

St. Philip Information and News (SPIN)

January 14, 2026



Worship News

Altar Flowers

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

The 18th Annual St. Philip Chili Cook-off **Saturday, January 31, 2026**

You won't want to be anywhere else **at 6pm on January 31** when the 18th Annual St. Philip Chili Cook-off commences! **It's a fundraiser for new flooring!** Come savor the tasty concoctions and marvel at the culinary skills of our congregation as they compete in preparing a variety of chili dishes. There's no cost to enter OR to enjoy the chili dinner, but we'll have a donation basket for freewill offerings towards our new Fellowship Hall floor. *Every single dollar* you give will be matched by Thrivent Choice Funds, so let's make this a great fundraiser!

Prizes of **\$100** for first place, **\$75** for second place, **\$50** for third place and a **\$25** special award for the Best Named Chili will be awarded. Winners are determined by popular vote of the audience, so be sure to encourage all your family and friends to attend.

The cook-off rules are simple: All members of St. Philip are invited to create a chili and enter the contest; all entries must be ready to eat and be served by 5:59 PM. Chili is defined as: a spicy stew containing chili pepper, other seasonings, meat and often tomatoes and beans.

Sign up at the Kiosk today! Due to space constraints only 50 contestants will be allowed. Sign up NOW!

St. Philip Lutheran Church Campout 2026 **YMCA Snow Mountain Ranch** **August 7-10, 2026**

Make your reservations for the St. Philip Campout! We are planning a 3-day weekend to accommodate those who would like to stay in a cabin (minimum stay requirement). Please contact Juley Allee if you are planning to attend and how many are in your party. The St. Philip Men's Group will be planning activities for everyone! Contact Juley for more information.

Creative Caring Quilters

Happy New Year from the Creative, Caring Quilters! We will meet **Saturday, January 17 from 9am-12pm** in the Fellowship Hall. We need people to cut fabric into squares, combine squares to make packets of squares for quilt tops and people to tie yarn knots to hold quilt tops together.

We are expecting a visit from the quilters of Good Shepard Lutheran. It should be interesting to learn from each other how best to provide quilts for Lutheran World Relief. We sent 26 quilts in December to LWR.

Bring a "Sew N Tell" or another crafty idea that you created to share. All are invited to share good coffee, treats and conversation! Beautiful things come together one stitch at a time!

Volunteer Opportunities/Donations/Service

Sharing with Sheridan Food Pantry

Last week we served **145** families. With all the generous donations we have received over the past two months, we are well stocked for Thursday's distribution. Thank you for your continued support.

Dipes and Wipes

Our next distribution is **Saturday, January 24 beginning at 9:30am**. If you are looking for a volunteer opportunity please come join us. We are always welcoming new volunteers to greet and check in our guests, pray with our guests, set up and offer refreshments to our guests, play with their children, and also help them carry their diapers to their car. Please sign up with the link or contact Penny Selden at 303-601-9525.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/409084AA5AE2DA75-61494823-dipes>

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

Wednesday Night Bible Study returns tonight in **MC-3 at 6:30pm**. Jane Clausen will be leading Week 25.



Preparing for Worship - January 18, 2026 Second Sunday after Epiphany
First Reading: Isaiah 49:1-7
Second Reading: I Corinthians 1:1-9
Gospel Reading: John 1:29-42

Worship Servants for Sunday, January 18, 2026	
Assisting Minister	Jim Smith
Lector	Jim Smith
Communion Servants	Lynn Mossbrucker
Pew Communion Servant	Jan Philpy
Sacrament Servants	Jane Clausen, Monica Auch, Beth Clough
Greeter	Heidi Kempton
Ushers	Mike Laboda, Gaylen Rapp
Key Keeper	Week beginning Jan. 18: Mike Burgess

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

Family & friends of Nancy Bott, Nate Pixley, Neal Ambron, Lora Stevens, Louanne Isernhagen, Jeri Phillips, Harriet Truman, Kay Mosier, Margaret Rusch, Tom Booth, Riley Briggs, Rob Murphy

Family Members

Charles Xavier Van Gorder (Marilyn Belford's great-grandson)	sister-in-law)
Brianna Van Gorder (Marilyn Belford's granddaughter)	Barbara (Karen Otto's niece)
Mardy Gerwig (Mike Burgess & Lynn Mossbrucker's sister-in-law)	Erik Hanson (Martha Hanson's son)
Lauren Person (Mary Flatley's daughter)	Margy Crary (Anne Krause's aunt)
Ginger Schnickel (LeRae & Tom Schnickel's	Jim Flatley (Tom Flatley's brother)
	Clarissa Lee (Sharon Peters' niece)
	Tim Booth (Tom Booth's brother)

Friends

Nancy Chapman (Perkins-Smith)	Kathy Buddy (Shibly)
Joan Kuhn (Hammer/Silco)	Lisa Wycoff (Burgess/Mossbrucker)
Kassi Moy (Hensley)	Ryan Gaibler (Thomas)

Prayers of thanksgiving for Quinn Silco who has accepted a call from St. John's Lutheran Church in Nekimi, Wisconsin. He will start in mid-February.

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

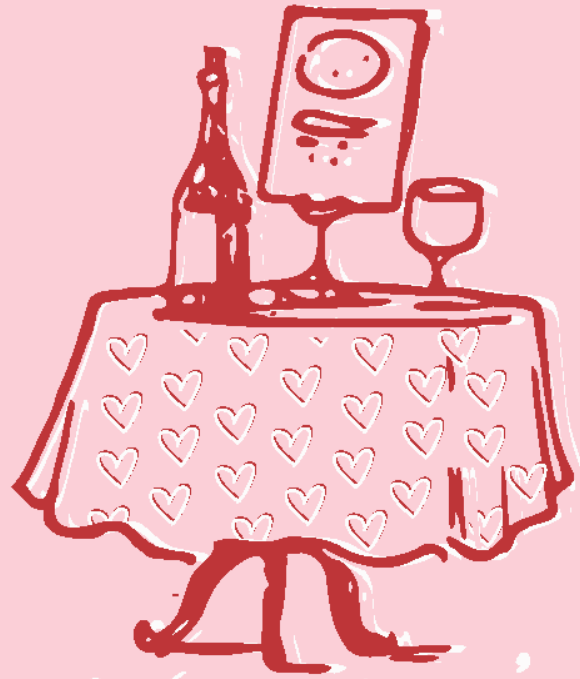
January 14-25, 2026

Wednesday, January 14 9:30a – Men's Bible Study (YR) 9:30a – Women's Bible Study (MC-1) 4:00p – Worship Styles and Formats (MC-3) 6:00p – Confirmation (FH, FH-1, 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 – Wed. Eve. Women's Bible Study (MC-3)	Tuesday, January 20 9:00a – Grateful Threads (FH-1 & 2) 1:15p – SPLC Worship Planning (MC-3) 1:45p – SPLC Staff Meeting (MC-3) 7:00p – Boy Scouts (FH) 7:00p – Littleton Gem & Mineral (MC-3) 7:00p – Tues. Night Bible Study (offsite)
Thursday, January 15 7:30a – Men's Breakfast (offsite) 6:00p – Cub Scout Pack 47 (FH, MC-4/5) 7:00p – Bell Rehearsal (Sanc.) 7:30p – Prayer Team (Zoom)	Wednesday, January 21 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 16 <i>Church office open 9am-noon</i> 7:00p – Littleton Gem & Mineral Club (FH)	Thursday, January 22 7:30a – Men's Breakfast (offsite) 1:45p – SPELC Staff Meeting (MC-4/5) 7:00p – Bell Rehearsal (Sanc.) 7:30p – Prayer Team (Zoom)
Saturday, January 17 9:00a – Creative Caring Quilters (FH) 10:30a – Al-Anon (MC-3)	Friday, January 23 <i>Church office open 9am-noon</i> No activities scheduled
Sunday, January 18 9:00a – Worship 10:15a – Sunday School (FH) 10:30a – Adult Faith Formation (MC-4/5) 5:00p – St. Philip Supper Club (offsite)	Saturday, January 24 9:00a – CO Quilting Council Meeting (Sanc., Narthex) 9:30a – Dipes and Wipes (MC-4/5, Chapel, YR) 10:30a – Al-Anon (MC-3) 4:00p – Violin Recital (Sanc.)
Monday, January 19 5:45a – Walk with Jesus 6:35p – Pub Theology (offsite)	Sunday, January 25 9:00a – Worship 10:15a – Sunday School (FH) 10:30a – Adult Faith Formation (MC-4/5) 11:30a – Church Council Meeting (MC-4/5) 11:30a – Sunday Confirmation Class (FH-1a/b) 3:00p – Sedalia Spurs (MC-4/5, FH)





St. Philip Supper Club Presents:



Valentine's
POTLUCK & TRIVIA

February 13, 2026 @ 6:00pm

Team-based trivia with prizes!

RSVP to Juley Allee with count and potluck category,
by February 6, 2026.

St. Philip Fellowship Hall



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through Christ to grow and serve.”**