

# St. Philip Information and News (SPIN)

November 8, 2023

## Worship News



### Upcoming Services

**Sunday, November 12**—Veteran's Day Slide Show; Stadler & Quintana baptisms

**Wednesday, November 22**—Thanksgiving Eve Service at 6:00pm

*Join us for our traditional pie social in the Fellowship Hall after the service. Bring a pie to share!*

**Sunday, November 26**—Christ the King Sunday; Wilms Baptism

### Saturday Evening Worship

Saturday evening worship takes place on the **2nd & 4th Saturdays of each month at 5pm** in the sanctuary with the Holden Evening Prayer liturgy. Following the services we will have wine and cheese fellowship with other light refreshments with water and juice.

We invite you join us for worship and we invite you to help make this service happen by serving as a greeter/usher, communion servant, sound operator, fellowship host and more! Look for the sign-up sheet in the Narthex next time you are at church.

## Church News

### Nominating Voting Members for the Rocky Mountain Synod Assembly

The St. Philip nominating committee is receiving nominations for those who are interested in being a voting member at the 2024 RMS Assembly. The assembly takes place from **Thursday, April 25 - Saturday, April 27, 2024** in Loveland, CO. St. Philip is able to have two representatives from the congregation and it is encouraged to have one male and one female.

The role of those attending the synod assembly is to participate in the assembly as a voting member; they are considered to be voting members until the start of the next synod assembly. The largest agenda item for the synod assembly is electing a new bishop for the Rocky Mountain Synod. There may be a memorial or resolution that is brought to the assembly for consideration. All materials will be provided in advance for the voting member to review before the assembly. The assembly also has reports that are given by the ELCA, ministries of the ELCA and other partners. The synod assembly representatives then come back to the congregation and give a report to the congregation, either in written form or at an in-person forum.

If you are interested in being a St. Philip voting member or would like to nominate someone (please confirm with them before nominating them), please contact Sue Miller at [sue.miller50@comcast.net](mailto:sue.miller50@comcast.net).

### Adult Faith Formation on Draft of the ELCA Social Statements

Join Deacon Korra and Pastor Brad in reviewing the draft social message on Gun-Related Violence and Trauma. This is a new social message being drafted and the ELCA is asking congregations to review the social message and submit feedback by the end of January, 2024. We will be discussing this social message during the adult faith formation hour on **Sunday, November 12 and 26 from 10:30-11:15am**.

The social message on Gun-Related Violence and Trauma is a writing project in development as an ELCA social message on gun violence. Social messages are ELCA teaching documents that draw from existing social teaching but throw a fuller and sharper spotlight on a particular social issue. A draft version of this social message is available for you to download. We are also happy to print a copy for you. We will then take the feedback and comments received in the class and send it to the ELCA. If you have any questions, feel free to contact Deacon Korra or Pastor Brad.

### **Veteran's Day Slide Show**

**Sunday, November 12**, we will observe Veteran's Day, and we will present a slide show before and after the service, highlighting members and relatives of members who have served in the armed forces. If you are a veteran or have a family member who is a vet whom you would like included, please email Angela (aseep@stphilip-co.org) by **November 9**. We will need a current picture and a picture from time of service, as well as branch of service, rank, and years of service. (If you have been included in the slide show in the past, we have all of your information already. Thank you!)

### **College Outreach Ministry**

The pennants will be up in the Narthex this week for our fall college, grad school and trade school students' care packages. The pennants highlight the specific snacks and the quantity needed to fill 48 student boxes. The snacks should be store bought with labels for anyone with allergy issues. Please support this great ministry by taking a pennant or two and returning the snacks to the church by **Sunday, November 19**. Contact Anne Henning (adhenning14@gmail.com) with any questions.

### **Christmas Decorating**

Everyone is invited to join us for Christmas decorating of the church on **Wednesday November 29**. A soup supper will be provided at 6:00pm with decorating to follow. Sign up here to help provide food for the dinner:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0C44ABAE28A5FCCE9-45919716-soup>

### **Stretching over Scripture**

***Yoga is in recess for the rest of the year and will resume in 2024 on Monday, January 8 at 5:30pm.***

### **Men's Group Pizza Nights**

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

### **Ken Caryl Concert Series**

Ken Caryl Concerts presents *Songs of the Season* on **Sunday, December 10 at 3pm** here at St. Philip. All ages are welcome and a freewill donation will be accepted. We are looking for some volunteers to assist with the concert. Contact Kristen Celusniak if you are interested.



## **Children, Youth & Family Ministries**

### **What Child is This? A Christmas Program for Children and Youth** **Sunday December 3 at 9am**

All Children age 3yr & up and ALL Youth in 7th - 12th grades are invited to participate in this special event. We will tell the story of God's greatest gift - Jesus! Through song, dance, puppets, narration and more, the kids will have the opportunity to participate in telling this amazing story and sharing their gifts with the congregation on that Sunday morning. Rehearsals will be each Sunday morning during Sunday School (10:15 - 11:15am) in Fellowship Hall. Dress rehearsal will be **Wednesday November 29 from 5-6pm with dinner provided at 6pm**. Contact Melinda for questions or to sign your child up to participate. *Let us know if your child plays an instrument and what instrument they play!*

## **Volunteer Opportunities/Donations/Service**

### **Taking Your Faith Out**

Stop by the cabinets located near Pastor Brad's office and see the variety of options to take your faith out into the world. We have "Bags of Hope" that can be kept in your vehicles to be handed out to those who are without homes. Each "Bag of Hope" contains a water bottle, snack, and hygiene product. We also have "Faith Milestone" bags that can be taken home in times of certain events in your life. These include retirement, moving into a new home, blessing of the animals, loss of a pet, and many more to come. In the far right cabinet are prayer shawls that can be taken to a loved one in time of need. For questions about any of these items, please see Deacon Korra.

### **Turkeys and Toiletries Collection for Sharing with Sheridan**

St. Philip is collecting the following items that can be dropped off in the narthex or food pantry bins:

- Shaving Cream
- Razors
- Deodorant
- Regular or Small Size Shampoo
- Dish Soap
- Bars of Soap
- Toothbrushes
- Toothpaste
- Chapstick
- Hand Lotion

We are also accepting donations of frozen turkeys (10-12 lbs.-no larger). They are to be labeled "SWS" and can be put in the big white freezer in the kitchen. All donations are to be made **by November 19**.

There are a variety of other ways to participate with our food pantry, such as writing thank you cards to donors, transferring computer files, or helping with occasional pick up of food on Thursdays. For more information on these opportunities, contact Deacon Korra or Jan Philpy. Thank you for your partnership in helping others in the community.

### **Sharing with Sheridan Food Pantry**

On a glorious, sunny Thursday we served 187 families. For the upcoming distribution we can use:

- Canned beans (pinto, black, kidney, etc.)
- Dry lentils
- Pasta sauce
- Meal soups

### **We continue to be overstocked with egg cartons and have 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.

### **Lutheran Family Services-Warm Coats Needed**

We are starting to see the temperatures drop in Colorado – for our new arrivals from South America and Cuba the cold weather has caught them by surprise. Even though we have a coat drive as part of the Angel Tree program this year, we are finding ourselves in need of warm coats. For this drive we are accepting gently used or new coats. We are looking for both adult men and women, small, medium, large and extra-large and children and infant sizes. Donations can be brought to the narthex collection bin. Deacon Korra will take them to Lutheran Family Services.

## **Events**

### **Habitat for Humanity ReStore**

#### **Biggest Sale Of The Year November 18 – 35% off almost everything in the store!**

You can shop for everything your home needs at affordable prices: new and gently used furniture, appliances, dishes, cabinetry, lighting & electrical, flooring, plumbing, heating & cooling, windows & doors, tools, construction supplies and much more at the local ReStore location at 7890 W. Quincy Ave, Littleton. You can also drive up to donate items or schedule a free pick up online at <https://habitatmetrodenver.org/restore/locations/>. When you shop or donate to ReStore you are helping to fund Habitat's mission of building and preserving homes in the greater Denver area. The ReStores in Denver generate over one million dollars a year that help families find strength, stability and self-reliance through affordable homeownership. Any questions? Contact Rich Allee at [eella.t.r@gmail.com](mailto:eella.t.r@gmail.com).

### **Augustana Arts**

Augustana Arts is pleased to invite you and your family for this holiday classic tale of "The Velveteen Rabbit" featuring celebrated Colorado jazz artist, Hazel Miller, and the Stratus Chamber Orchestra on **Sunday, December 10 at 3pm** at Augustana Lutheran Church (5000 E. Alameda Ave., Denver). Ever heard of "Peter and the Wolf"? This concert is just as fun and exciting with the classic story read by Hazel underscored with music by Stratus! Let's go on a musical journey together plus enjoy other holiday classic music to bring joy and the gift of music for the entire family! **ELCA families receive 50% off all tickets using the code ELCA50 at checkout!** Come and enjoy this matinee treat for the entire family! Tickets are \$20 adults/\$10 children (or \$10/\$5 with code ELCA50) – visit [www.AugustanaArts.org](http://www.AugustanaArts.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**

Meets the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> 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](mailto: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.

### **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](mailto: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 at 6:00pm in the chapel** to explore, "The Good and Beautiful Bible Study; Experiencing stories from the Bible and what it means for our lives today." Contact Deacon Korra with any questions.



**Preparing for Worship - November 12, 2023  
24th Sunday after Pentecost**

**First Reading: Amos 5:18-24**

**Second Reading: I Thessalonians 4:13-18**

**Gospel Reading: Matthew 25:1-13**



## The Parable of the Ten Bridesmaids

### Worship Servants for Sunday, November 12, 2023

**Deacon Korra Looschen, preaching; Pastor Brad Doty, presiding**

<b>Assisting Minister</b>	Anne Krause
<b>Lector</b>	Anne Krause
<b>Communion Servant</b>	Sandi Stevermer
<b>Sacrament Servants</b>	Sandi Stevermer, Lynn Mossbrucker
<b>Greeters</b>	Jon Dierksheide; Dick, Kim, & Scott Lee
<b>Ushers</b>	Charlie Petersen, Jon Dierksheide
<b>Key Keeper</b>	<b>Week beginning Nov. 12:</b> Chris White

# Calendar of Events

## November 8-19, 2023

<b>Wednesday, November 8</b> 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, FH-2) 6:00p – High School Youth Group 6:00p – Men's Pizza Night (MC-4/5) 6:00p – Women's Bible Study (MC-1) 7:00p – Choir Rehearsal (Sanc.)	<b>Tuesday, November 14</b> 5:30a – Sanders Fitness 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 – Tues. Night Bible Study (offsite)
<b>Thursday, November 9</b> 5:30a – Sanders Fitness 7:30a – Men's Breakfast (offsite) 5:30p – Camp Gladiator 6:00p – Endowment Committee (MC-3) 7:30p – Prayer Team (Zoom)	<b>Wednesday, November 15</b> 5:00p – Puppet Ministry (FH) 6:00p – Confirmation (FH, kitchen, FH-2) 6:00p – High School Youth Group 6:00p – Women's Bible Study (MC-1) 7:00p – Choir Rehearsal (Sanc.)
<b>Friday, November 10</b> <i>Church office open 8am-noon</i> 5:30a – Sanders Fitness 8:30a – Altaira Flute Ensemble (YR)	<b>Thursday, November 16</b> 5:30a – Sanders Fitness 7:30a – Men's Breakfast (offsite) 5:30p – Camp Gladiator 7:30p – Prayer Team (Zoom)
<b>Saturday, November 11-Veteran's Day</b> 8:30a – CMTA Celebration Series (Sanc., Narthex, MC-4/5) 8:30a – Second Wind (MC-1) 10:30a – Al-Anon (MC-3) 11:30a – Al-Anon Business Mtg. (MC-3) <b>5:00p – Saturday Evening Worship (Sanc.)</b>	<b>Friday, November 17</b> <i>Church office open 8am-noon</i> 5:30a – Sanders Fitness 8:30a – Altaira Flute Ensemble (YR) 7:00p – Littleton Gem & Mineral (FH)
<b>Sunday, November 12</b> <b>9:00a – Worship</b> 10:15a – Sunday School (FH) 10:15a – Faith & Fellowship (6th-12th grades, YR) 10:30a – Adult Faith Formation (MC-4/5) 12:00p – CMTA Celebration Series (Sanc.)	<b>Saturday, November 18</b> 8:30a – Creative Caring Quilters (FH) 9:30a – Dipes and Wipes (MC-3, MC-4/5, FS, YR) 10:30a – Al-Anon (MC-3)
<b>Monday, November 13</b> 5:30a – Sanders Fitness 9:30a – Book Club (FS) 1:00p – Prayer Shawl Knitting Group (FS) 6:35p – Pub Theology (offsite)	<b>Sunday, November 19</b> <b>9:00a – Worship</b> 10:15a – Sunday School (FH) 10:15a – Faith & Fellowship (6th-12th grades, YR) 10:30a – Church Council Meeting (MC-4/5)



# Our Prayer List

## Members

**Sandra Fishko, Carolyn Endecott, Roger Bracken, Flo Figge, Tom Booth, Carolyn Smith, Phyllis Kemp, Bob Wagner**

## Family Members

**Dana Hanna** (Monica Auch's cousin)  
**Kathy Johnson** (Anne Krause's mother)  
**Kenny Borquez** (Linda Thomas's cousin)  
**Family of Loren Hammer** (Dori Hammer's cousin)  
**Family of Delyle Auch** (Monica Auch's brother-in-law)  
**Lenny Ermold** (Joanne Ermold's nephew)  
**Clarissa Lee** (Sharon Peters' niece)  
**Jenn Moorehead** (Renate Muthart's grand-daughter)  
**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

**Matt & Emily Skotak** (Peaslee)  
**Family of Elliette Johnson** (Hassman)  
**Sue** (Henning)  
**Ethan Kuhlman** (Krause)  
**Friends & family of Cathy Ekerberg** (Hammer)

**Roger Crowner** (Former member)  
**Alex Lagerborg** (Silco)  
**Vicki Tomlinson** (Tegeder)  
**Conrad & family** (Anderson)

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](mailto:aseep@stphilip-co.org) or 303.979.4491.*

*Prayer requests will run for two weeks unless otherwise requested.*

