relationships with one another, spiritual encouragement and growth, and meeting the needs of each other in all seasons of our lives, and those in our community and around the world. We are looking for 3 or 4 women to help us plan the future of the Women of St. Philip. The time commitment is minimal. If you are interested, please contact Chris Youngren at 303.973.3096.

Share the Love

The Women of St. Philip's Pay It Forward collection is now being called the Share the Love collection. This special collection will take place during the month of February, not during the Thanksgiving weekend as in previous years. More information will be forthcoming. Contact Chris Youngren at 303.973.3096 if you have questions.

Thanksgiving Eve Pie Social

We have a great tradition at St. Philip. After our 7pm Thanksgiving Eve worship service, where we give thanks to God for His many blessings to us, we move to our fellowship hall for a pie social. It is a great fellowship event for our congregation.

Bake a pie or buy a pie and bring it, cut and ready to share. What a variety of pies we usually have to enjoy! Even if you do not bring a pie, you are welcome to join us for this wonderful time of sharing. Thanksgiving is about giving thanks for all of those special people in our lives, and we hope you count your church community among those people.

Carolyn Rapp is coordinating this event for us. If you are able to come early and help her set up, or stay afterwards and help her clean up, that would be great. Her email address is gvrapp@sbcglobal.net.

"Let us give thanks to the Lord, for He is good!"

Church Needs/Fundraising

Family Promise – November Rotation

Our next Family Promise rotation is **November 18-25**. We are in need of Evening Hosts to interact with the children. This is a 2-hour shift from 6-8pm. Also needed are Overnight Hosts, who are in the building from 8pm-6am the following day in case the families have questions or are in need of assistance.

In addition, the day center will be closed on November, 22, meaning our families will be here at the church for Thanksgiving. Please consider sharing your blessings with the homeless families who will be staying with us on this holiday when we give thanks for all we have. Sign-up sheets are in the narthex. Call Rick Richardson at 720.467.8607 with any questions.

AmazonSmile

Are you planning to do your holiday shopping online? You can support our St. Philip Youth at the same time with AmazonSmile. All you have to do is type <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/84-0923808> into your browser and click Start Shopping. A portion of your transaction will go to St. Philip. It's so easy!

Come Make a Difference in the Life of one of our Confirmation Students

Are you interested in making a difference and having an active role in the faith of one of our confirmation students? St. Philip is continuing its mentoring program for our confirmation students! Our mentors have made and continue to make a big impact on our confirmation students and their faith. One of our confirmation students wrote, "One very special person who influenced my faith was ... my 7th and 8th grade mentor during confirmation. She helped me to strengthen my faith and come out of my comfort zone with prayer. She taught me a very valuable lesson about the Bible and how to connect it to prayer. I am very thankful to have had her as a mentor during this confirmation experience."

Our goal is to pair up one confirmation student with one adult in the congregation. The mentors come to mentor during the seasons of Advent and Lent. We would like the mentors to walk with the confirmation student for two years as they go through confirmation. The hope is that this relationship continues as they are in high school.

There are three Wednesdays in Advent where the mentors will meet with their mentee (December 5th, 12th, and 19th). Then we will come back in Lent to meet again (March 13th and 20th, April 3rd and 10th). We will begin with worship at 6pm and then join in a meal together after worship. After the meal, the mentors and the confirmation students will meet for mentoring for 30-45 minutes, until 8pm.

The responsibility of the mentors will be to get to know the confirmation student you are paired up with, talk to them, pray with them, pray for them, share your faith with them, encourage them, and support them in their life and faith. This will be done through natural conversation, a guided discussion on a certain topic, and connecting with them outside of mentoring.

Are you interested in making a difference and having an active role in the faith of one of our confirmation students? If so, please sign up in the narthex or contact Pastor Brad at bdoty@stphilip-co.org. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact Pastor Brad.

Sacrament Servants

You are already at a worship service, so why not volunteer to prepare or clear communion? Anyone who receives communion can do this and you pick the service. It's a great opportunity for families to serve together, and we will help you get started. Contact Jan Philpy (gphilpy@gmail.com or 317.709.5045) or one of the pastors if you are interested.

Sharing with Sheridan Fall Food Drive

For the month of November we are holding our annual fall food drive. Items needed include tuna, canned chicken, meal soups, canned fruit, peanut butter, jelly, cereal, spaghetti, toilet paper, and toiletries. PLEASE no opened or partially used items. Items should be placed on the table in the hallway across from the mailboxes. Contact Karen Otto at karenlotto@msn.com for more information.

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

All ages are invited to start Sunday school together at 9:30am in the Fellowship Hall. After the opening program, we will move into classes:

- ◇ Frolic Family (0-3 years + a grown-up): God is with you when you're scared
- ◇ Frolic PK (3 and 4 years): Jonah 2-God gives us another chance
- ◇ SPARK! (K-4th Grade): Jonah & the Big Fish (Jonah 1-4)
- ◇ Connect (5th & 6th Grade): Kingdoms (I Kings 9:1-9)

Stewardship 101

Stewardship and Gratitude

I will give thanks to you, Lord, with all my heart; I will tell of all your wonderful deeds. – Psalm 9:1

Gratitude is the attitude, the key that can unlock the doors of our lives to more joy, satisfaction, contentment, love, and peace. Gratitude undergirds everything we do as disciples of Christ and stewards of the gifts with which God entrusts us. Are these bold claims? Yes! Are they true? Without a doubt!

Blame it on our consumer culture that constantly implores us to buy more, or simply blame it on human nature, but many of us focus way too much on our unfilled desires, our unmet wants. Whether it's a fancier car, a bigger house, whiter teeth, more friends, a fatter paycheck, or skinnier body, our wants can overwhelm and define us if we're not careful. Want and desire can blind us to the blessings we already have in this wonderful life that God has given us.

What's the cure? Gratitude! It's an attitude that can be developed through prayer and practice. And since we are gearing up for Thanksgiving on November 22, why not make it a month-long effort?

Start by making a list of things for which you are thankful today. (If you have a smartphone that enables you to take notes, use it. A small pad or index card will also do.) Include *at least* 20 items on the list.

Carry the list with you and pray over it several times a day, saying, "I thank God for *this*. I thank God for *that*," and so on. Make it a working project, adding to the list as you think of new blessings or reordering them in priority.

As the weeks unfold, see if you won't develop an attitude of gratitude for the things you already have and a deep satisfaction and peace for your life. Gratitude unlocks our lives to the abundance that God intends for us.

--Rob Blezard

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Bible Study Groups/Classes

New Bible Class - The Book of Acts

The Book of Acts is a totally unique book in the Bible. First of all, it is the only book in the Bible written as history. Secondly, it is one of only two books in the Bible written by a Gentile author. Thirdly, it is unique in that it tells about the beginning of the church and its mission.

Come join Pastor Nathan in an exploration of this unique and fascinating book of the Bible. This class will be held in MC-4/5, from 9:30 – 10:30am, **beginning November 4 and running through December 16**. We will explore topics such as: The Nature of the Church, The Will of God, The Power of the Holy Spirit, and The Mission of the Church. This is timely as we are in a strategic planning process as a congregation, and working on a new mission statement for St. Philip.

Where is God leading the church? Where is God leading you? Where do you see God at work in the world today? Come join in exploring how we continue to be fed by and led by this Book of Acts today!

Men's Tuesday Evening Bible Study

Men's Tuesday Evening Bible Study takes place at the Paul Selander home, 6338 S Harlan Way in Leawood. All men of St Philip are invited to attend this in-depth Bible study. Please come and join us whenever you can. Any questions? Call Paul at 303.794.9739.

Fellowship in the Word

Fellowship in the Word is a men's Bible study that meets on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month at 9:30am in MC-1. Contact Pr. Glenn Isernhagen with any questions.

Let's Unwrap the Bible

Let's Unwrap the Bible is a women's bible study. We meet at 9:30am in the Fireside Room at church on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of every month. We are currently studying 1,2,3 John. Our discussions focus on how scripture relates to our present-day lives, listening and learning from each other. Consider joining us any time!
Contact: Chris Youngren 303.973.3096

Events

Scottish Fiddle Club of Colorado Concert

WHEN: **Saturday, November 10**

WHERE: St. Philip Lutheran Church

TIME: 1:00 p.m.

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

Come and enjoy the fiddle, dance, and vocal music of Scotland and Ireland which laid the foundation for American folk and fiddle music. The club has been presenting workshops and concerts since 2011. Once again, donations for the Children's Diabetes Foundation will be accepted ... with gratitude.

The concert will feature the 2018 winners of the Scottish Fiddle Competition, as well as the other talented, long-time professional members of the Club.

There will also be a door prize drawing for a one-night stay for two at Glen Eyrie Castle in Colorado Springs; a \$250 value (www.gleneyrie.org).

Direct questions to Ken McIntosh at kenmcintosh@idcomm.com or 303-234-0469.
www.scotsfiddle.org

Augustana Arts

Augustana Arts is proud to present **Anima Chamber Ensemble** as it kicks off its 4th season with contrasting works of brilliance and peacefulness in a concert called *Radiance and Rest* on **Saturday, November 10 at 7:30pm** at Augustana Lutheran Church, 5000 E. Alameda Ave., Denver. This elite 16-voice ensemble will touch you at your core, as they share their passion for great choral literature. As these accomplished musicians share their souls, breathing life into every word they sing, experience the spirit and vitality of choral music deep in your soul. Once again, we are thrilled to be joined by Fairview HS Festival Singers and Ralston Valley HS Concert Choir for this inspiring performance. All ELCA members receive 25% discount using code RMS25. Visit www.AugustanaArts.org to join us for a night to remember!

Through the Lens of Music: Focus on Spirit. Let Stratus stir your spirit through a provocative exploration of the incredible Spirit of Music on **Friday, November 16 at 7:30pm** at First Plymouth Congregational Church, 3501 S. Colorado Blvd. This concert offers the same selections as the *Music of the Vine* event on 11/17, without the wine-pairing experience. String orchestra masterpieces, such as Barber's *Adagio for Strings*, Bach's *Brandenburg Concerto #3*, and more, will be divinely performed and also includes cameo appearances of the English Horn and Trumpet, too! This concert offers a unique immersive seating option. Use code RMS25 for 25% off all tickets. Visit www.AugustanaArts.org.

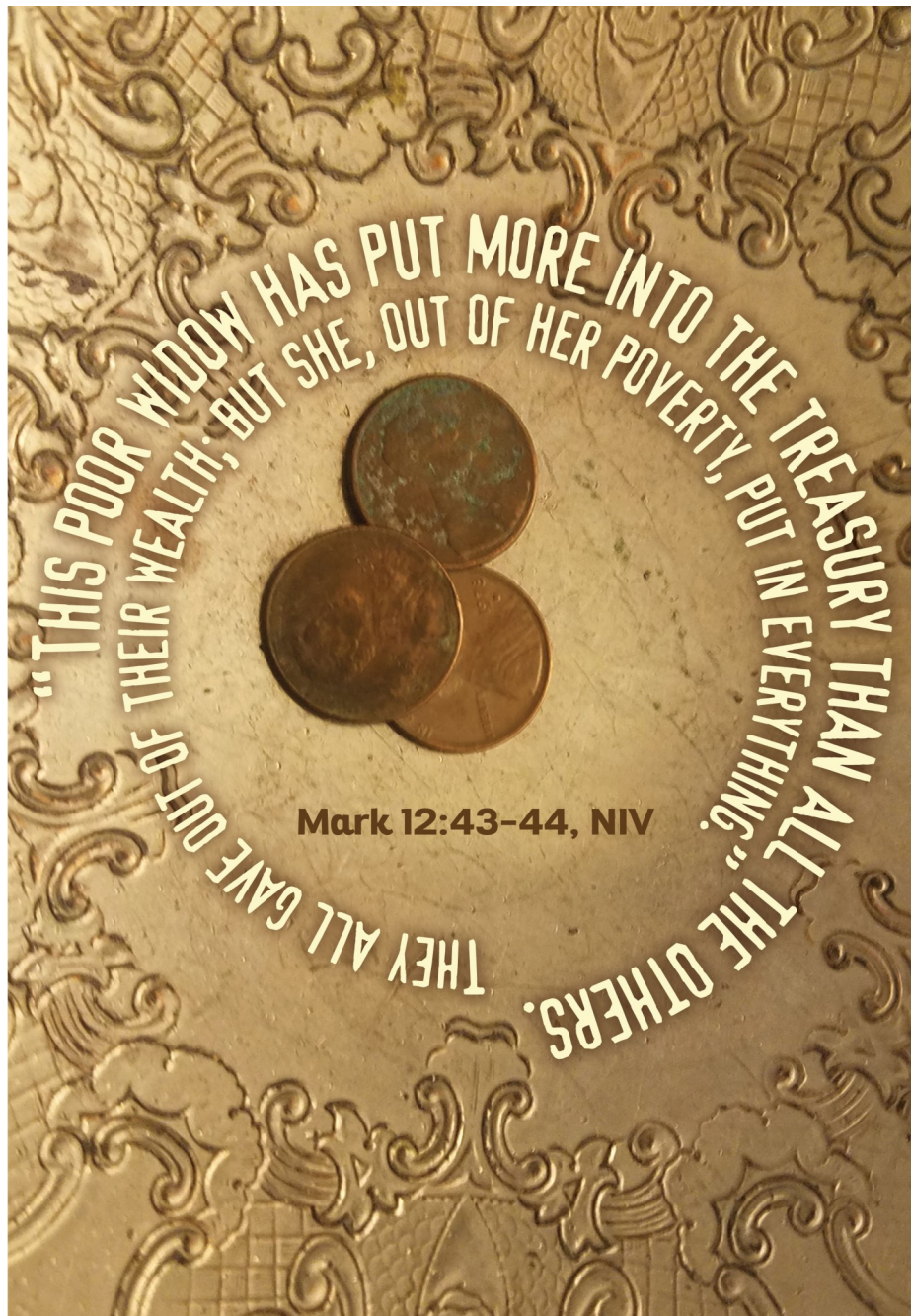
Music of the Vine: A Perfectly Paired Evening with Music & Wine. Sip, listen, savor, and enjoy with Claude Robbins, President of the International Wine & Spirits Guild and Stratus Chamber Orchestra in this paired experience of fine wine and music on **Saturday, November 17 at 6:30pm** at Historic Grant Avenue, 216 S. Grant St., Denver. Enjoy cleansing appetizers, wine sampling, music notes by Conductor David Rutherford, and wine history by Claude - all paired with great string classics such as *Adagio for Strings* by Samuel Barber, Bach's *Brandenburg Concerto #3*, and Aaron Copland's *Quiet City* in this very special evening. All proceeds benefit Outreach and Education programs of Augustana Arts, including our life-changing City Strings program. \$55 per person or \$100 per couple by 11/14. Purchase tickets at www.AugustanaArts.org.

Preparing for Worship - November 10 & 11

First Reading: I Kings 17:8-16

Second Reading: Hebrews 9:24-28

Gospel Reading: Mark 12:38-44



Our Prayer List

Members:

**Elvira Barber, Dave Blandin, Penny Selden, Rob Murphy, Susan Shepard,
Pam Kubicek, Ray Peterson, and Richard Wagner.**

Family Members:

Kailee & Allison Nauman (Char Nauman's granddaughters)	Caroline Carroll (Arne & Harriet Truman's daughter)
Ken Bailey (Karen Otto's brother)	Ryan Ermold (Joanne Ermold's son)
Fawn Kemp (Larry Kemp's daughter)	Bill Orf (Howard & Nancy Hanson's son-in-law)
Phil Ott (Rita Kuenne's cousin)	Erika Kuenne (Carl & Rita Kuenne's daughter)
Isabelle VanGorder (Marilyn Belford's great-granddaughter)	

Friends:

Mulhollen family (Celusniak)	Judy Marxhausen (Nourse)
Amy & Chad (Miller)	Lori Franck & family (Nelson)
Tom & Marianne Jensen (Endecott)	Trista, Cameron, & Briar (Anderson)
Family & friends of Joan Vawter (Anderson)	Donna Hershey (Philpy)
Helen Brieske (Otto)	Lore Schnell (Fritsch)

Prayers of thanksgiving for the birth of Calvin David Stevermer, grandson of Sandi & Michael Stevermer.

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

Prayers of love, support, and encouragement 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. Prayer requests will run for two weeks unless otherwise requested.

Save The Date-2018	
1st Saturday of each month – work at Food Bank of the Rockies	
November 21	Thanksgiving Eve worship: 7pm; Pie Social: 8pm
November 22 & 23	Thanksgiving-Church offices closed
December 1	St. Nicholas: Anticipating Christmas—a fun morning for all!
December 24	Christmas Eve worship: 3, 5, 7, 9pm
December 25	Christmas Day-Church offices closed; worship at 10am

Worship Servants

Saturday, November 10, 2018

Pianist – Michael Clough

Cantor – Beth Clough

Sacrament Servant – LeRae Schnickel

Usher – Monica Auch

A/V – Jerry Jantz

Worship Servants for Sunday, November 11, 2018		
	8:00am	10:45am
Assisting Minister	Bill Shepard	Jim Smith
Lector	Chris Youngren	Jonathan Anderson
Acolytes	Levi DeBoer, Vicky Cerny	Roni Pixley, McKenna Rogge
Communion Deacons	Linda Baker, Lynn Nourse	TBD
Ushers	John Selden, Mike Graff, Tim Young	Jim Cimino, Al Herzl, Chuck Rogge
Sacrament Servants	Carole Kessler, Lisa Edington	Victoria Edington, Diane Michael
Ambassadors	Connie & John Schutt	Stacey Wacholz
A-V Sound & Slides	Steve Rower	John Wall
Coffee Cart	Phyllis & Larry Kemp	
KeyKeepers	Sat. (11/10): Dick Rock	Week beg. 11/11: Mark Pixley

Calendar of Events This Week (November 7 - 18, 2018)

Wednesday, November 7 2:00p – SPLC Staff Meeting 6:00p – Sr. High Youth Group (YR) 6:30p – Personnel Committee (MC-1)	Tuesday, November 13 9:00a – League of Women Voters (MC-3) 1:30p – Worship Planning Meeting 2:00p – Prayer Team 6:30p – Boy Scouts (FH, Kitchen, FH-1a/b) 6:30p – Book Club (FS) 6:30p – SPELC Governing Board (MC-3) 7:00p – Men's Bible Study (Selander home)
Thursday, November 8 7:00a – Men's Breakfast (IHoP Bowles Crossing) 7:00p – Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room) 7:00p – Overeaters Anonymous (MC-3)	Wednesday, November 14 9:30a – Fellowship in the Word (MC-1) 9:30a – Let's Unwrap the Bible (FS) 2:00p – SPLC Staff Meeting 6:00p – Confirmation Service Event 6:00p – Sr. High Youth Group (YR) 7:00p – Bell Choir Rehearsal (Sanc.)
Friday, November 9 (church office open 8am-noon) No activities scheduled	Thursday, November 15 7:00a – Men's Breakfast (IHoP Bowles Crossing) 7:00p – Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room) 7:00p – Overeaters Anonymous (MC-3)
Saturday, November 10 9:00a – ACA/Serenity's Child (MC-3) 9:00a – CHCA Meeting (MC-1) 10:30a – Al-Anon/Columbine AFG (MC-3) 11:00a – Scottish Fiddle Club Rehearsal (Sanc.) 1:00p – Scottish Fiddle Club Concert (Sanc.) 5:30p – Worship	Friday, November 16 (church office open 8am-noon) No activities scheduled
Sunday, November 11 <i>Veterans' Day</i> 8:00a – Worship 9:00a – Coffee Fellowship 9:30a – Education Hour 10:45a – Worship	Saturday, November 17 9:00a – ACA/Serenity's Child (MC-3) 9:00a – Creative Caring Quilters (FH) 9:00a – Girl Scouts (MC-1, FH-1a/b) 10:30a – Al-Anon/Columbine AFG (MC-3) 12:00p – Women's Group (Kitchen, FH) 5:30p – Worship 6:00p – Confirmation Learning Event
Monday, November 12 No activities scheduled	Sunday, November 18 <i>Family Promise</i> 8:00a – Worship 9:00a – Coffee Fellowship 9:30a – Education Hour 10:45a – Worship

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