

# St. Philip Information and News (SPIN)

May 22, 2019

## A Message from Council

As we prepare to celebrate Pastor Nathan's retirement, we know that there are many questions about what comes next. The Rocky Mountain Synod website ([www.rmselca.org/congregations-transition](http://www.rmselca.org/congregations-transition)) has numerous resources that Church Council has been reviewing - including an in-depth guide on the transition process and a map of key steps. We encourage you to take a look at the resources. Watch for an email update from Katie Amaya, Council President, in the next week about the formation of our Transition Team and for a communication board to be posted in the narthex.

## Correction

*Julie Wall was left off of the list of graduating high school seniors last week. The church office deeply regrets the error.*

## Church News

### Summer Hours Begin

This **Sunday, May 26**, our summer worship hours begin. **Services will be at 8am and 9:30am.** There is no education hour. Saturday services remain the same.

### Pastor Nathan's Final Services

Join us **Saturday, June 15 at 5:30pm and Sunday, June 16 at 9:00am** to hear Pastor Nathan give his last sermon as senior pastor of St. Philip. **Please note, there will only be ONE SERVICE on Sunday, June 16.** Coffee hour will follow the 9am service.

### Pastor Nathan's Retirement Celebration

Save the date! Pastor Nathan's retirement party will take place **Friday, June 14 from 5:30-8:30pm** here at the church. A presentation will be given at 6:30pm. An evite was sent, so check your email and please respond by **June 7**.

If you would like to contribute to a gift for Pastor Nathan and Naomi, you can bring cash or a check to the church office (with retirement in the memo line for a check).

### Altar Flowers

***Flowers for this weekend have been given by Elvira & Art Barber in celebration of their 67th anniversary, and Tom & LeRae Schnickel in celebration of their 40th anniversary.***

**The 2019 flower calendar has moved!** Check over by the coffee cart and select your dates. The cost is \$25. You are welcome to take the flowers home after the second service on Sunday. Please return the vase to the church when finished.

### Kitchen Update

The kitchen remodel project will begin today! Several women from the kitchen remodel team are coming and boxing up everything that is in the cabinets and drawers. Then the guys from our volunteer Property Team are coming and starting the tear-down on

Friday. They will completely gut the kitchen including cabinets, islands, appliances, and flooring.

We have the following to give away first come, first served: cabinets and the mauve countertops (these would look awesome in your garage or basement). The two stoves are available. They work great although they need some cleaning and some minor repairs for the drawers at the bottom. We also have the two vent hoods that are available. And, last but not least, we have the kitchen sinks to get rid of.

All items will be placed in the Fellowship Hall on **Friday**. If it doesn't have a name on it, please feel free to claim it as your own. You can then take it at your earliest convenience. Thank you all so very much for your support!

### **9th Annual Fun and Fundamentals Memorial Basketball Camp**

In memory of Katelyn Henning and her love of basketball, the Littleton YMCA (11 W. Dry Creek Ct.) will host a youth coed camp focused on fun and fundamentals. Katelyn's passion for basketball was nurtured at the YMCA.

The camp will be held **Monday, June 24 - Thursday, June 27 from 2-4:30pm**. Boys and girls ages 7-13 are welcome to register online at [denverymca.org/fun-and-fundamentals](http://denverymca.org/fun-and-fundamentals). The cost is \$46 for YMCA members and \$76 for non-members. Scholarship opportunities are available. Contact Anne Henning for details.

### **Men's Bible Study End of Study BBQ**

Men's Fellowship Bible Study will conclude this season's study on **Tuesday, May 28**. The Annual Men's Bible Study End of Study BBQ will begin at 6pm on **Tuesday, June 4** at the Selander residence, 6338 S. Harlan Way, Littleton.

Everyone is invited to celebrate our year of study. If you were an active member, just thought about it, or even looked at a Bible sometime, you are invited to celebrate with us.

This will be a potluck event. Meat will be provided so please bring the following:

Last names beginning with:

- A thru I, please bring a salad
- J thru P, please bring a hot dish
- Q thru Z, please bring a dessert

So that we may plan accordingly, please let Paul Selander know via email ([p73101@msn.com](mailto:p73101@msn.com)) that you are coming.

### **Silver Sages Potluck Summer Picnic**

**Tuesday, June 11 at 11:30am**

We'll have our annual Potluck Picnic at Dick and Jo Rock's community center, located one block north on Depew off of Coal Mine. Anyone 55 or older, with or without a significant other, is welcome.

**Please bring a dish to share**--main dish, salad, vegetables, fruit, pork and beans, potato salad, chicken, dessert--whatever. Water and ice tea will be provided. Sign up on the sheet located in the narthex.

For more information, contact Chris Youngren at 303.973.3096 or [ctyoungren@gmail.com](mailto:ctyoungren@gmail.com); or Joanne Rock at 303.978.0352.

### **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.

## **Thank You**

With you help, St. Philip successfully completed our most recent Family Promise Ministry earlier this month. We hosted four families, 5 adults and 6 children.

A huge thank you to each of you for all you have done for this wonderful ministry! It is always a blessing to serve beside you. We appreciate all that you do so we can successfully host families at St. Philip.

The provisions you provided - from meals, transportation, supplies, and love & support - are recognized and appreciated. THANK YOU!

*Blessings,  
Rick Richardson*

## **Church Needs/Fundraising**

### **VBS Needs List**

We are looking for the following items for VBS. Please leave donations in the VBS bin on the donation cart outside the church office, and check back next week for an updated list!

- Sharpies in various colors
- 12-cup muffin tins (yard sale goers, this one is for you!)
- Pretzel sticks
- Ritz Crackers
- Honey Graham Cereal
- Cocoa Puff Cereal
- King Soopers or Costco gift cards for additional snack items
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### **Volunteer for VBS!**

It takes YOU to make VBS happen! We need adults plus youth (5<sup>th</sup> grade and older) to provide hospitality for our VBS families, guide crews of kids through our time together, provide childcare for littles whose adults are also volunteering, and host our guest counselors from Rainbow Trail. To see more descriptions and sign up to volunteer, please visit our VBS webpage: [vbspro.events/p/stphilipvbs19](https://vbspro.events/p/stphilipvbs19).

### **Volunteers who sign up by May 31 will receive a VBS/Day Camp T-shirt!**

Contact JoHanna in the church office, or at [jbuchholz@stphilip-co.org](mailto:jbuchholz@stphilip-co.org), with any questions.

### **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, June 1** from 9am - 12pm. If you would like to help, contact Carole Kessler at 303.238.6873 or [ckess911@aol.com](mailto:ckess911@aol.com).

### **St. Philip Silent Auction**

Calling all sports enthusiasts! Do you have sporting event tickets that you would like to donate to the silent auction? Our auction ends **August 25**, so the games would need to be after that date. If you have a couple of tickets (maybe you are a season ticket holder?) to the Broncos, Avalanche, Nuggets, Rockies or any other sports team or entertainment venue that you won't use, we will make sure they get put to good use. Simply contact Linda in the office. Thank you for considering making this type of donation.

Remember, all proceeds from the auction go toward remodeling the church kitchen.

### **May Diaper Drive**

We are collecting diapers and wipes for Love INC in May! These donations will help support underprivileged families in our community. Sizes 5 and 6 are most needed, especially size 6. Please place your donations by the display in the narthex. Thank you for your generosity!

### **Pentecost Readers**

Pentecost is **June 9** and we're again looking for readers to read the lesson in another language. We can help you find the translation, and you read from your seat so its very easy. We need people for all three services, so if you can help Saturday evening or Sunday morning, please contact Jan Philpy at 317.709.5045 or [gjphilpy@gmail.com](mailto:gjphilpy@gmail.com).

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

This month we are asking for jelly, meal soups, canned tuna and chicken, and canned fruit.. Please place these items in the bins by the office. Thank you!

## **Children's Ministries**

### **Register for VBS Online**

Register through our VBS webpage: [vbspro.events/p/stphilipvbs19](http://vbspro.events/p/stphilipvbs19).

VBS is **July 8-12, 9 am – Noon** and is open to children 4 years old through 4<sup>th</sup> grade. Counselors from Rainbow Trail will be on hand to help lead us in the theme, "I Am, We Are." There will be music, Bible stories, snacks, crafts, and plenty of play!

### **Register for Fine Arts Academy Online**

Register through our FAA webpage: [vbspro.events/p/stphilipfaa19](http://vbspro.events/p/stphilipfaa19).

The Fine Arts Academy is **July 8-11, 12:30-4:30 pm** and is open to students going into 5<sup>th</sup> grade and older. Each student will have the opportunity to participate in Bible theme and music, as well as two electives. This year's electives include Creation Art, Handbells, Quilting, Watercolor, and Woodworking. Each class is taught by generous members of St. Philip. The students will share their creations at a joint VBS/Arts Academy evening program on **Thursday, July 11**. Youth who choose to volunteer with VBS in the morning may bring a lunch to eat between VBS and the Arts Academy.

## Events/Activities

### Opera for All Ages

*The Firebringers* is a new opera for all ages inspired by mythology and music from four corners of the world. From the Native American tale of Rainbow Crow to the Ancient Greek story of Prometheus, from the East African boy who flies to the moon to the creatures of the Amazonian rainforest, the work presents many stories about the origin of fire. The music is a highly appealing blend of musical theatre, operatic tradition, and world music influences. Students from the Lamont School of Music, local professional musicians, and Kim Robards Dance are collaborating to bring you this new production!

Performances are **Thursday, May 30 and Friday, May 31 at 7:30pm** at Hamilton Hall Newman Center (2344 E. Iliff Ave. Denver). *The Firebringers* is the first half of the program, starting at 7:30pm. *A Salute to Irving Berlin* is the second half, starting at around 8:30pm. Tickets are free, but required, and are available by calling 303.871.7720, going to [www.newmantix.com](http://www.newmantix.com), or at the Newman Center Box Office. There is free parking in the garage.

### Choir & Cones

The Voice & Piano Studio of Kristen Celusniak is offering a new workshop during the month of June. Students will play some games to help discover their voices and breath control, and they will work on a few songs to perform at the Ken Caryl Concerts' *An All-American Evening* concert on **Wednesday, June 26 at 7pm**. Following each rehearsal, all are welcome to socialize with an ice cream cone/popsicle in Kristen's backyard. Please sign up for all rehearsals you are able to attend. There is a \$30 one-time fee per person. <https://m.signupgenius.com/#/showSignUp/30E0D49ADAE2DA57-choir>

### Ken Caryl Concert Series

On **Wednesday, June 26 at 7pm**, Ken Caryl Concerts presents *An All-American Evening* here at St. Philip. We'll celebrate American composers with a variety of folk, classical, pop, and rock music. Performers include Kristen Celusniak, Bryan Chuan, Karen Donaho, Don Williams, KC Concerts Children's Choir, and special guests the Tivoli Club Brass Band. Admission is free, and donations will be collected for Piano Pathways. Refreshments will follow the performance. Visit [tivoliclubbrassband.com](http://tivoliclubbrassband.com); [pianopathways.org](http://pianopathways.org); and [stphilip-co.org/concerts](http://stphilip-co.org/concerts) for more information.

**Preparing for Worship - May 25 & 26**

**First Reading: Acts 16:9-15**

**Second Reading: Revelation 21:10, 22-22:5**

**Gospel Reading: John 14:23-29**

<b>Save The Date-2019</b>	
1 <sup>st</sup> Saturday of each month – work at Food Bank of the Rockies	
June 14	Pastor Nathan's Retirement Party 5:30pm
June 15 & 16	Pastor Nathan's Last Weekend of Services (Sat. 5:30pm; Sun. 9am)
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 12:30-4:30pm
August 1-25	Silent Auction (MC-4/5)
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

## Worship Servants

**Saturday, May 25, 2019**

**Pianist – Michael Clough**

**Cantor – Beth Clough**

**Sacrament Servant – Linda Heesch**

**Usher – TBD**

**A/V – Jerry Jantz**

Worship Servants for Sunday, May 26, 2019		
	8:00am	9:30am
<b>Assisting Minister</b>	Bill Shepard	
<b>Lector</b>	Chris Youngren	Addison Roswech
<b>Acolytes</b>	Kameron Barthels, Casey Graff	Camryn Celusniak, Kaden Rahne
<b>Communion Deacons</b>	Linda Vehrs	Susan Shepard, Amy Rahne
<b>Ushers</b>	John Selden, Mike Graff, Aaron Graff, Tim Young	Jim Cimino, Al Herzl, Chuck Rogge
<b>Sacrament Servants</b>	Carole Kessler, Lynn Mossbrucker	TBD
<b>Ambassadors</b>	Lynn Nourse, Vicki Slusser	Dick Rusch
<b>A-V Sound &amp; Slides</b>	Beth Mielke	Denton West
<b>Coffee Cart</b>	Women's Bible Study	
<b>KeyKeepers</b>	<b>Sat. (5/25):</b> Dick Rock	<b>Week beg. 5/26:</b> Gaylen Rapp

## Calendar of Events This Week (May 22 - June 2, 2019)

<p><b>Wednesday, May 22</b>            9:30a – Let’s Unwrap the Bible (FS)            9:30a – Fellowship in the Word (MC-1)            2:00p – SPLC Staff Meeting (MC-1)</p>	<p><b>Tuesday, May 28</b>            9:00a – League of Women Voters (MC-3)            4:00p – Kitchen Redesign Mtg. (FH-1a/b)            6:30p – Boy Scouts            7:00p – Tuesday Bible Study (Selander house)</p>
<p><b>Thursday, May 23</b>            7:00a – Men’s Breakfast (IHOP Bowles Crossing)            6:30p – Columbine Townhouses III (FH-1a/b)            7:00p – Overeaters Anonymous (MC-3)            7:00p – Sanctuary Choir (CR)</p>	<p><b>Wednesday, May 29</b>            9:30a – Worship Styles &amp; Formats (MC-1)            2:00p – SPLC Staff Meeting (MC-1)            6:00p – Confirmation Students Party (offsite)            6:30p – Summer Youth Group</p>
<p><b>Friday, May 24</b>  <i>Church office open 8am-noon</i>            No activities scheduled</p>	<p><b>Thursday, May 30</b>            7:00a – Men’s Breakfast (IHOP Bowles Crossing)            7:00p – Overeaters Anonymous (MC-3)</p>
<p><b>Saturday, May 25</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, May 31</b>  <i>Church office closed</i>            No activities scheduled</p>
<p><b>Sunday, May 26</b>  <i>Summer Service Hours Begin</i>  <b>8:00a – Worship</b>            9:00a – Coffee Fellowship  <b>9:30a – Worship</b></p>	<p><b>Saturday, June 1</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>Monday, May 27-Memorial Day</b>            Church office closed</p>	<p><b>Sunday, June 2</b>  <b>8:00a – Worship</b>            9:00a – Coffee Fellowship  <b>9:30a – Worship</b></p>

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# Our Prayer List

## Members:

**Fred Peters, Karen Otto, Roy Hager, Wauneta Rogge, CJ Shibly, Pam Kubicek, Renate Muthart, Art & Elvira Barber**

## Family Members:

**Jon & Pam Skeels** (Sherry Anderson's brother & sister-in-law)

**Laura DeBoer** (Mary & Steve DeBoer's niece)

**Emma Figge** (Flo Figge's daughter-in-law)

**Family of Earl Rogness** (Karen Morin's cousin)

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

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

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

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

**Dr. Thomas & Neva Flatley** (Tom Flatley's parents)

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

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

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

## Friends:

**The Murdock family** (Anderson)

**Noni** (Gillett)

**Steven Johnson**

**Family of Dianne Van Gorder** (Belford)

**Kathy Milnes** (Endecott)

**Liz Lesmann** (Cimino)

**Breanne & Nathan** (Cimino)

**Scott** (Mauler)

**Glorie** (Mauler)

**Sue Rossberg & family** (Fecht)

**Jim Griffis** (Truman)

**Judy & Christa** (Endecott)

**Family & friends of Connor Imus** (Briggs)

**Prayers for the family of Kendrick Castillo and everyone affected by the STEM School shooting.**

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

**Prayers of love and support for JoHanna Buchholz as she prepares for her internship.**

**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 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.*