

St. Philip Information and News (SPIN)

August 18, 2021

Worship News

Worship Changes Due to the Delta Variant

It has been wonderful to have restrictions loosened this summer as the spread of COVID-19 lessened and vaccinations became readily available. The Delta variant has certainly complicated things as it is showing to be highly transmissible and even vaccinated people are both contracting and transmitting this COVID variant.

For this reason, we are asking that you social distance and wear a mask again in the Sanctuary for worship. We also ask that you wear a mask when coming to the church during the week, until you enter into the room you are meeting in. Since we are an Early Learning Center, we are required to have masks on around children. When you are meeting, the group can decide whether they are comfortable wearing a mask or not.

This is a hard decision and while we would prefer to not wear a mask, we have to protect our children who are unable to be vaccinated and those who are vulnerable, even after receiving the vaccine. We do so out of love for our children, the vulnerable and our neighbor.

This Sunday, August 22, included in the worship service will be a Blessing of Teachers for our Sunday School, Adult Ed., and SPELC teachers. Please plan to attend if you are in any of these groups.

Notes from the Organist

This week's prelude and postlude will feature the first of Felix Mendelssohn's six organ sonatas, a landmark in the organ repertoire. Mendelssohn resurrected the role of the organ as a concert instrument, showcasing his formidable pedal technique and contrasting organ stops. His sonatas do not follow the classical sonata form but rather are influenced by the counterpoint of J.S. Bach and the symphonic narrative of late Beethoven. The first organ sonata contrasts stern counterpoint with heavenly chorales before culminating in a triumphant theme not unlike Ode to Joy. Think of each sonata as a sermon as you enjoy the music.

Church News

10th Annual St. Philip Golf Outing

St. Philip Lutheran Church is excited to be hosting its 10th Annual Golf Outing! It will take place on **Monday, September 20** at the privately-owned Club at Ravenna golf course. Ravenna is one of Colorado's most unique and scenic courses. 18 signature holes, featuring a beautiful variety of terrain and a new challenge every time you look down the fairway.

Golfers will be playing a scramble style tournament, with shotgun start at 9am. Cost is \$160, which includes green fees, cart fees, range balls, GPS, buffet lunch, and prizes. Traditional golf attire is required. Sign up today at <https://stphilip-co.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/970057> and we look forward to seeing you on the golf course!

Altar Flowers

Altar flowers for this coming Sunday have been given by Marilyn & Bill Reitz in celebration of their 70th anniversary.

Sign up for altar flowers while you are here for in-person worship, or contact Angela in the church office. There can be two bouquets per Sunday, but it isn't required. The cost is \$25. You may take your flowers after the worship service. Please return the vase to church when you are finished.

Calling All Undergrads and Post-Grads

Anne Henning and the College Outreach team are putting together the 2021-22 school year master list. We need addresses, school name, and email addresses for all current students at local and out of state colleges and universities (post-grad students as well). Send updated information to adhenning14@gmail.com.

50th Anniversary Committee Requests

We are looking for someone with a drone who would video our campus and we could have the video. If you have one and would like to help us, please contact Laurie Selander at 303.518.1457 or p73101@msn.com.

We are also looking for email addresses and/or home addresses for former staff and members who might be interested in attending the 50th anniversary celebration. We would like to send them a Save the Date reminder. Contact Laurie Selander at the phone or email above with anyone from St. Philip's past you think might want to attend.

Yard Workers Needed

The Property Team is in need of people willing to mow and trim at the church on Fridays starting around 8:30-9am. All are welcome and there is no need to sign up. Contact Jerry Mydlach with questions.

Grateful Threads Quilters

Grateful Threads Quilters is a group that makes quilts, following the Quilts of Valor Foundation guidelines, to honor and heal our service members and veterans touched by war. We are currently meeting on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month from 9:30am to 1:30pm at St. Philip. We are looking for people that are interested in contributing their time and talents. For more information, contact Kathy Gillett at 303.359.7383 or Barb Donaho at 303.794.1796.

Church Groups - Ongoing

Monday Women's Bible Study meets at church from 10:00 to 11:30am on the 1st and 3rd Mondays of the month in the Fireside Room. For more information, contact Juli Cooley at 303.903.9651 or jhcool519@gmail.com; or Jan Philpy at 317.709.5044 or gjphilpy@gmail.com.

Wednesday Women's Bible Study meets at church from 9:30 to 11:00am on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month in MC-1. For more info, contact Chris Youngren at 303.973.3096 or ctyoungren@gmail.com; or Kathy Gillett at 303.359.7383.

St Philip Women's Book Group, "Hooked on Books," meets at church the 2nd Monday of the month at 9:30am. For more information, contact Sue Miller at 303.619.0661 or Beth Faerber at 303.973.6543.

Children, Youth & Family Ministry

Sunday School Returns!

Hey kids! Let's get ready to dig into to our faith!

Sunday school for all children in **Pre-K through 6th grade** will begin on **Sunday August 22**. Every Sunday at 10:15am we will explore our faith in a Large Group/Small Group setting! We will utilize the DIG IN program from Group Publishing starting with:

Foundations of Faith

Lay the groundwork for what it means to be a Christian. Kids explore what the Bible reveals about who God is and how God sees us, how we fit in God's family, and how we live the Christian life. As kids understand core concepts, they'll gain a solid framework for their relationship with Jesus.

Each week we will meet in Fellowship Hall for our large group setting. We will split off into small groups to dig deeper into our lesson! We are looking for some **AMAZING adult volunteers** to help lead our small groups. If you have a passion for teaching kids about Jesus, please reach out and volunteer!

Small group leaders needed (2 for each group so we can have a rotating schedule!)

PreK – Kindergarten

1st, 2nd, & 3rd Grade

4th, 5th, & 6th Grade

For more information or to volunteer please contact:

Melinda Svenkerud, Director of Children, Youth & Family Ministries

msvenkerud@stphilip-co.org

Wednesday Night Youth Events Beginning August 25!

Youth (7th through 12th grades) are invited to join us every Wednesday from 6-8pm. Dinner, Worship, Fellowship and more!

Confirmation (7th, 8th, & 9th grade)

If your child is entering 7th or 8th grade this fall and they would like to participate in confirmation classes, please have them join the group page by following the link below: <https://stphilip-co.churchcenter.com/groups/children-and-youth-groups/confirmation-7th-8th-grade>.

9th grade Confirmation class is for students who have participated in the previous classes. If your child is in 9th grade, please have them join the group page for 9th grade confirmation by following the link below:

<https://stphilip-co.churchcenter.com/groups/children-and-youth-groups/confirmation-9th-grade>.

More information, schedule, cost, expectations will be sent out to all participants!

High School Youth Group

High school youth group will meet every Wednesday for fun, fellowship, service and more!

Want to be involved as an Adult Volunteer? Do you have a passion for helping teens connect with God? We would love to have you join our youth group team of volunteers! We have several opportunities:

- Small group leaders for 7th/8th grade confirmations classes (3-4 adults needed)
- High School Youth group leaders (2-3 adults needed)
- Provide dinner for the youth on Wednesday Nights (SignUp Genius will be provided)

For more information or to volunteer please contact Melinda Svenkerud, Director of Children, Youth, and Family Ministries at msvenkerud@stphilip-co.org or 303.979.4491.

Volunteer Opportunities/Donations

Lutheran Disaster Response - Haiti Crisis

On August 14, a devastating 7.2 magnitude earthquake struck southwest Haiti. Over 1,400 people were killed, and thousands more were injured. Blocked roads are delaying the delivery of vital supplies to hospitals. At least 26,000 homes were damaged or destroyed. For over two decades, the ELCA has maintained a presence in southern Haiti through support for agricultural and sustainable development work. To continue our engagement with those communities, Lutheran Disaster Response is collaborating with partner organizations in the communities to meet relief needs, including food, nonfood items and temporary shelter. Other areas of support will include psychosocial care, water and sanitation, and creating sustainable livelihoods through agriculture and livestock. Your gifts will support earthquake survivors. Gifts to "Haiti Crisis" will be used in full (100%) to assist those affected by the earthquake until the response is complete. Together, we can help provide immediate and long-lasting support. Give today at ELCA.org/disaster to support this response and others like it.

Sharing with Sheridan Food Pantry

Last week we served 85 families. We appreciate your support! Items we need:

- Pasta noodles (no spaghetti)
- Dry pinto beans
- Canned tomato products
- Toothpaste
- Egg cartons

For those who wish to drop off donations directly at the food pantry, please take them to the east door of the Sheridan Recreation Center on Thursdays only between 11:30am and 1:00pm. You can also bring items to church anytime.

Volunteering at Sharing with Sheridan

Looking for a volunteer opportunity? Sharing with Sheridan needs volunteers on Thursdays to help with distribution. You can come any time after 11am and it doesn't

have to be every week. For more information, contact Chris Hancock at 303.358.9238 or c.hancock@comcast.net; or Carole Kessler at 303.238.6873 or ckess911@aol.com.

Attention Spanish Speakers

Sharing with Sheridan is looking for people with some Spanish capability to help with check-in on an occasional Thursday. High school Spanish students are welcome—it's a great way to practice! Contact Carole Kessler (ckess911@aol.com or 720.341.7333).

Driver Needed

Sharing with Sheridan is looking for people with a full-size crossover or larger vehicle to pick up food on an occasional Thursday in the late morning (takes about an hour). Dates needed soon are **August 26 and September 9**. Contact Jan Philpy if you can help or have questions (gjphilpy@gmail.com).

Events

10th Annual Fun and Fundamentals Memorial Basketball Camp

The 10th Annual Katelyn Henning Memorial Basketball Camp for youth ages 7-13 will be held at the Littleton YMCA Sunday, October 17 from 2:00-4:30pm. We can only accommodate 30 participants for our final camp. Email Anne Henning at adhenning14@gmail.com for information on scholarships to cover the cost of the camp. Camp t-shirt and prizes for all participants.

2021 Foothills CROP Hunger Walk

The 33rd Foothills CROP Hunger Walk is planned for **September 26** at Clement Park Johnson Reservoir in Littleton. 100% of all funds raised go directly to fighting hunger and food insecurity both locally and globally. A quarter of the funds raised support the local work of The Action Center, Community Table, Love INC of Littleton, and Sharing with Sheridan Food Pantry. The remainder of the funds support the global work of CWS, which works in more than 30 countries worldwide to empower local communities.

Register and donate at <https://www.crophungerwalk.org/foothillsc.org>.

Like and follow Foothills CROP Hunger Walk on Facebook, Twitter and/or Instagram.

Preparing for Worship - August 22, 2021 Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost
First Reading: Joshua 24:1-2a, 14-18
Second Reading: Ephesians 6:10-20
Gospel Reading: John 6:56-69

Our Prayer List

Members

Beth Mielke

Family Members

Matt Denker (Carolyn & Gaylen Rapp's nephew) **Ryan Ermold** (Joanne Ermold's son)
Caroline Carroll (Harriet Truman's daughter) **Erika Kuenne** (Carl & Rita Kuenne's daughter)
Fawn Kemp (Larry Kemp's daughter)
Dr. Thomas & Neva Flatley (Tom Flatley's parents)

Friends

Janet Arceneaux (Stevermer) **Erin** (Mosier)
Scott (Reed) **Emeli Bowers** (Ermold)

Prayers for all those suffering in the countries of Haiti and Afghanistan.

Prayers as we face a new Covid surge with the Delta variant.

Prayers for the students supported through the Seeds of South Sudan.

Prayers of support and love for our companion synods and friends in Madagascar.

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 contact Angela Seep at aseep@stphilip-co.org or 303.979.4491. Prayer requests will run for two weeks unless otherwise requested.



Calendar of Events

(August 18-29, 2021)

Wednesday, August 18 9:30a – Watercolor Group (MC-3) 9:30a – Women’s Bible Study (MC-1) 10:00a – SPELC Classroom Open House 6:30p – Summer Youth Group (YR)	Tuesday, August 24 5:30a – Camp Gladiator (outside) 10:00a – SPLC Staff Meeting (MC-3) 5:30p – Camp Gladiator (outside) 6:30p – Small Group Training (MC-4/5) 7:00p – Boy Scouts (FH)
Thursday, August 19 5:30a – Camp Gladiator (outside) 7:30a – Men’s Breakfast (offsite) 10:00a – SPELC Classroom Open House 5:30p – Camp Gladiator (outside) 6:00p – SPELC Parent Orientation (Sanc.)	Wednesday, August 25 9:30a – Watercolor Group (MC-3) 6:00p – Confirmation (7th, 8th, & 9th grade)
Friday, August 20 <i>Church office open 8am-noon</i> 5:30a – Camp Gladiator (outside) 9:00a – Rocky Mountain Flute Choir (CR) 1:00p – Veigel Memorial Service (Sanc.)	Thursday, August 26 5:30a – Camp Gladiator (outside) 7:30a – Men’s Breakfast (offsite) 5:00p – Columbine Townhouses III (MC-3) 5:30p – Camp Gladiator (outside)
Saturday, August 21 10:30a – Al-Anon (MC-4/5)	Friday, August 27 <i>Church office open 8am-noon</i> 5:30a – Camp Gladiator (outside) 9:00a – Rocky Mountain Flute Choir (CR)
Sunday, August 22 9:00a – Worship (Sanc. & online) 10:15a – 50th Ann. Planning Committee (MC-3) 10:15a – Sunday School (FH)	Saturday, August 28 9:00a – Serenity’s Child Al-Anon (MC-3) 10:30a – Al-Anon (MC-4/5)
Monday, August 23 9:00a – SPELC Classes Begin	Sunday, August 29 9:00a – Worship (Sanc. & online) 10:15a – Sunday School (FH) 10:15a – Congregation Council Mtg (FH, Zoom)



***“At St. Philip Lutheran Church we
intentionally build relationships through Christ to
grow and serve.”***

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