

St. Philip Information and News (SPIN)

December 31, 2025



Worship News

Altar Flowers

Altar flowers for this coming Sunday have been given by Mark & Kim Woods in loving memory of their mothers, both of whom celebrated their birthdays on New Year's Day; Fumiko Woods and Carole Jacob.

Sign up for altar flowers for **2026** 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

SAVE THE DATE for the 2026 Chili Cook Off

The Chili Cook-Off is set for January 31! Start planning your recipe now! More details coming soon.

St. Philip Men's Group Sponsored Camp Out—Save the Date!

Our third annual camp out dates are announced! Mark your calendars for **August 7-10, 2026**. We are making it a 3-night stay for those who like the cabins. Details will follow in the months ahead.

St. Philip Supper Club

Sunday, January 18, 2026 at 5pm

Zaika Indian Cuisine, 151 W. Mineral Ave, #109

RSVP by or before Jan 13, 2026

<https://www.zaikalittleton.com/>

Our next supper club is at Zaika Indian Cuisine. If you love Indian food, this place is for you. If you've never had Indian food, we will help you navigate the menu. Please join us! All are welcome! **RSVP by or before Jan 13, 2026**. Please indicate if you would like a ride or if you are willing to drive a carpool. Text, email, call: 303-915-3620 or jul-eyallee@gmail.com.

2025 Habitat for Humanity Gingerbread House Competition

Thank you to everyone who contributed to our Gingerbread House Campaign! We exceeded our goal! Your generosity will help give a hand up to eligible families in the Denver area who are in need of affordable housing.

With love,

Rich & Juley, Holy Hammers Ministry

Happy New Year ♡ *Happy New Year* ♡ *Happy New Year*

Volunteer Opportunities/Donations/Service

Sharing with Sheridan Food Pantry

On Tuesday, December 24, our festive volunteers welcomed just **94** families (268 neighbors) to our abundant distribution. We held distribution again on Tuesday December 30 in advance of the New Year's holiday. Due to the overwhelming, generous donations we've received over the past many weeks we are well-stocked and lack nothing for the upcoming distribution.

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. 28. Work dates will be announced as soon as they are available.

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

The Wednesday Night Women's Bible Study will not meet for the rest of December. We will resume in January. Looking forward to seeing you then!



Preparing for Worship - January 4, 2026 Epiphany Sunday
First Reading: Isaiah 60:1-6
Second Reading: Ephesians 3:1-12
Gospel Reading: Matthew 2:1-12



Worship Servants for Sunday, January 4, 2026	
Assisting Minister	Jan Philpy
Lector	Jan Philpy
Communion Servants	Sandi Stevermer, TBD
Pew Communion Servant	Anne Krause
Sacrament Servants	Penny Selden, Lynn Mossbrucker
Greeters	Mike & Dorie Werner
Ushers	Tim Young, Chuck Rogge
Key Keeper	Week beginning Jan. 4: Juley & Rich Allee

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

Kay Mosier, Margaret Rusch, Kim Lee, Family & friends of John Bergren, Sarah Casson, Tom Booth, Riley Briggs, Betty Welch, Rob Murphy

Family Members

Mardy Gerwig (Mike Burgess & Lynn Mossbrucker's sister-in-law)	sister-in-law)
Family & friends of Jack Thomsom (Sandi Stevermer's cousin)	Barbara (Karen Otto's niece)
Brianna Van Gorder (Marilyn Belford's granddaughter)	Erik Hanson (Martha Hanson's son)
Lauren Person (Mary Flatley's daughter)	Margy Crary (Anne Krause's aunt)
Ginger Schnickel (LeRae & Tom Schnickel's	Laura Hughes (Nancy Schell's daughter)
	Jim Flatley (Tom Flatley's brother)
	Clarissa Lee (Sharon Peters' niece)
	Tim Booth (Tom Booth's brother)

Friends

Family & friends of Susie (Baker)	Nicole (Anderson)
The Cleary Family (Anderson)	Danielle (Anderson)
Dave (Anderson)	Kathy Buddy (Shibly)
Kassi Moy (Hensley)	Lisa Wycoff (Burgess/Mossbrucker)
Cathy (Anderson)	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

December 31, 2025-January 11, 2026

Wednesday, December 31-New Year's Eve 7:00p – Littleton Gem & Mineral (MC-3)	Tuesday, January 6 9:00a – Grateful Threads (FH-1 & 2) 7:00p – Boy Scouts (FH) 7:00p – Tues. Night Bible Study (offsite)
Thursday, January 1-New Year's Day Church office closed No activities scheduled	Wednesday, January 7 6:00p – Confirmation (FH, FH-1, Chapel) 6:00p – Sr. High Youth Group (FH, YR, Chapel) 6:30p – Choir Rehearsal (Sanc.) 6:30p – Wed. Eve. Women's Bible Study (MC-3)
Friday, January 2 Church office open 9am-noon No activities scheduled	Thursday, January 8 7:30a – Men's Breakfast (offsite) 4:30p – Cub Scout Pack 47 Tigers (MC-4/5, FH) 5:30p – Cub Scout Pack 47 Lions (FH, MC-4/5) 7:00p – Bell Rehearsal (Sanc.) 7:30p – Prayer Team (Zoom)
Saturday, January 3 10:00a – CO Quilting Guild (MC-4/5) 10:30a – Al-Anon (MC-3)	Friday, January 9 Church office open 9am-noon No activities scheduled
Sunday, January 4-Epiphany Sunday 9:00a – Worship 10:15a – Sunday School (FH) 10:30a – Adult Faith Formation (MC-4/5)	Saturday, January 10 8:30a – Divorce Advice Group (MC-1) 10:30a – Al-Anon (MC-3) 11:30a – Al-Anon Business Meeting (MC-3)
Monday, January 5 5:45a – Walk with Jesus 6:35p – Pub Theology (offsite)	Sunday, January 11 9:00a – Worship 10:15a – Sunday School (FH) 10:30a – Adult Faith Formation (MC-4/5) 5:00p – Rejoicing Spirits (FH, Chapel)


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**“At St. Philip Lutheran Church we intentionally build relationships
through Christ to grow and serve.”**