

St. Philip Information and News (SPIN)

September 27, 2023



Worship News

Altar Flowers

Sign up for altar flowers while you are here for in-person worship. 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.

Church News

Ken Caryl Concert Series

Ken Caryl Concerts presents "A Night at the Opera" **Saturday, September 30 at 7:30pm** at the church. Join us for an entertaining evening of music from *Carmen*, *The Barber of Seville*, *The Magic Flute*, *The Marriage of Figaro* and more!

Sunday Morning Faith Formation Class

This Sunday join Deacon Korra from 10:30-11:20am for "Unpacking the Gospel". We will use the "Lectio Divina" (literally divine reading) as a way of becoming immersed in the Scriptures very personally. It's a way of developing a closer relationship with God by reflecting prayerfully on His words. In Lectio Divina, the chosen spiritual text is read four times, giving an opportunity to think deeply about it and respond thoughtfully. When we practice Lectio Divina, we can imagine we're actually involved in the events of Scripture.

Connect - Discover and Explore St. Philip

Are you interested in learning more about St. Philip Lutheran Church, its ministries and its mission? Attend Connect, an informational gathering on **Sunday, October 8 at 5:00pm** to discover, explore and connect with St. Philip! Following the class, if you want to go all in and become a member of St. Philip Lutheran Church, there will be a new member class on **Sunday, October 15 at 5:00pm**. Both of these gatherings will begin with dinner, followed by information and conversation. Contact Pastor Brad to sign up.

Rainbow Trail Women's Retreat—October 6-8, 2023

It's time for you to free yourself from your daily stressors and escape to Rainbow Trail for some spiritual freedom, fellowship, and fun! Don't miss this opportunity to be immersed in community on the mountain, where we will discover and affirm the gifts that God has given us. Call your best gal pals, staff alumni sisters, church buddies, neighbor that God has been nudging you about. But do it soon ... registration will fill fast!

Annual Chili Cook Off

The St. Philip Men's Group is hosting the annual Chili Cook-Off **Saturday, October 14 at 6pm**, following the Saturday Evening Service. Bring your favorite chili to be judged by all in attendance. Prizes awarded for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place winners. Sign up in the Narthex or contact the church office. Freewill offering donations accepted. See you there!

Trunk-or-Treat is Coming!

Sunday October 29 from 3:00-4:30pm

Join us for a spooktacular event as hundreds of kids come to our church to trick-or-treat! We are looking for some fabulous volunteers to decorate their trunk for the event (we will provide the candy)! We also need help with set-up and clean-up. Candy donations will be greatly appreciated (look for donation bins outside the office and in the narthex).

Endowment Committee

The St. Philip Endowment Committee is opening applications for Endowment Grants **starting October 1, 2023 until October 31, 2023**. If your organization has a need for funding of a new ministry or a special holiday ministry, please go to the St. Philip website to fill out and submit an Endowment application. We are excited to have an opportunity to promote the ministry of St. Philip with new Endowment Grants.

Stretching Over Scriptures

Stretching over Scriptures yoga is every **Monday from 5:30-6:30pm in MC-4/5**. All are welcome to participate in this spiritual practice of deep breathing, prayer, meditation, movement, and connecting our mind, body and spirit.

Men's Group Pizza Nights

Calling all men ages 18-118! The revitalized Men's Group is starting a Pizza Night on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month from 6-7pm here at the church. Come have a bite and join in the fellowship!

Volunteer Opportunities/Donations/Service

Habitat for Humanity

The Denver Metro Habitat for Humanity 2023 Fall Match opportunity is here! Now through Oct 2, 2023, your gift makes twice the impact!

Now through October 2, 2023 the Bauer Foundation, a generous supporter of Habitat for Humanity, will match all gifts dollar for dollar UP TO \$2 MILLION!

Use this link to give: <https://habitatmetrodenver.org/donate-now/> and scroll down to Give Online Now" and complete the form. Please type in the comment section, "Holy Hammers" to be sure your donation is applied correctly. St. Philip is a participating congregation of Holy Hammers, the faith-based coalition of Habitat for Humanity-Denver. Thank you for your donation! Any questions, please reach out to Rich Allee at eella.t.r@gmail.com or 303-933-2180.

Sharing with Sheridan Food Pantry

Last Thursday we served **182** families. For next week we can use:

- Pasta sauce
- Canned chicken
- Canned beans (black, pinto, etc.)
- Jelly/jam

We continue to be overstocked on egg cartons with no additional storage.

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.

September Serve Focus—Foothills CROP Hunger Walk

The 2023 Foothills CROP Hunger Walk will be held **October 8** at Clement Park, Johnston Reservoir, Pavilion P at **1pm**. This community-based walk raises awareness and funds to support the hunger-fighting work of Church World Service in over 30 countries and the local work of Love INC of Littleton, The Action Center, Community Table, and Sharing with Sheridan Food Pantry. We will be walking around Johnston Reservoir, hosting a food collection and shoe collection, and other fun events on walk day. Together, we can help end hunger in our community and around the world. Visit the CROP Walk website <https://www.crophungerwalk.org/foothillsco>, or sign up in the Narthex. Contact Deacon Korra for details.

Children, Youth & Family Ministries

Sunday School for Kids!

All kids age 3yr (potty trained) through 6th grade are invited to join us for Sunday School each Sunday from 10:15 – 11:15am. We have a great year planned of fun events and learning about GOD! Hope to see all of our kids on SUNDAY! Questions about Sunday School?? Contact Melinda at msvenkerud@stphilip-co.org.

Volunteer with Kids and/or Youth Ministry

Do you love kids? Have a passion for reaching youth with the message of Jesus? Do you like to play games like ping pong, volleyball, and more? Are donuts your favorite food group? What about crafting with glue, stickers and more?

We can always use volunteers in our ministry to Children and Youth - Sunday mornings or Wednesday evenings, some special event days as well! Once a month, once a week, even just once! If you would like to be added to our volunteer list and really have some fun, please reach out to Melinda Svenkerud, Director of Children, Youth, and Family Ministries at msvenkerud@stphilip-co.org.

Events

Lutheran Chorale

The Lutheran Chorale is pleased to announce our October and December concert dates, times and locations. Please note that these may be subject to change.

The Fall Concerts will be on **Sunday, October 15:**

- Mt. Olive Lutheran Church, 11453 E Wesley Avenue, Aurora at **2:30pm**
- St. Philip Lutheran Church, 7531 S Kendall Blvd, Littleton at **6:30pm**

The Christmas Concerts will be on **Sunday, December 3:**

- Covenant Living of Colorado, 9153 Yarrow Street, Westminster at **2:30pm**
- Concordia Lutheran Church, 13371 W. Alameda Parkway, Lakewood at **6:30pm**

More information can be found on our website at thelutheranchorale.org.

Bible Studies

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 **Mondays at 6:35pm**. If you have questions, please contact Pastor Brad.

Monday Women's Bible Study Begins Sept. 18

Meets the 1st and 3rd Mondays of each month at church from 9 to 11am in the Fireside Room. All women are invited to join us. Contact Julia Cooley at 303-903-9651 or jhcool519@gmail.com for more information.

Tuesday Night Bible Study

Tuesday evenings at 7pm, St. Philip Men's Fellowship will begin sponsoring a **Family Bible Study for all confirmed members of St. Philip**. This study will take a close examination of the Book of Isaiah, the most significant prophetic book of the Bible. Please come and join us in this exciting look at the book that contains the very basis for our faith. Our study is held every Tuesday evening at the Selander home. (6338 S. Harlan Way Littleton) If you have any questions please call Paul at 303-241-0321 or Laurie at 303-518-1457.

Our suggested text for this study is The Milstein Edition of the Later Prophets: Isaiah and can be purchased from Amazon.

Wednesday Men's Bible Study

We will meet at 9:30am on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays at church in the Youth Room. We will be watching a DVD series on Biblical Archaeology. All men are welcome to attend. Led by Glenn Isernhagen.

Wednesday Morning Women's Bible Study

2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month at church, 9:30 to 11:00am

Come and discover the "Seamless" thread connecting the Bible. Author Angie Smith shows us how the Bible is connected, from Genesis to Revelation, as one beautiful seamless thread. The book is available online or at Mardel's. Contact Chris Youngren at 303-973-3096 or ctyoungren@gmail.com for more information.

Wednesday Night Women's Bible Study

Are you wanting to spend time with other ladies and understand how the Bible relates to your life today? Join Deacon Korra on Wednesday evenings to explore, "The Good and Beautiful Bible Study; Experiencing stories from the Bible and what it means for our lives today." Read diverse stories from both the Old and New Testament that explore a bible story, its key themes, and how it relates to our lives today. This book explores:

- Courage and providence through the story of Esther
- Grief and hope through the story of Lazarus, Martha, & Mary
- Seeing and valuing others through the story of Hagar
- Accepting grace through the story of Jacob and Esau

- Cultivating hope through the story of Hannah
- Many more!

The first gathering will be **Wednesday, October 4 at 6:00pm** and continue every Wednesday following through mid-December. We will meet in MC-1. Bring a bible, your dinner if needed. or a snack to share and an open heart. Please sign up and let us know you are planning to attend and want to purchase a book. Book orders are due by Wednesday, September 27 and cost \$24 each. If you can come occasionally, but not every week, that's okay. Come when you are able.



<p>Preparing for Worship - October 1, 2023 Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost</p>

<p>First Reading: Ezekiel 18:1-4, 25-32</p>
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<p>Second Reading: Philippians 2:1-13</p>
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<p>Gospel Reading: Matthew 21:23-32</p>
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<p>Worship Servants for Sunday, October 1, 2023</p>
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<p>Deacon Korra Looschen, preaching</p>	
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<p>Assisting Minister</p>	<p>Jan Philpy</p>
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<p>Lector</p>	<p>Jim Smith</p>
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<p>Acolyte</p>	<p>Joshua & Alexis Williams</p>
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<p>Communion Servants</p>	<p>TBD</p>
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<p>Sacrament Servants</p>	<p>Mary Hatlestad, Carole Kessler</p>
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<p>Greeters</p>	<p>Tom & LeRae Schnickel</p>
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<p>Ushers</p>	<p>Gaylen Rapp, Bill Colbenson</p>
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<p>Key Keeper</p>	<p>Week beginning Oct. 1: Mike Burgess</p>
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Our Prayer List

Members

Bob Connor, Gary Donaho, Phyllis Kemp, Bob Wagner

Family Members

Al Votaw (Sandi Stevermer's brother-in-law)

Ryan & family (Sherry Anderson's nephew)

Lenny Ermold (Joanne Ermold's nephew)

Clarissa Lee (Sharon Peters' niece)

Jenn Moorehead (Renate Muthart's granddaughter)

Fred Bratteson (Marilyn Belford's brother-in-law)

Kevin Gilliland (Harriet Truman's son-in-law)

Ryan Ermold (Joanne Ermold's son)

Jenna Ermold (Joanne Ermold's daughter)

Ron Ermold (Joanne Ermold's husband)

Tim Booth (Tom Booth's brother)

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

Brenda Geist & family

Laura & Rod (Henning)

Micky Manzanares

Robert Little (Stevermer)

Cherie (Morin)



Prayers for all those suffering from food insecurity. We pray for the upcoming Crop Walk; for all those who participate and all those who are blessed by the food supplied to those in need.

Prayers of remembrance and love for all our homebound members.

Prayers of strength, hope, and tranquility for caregivers and healthcare workers.

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

September 27-October 8, 2023

Wednesday, September 27 9:30a – Men’s Bible Study (YR) 9:30a – Women’s Bible Study (MC-1) 5:00p – Puppet Ministry (FH) 6:00p – Confirmation (FH, kitchen) 6:00p – High School Youth Group 7:00p – Choir Rehearsal (Sanc.) 7:00p – Littleton Gem & Mineral (MC-3)	Tuesday, October 3 5:30a – Sanders Fitness 9:00a – Grateful Threads (FH-2) 10:00a – SPLC Staff Meeting (MC-3) 5:30p – Camp Gladiator 7:00p – Bell Rehearsal (Sanc.) 7:00p – Boy Scouts (FH) 7:00p – Tues. Night Bible Study (offsite)
Thursday, September 28 5:30a – Sanders Fitness 7:30a – Men’s Breakfast (offsite) 5:30p – Camp Gladiator 6:00p – CHCA Meeting (MC-1) 7:30p – Prayer Team (Zoom)	Wednesday, October 4 5:00p – Puppet Ministry (FH) 6:00p – Confirmation (FH, kitchen) 6:00p – High School Youth Group 6:00p – Men’s Group Planning Mtg. (MC-3) 6:00p – Women’s Bible Study (MC-1) 7:00p – Choir Rehearsal (Sanc.)
Friday, September 29 <i>Church office open 8am-noon</i> 5:30a – Sanders Fitness 8:30a – Altaira Flute Ensemble (YR)	Thursday, October 5 5:30a – Sanders Fitness 7:30a – Men’s Breakfast (offsite) 5:30p – Camp Gladiator 6:15p – Pack 47 (MC-4/5) 7:30p – Prayer Team (Zoom)
Saturday, September 30 10:30a – Al-Anon (MC-3) 5:30p – Ken Caryl Concert Set Up 7:30p – Ken Caryl Concert “A Night at the Opera” (Sanc.)	Friday, October 6 <i>Church office open 8am-noon</i> 5:30a – Sanders Fitness 8:30a – Altaira Flute Ensemble (YR)
Sunday, October 1 9:00a – Worship 10:15a – Sunday School (FH) 10:15a – Faith & Fellowship (6th-12th grades, YR) 10:30a – Adult Faith Formation (MC-4/5)	Saturday, October 7 10:30a – Al-Anon (MC-3)
Monday, October 2 5:30a – Sanders Fitness 9:00a – Women’s Bible Study (FS) 5:30p – Stretching over Scripture (MC-4/5) 6:35p – Pub Theology (offsite) 7:00p – Troop 554 Committee Mtg.	Sunday, October 8 9:00a – Worship 10:15a – Sunday School (FH) 10:15a – Faith & Fellowship (6th-12th grades, YR) 10:30a – Adult Forum (MC-4/5) 5:00p – Connect Class (FS)

Foothills CROP Hunger Walk fundraiser night



Dining to
DONATE

Thursday, October 19th

11am-11pm

**Dine-in or Carryout
(15% of sales support CROP)**

**5250 S. Wadsworth Blvd.
Littleton, CO 80123**

**Present flyer to server prior to payment.
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