St. Philip Information and News (SPIN)

April 3, 2019

Church News

The church office will be closed this Friday, April 5.

Upcoming Services

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 6 & 7 - We are welcoming Pastor Brad, Roseanna, Lucas, and Madison Doty back into our St. Philip family at all three services! Please attend and help us show them how glad we are to have them back!

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 hrs.

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

Easter Lilies

If you would like to order Easter lilies to brighten our sanctuary on Easter Sunday morning, fill out the back of your connection card at services or contact the church office. Lilies are \$15 each and can be taken home after the 11am service on Easter Sunday. Deadline to order is **April 14**.

Paula Googins Retirement

Paula has served the St. Philip nursery for 33 years! We are extremely grateful for her service on our staff in this way! Paula shared, "For me, these many years have gone by quite quickly, and with many memorable moments. However, time often changes many things." With Paula's milestone birthday of 80 years and the decline of attendance in the nursery, she has decided it is time to retire. "With happiness and sadness," Paula will be retiring after the Easter Sunday services.

Please join us on **Sunday, April 14**, during the coffee hour (9:00-9:30am) for a cake reception for Paula. You are also invited to write letters to Paula and send them to her for her to cherish.

Thank you Paula for your 33 years of service in our nursery!

Memorial Service for Max Landon

Max Landon, a member of our congregation, passed through death to life eternal on March 13. A memorial service has been planned for **Saturday, April 13, at 10:00am,** at Wind Crest Senior Living Community. This service will be held in community building one, on the second floor, just outside the dining room. Please join in this service of resurrection for Max.

College Outreach Ministry

The end of the school year draws near, and that means it's time to collect goodies for the College Outreach Care packages. We will be mailing the boxes out in early April.

The pennants highlighting the specific snacks we need to fill the 50 care packages are up in the Narthex. Please return the snacks to the church by **Sunday, April 7**. Thank you for supporting this ministry as we love on these young adults! The students are very appreciative! Contact Anne Henning with any questions. (adhenning14@gmail.com)

St. Philip Mission Endowment Fund

Do you have an estate plan? Does it include a gift or bequest to St. Philip to support the Church Mission in perpetuity? On **Sunday, April 7**, the Endowment Committee will be hosting the coffee cart to kick off the 2019 acceptance of grant award applications. Literature will be available to inform St. Philip members on how the Mission Endowment Fund works and its benefits.

Endowment Fund committee members will be on hand to answer questions. Application forms for this year's grants will be available and accepted from **April 1-May 15**.

Also, we have the pleasure of announcing that one of St. Philip's members has graciously offered to match all funds donated to the Endowment Fund in 2019 (up to \$2,000) that will in turn be donated to the Sheridan Food Bank. Therefore, by giving to the Mission Endowment Fund this year you will be helping out two of St. Philip's mission projects.

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!

Join Us For Easter Brunch!

The Men of St. Philip will be serving **Easter brunch April 21 from 7:30 to 11:00 am in the Fellowship Hall.**

The menu will include: French toast, homemade berry syrup, scrambled eggs, biscuits and gravy, ham, green chili, fruit, coffee, and juice. A freewill offering will be taken.

It is a service of the Men of St Philip, and if you want to help contact Jay Breidenbach at 303.332.7683 or cywc@comcast.net. **Saturday, April 20** we'll be cracking eggs and other prepping activities starting at 12:30 pm, and table set up at 7:00 pm.

Bryan Chuan Solo Recital

Our highly talented organist/accompanist Bryan Chuan is pursuing his doctorate in piano performance at CU Boulder. He will present a program titled *Transcendental Reflections* featuring classical selections on organ and piano here at St. Philip on **April 27 at 7pm.** Refreshments will be served following the performance.

Crop Walk

The 2019 Foothills Colorado Crop Hunger Walk will take place on **Sunday, May 5** at Clement Park in Littleton (the same location as last year). The Walk will be held on May 5, *not* on April 28 as previously stated, because of ongoing construction at the Park. The Walk starts at 1:30 pm. Registration and activities begin at 1:00 pm. You can

register to walk online and donate to the Walk online at www.crophungerwalk.org/ littletonco. We look forward to seeing you at the 2019 Walk!

8th Annual St. Philip Golf Tournament

Save the Date! The 8th 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.

Kitchen Update

Did you know that our current kitchen and Fellowship Hall were originally built in 1989? Those cabinets and countertops have seen the test of time. Those of you who have used our kitchen recently know that while the space has served us well, it is in need of an overhaul.

Starting last year, a committee was formed to look into the possibility of what a new kitchen space would look like. People who use the kitchen regularly hosting coffee hour, funerals, and Sunday School and those who in the past have served Easter breakfast, Rally Day BBQ, Seder Meal, and other special occasions have been consulted. A member from the Early Learning Center (ELC) has been on the committee from the start to be sure that their needs and the requirements of the Colorado Department of Health are met.

Last year the Annual Golf Tournament proceeds were designated toward updating the kitchen and will most likely be again this year. The ELC has set aside funds to replace the current dishwasher since they use it the most and need to be able to sanitize the dishes they use daily for snacks. The committee has been researching new cabinets, countertops, and flooring and is preparing a proposal to submit to the Church Council for approval.

So this summer, God willing, when the ELC is on break, you might see some seriously crazy work going on in the kitchen. We will keep you updated on the progress.

Larry Edwards, Sandra Fishko, Dawn Collins, Al Herzl, Jerry Mydlach, Carolyn Rapp, Pastor Nathan, Pastor Brad, Susan Shepard, Tami Clement (ELC), and Linda Goodnough

Church Needs/Fundraising

Worship Help Needed

Attention worship helpers! April has lots of extra services and there are lots of holes. Please sign up to be lectors, sacrament servants, and communion deacons. Contact Jan Philpy if you have questions.

Passport to Holy Week

Volunteers are needed to set up and lead Passport to Holy Week on both **Saturday**, **April 13 and Sunday**, **April 14**. Sign up at https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0b4aa8a829a4ff2-20191.

Donations are also needed to make Passport to Holy Week and our Egg Hunt a success! The following items can be left in the donation bin outside the office or in the Sunday School office:

- Wrapped candy to put in Easter eggs (no nuts, please)
- Green ribbon of various shades, textures, and lengths
- 60 quart-sized Ziploc bags
- Four 5 lb. bags of Whole Wheat Flour
- Two 5 lb. bags of White Flour
- 2 boxes of Salt
- 2 boxes of Baking Powder
- 2 Bottles of Vegetable Oil
- 4 Jars of Honey or Molasses
- Amazon Gift Cards in any amount to purchase craft supplies (leave in office with JoHanna)

Food Bank 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 work day scheduled on **Saturday, April 6** from 9am - 12pm. If you would like to help, contact Carole Kessler at 303.238.6873 or ckess911@aol.com.

Bread & Broth Meals

If you are willing to bring soup to our midweek Lenten meal, please go online and sign up at https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090448afaa2dabfb6-midweek.

Sharing with Sheridan Food Pantry—April Donations

This month we are asking for jelly, canned chicken and tuna, and 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).

Children & Family Ministries

Sunday School

Join us for one more week of learning about Holy Communion, this **Sunday, April 7**. Sign in the Fellowship Hall at 9:30am, and then head to classes:

PK & K (Preschool Wing): Jesus Calls Us to Share 1st – 3rd Grade (FH-2): Jesus Offers Enough for All

4th - 6th Grade (FH-1a/b): Communion Prepares Us to Serve Others

Children who would like to begin receiving Holy Communion should plan to attend an experiential First Communion Class on **Sunday**, **April 14**, **Noon – 2:30 pm**. This class for children (any age) and their parents includes a meal, practice receiving communion, creating of their own communion cup, and acolyte training. RSVP to JoHanna at jbuchholz@stphilip-co.org by **Sunday**, **April 7**. Talk with Pastors Nathan or Brad if you have questions about your child's readiness to receive communion.

Passport to Holy Week

Passport to Holy Week is **Palm Sunday**, **April 14**, **9:30 – 10:30 am**. Come and go as you are able to explore the themes of Holy Week as a family! Create Palm Sunday celebration wands, wash hands and bake bread for Maundy Thursday, make a cross craft to remember Good Friday, visit the tomb for Holy Saturday stories, and decorate centerpieces to use at our Easter Breakfast. Conclude your tour with a hunt for Easter eggs! People of all ages and stages are invited to participate.

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

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 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)

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) and donations will be accepted.

Please direct any questions to Ken McIntosh at kenmcintosh@idcomm.com or 303.234.0469.

Augustana Arts

Join us for the **season finale concert of Stratus Chamber Orchestra** featuring Beethoven's *Symphony* #9 on **April 26 – 27, 7:30pm** at Augustana Lutheran Church (5000 E. Alameda Ave.). Colorado's Queen of Soul, **Hazel Miller and her band,** will also join Stratus for a few of Hazel's hand-picked favorites, along with a rousing performance of *Nessun Dorma*. This is followed by Beethoven's *Symphony* #9, that includes the great *Ode to Joy* performed in collaboration with the Colorado Women's and Men's

Chorales. Tickets can be purchased online or at the door. **Use code RMS25 for 25%** off all tickets. Visit www.AugustanaArts.org for more info.

Theater & Theology

Sweat is a Putlizer 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.

Stewardship 101

Stewardship of God's "Very Good" Creation

"God saw everything that he had made, and indeed, it was very good."-Genesis 1:31 Six time while creating the heavens and the earth God pauses and sees that it is "good" (Genesis 1:4, 10, 12, 18, 21, 26). But when all is completed, God marvels and calls it "very good."

Today that "very good" creation is under extreme strain from climate change, plastic waste, toxins in our air and water, species extinction and countless other factors. As God-appointed stewards of creation (Genesis 1:28), we have to admit we're failing.

For these reasons, and because April 22 is Earth Day, this month presents the perfect opportunity to stress "Stewardship of Creation." Here are some ideas:

- Pray. Ask God to show us, lead us and guide us to care for the earth.
- At church, celebrate April 28 as "Earth Sunday" or "Creation Sunday" with special hymns, prayers, classes and scripture.
- Form a congregational "Green Team" to educate, introduce new practices and advocate for better public policies.
- At church and home, establish or step up efforts to recycle all you can and reduce waste.
- Note the plastic in your church and home recycling and waste stream. Discuss the crisis that plastic waste is causing.
- Compost your family's food waste. Discover how composting and recycling can reduce your trash stream.
- Cut down on driving. Walk, bicycle, or use public transportation. Install a bike rack at church.
- Examine your church and home's insulation values. Have a professional tune up the heating and air conditioning systems for efficiency.

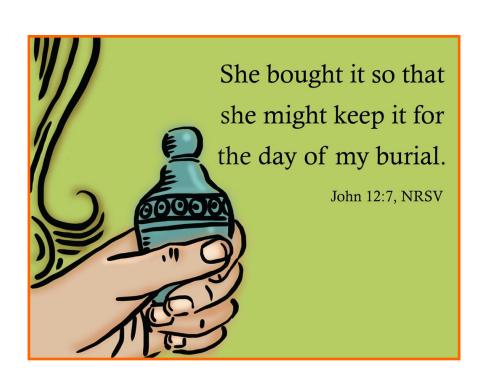
What other steps could help you and your congregation prioritize caring for God's creation? It's the only planet we have. As stewards, we must do better to keep it "very good."

--Rob Blezard

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Save The Date-2019				
1 st Saturday of each month – work at Food Bank of the Rockies				
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: Latin Serenade 7:30pm			
December 8	Ken Caryl Concerts: Christmas Around the World 2:30pm			



Preparing for Worship - April 6 & 7

First Reading: Isaiah 43:16-21

Second Reading: Philippians 3:4b-14

Gospel Reading: John 12:1-8

Worship Servants

Saturday, April 6, 2019
Pianist – Michael Clough
Cantor – Beth Clough
Sacrament Servant – Linda Heesch
Usher – Joanne Ermold
A/V – Jerry Jantz

Worship Servants for Sunday, April 7, 2019				
	8:00am		10:45am	
Assisting Minister	Sandi Stevermer		Jim Smith	
Lector	Sandra Fishko		Jan Philpy	
Acolytes	Casey Graff		Rowan Morse, Logan Petersen	
Communion Deacons	TBD		TBD	
Prayer Partner	Naomi Doerr		Jill Luer	
Ushers	Tom Silco, Bill Colbenson		Charlie Petersen, Mike McNamara, Mark Morse, Brian Lamb	
Sacrament Servants	Carole Kessler, JoAnn Breitbach		TBD	
Ambassadors	Connie & John Schutt		Char Nauman, Lorren Ballard	
A-V Sound & Slides	Beth Mielke		Denton West	
Coffee Cart	Endowment Committee			
KeyKeepers	Sat. (4/6): John Breed		Week beg. 4/7: Chris White	

Calendar of Events This Week (April 3 - 14, 2019)

Wednesday, April 3 6:00p – Sr. High Youth Group (YR) 6:00p – Bread & Broth (FH, Kitchen) 6:30p – Confirmation Classes 7:00p – Midweek Lenten Worship	Tuesday, April 9 9:00a – League of Women Voters (MC-3) 1:30p – College Ministry Care Pkgs (MC-4/5) 1:30p – Worship Planning (MC-1) 2:00p – Prayer Team (FS) 6:30p – Book Club (FS) 6:30p – Boy Scouts 7:00p – Bell Choir Rehearsal (Sanc.) 7:00p – Tuesday Bible Study (Selander house) Wednesday, April 10 9:30a – Fellowship in the Word (MC-1)		
Thursday, April 4 7:00a – Men's Breakfast (IHOP Bowles Crossing) 7:00p – Sanctuary Choir (CR) 7:00p – Overeaters Anonymous (MC-3)	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 & Broth (FH, Kitchen) 6:30p – Confirmation Classes 7:00p – Midweek Lenten Worship		
Friday, April 5 Church office open 8am-noon No activities scheduled	Thursday, April 11 7:00a – Men's Breakfast (IHOP Bowles Crossing) 7:00p – Sanctuary Choir (CR) 7:00p – Overeaters Anonymous (MC-3)		
Saturday, April 6 Doty Family Re-entry 8:30a – Strategic Planning (MC-4/5) 9:00a – ACA/Serenity's Child (MC-3) 10:30a – Al-Anon/Columbine AFG (MC-3) 11:00a – Scottish Fiddle Rehearsal (Sanc.) 5:30p – Worship	Friday, April 12 Church office open 8am-noon No activities scheduled		
Sunday, April 7 Doty Family Re-entry (both services) 8:00a – Worship 9:00a – Coffee Fellowship 9:30a – Inquirers' Class (FS) 9:30a – Education Hour (FH; MC-4/5; MC-3) 10:45a – Worship 5:00p – Volunteer Appr. Dinner (FH, Kitchen)	Saturday, April 13 9:00a – CHCA Meeting (MC-1) 9:00a – ACA/Serenity's Child (MC-3) 9:00a – Choir/Instrumental Rehearsal (Sanc.) 10:30a – Al-Anon/Columbine AFG (MC-3) 11:00a – Scottish Fiddle Concert (Sanc.) 5:30p – Worship		
Monday, April 8 No activities scheduled	Sunday, April 14 Palm/Passion Sunday 8:00a – Worship 9:00a – Coffee Fellowship 9:30a – Inquirers' Class (FS) 9:30a – Education Hour (FH; MC-4/5; MC-3) 10:45a – Worship 12:00p – First Communion Class 2:30p – Naomi Doerr Recital (Sanc., Kitchen)		

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Om Prayer List

Members:

Renate Muthart, Geri Collins, Wauneta Rogge

Family Members:

Carol Phillips (John & Jeri Phillips' sister-in-

Velma Kemp (Larry Kemp's mother)

Richard Truman (Arne & Harriet Truman's

nephew)

Andrew Phillips (John & Jeri Phillips' nephew)

Veronica (Amy Rahne's cousin)

Rick Stull (Cliff & Kay Mosier's nephew) **Lauren Person** (Mary Person's daughter) Dr. Thomas & Neva Flatley (Tom Flatley's

father & mother)

Jason Perkins (Larry & Phyllis Kemp's nephew)

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:

Family & friends of Marlenea Reed

(Belford)

Sandy Bacon (Schnickel) Liz Lesmann (Cimino) **Dot Pizzey** (Amaya) Tom Andrews (Rahne)

Jerry Aaker (Hatlestad)

Susie (Mauler)

Andrew Johnson (Johnson) Richard Hoehler (Hoehler) William Arceneaux (Stevermer) Breanne & Nathan Hall (Cimino)

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



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Office Hours: Monday-Thursday: 8am to 5pm; Friday: 8am to 12:00noon