

St. Philip Information and News (SPIN)

February 28, 2024



Worship News

Altar Flowers

Altar flowers for this coming Sunday have been given by Linda Tegeder to the glory of God and in remembrance of her anniversary. Altar flowers have been given by Chris & Andy Hancock in memory of Chris's sister Laurie Nielsen-Singer.

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 \$30** 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.

Rejoicing Spirits

Join Rejoicing Spirits on **Sunday, March 3 from 10:30-11:30am**. We will unite in activities, singing, laughing and loving God. Rejoicing Spirits is an inclusive worship space for people with cognitive and intellectual disabilities, their caregivers, families, and anyone who seeks an open, joyful and creative worship experience. We will gather on the first Sunday of each month through 2024. See Deacon Korra for details.

March is National Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month. Mosaic's theme for the Month is "Inclusion Inspires." We invite you to come along with us in recognizing and including people with disabilities in your lives and faith. Invite them to volunteer with members of you or offer them a ride on Sunday to services.

Church News

Why Church? Adult Faith Formation Class

During this season of Lent, we explore and ask the question: Why Church? St. Philip has been a church for 52 years and we have done amazing things as a church. Throughout this class, Pastor Brad will lead us in discussion and exploration as we ask questions, share stories and wonder together. Some of these questions are: Why do we exist as a church here in Littleton, CO? What is our story as a church? How has the church changed over the years? How are we and how have we been a blessing to the people and community? Finally, where is God calling us to go or what is God calling us to do in the future as we continue to be St. Philip Lutheran Church? Join us on Sunday mornings from 10:30-11:15am in MC-4/5.

Egg-My-Yard Fundraiser!

The Youth of St. Philip are raising money to go the ELCA Youth Gathering in New Orleans this summer! They will be playing Easter Bunny on the evening before Easter and will come and hide candy and toy-filled eggs in your yard for your kiddos to find on Easter morning (Sunday March 31). **Orders are due by Tuesday March 26.**

15 eggs for \$15

30 Eggs for \$25

50 Eggs for \$35

Sign up and pay: <https://stphilip-co.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/2195189>

FAMILY NIGHT at the Grizzly Rose Dance Hall

All are invited for a night of fellowship, live music, and dancing at the Grizzly Rose on **Sunday, March 10 from 6-9pm.** (or any part of it). If you want to meet at St. Philip and carpool and/or follow each other, meet in the parking lot at 5:30pm. Otherwise, meet at The Grizzly Rose, 5450 N. Valley, Denver. Doors open at 6:00pm with a \$10 cover. Kids 10 & under get in free. All ages are invited for live music, dancing, and a free line dance class at 7pm. See grizzlyrose.com for more information about the venue. RSVP to Deacon Korra if you plan on attending.

Women's Fall Retreat

In order to provide adequate time for planning, the women's retreat has been postponed to **September**. Thanks to all who have had input so far. To be part of the planning and execution of the one day retreat, please contact Deacon Korra, Barb Donaho, or LeRae Schnickel.

Chapel Prayer Stations

Have you had the opportunity to go through the prayer stations in the chapel? If not, do not worry, we are keeping the prayer stations up for all of Lent. We set up the prayer stations for Ash Wednesday and after such positive response, we thought more may like to go through them or people may wish to go through them again. The prayer stations are a self-guided spiritual time of prayer and reflection. Each station has a description that informs you and guides you into the prayer station. You will then begin with reading scripture, which guides you into a response (lighting a candle, reflecting on the cross, seeing yourself as God sees you, confession, writing prayers in sand...) and closing with a prayer. Feel free to come any time the church is open and go through the prayer stations in the chapel.

Easter Egg Hunt

Sunday March 31 at 9:30am

Open to ALL children!

We will need donations of candy to fill our Easter Eggs!

There will be a bin outside the church office and one in the Narthex to collect candy through March 24. We would like individually wrapped candy (no chocolate as it could melt if it is warm on Egg Hunt day).

Prayer Shawl Ministry

Prayer Shawl Ministry meets the **2nd and 4th Mondays of the month** at church in the Fireside Room at **1pm**. If you are unable to come to church or prefer to make prayer shawls at home, that would be appreciated as well. Just drop them off at church. For more information, contact Linda Tegeder at 970-686-8896 or litegeder@msn.com; or Ana Tolentino at 303-949-6088 or atolenti@aol.com.

Children, Youth & Family Ministries

Butterbraids on Sale!

The children and youth are selling butterbraids to help offset the cost of attending Rainbow Trail Summer Camps. There will be a table set up on **Sundays through March 12** to order – or you can place orders online through this link: <https://store.myfundraisingplace.com/379e6008-0b49-442b-980d-82c93e4c37e9>.

St. Philip will earn 40% from each sale. Butterbraids will be available for pick up on **Sunday March 24** after church.

We will also be selling Honey Baked Ham Gift Cards. These can be ordered on Sunday mornings through March 27. We will earn 20% from each sale of gift cards. Contact Melinda Svenkerud (msvenkerud@stphilip-co.org) if you have any questions.

Fed & Forgiven Series in Sunday School

All children are invited to join us for Sunday School during the Lenten season as we learn about communion. This series is for all students whether they have taken first communion or if they are preparing for first communion. Each week we will learn about the last supper, why we take communion, what forgiveness means, why communion is a sacrament, why Jesus made this sacrifice for all of us, and more. We will meet from **10:15 – 11:15am on Mar. 3, Mar. 10, Mar. 17, and Mar. 24**. On March 10, our lesson will be Passport to Holy Week – where the kids will have an interactive experience of Palm Sunday, foot washing, the garden of Gethsemane, the Last Supper, Jesus on the Cross, the empty tomb, and experience Jesus Risen!

Passport to Holy Week – Sunday March 10

Everyone is invited to experience Holy Week in this interactive adventure. The Fellowship Hall will be set up for this experience on **Sunday March 10 from 10:15 – 11:30am**. Journey through the week and experience all that Jesus experienced leading up to Easter. We are looking for some amazing volunteers to help with this event. All youth and adults are invited to volunteer – sign up through this link: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0C44ABAE28A5FCCE9-48081070-passport>.

Youth Sunday School Volunteers:

We are looking for some amazing adults to help facilitate discussion with our youth (middle and high school) during the Sunday School hour. No experience necessary – just a love for YOUTH and a desire to engage in fellowship and conversation! Talking points provided for volunteers to spend time in conversation about faith, fellowship time, and of course DONUTS! For questions reach out to Melinda Svenkerud, msvenkerud@stphilip-co.org, and to volunteer sign up here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0C44ABAE28A5FCCE9-hsms>.

Volunteer Opportunities/Donations/Service

Join the Region 2 Lenten Challenge to Benefit ELCA World Hunger

In honor of ELCA World Hunger's 50th year in mission and ministry, the five synods in ELCA Region 2 are challenging one another to raise money for ELCA World Hunger. The challenge: Participate in some spiritual and physical practices during the 40 days of Lent, 2024. The synod with the most participants wins!

More than 820 million people, about 11% of the world's population today, are hungry. As members of the ELCA, we are called to respond.

Sharing with Sheridan Food Pantry

What a rollercoaster day we had last Thursday; alternating sunny and warm, then windy and cold. As expected, we had fewer visitors with **178 families**. However, 42 of those families were new registrants! For the coming week we can use:

- Pancake and cornbread mix
- Pancake syrup
- Pasta sauce
- Clean plastic grocery and newspaper bags
- 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.

Habitat for Humanity - Holy Hammers Volunteer Opportunities Update

The Production Shop work dates below will be indoors and you'll be painting siding, trim and doors - perfect for anyone needing a less physical activity while working inside OR for younger family members (you only need to be 14 to help in the Shop!)

- 3 of 5 spots remaining on **Saturday, March 9 at the Production Shop (520 Raritan Way, Denver, CO, 80204) from 9am-4pm - Get signed up by Feb. 23!**
- 4 of 5 spots on **Saturday, April 20 at the Production Shop (520 Raritan Way, Denver, CO, 80204) from 9am-4pm.**

The new construction site work dates below will be at Mountain View Homes which is a community of ten 3 & 4 bedroom duplexes being built by Habitat on land provided by Mt. View United Church.

- 4 of 5 spots remaining on **Saturday, March 23 at the New Construction site, Mountain View Homes (2101 S Joliet St, Aurora, CO, 80014) from 8:50am-4:30pm.**
- 5 spots on **Saturday, April 6 at the New Construction site, Mountain View Homes (2101 S Joliet St, Aurora, CO, 80014) from 8:50am-4:30pm.**

The link for registration and sign up is **holyyhammers.denver.volunteerhub.com/**. Go to Volunteer Website. In upper right corner click on Create Account. When completing "Affiliations" indicate that you are a Group Volunteer and when asked if you are a member of a Holy Hammers congregation select St. Philip Lutheran Church from the drop down menu. Volunteers must be 16 or older – no experience is needed. Volunteers for Production Shop: Painting can be 14 or older. Contact **Rich Allee** if you have any questions.

Habitat ReStore Large Item Donations - It's So Easy!

We just donated a big sectional sofa to the Littleton ReStore - we scheduled the pick up online and it was picked up two days later for FREE! You can go to the Littleton ReStore website to take a look at what large items they accept (which is just about everything!) and schedule a pick up: <https://habitatmetrodenver.org/restore/locations/littleton-restore-map/>.

Events

The Lutheran Choral

The Lutheran Choral is pleased to announce their upcoming March concerts. We will be singing familiar hymns which encompass The Lord's Prayer. Our Spring Concert will take place **March 10 at 2:30pm** at Abiding Hope Church (6337 S. Robb Way, Littleton), and at **6:30pm** at Bethlehem Lutheran Church (2100 Wadsworth Blvd, Lakewood)

In addition, we will once again host a choral workshop on **Saturday, March 9**. Details to come, but all singers are invited to join us.

Bible Studies

Pub Theology

Pub Theology is not your traditional Bible study, it is a gathering of people who drink beer (or root beer or water) 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 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 are 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. 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

Join Deacon Korra on Wednesday evenings at 6:30pm for "The Good and Beautiful Bible Study." During the season of Lent, we will meet in MC-1 since the prayer stations are in the Small Chapel. This week we will be discussing the story of Naaman.

Men's Group Pizza Night

Join the men's group for pizza, conversation and fellowship! We are calling all men ages 18-118 to join us! Pizza Nights are on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month from 6-7pm in MC-4/5. Come have a bite and join in the fellowship!



"Focus on Native Composers"

APRIL 13, 2024 @ 2PM

Ken Caryl Concerts is collaborating with Celebration of Native Arts to present this concert.

The program will feature works composed by Jerod Impichchaachaaha' Tate, Beverley McKiver, Brent Michael Davids, Jessica McMann, and more.

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Prayer for Peace

“We are ALL God’s Children”

What: Interfaith Prayer for Peace

Who: ALL are welcome

When: Sunday, March 3, 2024 7PM

Where: St. Philip Lutheran Church

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Littleton, CO. 80128

***Refreshments will follow a brief program**



Calendar of Events

February 28-March 10, 2024

Wednesday, February 28 9:30a – Men’s Bible Study (YR) 9:30a – Women’s Bible Study (MC-1) 6:00p – Confirmation (FH) 6:00p – High School Youth Group (FH, YR) 6:00p – Men’s Pizza Night (MC-4/5) 6:00p – Women’s Bible Study (MC-1) 7:00p – Littleton Gem & Mineral (MC-3) 7:00p – Choir Rehearsal (Sanc.)	Tuesday, March 5 9:00a – Grateful Threads (FH-1 & 2) 10:00a – SPLC Staff Meetings (MC-3) 1:45p – SPELC Staff Meeting (MC-4/5) 5:30p – Camp Gladiator 7:00p – Boy Scouts (FH) 7:00p – Tuesday Night Bible Study (offsite)
Thursday, February 29 7:30a – Men’s Breakfast (offsite) 5:30p – Camp Gladiator 6:00p – CHCA Meeting (MC-1) 7:30p – Prayer Team (Zoom)	Wednesday, March 6 10:00a – Senior Ministries Meeting (MC-1) 6:00p – Confirmation (FH) 6:00p – High School Youth Group (FH, YR) 6:00p – Women’s Bible Study
Friday, March 1 <i>Church office open 8am—noon</i> 9:00a – Altaira Flute Ensemble (YR) 1:00p – Montague Memorial Service (Sanc.) 1:30p – CMTA Achievement Day Set Up	Thursday, March 7 7:30a – Men’s Breakfast (offsite) 5:30p – Camp Gladiator 6:15p – Pack 47 (MC-4/5) 7:30p – Prayer Team (Zoom)
Saturday, March 2 8:00a – CMTA Achievement Day (Sanc., Narthex, FH, Kitchen) 10:30a – Al-Anon (MC-3)	Friday, March 8 <i>Church office open 8am—noon</i> 9:00a – Altaira Flute Ensemble (YR) 8:00p – Troop 554 Lock In Overnight
Sunday, March 3 9:00a – Worship in person & online 10:15a – Sunday School (FH) 10:15a – Faith and Fellowship (6-12th grades, YR) 10:30a – Adult Faith Formation (MC-3) 10:30a – Rejoicing Spirits Service (Sanc, MC-4/5) 7:00p – Interfaith Prayer for Peace (Sanc.)	Saturday, March 9 8:00a – Passport to Holy Week Set Up (FH) 8:30a – Second Wind (MC-1) 10:30a – Al-Anon (MC-3) 11:30a – Al-Anon Business Mtg. (MC-3) 5:00p – Saturday Evening Worship (Sanc.)
Monday, March 4 9:00a – Women’s Bible Study (FS) 6:35p – Pub Theology (offsite) 7:00p – Troop 554 Committee Mtg.	Sunday, March 10 9:00a – Worship in person & online 10:15a – Passport to Holy Week (FH) 10:30a – Adult Faith Formation (MC-4/5) 3:00p – Sedalia Spurs 4-H Club (MC-4/5)



Our Prayer List

Members

Brian Counterman, Julie Wall, Flo Figge, Carolyn Endecott, Jim & Carolyn Smith, Phyllis Kemp, Bob Wagner

Family Members

Grant Spooner (Carolyn Endecott's cousin)
Vicki (Sandi Luoma's sister)
Andrea Belford (Marilyn & Ed Belford's grand-daughter-in-law)
Ginger (Tom & LeRae Schnickel's sister-in-law)
Loren Gifford (Michael & Sandi Stevermer's brother-in-law)
Jennie Valentine (Dorie & Mike Werner's daughter-in-law)
Dianne Votaw (Sandi Stevermer's sister)

Lenny Ermold (Joanne Ermold's nephew)
Clarissa Lee (Sharon Peters' niece)
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)

Friends

Samuel Daniel (Hammer)
Kathy Hall (Belford)
The Fox Family (Stevermer)

John Small (Rhodes)
Beth & Michael (Flatley)
Conrad & family (Anderson)

We pray for the, 'Rejoicing Spirits' worship service this Sunday. We pray that it will meet a need in our community for those with sensory processing disorders and all other special needs. Guide our planning team in expressing God's unconditional love and grace to all

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.

Preparing for Worship - March 3, 2024 Third Sunday in Lent
First Reading: Exodus 20:1-17
Second Reading: I Corinthians 1:18-25
Gospel Reading: John 2:13-22



Worship Servants for Sunday, March 3, 2024	
Pastor Brad Doty, preaching; Deacon Korra Looschen, presiding	
Assisting Minister	George Rasmussen
Lector	Jim Smith
Acolyte	TBD
Communion Servant	Penny Selden
Sacrament Servants	Suzanne Peterson, Monica Auch
Greeters	Mary Hatlestad, Carole Kessler
Ushers	Tom Flatley
Key Keeper	Week beginning Mar. 3: Tom Schnickel



Jesus answered them,
“Destroy this temple,
and in three days
I will raise it up.”

John 2:19



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