

St. Philip Information and News (SPIN)

November 26, 2025



The church office will be closed on Thursday, November 27 and Friday, November 28 for the Thanksgiving holiday.

Worship News

Christmas Poinsettias

Each year we decorate our sanctuary with beautiful poinsettias for Christmas. You can help by purchasing a poinsettia. The cost is \$20, and you can take your plant home after the last Christmas Eve service which is at 7pm. Contact the church office (aseep@stphilip-co.org)

Children's Christmas Program

**Joy to the World-A Christmas Program with our Children and Youth
Sunday, December 7 @ 9am service**

This Christmas season, we are excited to announce our special program titled "Joy to the World"—a celebration led by the voices and hearts of our children and youth. Christmas is more than lights, gifts, and carols—it is the story of Jesus, the greatest gift of all. And who better to share this story than our young ones, whose faith and joy remind us of the wonder of that holy night?

All children & youth are invited to be a part of this special program. We will rehearse our songs, music, etc. this Sunday from 10:15 - 11:15am in the Fellowship Hall. We will also rehearse Sunday (11/30) during worship. The kids are invited to join Ms. Melinda in the Fellowship Hall immediately following Children's Conversation. We will rehearse songs for the Christmas program, and the kids will return to the Sanctuary during the offering. You do not have to attend all of the rehearsals to be a part of our program. We would love to include all of our children & youth! For questions please reach out to Melinda.

Church News

The Great Can Quest: Youth in Action!

This November, our youth group is launching **The Great Can Quest**—a friendly, high-energy competition with a powerful purpose. Three teams will go head-to-head to collect the most canned goods and non-perishable items, all to help support families in our community who are facing food insecurity during the holiday season. Every can counts, and every donation helps bring warmth and nourishment to a neighbor in need. Join us in cheering on our youth as they rally together with compassion, creativity, and a whole lot of canned goods! **Drop-off bins will be available through November 30. Let's stack those shelves and spread some love! All food items collected will be given to Sharing with Sheridan.**

Church Christmas Decorating & Potluck

Have you put up your Christmas tree yet? Advent is just around the corner! The first Sunday of Advent is November 30 and we are going to decorate the church and sanctuary for Christmas on **Wednesday, December 3**. Everyone is invited to join us to decorate for Christmas. We will begin at **6:00pm** with a potluck soup supper and then decorate the church.

Volunteer Opportunities/Donations/Service

Sharing with Sheridan Food Pantry

Last Thursday, we gathered to serve **166** families (541 neighbors). Our Thanksgiving distribution took place on Tuesday, Nov. 25 and we were generally well prepared. Thank you for your continuing support.

Holy Hammers

Griffith Station is Coming Up!

Our next project will be Griffith Station near I-70 and Wadsworth in Arvada. This is a 1.2 acre development of 20 affordable homes with 3 and 4 bedrooms. The official groundbreaking was on Aug. 28th and we expect to have work dates available in mid-November.

In the meantime there are lots of other Habitat for Humanity opportunities indoors AND outdoors. We can also arrange a date for your work, social or service group to volunteer together - it's a great team builder! Get in touch with Rich Allee and we'll find something that works for you!

REMEMBER THE LITTLETON HABITAT RESTORE at 7890 W. Quincy Ave. They stock a wide variety of new and gently used home improvement items, including furniture, appliances, building materials, tools, home decor, lighting and plumbing fixtures. If you have items to donate, you can drop them off - they will also pick up large items at your home. Go to habitatmetrodenver.org/restore/donate/ to schedule a free pickup. The Denver area Restores contributed nearly \$1 million to building affordable homes in 2024!

Bible Study/Small Groups (Ongoing)

Monday

Monday Morning Women's Bible Study

Monday Morning Women's Bible Study meets the 1st & 3rd Monday of each month from 9-11am in the Fireside Room. We will be continuing the Matthew Bible study that we started last year. Study by Warren W. Wiersbe, *Be Loyal-Following the King of Kings* (version that has the **dog** on the front cover). Contact Juli Cooley with questions. (jhcool519@gmail.com)

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.

Prayer 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.

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

Tuesday Night Bible Study

Every Tuesday Night from 7-9pm

Meeting at the Selander Home (6338 S Harlan Way in the Leawood subdivision)
Or join us on Zoom. Call Paul at 303-241-0321 for the link.

Our study continues with the history, culture, and language of the Old and New Testaments. This year we will begin with Traditions in the Church as well as the Jewish Festivals and how they involve the Messiah. From there we will explore the Torah, starting with Genesis. 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

Wednesday Morning Women's Bible Study

Meets the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month at church from 9:30 to 11:00am. Our study will be the Book of John, which focuses on proving that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and Jesus's life and ministry. We hope you will join us. Contact Chris Youngren at 303-973-3096 or ctyoungren@gmail.com for more information.

Wednesday Morning Men's Bible Study

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

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!



Wednesday Night Women's Bible Study

We will NOT meet on Wednesday, November 26, since there will be an evening church service followed by a pie social for Thanksgiving. Blessings to all.

Phishing for Information

St. Philip has received an email from an unknown email address claiming to be one of our staff members. They were requesting us to send them a PDF of our church directory. This would give them access to all of our members and their contact information. Please be advised to **never** give out church member information to anyone you do not know. We do not give out our members' information to anyone we do not know. **Also, ALWAYS check the email address to ensure it is from the person they are claiming to be; especially if you are receiving an email from Pastor Brad requesting anything. As a reminder, we do not send emails to the congregation asking for gift cards or money!**

St. Philip has received A LOT of phone calls lately requesting assistance - specifically financial assistance. Many, if not all of them, are scam calls so we have decided to inform people the way we support those in need is through our Sharing with Sheridan food pantry. We also refer people to The Action Center and Love INC. However, **if you are in need during this difficult time or any time, please contact Pastor Brad as we do have a fund to help church members and active visitors.**

Preparing for Worship - November 30, 2025 First Sunday of Advent
First Reading: Isaiah 2:1-5
Second Reading: Romans 13:11-14
Gospel Reading: Matthew 24:36-44

Worship Servants for Sunday, November 30, 2025	
Assisting Minister	George Rasmussen
Lector	Jim Smith
Communion Servants	Linda Tegeder, Amy Rahne
Sacrament Servants	Mary Hatlestad, Carole Kessler, Nancy Schell
Greeters	Adam & Andi Pedigo
Ushers	Mike Werner, Jon Dierksheide
Key Keeper	Week beginning Nov. 30: Mike Burgess

Happy Birthday, Jesus!

REJOICING SPIRITS

Sunday | December 7 | 5-7:00PM

ST. PHILIP LUTHERAN CHURCH

7531 S Kendall Blvd, Littleton, CO 80128

Join us for our Rejoicing Spirits Ministry!

Rejoicing Spirits is a ministry for all; specifically, for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities. We'll gather in the Fellowship Hall for a meal, a faith story, games and fellowship. We will then head to the Chapel to worship together with fun songs and Holy Communion.



For more information, contact Pastor Brad at bdoty@stphilip-co.org

Our 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

JoAnn Breitbach, Jeanne Rasmussen, Karen Morin, Betty Welch, Rob Murphy

Family Members

Emily (Brad & Liz Reed's daughter)
Jack Thomson (Sandi Stevermer's cousin)
Scott Thomson (Sandi Stevermer's cousin)
Marshall Cooper (Paula Rogge's uncle)
Gail Plagman (Karen Otto's sister)
Al Votaw (Sandi Stevermer's brother-in-law)
Hunter Pierson (Sophia Hassman's brother)
Brianna Van Gorder (Marilyn Belford's grand-daughter)

Lauren Person (Mary Flatley's daughter)
Ginger Schnickel (LeRae & Tom Schnickel's sister-in-law)
Barbara (Karen Otto's niece)
Erik Hanson (Martha Hanson's son)
Margy Crary (Anne Krause's aunt)
Laura Hughes (Nancy Schell's daughter)
Jim Flatley (Tom Flatley's brother)
Clarissa Lee (Sharon Peters' niece)
Tim Booth (Tom Booth's brother)

Friends

Dick & Jill (Philpy)
Ginger (Werner)
Scott (Reed)
Dave (Anderson)
Kassi Moy (Hensley)
Family & friends of Austin (Haggenjos)

Cathy (Anderson)
Nicole (Anderson)
Danielle (Anderson)
Kathy Buddy (Shibly)
Lisa Wycoff (Burgess/Mossbrucker)
Ryan Gaibler (Thomas)

Prayers of remembrance and love for all our homebound members, those with health issues, and those who worship from home.

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

Prayers for healing and comfort for those suffering with physical issues, 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

November 26-December 7, 2025

Wednesday, November 26 9:30a – Men's Bible Study (YR) 9:30a – Women's Bible Study (MC-1) 6:00p – Thanksgiving Eve Service (Sanc.) 7:00p – Pie Social (FH, Kitchen) 7:00p – Littleton Gem & Mineral (MC-3)	Tuesday, December 2 9:00a – Grateful Threads (FH-1 & 2) 1:00p – Mahjong Group (YR) 1:15p – SPLC Worship Planning (MC-3) 1:45p – SPLC Staff Meeting (MC-3) 7:00p – Bell Rehearsal (Sanc.) 7:00p – Boy Scouts (FH) 7:00p – Tues. Night Bible Study (offsite)
Thursday, November 27-Thanksgiving Day Church office closed	Wednesday, December 3 11:30a – Silver Sages Christmas Fest (MC-4/5) 6:00p – Christmas Decorating (whole building) 6:30p – Choir Rehearsal (Sanc.) 6:30p – Wed. Eve. Women's Bible Study (MC-3)
Friday, November 28 Church office closed	Thursday, December 4 7:30a – Men's Breakfast (offsite) 6:00p – CHCA Meeting (MC-1) 6:00p – Cub Scout Pack 47 (FH, MC-4/5) 7:30p – Prayer Team (Zoom)
Saturday, November 29 10:30a – Al-Anon (MC-3)	Friday, December 5 <i>Church office open 9am-noon</i> No activities scheduled
Sunday, November 30 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, December 6 9:00a – CO Quilting Council Mtg. (Sanc.) 9:30a – Art Quilting Guild (MC-4/5) 10:30a – Al-Anon (MC-3) 12:00p – CO Quilting Council Luncheon (FH, kitchen) 12:00p – Take down quilts (Sanc.) 12:30p – Golden Eagle Concert Set Up (Sanc.) 2:00p – Golden Eagle Concert (Sanc.) 2:00p – Set up for Journey to Bethlehem (FH)
Monday, December 1 5:45a – Walk with Jesus 9:00a – Women's Bible Study 6:35p – Pub Theology (offsite)	Sunday, December 7 9:00a – Worship-Children's Christmas Program 10:15a – Journey to Bethlehem (FH) 10:15a – Memory Tree Service (outside) 10:30a – Adult Faith Formation (MC-4/5) 12:30p – Piano Recital (Sanc.) 5:00p – Rejoicing Spirits (FH, Chapel)

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<p>Saturday, December 6, 2025 2:00pm St. Philip Lutheran Church 7531 S Kendall Blvd Littleton, CO 80128</p>	<p>Saturday, December 13, 2025 2:00pm Wheat Ridge United Methodist 7530 W 38th Avenue Wheat Ridge, CO 80033</p>
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December 7, 2025

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Covenant Living of Colorado
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Westminster, CO



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