St. Philip Information and News (SPIN)

January 4, 2023

Worship News

Saturday Evening Worship Beginning in January

Worship is an important part of our faith practice and an important part of the church. As we continue to determine the best way to come together as community to worship together, we are going to do another trial by having a **Saturday evening worship service twice a month at 5:00pm**. We will meet on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays of the month in January (14 & 28), February (11 & 25) and March (11 & 25). The service will be Holden Evening Prayer and we will have the opportunity to get to know each other and grow in our relationship with God and each other. Worship will be held in different places each month as we have a different focus of worship and community; in January we will worship in the Sanctuary.

Church News

Stretching Over Scripture

"New Year, New Beginnings" is the theme for next week's class, January 9 at 5:30pm. This 45-minute class is meant to help release the old and call in the new. It will involve various sun salutations as well as a twisting standing sequence to clear unprocessed emotions and stagnant energy. Cool down with prayer and meditation to see how the Holy Spirit may be guiding you for the new year.

Key Keepers Wanted

It's not the key of C or the key to my heart, but we need Key Keepers, please! It's no secret that it takes a lot of volunteers to care for our property, and maybe you've been looking for a low "key" activity to share your time at our church. Right now volunteers are assigned one week a month where they make sure the doors are locked, lights are off, and the building is secure each night. This means coming to the church in the evening between 9 pm and 10 pm. Right now we are a bare bones crew and we need YOU! We would like to get at least two more key keepers so that we have a total of six (or more!). Having a full staff is "key" to better cover one another's vacations and things that come up suddenly. Please prayerfully consider being a key keeper for our church. If you have any questions, please reach out to Angela in the office.

Directory Photos

We're working on keeping our online directory up to date, and we would like for you to submit photos—especially if you've never had a photo in the directory before or if you have had a change in your family (birth, death, grown up kids, etc.).

The point of the online directory and any printed directories we create in the future is to be able to put a name to a face, or even a face to a name. It is extremely helpful for our newer staff members as well as our newest church members.

If you would like to update your photo yourself, you may do so by logging into the online directory, click on Change Photo and choose Upload New Photo from the drop down menu. Then you can crop the photo and Save. Click on each individual family member below your family's information to upload new photos of them too.

If you prefer to send in a photo, you can email it to Angela at aseep@stphilip-co.org. Email Angela with any questions as well.

Grateful Threads Quilters - A Member of the Quilts of Valor Foundation

Quilt Presentation: January 7, 2023 1:00 p.m. at St. Philip Lutheran Church We invite you to join us In honoring our Veterans. Refreshments will be served.

Our mission is to "cover Service Members and Veterans touched by war with comforting and healing Quilts of Valor." Our group has met at St. Philip to make quilts for the past two years. For more information, contact Kathy Gillett at 303.359.7383 or Chris Youngren at 303.973.3096.

Silver Sages Guest Speaker

Friday, January 6 at 9:30am in MC-4/5

Dr. Katherine Peterson, daughter of Suzanne Peterson, will be speaking to us about aging gracefully, better health, lifestyle changes and other ways to support our mind, body and spirit as we age. Please sign up in the narthex if you plan to attend. Contact Chris Youngren at 303.973.3096 for more information.

Ode to a Treat-Filled Cart by Tom Schnickel

Dear Christian friends rejoice, rejoice! Of wondrous treats you have a choice. Thus, give we thanks with loving voice!

But He who is and always art Put not the treats upon the cart 'Twas fellow friends who did their part

To put God's gifts upon display This day of grace! This happy day! BUT WHAT pray-tell of next Sunday?!

Give heed dear friends! We here do plead Of giving hands there is a need To proffer treats from God's good seed, And thus your treats, fellow Christians feed.

> Your choice of Sundays? Of course! Indeed!

Thus ends the ode of treat-filled cart. Pray! Put thy name upon the chart. So all can stay, converse, have fun. God bless us all! Yes, everyone.

Please call or email Carolyn Rapp at 720.379.4519 or gaylenrapp@gmail.com if you are able to provide some treats for this coming Sunday, January 8.

Volunteer Opportunities/Donations/Service

An Appeal from Lutheran Family Services

Donations needed for migrants in Denver. As of December 13 there were 276 individuals at Denver's emergency shelter site and around 110 others at various other shelter sites or staying with families. Most are from Venezuela, some from Nicaragua, and there were a few Cubans who are being referred to LFSRM or other resettlement agencies. The greatest need for donations are:

- Winter apparel (coats, scarves, gloves)
- Undergarments for men and women (including sports bras)
- Long-sleeve shirts
- Pants
- Shoes (closed toe gym shoes) & Shoelaces
- New socks

Donations are being accepted at St. Philip in the storage bin next to the Sheridan Food Donation bin and the box in the narthex. Deacon Korra will take them to the church in Lakewood collecting donations.

Sharing with Sheridan Food Pantry

Last Thursday our awesome volunteers braved nearly a foot of snow to serve 55 families. We are so very grateful to all who were able to assist. For the coming week we can use:

- Canned meat
- Jelly/jam
- Pasta sauce
- Low sugar, no sugar, vegetarian, vegan and gluten-free donations are welcome

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.

Sharing with Sheridan is looking for occasional volunteers who have a pickup truck that can pull a 12 foot trailer OR can drive such a configuration. If you can provide backup for our regular drivers, please contact Jan Philpy at gjphilpy@gmail.com.

St. Philip Early Learning Center

St. Philip Early Learning Center Registration is open for Fall 2023! We have options for children who are 12 months and walking through Pre-K (5yrs) and we offer flexible schedules for families. Our toddler classrooms have 1, 2, 3, 4, or 5-day options and our preschool classrooms have 2, 3, 4, or 5-day options. Our classrooms run M-F from 9:30am-1:30pm and follow the JeffCo Public Schools Calendar. We are happy to offer a play-based learning environment with Christian values that includes daily music and chapel, arts and crafts, gross motor playtime, and more! If you have any questions please feel free to email Hannah Svenkerud – Preschool Assistant Director Hsvenkerud@stphilip-co.org or Amy Wagner – Preschool Director AWagner@stphilip-co.org or call us at 303-972-9774.

Bible Studies

Adult Faith Formation Class: Everyday Faith

Join Pastor Brad and Deacon Korra on **Sundays from 10:30-11:15am** in MC-4/5 for a class on our everyday life and how our faith is part of the everyday situations and experiences, from raising a child, experiencing an empty nest, retirement, and death. **Beginning Sunday, January 8.**

Pub Theology

Pub Theology is not your traditional Bible study, it is a gathering of people who drink beer and talk about life and faith. It is a place to get to know others and have good conversation. There are different brews and there are different views, so come join the conversation and hang out with us. We will be meeting at Locavore Beer Works (5950 S Platte Canyon Rd, Littleton), on the left side of the brewery, **every Monday at 6:35pm**. If you have questions, please contact Pastor Brad.

Men's Bible Study

Every Tuesday night 7pm until 9pm

Meeting at the Selander Home (6338 S Harlan Way in the Leawood subdivision)

Our study continues with the history, culture, and language of the Old and New Testaments. This year we will discuss the references in Paul's writings to the second coming. We will also complete our discussion of the books of the Apocrypha (the books that didn't make it). Each week Rudy Swenson leads the discussion of these fascinating areas of study. Please come and join us whenever you can. Any questions call Paul at 303.241.0321.

Wednesday Men's Bible Study

We will meet at 9:30am on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays at church. All men are welcome to attend. Led by Glenn Isernhagen.

Women's Bible Studies

Monday Women's Bible Study meets the 1st and 3rd Mondays of the month at 10am in the Fireside Room. We will be studying the Book of Ecclesiastes. If you would like to join us or for more information, contact Juli Cooley at jhcool519@gmail.com.

Wednesday Women's Bible Study meets the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month at 9:30am in MC-1. We will be studying the Book of Romans by John MacArthur which is available at Mardel's or online. If you would like to join us or for more information, contact Chris Youngren at 303.973.3096 or ctyoungren@gmail.com.

Events

Wild Beautiful Orchestra Youth Showcase

Sunday January 22 @ 3:00pm at St. Philip Lutheran Church

The Wild Beautiful Orchestra presents our 2nd Annual Youth Showcase, an exhilarating collaboration between young musicians ages 5-18 and freelance professionals. The seventeen student artists, selected by audition to represent the diverse and talented youth of the community, will each perform a solo piece accompanied by the 15-person chamber orchestra. Many of the arrangements were written specifically for this concert

by Executive Director Chappell Kingsland, including two full-group numbers for all the soloists plus orchestra: "We Don't Talk About Bruno" and a hilarious mashup of the *Mission: Impossible* and *Harry Potter* themes. Student performers have selected music representing a wide variety of genres, from Baroque and Romantic to Musical Theatre and Video Game Music. Students, teachers, and parents from the entire Denver metro area are welcome to attend this free concert and support our youth soloists! Donations will be accepted to support future projects of the Wild Beautiful Orchestra. http://www.wildbeautifulorchestra.org/about-us.html



Preparing for Worship - January 8, 2023 Epiphany Sunday		
First Reading: Isaiah 60:1-6		
Second Reading: Ephesians 3:1-12		
Gospel Reading: Matthew 2:1-12		

Worship Servants for Sunday, January 8, 2023		
Pastor Brad Doty, preaching; Deacon Korra Looschen, presiding Bluegrass Worship		
Assisting Minister	Jan Philpy	
Lector	TBD	
Communion Servant	Lynn Mossbrucker	
Sacrament Servants	Monica Auch, Carolyn Endecott	
Greeters	Char Nauman, Lorren Ballard	
Ushers	Tim Young, Greg Luer	
A-V Sound & Slides	TBD	
Key Keeper	Week beginning Jan. 8: Gaylen Rapp	

Om Prayer List

Members

Family & friends of Dianne Mydlach, Erin White, Phyllis Kemp

Family Members

Family of Jeanne Siegfried (Sandi Stevermer's mother)
Tina (Chris Youngren's daughter)
Marty (Janet Shibly's cousin)
Lauren Person (Mary Flatley's daughter)

Bruce Johnson (Anne Krause's uncle)
Betty Wicklund (Janet Shibly's aunt)
Ryan Ermold (Joanne Ermold's son)
Dr. Thomas Flatley (Tom Flatley's father)

Friends

Bob Hawsey (Philpy)
Robert Little (Stevermer)
Kirsten Olshausen (SPLC Staff)
Kelli Williams (SPELC)

Cherie (Morin) Erin Mulcahey (Krause) Emeli Bowers (Ermold)

Prayers for all healthcare workers.

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 of strength, hope, and tranquility for caregivers.

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

(January 4-15, 2023)

Wednesday, January 4 6:00p – Confirmation (FH) 6:00p – Sr. High Youth Group (YR) 7:30p – Prayer Team (Zoom)	Tuesday, January 10 5:30a – Camp Gladiator 9:00a – League of Women Voters (MC-3) 10:00a – SPLC Staff Meetings (MC-3) 5:30p – Camp Gladiator 7:00p – Bell Rehearsal (Sanc.) 7:00p – Boy Scouts (FH) 7:00p – Men's Bible Study (offsite) 7:00p – SPELC Board Meeting (MC-4/5)
Thursday, January 5 5:30a – Camp Gladiator 7:30a – Men's Breakfast (offsite) 11:30a – Pastors' Text Study (MC-3) 5:30p – Camp Gladiator 6:15p – Pack 47 (MC-4/5, YR) 6:30p – Choir Rehearsal (Sanc.)	Wednesday, January 11 9:30a – Men's Bible Study (YR) 9:30a – Women's Bible Study (MC-1) 6:00p – Confirmation (FH) 6:00p – Sr. High Youth Group (YR) 7:30p – Prayer Team (Zoom)
Friday, January 6 Church office closed 5:30a – Camp Gladiator 8:30a – Altaira Flute Rehearsal (YR) 9:00a – Silver Sages (MC-4/5)	Thursday, January 12 5:30a – Camp Gladiator 7:30a – Men's Breakfast (offsite) 5:30p – Camp Gladiator 6:30p – Choir Rehearsal (Sanc.)
Saturday, January 7 10:30a – Al-Anon (MC-3) 1:00p – Grateful Threads Presents (FH)	Friday, January 13 Church office closed 5:30a – Camp Gladiator 8:30a – Altaira Flute Rehearsal (YR)
Sunday, January 8 9:00a – Worship Service (Sanc.) 10:15a – Children's Sunday School (FH) 10:15a – Youth Sunday School (YR) 10:30a – Adult Faith Formation (MC-4/5)	Saturday, January 14 8:30a – Second Wind (FH-1) 9:00a – CMTA Rehearsal (Sanc.) 10:30a – Al-Anon (MC-3) 11:30a – Al-Anon Business Meeting (MC-3) 1:00p – Mydlach Memorial Service (Sanc., FH) 5:00p – Saturday Eve. Worship (Sanc.)
Monday, January 9 9:30a – Book Club (FS) 5:30p – Stretching Over Scripture (FH) 6:35p – Pub Theology (offsite)	Sunday, January 15 9:00a – Worship Service (Sanc.) 10:15a – Children's Sunday School (FH) 10:15a – Youth Sunday School (YR) 10:30a – Adult Faith Formation Class (MC-4/5) 12:00p – CMTA Rehearsal (Sanc.)



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