# St. Philip Information and News (SPIN)

**April 2, 2025** 

# **Worship News**

# Mary's Heart Drama to be Performed in Worship on April 6

In this season of Lent as we reflect on our lives and our need for God's forgiveness, we look forward to Easter where we celebrate God's defeat over sin and death through Christ's resurrection. Have you ever thought about what Mary, the mother of Jesus, went through and what she was thinking during the life, death and resurrection of Jesus? In worship, on **Sunday, April 6**, Sherri Martinelli is going to perform her drama: Mary's Heart, the perspective of a mother, Jesus mother. St. Philip welcomes Sherri Martinelli back after sharing her drama on Esther at the St. Philip Women's Gathering last fall. We hope you are able to join us for worship on **April 6**.

#### Rejoicing Spirits

The next Rejoicing Spirits Gathering is on **Saturday, April 12 from 4-6:30pm**. Our theme is Journey to Easter as we journey from Palm Sunday to Easter. The dinner will be a ham dinner with all the fixings. We hope you are able to attend this gathering for all, geared towards those who have intellectual and developmental disabilities.

#### Easter Lilies

Help us decorate the sanctuary for Easter Sunday by purchasing Easter lilies! Cost is \$20. Dedicate your lily in honor or in memory of someone you love. You may take your lilies home after the last service on Easter Sunday. Contact the church office or fill out an order card before worship on Sunday.

#### Altar Flowers

Altar flowers for this coming Sunday have been given by Heather & Charles Varnell in celebration of the birthdays of their daughters Emilie and Elizabeth.

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.

## **Church News**

#### Butterbraids & Honey Baked Ham Gift Cards

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 April 6** to order. St. Philip will earn 40% from each sale. Butterbraids will be available for pick up on **Sunday April 13** after church.

We will also be selling Honey Baked Ham Gift Cards. These can be ordered on Sunday mornings **through April 16**. We will earn 20% from each sale of gift cards.

Contact Melinda Svenkerud (msvenkerud@stphilip-co.org) if you have any questions.

#### Egg-My-Yard Fundraiser

Let our Peeps do the work for you! Fill out an order form and our youth will hide candy/ trinket filled eggs in your yard on Saturday evening April 19. Let us be the Easter Bunny for you!

15 eggs - \$15

30 eggs - \$25

50 eggs - \$35

Egg your yard and egg your friends yards! We are happy to egg ALL the yards. All proceeds will benefit our High School Mission Trip to North Carolina this summer. Thanks for your support!

#### Easter Breakfast

Our traditional Easter Breakfast will take place on **Sunday, April 20 at 9am**; hosted by the Men's Group. All are welcome and bring a friend too! There is no cost; however an optional freewill offering will be accepted and appreciated.

#### St. Philip Supper Club

#### Friday, April 25, 2025 at 6:00 pm at JERUSALEM RESTAURANT

1890 E Evans Ave, Denver—RSVP: juleyallee@gmail.com or call/text 303-915-3620

St. Philip Supper Club's culinary trip around the world continues! April is Israeli Food Month for St. Philip Supper Club at Jerusalem Restaurant in Denver near University of Denver campus. Jerusalem Restaurant is an iconic and well-loved eatery that has served Denver since 1978. This seemed a logical choice since we are observing Lent and celebrating Palm Sunday and Easter in April!

Are you a finicky eater between the ages of 2 and 100? No worries—there are lettuce salads, grilled chicken, french fries and onion rings (and chocolate cake!) so there is no excuse not to join in on the fun! Maybe you'd like to try something new! Peruse the menu at https://jerusalemrestaurant.com/menu. Our gracious host, Muhammed, is eager to welcome us and offers his wonderful hospitality. The favor of a reply is requested by or before April 20 so that we can let Muhammed know how many of us to expect. All are welcome! Carpooling from the St. Philip parking lot can be arranged—just let Juley know if you're interested. Hope to see you there!

NEXT MONTH: We are meeting Friday, May 23, 2025 and the cuisine will be Thai food! Stay tuned!

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

#### Sharing with Sheridan Food Pantry

Barely into the first week of spring, it sure felt like summer as we gathered to serve **191** families (615 neighbors). We are indebted to our fabulous Columbine Kiwanis and other dedicated volunteers who come with boundless energy and smiles to welcome all who come. For the coming week we can use: **dry mac & cheese**, **dry pasta**, **peanut butter**, **jelly/jam**, **clean plastic grocery & newspaper bags**. **We continue to be overstocked with egg cartons with no additional storage**. Thank you for your ongoing support.

## Put Your Faith into Action! St. Philip/Holy Hammers Work Date on June 21st No Experience Needed

We'll be working at Augustana Homes which is a community of four 3 & 4 bedroom - 2 bath duplexes being built on land provided by Augustana Lutheran Church. Unit 1 is completed and the first new homeowner was selected this week!

• 7 spots are reserved for our group - there are 6 remaining on **Saturday, June 21 at the New Construction site,** Augustana Homes (5088 E. Dakota Ave., Denver) from 7:50am-3:30pm.

**ReStore and the Production Shop** work dates are indoors and are 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 or at the ReStore!)

Future Holy Hammer indoor work dates will be listed here - No experience is needed. Contact Rich Allee for more information.

If you want to help but the Holy Hammers dates listed above don't fit your schedule just get in touch with Rich Allee - there are lots of other Habitat for Humanity opportunities indoors AND outdoors - we'll find something that works for you! We can also arrange a date for your work or social group to volunteer together - it's a great team builder!

#### Volunteer on June 7 at the Rockies Bobblehead Giveaway Night!

Volunteer to hand out Brenton Doyle Bobbleheads before the 7:40pm game to raise funds for Holy Hammers - anyone 16 or older is welcome! You'll receive a Rockies T-shirt, a Brenton Doyle Bobblehead, free game ticket and \$1 Parking in the Employee Lot. Send your phone number, email address and the number of volunteers in your group to Rich Allee and the number of volunteers to get signed up and receive all the details.

# Bible Studies/Small Groups Monday

#### Monday Women's Bible Study

Monday Women's Bible study meets on the **1st and 3rd Mondays of the month from 9-11am** in the Fireside room. Contact Juli Cooley at jhcool519@gmail.com for information.

#### **Book Club**

Invitation for book readers! Come join us for lively discussion and fellowship in BOOK CLUB. We meet the second Monday from 9:30-11am in the fireside room. For further information contact Sue Miller at 303-619-0661 or sue.miller50@comcast.net; or Beth Faerber at 570-574-5243 or efaerber@hotmail.com.

#### Praver Shawl Group

Prayer Shawl Ministry meets the **2nd Monday of the month** at church in the Fireside Room at **1pm**. For more information, contact Linda Tegeder or Ana Tolentino.

#### 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. There are different brews and there are different views, so come join the conversation and hang out with us. We meet 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.

# **Tuesday**

#### Family Bible Study

#### **Every Tuesday Night from 7-9pm.**

Meeting at the Selander Home (6338 S Harlan Way in the Leawood subdivision) All adult members of our congregation are welcome to attend.

Our study continues with the relationship of the Old and New Testaments. This is an in-depth study of ancient text interpretation by Rabbinic and modern-day scholars. This year we will be centering around the book of Revelation. Each week Rudy Swenson will lead a different discussion of this most fascinating book of the Bible. Please come and join us whenever you can. Any questions call Paul at 303-241-0321.

# **Wednesday**

#### Wednesday Morning Women's Bible Study

Wednesday Morning Women's Bible Study meets the **2nd and 4th Wednesdays of each month from 9:30-11am**. We are reading and discussing the book "Forgiveness—A Lenten Study" by Marjorie J. Thompson. The book is available online. We hope you will join us. Please contact Chris Youngren for more information at 303-973-3096.

#### Wednesday Morning Men's Bible Study

The Wednesday morning Men's Bible Study meets on the **2**<sup>nd</sup> **and 4**<sup>th</sup> **Wednesdays from 9:30-11am**. For more information, contact Bill Colbenson at 720-381-3348.

#### Wednesday Night Women's Bible Study

The Women's Wednesday Night Bible Study will meet in MC-3 at 6:30pm this week. We will be led by Kat Bailey on Lesson Seven - "God Delivers Us." You are welcome to have dinner with the youth at 6pm before our study begins.

#### Men's Group Pizza Night

Join the men's group for pizza, conversation and fellowship! 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!



# **Events**

# **April Dance Lesson**

#### Saturday, April 26 at St. Philip in the Fellowship Hall

Let's get ready for wedding season! Our amazing instructors will teach us to swing and two-step our way around the dance floor. Cost is \$40 per couple and the lesson is from 6-7:30pm. We'll learn the basics of swing and some cool moves, then take a break. Then we'll move on to a two-step.



Are you interested in being involved with Church Council? Does being involved with the new next five-year strategic plan for St. Philip excite you? Would you like to help the congregation know where we are going for the foreseeable future? Do you love our community and our congregation? Then please contact Juley Allee, St. Philip Nominating Committee, and let us know! (juleyallee@gmail.com or text/call 303-915-3620) You can also speak with committee members Amy Rahne, Jon Leonard, Karen Donaho, Ericka McDaniel, or Pastor Brad. Council members are members of St. Philip who commit to serve three years, and the meetings are on the 4th Sunday of each month after the Sunday school hour or right after worship in the summer. (There's a Christmas party too!)

Looking for a shorter term of service, or maybe something a little easier to get your feet wet? We are looking for St. Philip members to serve on the Nominating Committee. The term for Nominating Committee is one year, we have 3-4 meetings during that year and are responsible for recruiting council members, and also members to represent St. Philip at the Rocky Mountain Synod Assembly along with Pastor Brad. Again, please talk with any of the nominating committee or email juleyal-lee@gmail.com or call/text 303-915-3620.

St. Philip Youth Group Presents:

# **EGG-MY-YARD**

# FUNDRAISER



Order your candy/trinket filled eggs and our Peeps will do all the work!

Eggs will be hidden in your yard on Saturday Evening April 19<sup>th</sup>!

All proceeds will benefit our summer mission trip to North Carolina!

You can also sign up to Egg someone else's yard too!

15 Eggs \$15

30 Eggs \$25

50 Eggs \$35



Name:			
Email Address: Phone #			
Address for eggs to be hidden:			
Any Special Instructions: (front yard, back yard, go through gate on side etc.):			
15 eggs 25 eggs 50 Eggs			
Payment: Cash Check Venmo (scan QR code above)			
Please include payment with form – turn forms into the church office by April 15th			



# Preparing for Worship - April 6, 2025 Fifth Sunday in Lent

First Reading: Isaiah 43:16-21

Second Reading: Philippians 3:4b-14

Gospel Reading: John 12:1-8

Worship Servants for Sunday, April 6, 2025			
Drama "Mary's Heart" presented by Sherri Martinelli; Music-Sanctuary Choir			
Assisting Minister	George Rasmussen		
Lector	Jane Clausen		
<b>Communion Servants</b>	Linda Tegeder, TBD		
Sacrament Servants	Sandi Stevermer, Nancy Schell		
Greeters	Tom & Mary Flatley		
Ushers	Jon Dierksheide; Greg Luer		
Key Keeper	Week beginning April 6: Gaylen Rapp		

# Om Prayer List

On Wednesdays a more detailed prayer list is released via email. If you would like to be added to this list, please contact Angela Seep at aseep@stphilip-co.org or 303.979.4491. Prayer requests will run for two weeks unless otherwise requested.

## St. Philip Community

Theo Leonard, Joanne Ermold, Family & friends of Carl & Rita Kuenne, Marcia Wagner, Phyllis Kemp

#### Family Members

Michael (Tom & Mary Flatley's brother-in-law) John Kemp (Larry Kemp's father) Family & friends of Barbara (Brad Reed's cousin) Bryan Andra (Dori Hammer's cousin) Gary (Tom Silco's brother) Lauren (Anne & Tom Henning's niece) Carol Thomas (Juli Cooley's sister) Ginger Schnickel (LeRae & Tom Schnickel's sister- Ryan Ermold (Joanne Ermold's son) in-law) Barbara (Karen Otto's niece) Erik Hanson (Martha Hanson's son)

Margy Crary (Anne Krause's aunt) Matthew Hall (Marilyn Belford's grandson-in-law) **Anna** (Liz & Brad Reed's granddaughter) Laura Hughes (Nancy Schell's daughter) Jim Flatley (Tom Flatley's brother) Caroline Carroll (Harriet Truman's daughter) Clarissa Lee (Sharon Peters' niece) Jenna Ermold (Joanne Ermold's daughter) Ron Ermold (Joanne Ermold's husband) **Tim Booth** (Tom Booth's brother)

# Friends

The VanDyke family (Stevermer) Teddy (Flatlev) Tina (Reed) Family & friends of Barbara (Shibly) **Kevin** (Anderson)

Family & friends of Laura (Collins) Kevin & family (Otto) Lisa Wycoff (Burgess; Mossbrucker) Ruth (SPELC) Ryan Gaibler (Thomas)

Prayers for all those suffering through domestic violence.

Prayers of remembrance and love for all our homebound members.

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

Prayers for healing and comfort for those suffering with physical and mental injuries, anxiety, and depression.

Prayers for those who are insecure about food, shelter, and acceptance. Prayers for people who live in fear of discrimination and violence.



# **Calendar of Events**

# April 2-13, 2025

Wednesday, April 2 5:00p – Puppet Ministry (FH) 6:00p – Confirmation (FH, kitchen, Chapel) 6:00p – Sr. High Youth Group (FH, YR, Chapel) 6:30p – Choir Rehearsal (Sanc.) 6:30p – Women's Night Bible Study (MC-3)	Tuesday, April 8 9:00a – League of Women Voters (MC-3) 1:00p – Mahjong Group (MC-1) 1:00p – SPLC Worship Planning Mtg. (MC-3) 1:30p – SPLC Staff Meeting (MC-3) 5:30p – Camp Gladiator 7:00p – Boy Scouts (FH) 7:00p – SPELC Board Meeting (MC-4/5) 7:00p – Tues. Night Bible Study (offsite)
Thursday, April 3 7:30a – Men's Breakfast (offsite) 5:30p – Camp Gladiator 6:00p – CHCA Meeting (MC-1) 6:15p – Cub Scout Pack 47 (MC-4/5, FH) 7:00p – Bell Rehearsal (Sanc.) 7:30p – Prayer Team (Zoom)	Wednesday, April 9 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, Chapel) 6:00p – Sr. High Youth Group (FH, YR, Chapel) 6:00p – Men's Pizza Night (MC-4/5) 6:30p – Choir Rehearsal (Sanc.) 6:30p – Women's Night Bible Study (MC-3)
Friday, April 4 Church office open 8am-12pm No activities scheduled	Thursday, April 10 7:30a – Men's Breakfast (offsite) 4:15p – Webelos Meeting (MC-4/5, FH) 5:30p – Camp Gladiator 7:00p – Bell Rehearsal (Sanc.) 7:30p – Prayer Team (Zoom)
Saturday, April 5 9:00a – Grateful Threads Presentation (FH, kitchen) 9:30a – Art Quilt Bee (MC-4/5) 10:30a – Al-Anon (MC-3)	Friday, April 11 Church office open 8am-12pm 3:00p – Rita Kuenne Memorial Service (Sanc., FH)
Sunday, April 6 9:00a – Worship 10:15a – Sunday School (FH-1) 10:15a – Faith and Fellowship (6th-12th grades) 10:30a – Adult Forum (MC-4/5) 1:00p – CMTA Recital (Sanc., Narthex) 3:00p – Sedalia Spurs (MC-4/5, FH)	Saturday, April 12 8:00a – Set up Passport to Holy Week (FH) 8:30a – Second Saturday (MC-1) 10:30a – Al-Anon (MC-3) 11:30a – Al-Anon Business Meeting (MC-3) 4:00p – Rejoicing Spirits (MC-4/5) 5:00p – Saturday Evening Service (Sanc.)
Monday, April 7 9:00a – Women's Bible Study (FS) 11:30a – Silver Sages (MC-4/5) 6:35p – Pub Theology (offsite)	Sunday, April 13-Palm/Passion Sunday 9:00a – Worship 10:30a – Passport to Holy Week (FH) 10:30a – Adult Faith Formation (MC-4/5)



# Sunday, April 13 Palm/Passion Sunday

Worship at 9am
Passport to Holy Week - Fellowship Hall 10:30am

# Thursday, April 17 Maundy Thursday

Seder Meal - Meal & Worship in Fellowship Hall 6pm RSVP to Liz Reed

Friday, April 18
Good Friday
Worship at 6:30pm

# Sunday, April 20 Easter Sunday

Worship at 8am & 10am Easter Breakfast at 9am Easter Egg Hunt at 9:30am

All are welcome!



# FREE PAINT RECYCLING EVENT!

SATURDAY, JUNE 14, 2025 9:00AM - 1:00PM

St. Philip Lutheran Church

7531 S. Kendall Blvd. Littleton, CO 80128

# Accepting

Oil-based
Acrylic
Latex
Stains
Shellacs
Lacquers
Sealers
Varnishes
Urethanes

# **Not Accepting**

Spray paint
Paint thinner
Solvents
Cleansing agents
Adhesives
Roof patch
Drywall mud



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# **All Paint Recycling is FREE**

Voluntary donations will support St. Philip's High School Mission trip to NC to help with Hurricane Helene relief.

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