St. Philip Information and News (SPIN)

March 8, 2023

Daylight Saving Time begins this Sunday, March 12! Be sure to set your clocks ahead one hour so you won't be late for church!

Worship News

Saturday Evening Worship

The next Saturday evening worship service is **March 11 at 5:00pm**. This service will be Holden Evening Prayer, held in our new chapel! (Unless we need more space; then we will move to the sanctuary.) Stay after worship for wine and cheese fellowship.

Lenten & Easter Worship

Lent is a season when we take a look at our lives in view of God's mercy toward us in the sacrifice of his Son on the cross. We, in turn, are called by God, especially during this time of repentance and reflection, to be living sacrifices for him, displaying our devotion to him in word and deed. Jesus helps us to see the richness of God's mercy in his life, death and resurrection.

We hope you will join us for worship. <u>Please note that Palm Sunday will be celebrated</u> on March 26, and April 2 will be a Maundy Thursday/Good Friday Service. We will not have services during Holy Week. Look for Pastor Brad's Holy Week devotions.

March 26 - Palm Sunday

April 2 - Maundy Thursday/Good Friday; First Communion

April 9 - Easter Sunday (8am & 10am)

Altar Flowers

Altar flowers for this coming Sunday have been given by Anne, Tom and Sarah Henning in loving memory of Katelyn Henning.

The sign up for altar flowers is next to the coffee cart. There can be two bouquets per Sunday, but it isn't required. The cost is \$25 and you can take your flowers home after the worship service. Please return the vase to church when you are finished. If you have any questions contact the church office.

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Ken Caryl Concerts

Ken Caryl Concerts presents "Celebrating Women in Music", **Sunday, March 12 at 2pm**. This free concert will feature classical and contemporary pieces by female composers performed by Mario Barbosa, Kristen Celusniak, Jordan Gratonic, Jennifer Hayghe & students, Josh Keltner, Matthew Wiest, and the St. Philip Ringing Brass. Light refreshments will be provided following the concert. A freewill offering will be collected in support of the Iranian Women's Movement and our concert series.

Church Birthday Party Thank You

Thank you to everyone who helped make our All Church Birthday Party such a success! Cake bakers, table decorators, all who helped clean up, and Door Prize donors. It was a fun night of fellowship and relationship building with our church family! We hope to make this an annual event!

Lenten Devotions

During the season of Lent 2023, Pastor Brad is bringing you a devotion each day on the theme of Letting Go. Over the next 40ish days we will cover a lot of ground, but one truth will be our guiding light - Jesus didn't come into the world to condemn but to save. And because of his sacrifice, love, and acceptance, we can let go of all the sin and shame that seeks to enslave us. As you spend time hearing the word of God, reflecting, and praying, may you be drawn closer to God and your spirit filled!

These devotion videos will be approximately 5 minutes; except a little longer on Wednesdays. They will be posted to YouTube every morning for you to watch and spend time together with God when it is convenient for you and your schedule. You can also subscribe to receive a daily email with the devotion by following the link in the electronic SPIN and on the website.

Butter Braid Fundraiser

It's time for Butter Braids! Help support our youth and children who are going to camp this summer! Butter Braids will be on sale **from March 1 - 22**. Orders will be available for pick up on **Sunday April 2**. (Just in time for EASTER!) You can order online with the link below. We will also have a table set up to take orders on Sunday mornings before and after church on **March 12 and March 19**. Thank you for your support! https://store.myfundraisingplace.com/9d684327-7bef-4c50-b9d5-df3c5d9f19c7

Stretching over Scripture

Monday, March 13, 5:30-6:20pm in MC-4/5 - Please bring a yoga mat.

Children, Youth, & Family Ministries

Communion Class in Sunday School

The children will be learning all about communion during the four Sundays in March during Sunday School. This will be a great preparation for children who would like to take first communion. This will also be meaningful lessons for those who have already taken first communion. All children (Preschool to 6th grade) are invited to Sunday School every Sunday from 10:15 – 11:15am. Children do not need to be a certain age/ grade to take first communion – this is a decision between the parents and child as to whether the child is ready for this step in their faith journey. Please reach out to Melinda if you have any questions regarding Sunday School or first communion.

Volunteer Opportunities/Donations/Service

Thank you to everyone who contributed Trapper Keepers to the students at Ken Caryl Middle School. The principal said they will be put to use immediately. This is one of the many ways St. Philip continues to build relationships through Christ to grow and serve. ~Deacon Korra

Serve Focus for March

Colorado Hosting Asylum Network is seeking the following supplies: laundry detergent, shampoo and conditioner, soap, hand and body lotion for dry skin, razors, and toothpaste. They are also accepting gently used spring clothing for all ages childrenadults. Please put all donations in the box in the narthex or the bin next to the Sharing with Sheridan food collection bin.

Sharing with Sheridan Food Pantry

Last Thursday we served **156** families. For the coming week we can use:

- Pasta sauce
- Canned vegetables (especially corn)
- Canned chicken
- Canned pasta
- Egg cartons
- Clean plastic grocery bags
- 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.

Bible Studies

Adult Faith Formation Class

Join us for a book discussion of "Churches and the Crisis of Decline." This Sunday we will discuss chapters three and four. To get the questions for this week's class in advance, contact Deacon Korra.

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.

Evening Men's Bible Study

Every Tuesday night 7pm until 9pm

Meeting at the Selander Home (6338 S Harlan Way in the Leawood subdivision). The 2023 study will begin with an in-depth look at the book of Revelation. Please join us as we link this New Testament book of hope to Old Testament prophesy

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 Morning Women's Bible Study meets every 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month at 9:30am at church.

Join us for a study of the Book of Ruth by Kerry Van Der Vinne **beginning March 8**. The book is available online. This is a 6-session study. If you're interested, please contact Chris Youngren at 303.973.3096.

Events

The Lutheran Chorale

The Lutheran Chorale will perform four concerts this spring. The March concerts include music of the Passion for the Lenten season, all composed by Dana Mengel, a renowned choral composer. The Chorale will be accompanied by members playing the piano, flute, violin and viola.

Interested members of your congregation are cordially invited to join us for the Choral Workshop and final practice as noted below on **Saturday, March 11**!

Attendees may choose from three breakout sessions:

- Vocal Tips for Choral Singers
- Approach to New Music
- Breath—the Foundation of Sound

Attendees will also rehearse three pieces with the Chorale to perform at the concert on **March 12 at 2:00 p.m. See schedule below.**

Saturday, March 11, 8:30 - 11:45am

Choral Workshop and Final Practice at Concordia Lutheran Church 13371 W Alameda Pkwy, Lakewood, CO 80228

Sunday, March 12, 2:00pm

Passion Concert at Bethlehem Lutheran Church 2100 Wadsworth Blvd., Wheat Ridge, CO

Sunday, March 12, 5:30pm

Passion Concert at Covenant Living (a Vespers service, but all are invited) 9153 Yarrow Street, Westminster, CO

Westview Church Concert Series

Westview Church will host a two-concert mini-series at the end of March, and we invite you to join us for some spectacular music! On **March 26**, we will host The Singing Girls of Texas as they tour and present a concert entitled "Gemstones of Women." On **April 2**, Westview Church will present "A Mass of Rebirth," a missa brevis commissioned to celebrate the installation of the 1981 Organ from Mt. Calvary Lutheran in our new church home. The work features organ, strings, and choir, and is written by students of composition at CU Boulder. Go to westviewboulder.org/events for more information.



Preparing for Worship - March 12, 2023 Third Sunday in Lent		
First Reading: Exodus 17:1-7		
Second Reading: Romans 5:1-11		
Gospel Reading: John 4:5-42		

Worship Servants for Sunday, March 12, 2023			
Pastor Brad Doty, preaching			
Assisting Minister	Sandi Stevermer		
Lector	Sandra Fishko		
Communion Servant	TBD		
Sacrament Servants	Gwyn Neal, Beth Clough		
Greeters	Dave & Nancy Oelz		
Ushers	Gaylen Rapp, Charlie Petersen		
A/V & Livestream	TBD		
Key Keeper	Week beginning Mar. 12: Chris White		

Om Prayer List

Members

Larry Edwards, Phyllis Kemp, Bill Reitz

Family Members

Al Votaw (Sandi Stevermer's brother-in-law)
Melody (Angy Lyslo's mother)
Ron Ermold (Joanne Ermold's husband)
Renee Timm (Bob Timm's daughter-in-law)
Sandy Farrell Roth (Erin Petersen's aunt)
Sue (Renate Muthart's daughter)

Tim Booth (Tom Booth's brother)
Marty (Janet Shibly's cousin)
Lauren Person (Mary Flatley's daughter)
Bruce Johnson (Anne Krause's uncle)
Betty Wicklund (Janet Shibly's aunt)
Dr. Thomas Flatley (Tom Flatley's father)

Friends

Family & friends of Rick Hjelm (Henning)
Graham Watson (Knight)
Katie & family (Anderson)
Pat McCasslin (Donaho)
Thomas Nowakowski (Allee)
Gary, Cheryl, & Thomas (Sharing with Sheridan volunteers)

Elzbieta Mielicka (Breed)
Josh (Anderson)
Daniel (Anderson)
Kathy Donald (Anderson)
Kevin (Anderson)
Conrad & family (Anderson)
Cherie (Morin)

Prayers for Colorado Hosting Asylum Network.

Prayers for all healthcare workers.

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

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

(March 8-19, 2023)

Wednesday, March 8 5:30a – Camp Gladiator 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 (FH, YR) 7:30p – Prayer Team (Zoom)	Tuesday, March 14 9:00a – League of Women Voters (MC-3) 10:00a – SPLC Staff Meetings (MC-1) 5:30p – Camp Gladiator 7:00p – Bell Rehearsal (Sanc.) 7:00p – Boy Scouts (FH) 7:00p – SPELC Board Meeting (MC-4/5) 7:00p – Men's Bible Study (offsite)
Thursday, March 9 7:30a – Men's Breakfast (offsite) 5:30p – Camp Gladiator 6:30p – Choir Rehearsal (Sanc.)	Wednesday, March 15 5:30a – Camp Gladiator 6:00p – Confirmation (FH) 6:00p – Sr. High Youth Group (FH, YR) 7:30p – Prayer Team (Zoom)
Friday, March 10 Church office closed 5:30a – Camp Gladiator 8:30a – Altaira Flute Rehearsal (YR) 6:00p – Adventure Club Nerf Wars (FH)	Thursday, March 16 7:30a – Men's Breakfast (offsite) 5:30p – Camp Gladiator 6:30p – Choir Rehearsal (Sanc.)
Saturday, March 11 8:30a – Second Wind (FH-1) 10:30a – Al-Anon (MC-3) 11:30a – Al-Anon Business Meeting (MC-3) 5:00p – Saturday Evening Worship (Chapel)	Friday, March 17 Church office open 8am-noon 5:30a – Camp Gladiator 8:30a – Altaira Flute Rehearsal (YR) 7:00p – Littleton Gem & Mineral (FH)
Sunday, March 12 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 – KC Concert Set Up (Sanc.) 2:00p – Ken Caryl Concert "Celebrating Women in Music" (Sanc.)	Saturday, March 18 10:30a – Al-Anon (MC-3)
Monday, March 13 5:30a – Camp Gladiator 9:30a – Book Club (FS) 5:30p – Stretching Over Scripture (MC-4/5) 6:35p – Pub Theology (offsite)	Sunday, March 19 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)

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