




the **Happenings** *at St. Philip*

Our Mission Statement

St. Philip Lutheran Church is a community where all people are welcome, may come to know Jesus Christ, become faithful followers empowered by the Holy Spirit, and are sent with Christ's love into the world. 

Message from the Pastor

It is hard to believe the Summer is almost over! Looking back over the last two months there have been many wonderful events and ministries going on. On June 5, the Sharing with Sheridan food bank opened. This food bank began out of a calling to help those in need in Sheridan. God has led St. Philip all along the way to get this idea into action. It has taken hard work and many hours to get the food bank to where it is today, and God has certainly blessed this ministry. Thank you to everyone who helped get the food bank started, those who have volunteered, donated food and prayed for the Sharing with Sheridan Food Bank and those who receive food from it.

Summer is a great time for youth ministry. It is when camp and mission trips happen. It is also filled with many activities at summer youth group. This year has not been an exception. There were eight confirmation youth who went to confirmation camp at Rainbow Trail, and nine youth who went to on the mission trip to Anapra, Mexico. Summer youth group participation has been up sharply, with as many as 16 youth taking part in activities at the church, volunteering at the Food Bank of the Rockies, and having fun at places like Water World (coming up in August).

We can't forget about children's ministry and Vacation Bible School! There were so many wonderful leaders and volunteers who made this week possible, thank you! There were **111** kids at VBS, which is very exciting for our church. There have also been summer movie days for the kids and monthly activities for the incoming 5th-7th graders, which are both new this summer.

It has been a busy summer at St. Philip and now we look forward to the start of a new school year and many ministries starting back up after the summer break. This is a great time to get involved in a ministry you are interested in or have been thinking about. Many ministries would love to have you join them, many ministries would love for you to get involved, and many ministries need leaders, teachers or guides. There are many ways to get involved at St. Philip and if you continue reading you will even run across some of them in this newsletter.



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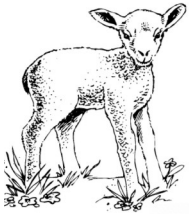
WORSHIP

Needed: Bread Bakers

We are still in need of people to sign up and make communion bread for our Sunday morning services. There is a sign-up sheet at the Welcome Center kiosk, along with the recipe for the bread. Please call Gail Rower at 303.263.7479 with any questions. (Please note NEW phone number.) ☞



Upcoming Baptism



Please join us Sunday, August 3 at the 9:30am service as we celebrate the baptism of Lila Rose Lehman, daughter of Kristy and Patrick Lehman. ☞

Upcoming Worship

Blessing of the Backpacks

As students prepare to begin a new school year, we will mark the milestone with a "Blessing of the Backpacks" on Sunday, August 17. Students of all grades are invited to bring a backpack or book bag to worship on August 17. Towards the end of worship, before the closing hymn, the students will be invited forward to acknowledge the milestone, be blessed, and receive a gift. ☞



Volunteer Opportunity

The Audio-Visual team needs volunteers to run the sanctuary sound board during Sunday worship. If you are interested, please contact Steve Rower (srower@msn.com) or Marc DeFur (mdefur@q.com). ☞

Singers and Ringers Return

Mark your calendars now for the start of choir and bells at St. Philip! Sanctuary Choir will have its first rehearsal on Thursday, August 28, and the Ringing Brass will have their first rehearsal on Tuesday, September 9.

Sanctuary Choir will meet in the music room at 6:30pm on August 28 for rehearsal and will close the evening with fellowship time starting at 7:30pm. Ringing Brass will meet in the sanctuary on September 9 at 6:30pm and will close the evening with fellowship at 7:30pm.

Sanctuary Choir meets every Thursday evening at 6:30pm in the music room. They sing at both services on the 2nd and 4th Sundays as well as all the major festival services (Reformation Sunday, Christmas Eve, Palm Sunday, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter). No audition is necessary for this group. Please contact Nancy Beyer at nbeyer@stphilip-co.org if you are interested.

The Ringing Brass, the handbell choir, rehearses every Tuesday evening in the sanctuary at 6:30pm. The ability to read music and having a strong sense of rhythm is required for this ensemble. Please contact Nancy Beyer at nbeyer@stphilip-co.org for further information.

Can't sing or ring but you toot the flute or strum the guitar, play a horn or fiddle or cello? Instrumentalists are always needed to play with the choir or form small ensembles to play occasionally in worship. Contact Nancy Beyer at nbeyer@stphilip-co.org, and your talents will be put to use.

See you in rehearsal!!! ☞

Upcoming Worship

August 10 - Pastor Nathan's return from sabbatical

August 17 - Blessing of Backpacks

August 24 - Healing Service - Personal Healing ☞

DISCIPLESHIP



SUMMER ACTIVITIES

Summer Fun for Younger Ones

We have two events coming up in August for the younger children:

Miniature Golf for 5-6th Graders

Miniature golf on Sunday, August 10th, from 2-4pm. An evite went out to the families with the location and RSVP information, but we want to extend the invitation to any who might have been missed. If parents or guardians of 5-6th graders (2014/15 school year) did not receive an invitation, please notify JoHanna Buchholz at jbuchholz@stphilip-co.org, and an evite will be sent.

Summer Movie Date

The next summer movie date will be Thursday, August 14th beginning at noon in the youth room at the church. Best suited for children 8 years and younger. Parents/babysitters must stay, but there is a separate room to enjoy lunch and chat with friends while the kids are entertained. RSVP/questions to Aurora Keltner at aurorastphilip@gmail.com. ☞

A special thank you goes out to the wonderful volunteers who worked in the church nursery while Miss Paula was on vacation!



HELP NEEDED IN CHURCH NURSERY:
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Youth Group News



Summer Youth Group

The youth have been having a great time at youth group this summer! On July 16th we had a great group of youth go to the Food Bank of the Rockies to volunteer.

Please note: there will be no youth group on July 30th.

The next youth group meeting will be on August 6th from 6:30 - 8:30 pm at the church. On Wednesday, August 13th, the youth will be going to Water World. We will meet at the church at 9am, and plan on getting back between 6pm and 7pm. The cost is \$25. Please contact Pr. Brad to sign up (bdoty@stphilip-co.org).

Summer Youth Group is for all youth going into grade 7 up to and including the recent high school graduates. We meet every Wednesday.

Senior High Youth Group

Senior high youth group is about to start again! Sunday, August 24th is the first youth group meeting of the school year. All youth in 9th-12th grade are welcome to join us for youth group on Sunday evenings, from 6:30-8:00pm. Senior high youth group is a place for youth to come, be themselves, have fun, and learn about God. Feel free to bring your friends for this time of fun, fellowship, Bible study, games, service, and much more.

For more information about youth groups, please contact Pastor Brad at bdoty@stphilip-co.org. ☞

Looking Ahead - Dates to Remember

Sunday school begins on September 7th (Rally Day).

Confirmation will begin on Wednesday, September 10th. ☞

PASTOR'S ARTICLE

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Rally Day is on September 7th this year. This year we will again go out into the community to do service projects. The theme this year is "Sharing and Serving." The schedule for Rally Day is as follows:

9:30am Worship
10:30am Gather for service projects
10:30am-12pm Service projects
12noon Picnic Lunch

We look forward to where God leads us this year! We hope you will join us in this great mission we share.

Grace and Peace,
Pastor Brad Doty ☙

THANK YOU



From Carol Doehler

I would like to thank everyone for their prayers and help during my mother's illness over the past couple of years.

Thank you to the angel who built the ramp for us to use so I could get my mom out of the house with ease, and also to the men who supplied all the materials for the ramp. Special heartfelt thanks also to the women who made the beautiful prayer shawls for my mother and me. ☙

EVANGELISM

God's Work. Our Hands. *Door Hanger Invitations*

We are launching an evangelism campaign to invite new members into our St. Philip church family. To achieve this goal, a colorful door hanger will be delivered to approximately 2,000 homes inviting them to join us at our weekly services and on our Rally Day events on September 7th.

We need your help to make this happen! Would you be willing to walk around "your own area" and just hang a door knocker on your neighbor's door? If so, please let us know, we will have a sign-up sheet to have you and your family members join us for this newest evangelistic endeavor. We will be delivering these hangers on Labor Day weekend.

Please contact Janet Wagner at 303.979.4989 or email her at: janetwagnermkd@msn.com. ☙



**2014 Foothills
CROP Hunger Walk**
Saturday, October 4
Addenbrooke Park,
Lakewood

Mark your calendars and join us at the 2014 Foothills CROP Hunger Walk as we walk to support global AND local hunger fighting efforts.

The CROP Hunger 5K Walk is taking place at a new venue this year, and we already have additional churches joining in. The CROP Walkers page for St. Philip is already set up on the Church World Service website, so you can sign up to walk or to simply contribute to the event - go to: www.cwsglobal.org, and click on CROP Hunger Walk. ☙

COMMUNITY CARE & COMPASSION

Ready, Set, School = Success!!

Thank you to all those who sponsored a student in the Ready, Set, School program! St. Philip sponsored 11 kids, providing them with new backpacks, school supplies, and new school outfits. The Ready, Set, School program is conducted through Inter-Faith Community Services for underprivileged children in our community. Way to go! ☞



Lutheran Family Services

Lutheran Family Services (LFS) is proud of its Lutheran heritage in community service. We have been extending a healing hand to people for 66 years. We believe that all people, from the newborn infant to the most elderly person, deserve to be valued in our community. If you are interested in learning more about LFS, please contact Becca Sager at 303.217.5841 or email her at becca.sager@lfsrm.org.

Furniture Needed: LFS is running low on furniture for newly arriving refugee families. We could use your gently used furniture, as well as household items such as bedding and silverware. Contact Jaime at 303.217.5181 to see if your furniture is eligible, or if you need more information. ☞



Family Promise Discussion/Meeting

August 10, 2014

Everyone is invited to a Family Promise discussion/meeting on Sunday, August 10th from 1-3pm at Lakewood Christian Church (2025 Kipling St., Lakewood 80125). Volunteers from other Family Promise churches and staff members from Family Promise will be there to discuss the Family Promise program.

For more information, call John Chamber, program director, at 303.675.0713. ☞



Holy Hammers Update



If you have never seen a completed Habitat For Humanity home, the dedication of the first 2014 Holy Hammers home is scheduled for August 13 at 5:30 pm at 203 E. 51st Avenue in

Globeville (Denver). Five units, including our four bedroom, two story townhome, with an unfinished basement will be dedicated together for your inspection and meeting of the recipient families.

Our second home at 15134 E. Andrews Drive, Denver, is just underway. St. Philip work dates are August 15 and Sept. 19. Sign up sheets are available at the Welcome Kiosk. On Sept. 27 there will be a Mega Build day sponsored by Thrivent Financial with the volunteers exclusively Holy Hammers and Thrivent Representatives. Thirty to forty volunteers will be needed. More details to follow. Joy Lutheran of Parker will be holding a Hammers "Fore" Habitat Golf Tournament at Meadow Hills golf course in Aurora on August 18 as a fundraiser. Information is available at the Kiosk. ☞

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COMMUNITY CARE & COMPASSION



The food bank, located in the Sheridan Rec. Center, opened in June and will be open for distribution every Thursday evening from 4:30pm-7pm. This is an outreach project of our congregation, and we are looking for volunteers for the roles listed below. This project is not limited to our congregation - we are looking for other organizations and individuals to partner with us. Below are some immediate needs, so if you or someone you know might be interested in helping, please contact Carole Kessler (ckess911@aol.com or 720.341.7333.)

Critical Need!!

- Person(s) who are willing to drive to the Food Bank of the Rockies (FBR) warehouse (I-70 & Havana) to pick up orders ranging from 1,000-2,000 pounds and deliver them to the Sheridan Recreation Center.
 - Open bed pickups, vans, and trailers are ideal vehicles, as FBR staff can use forklifts to directly load the shrink-wrapped pallets, though we can manually load individual items into other vehicles.
 - Pickups must occur two days after an order is placed; the pickup time is assigned at the time the order is placed. We will generally try to schedule our orders to be picked up on Wednesday or Thursday. The first available pickup time is 9:00am and the last is 3:20PM. There are 5 slots

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- available every 20 minutes, so we can generally schedule a pickup according to the preference of those providing transportation.
- We would like to get enough people so that no one needs to go more than once a month.
- Person(s) or groups willing to unload FBR pickups, unpack and arrange food at the food bank. This would be a great opportunity for small groups of teens! Time is based on when pickups occur, but help is always needed on Thursdays from noon to 4:00PM.
- Spanish speakers (competent but not necessarily fluent) to help with distribution from 4-7:30PM on Thursdays.

Food and other donations continue to be needed; please check the weekly SPIN for particular needs. Note that large containers or bags of food are not helpful because we do not have health department permission to open and divide food items.

Contact Jan Philpy (gjphilpy@gmail.com or 317.709.5045) if you have questions. ☞

THANK YOU

To My St. Philip Family



Many thanks for the cards, calls, and prayers during my recent surgery. I feel truly blessed by my St. Philip family.

Diane Bracken ☞

*I'm so
Blessed!*

FAMILY LIFE



Save the Date!

Baby Shower for Roseanna & Pr. Brad

Be sure to circle **October 19th** in red on your calendar, because you won't want to miss this event - St. Philip is having a baby shower for Rosanna and Pastor Brad!



Everyone is invited to the Fellowship Hall for food and good times. The festivities will kick off at **noon**.

Things to note to help you prepare: Roseanna's due date is November 29. The Dotys are registered at Target and Amazon.com. They already have a crib and dresser, and the theme of the baby's room is animals. The sex of the baby is not known (but they *are* sure it's a boy or a girl!).

Want to help? Please call Laurie Selander - 303.794.9739, or email her at: p73101@msn.com. ☞



St. Philip Book Club

The next book club meeting is on Tuesday, **August 12 at 6:30pm** in the youth room at church. We welcome anyone who is interested to come and join in our discussions.

The selection for August is *Sycamore Row* by John Grisham. This novel brings back attorney Jack Brigrance (*A Time to Kill*) to a case that will expose old racial tensions and force the people of Ford County to confront its tortured history.

The book selection for September is *The Martian* by Andy Weir. This debut novel has been on the NY Times best seller list, and is a fun read, full of biting humor, spot-on science, and adventure. Think Robinson Crusoe meets McGyver on Mars! ☞



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Attention all college/tech school students and their parents! Please send me (Anne Henning) the school name, mailing address, email, cell phone number and birthday for the 2014/15 school year. I will update my list and will be in touch with the students in the fall. Thank you for your help!

Please email your information to me at: adhenning14@gmail.com. ☞

Healthy Marriage Workshop Saturday, August 2, 2014

Healthy Marriage Workshop at Bethel Lutheran, Aurora, CO, August 2 from 9am-5pm. Childcare & lunch provided. Register at www.marry-well.org. ☞

EVENTS

Lutheran Chorale News

The Lutheran Chorale is looking forward to our upcoming 2014-15 season. We will be starting rehearsals on Monday, **September 8 at 7pm at Bethlehem Lutheran Church**, 2100 N Wadsworth Blvd., Lakewood. You are cordially invited to join us!

Our first concert, titled *"Reformation,"* will be **Sunday, October 19, at 3 pm** at Bethlehem Lutheran Church.

For more information please contact conductor David Hodel at 303.551.2822, or email us at thelutheranchorale@comcast.net or visit our web page at www.thelutheranchorale.org. ☞

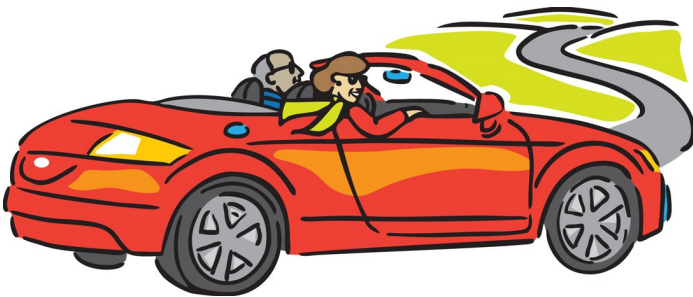
CHURCH NEWS

AARP Smart Drive Safety Class August 11, 2014

An AARP Smart Driver Safety class will be conducted at St. Philip Lutheran Church on Monday, August 11, from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm. The four-hour driver safety course is a comprehensive classroom refresher designed specifically for the maturing driver age 50 and older. We will discuss the effects of aging on driving, identifying the most common crash situations we face, and conduct a thorough review of the Colorado "rules of the road". The course also provides opportunities for the participants to identify and ask about individual problem areas and apply information for improvement in their driving.

Colorado seniors who complete the class are eligible to receive a discounts on their vehicle insurance. The fee for the class is \$15 for AARP members and \$20 for non-members.

To register for this class, please call Linda Goodnough in the church office at 303.979.4491. ☞



Article Submission Guidelines

The Happenings at St. Philip is a monthly e-newsletter. **Deadline for submitting articles is the 15th of each month.** The Happenings will be posted on the St. Philip website on or slightly before the 1st of each month.

Please submit your articles to Sue Riecks at sriecks@stphilip-co.org. All articles submitted are subject to the policies set forth in the St. Philip Publications Guidelines (copy available upon request). ☞

FINANCIAL REPORTS

Financial Update As of the end of June 2014

	YTD Actual	YTD Budget	Difference
Income	400,766	364,053	36,713
Expenses	<u>392,209</u>	<u>366,396</u>	<u>-25,813</u>
	8,557	-2,343	10,900

Taking out reserve spend effect	YTD Actual	YTD Budget	Difference
Income	355,125	364,053	-8,928
Expenses	<u>346,568</u>	<u>366,396</u>	<u>19,828</u>
	8,557	-2,343	10,900

Contributions

	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
YTD Actual	326,807	341,400
YTF Budgeted	<u>344,117</u>	
	(17,311)	

ELCA World Hunger

	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
YTD Actual	\$3,352	\$2,203

Spent out of reserves:

January	7,401.00	Staff payroll
January	1,000.00	Synod new building
February	5,590.00	Sound board
March	25,149.98	Sound board
April	<u>6,500.00</u>	Benevolence
	<u>45,640.98</u>	

Please contact Linda Goodnough in the church office with any questions. ☞

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Birthdays



8/1

Sean Simons
Zachary McDaniel
Jacob Hamm

8/2

Janet Parker
Riley Allington

8/4

Ben Clark
LeRae Schnickel
Mary Beth Graff
Mark Jaynes

8/5

Douglas Mayotte
John Marstiller
Aimee DeBoer

8/7

Bonnie Miller
Patrick Barber
Jon Leonard
Davis Rhodes
Riley Hand

8/8

Donna Brown
Jenica Knight
Kaden Rahne

8/9

Flo Figge
Bill Faerber
Linda Crowner
Diana Gates
Brianna Eberts

8/10

Diane Bracken
Cindy Hollander

8/12

Paul Jacobs
Anna Olson
Sarah Selden

8/13

Eleanor Jaynes
Cary Blandin
Barry Sanford

8/14

Stuart Wheeler
Ray Peterson
Sarah Deboer
Miranda Ciccarelli
Troy Ciccarelli

8/15

Kendra Dolif
Tristan Bolt

8/16

Paul Selander
Carmen Fulenwider
Linda McNamara

8/17

Marietta Schultz
Geoffrey Collins
Virginia Hancock

8/18

Margaret Greene

8/19

Jeanne Rasmussen
Jack Dechant
Abigail Carlson

8/20

Jaimen Whittenburg

8/21

Mary Hatlestad
Larry Heesch
Trevor Young

8/22

Carolyn Rapp
Adam McDaniel

8/23

Brandy Ciccarelli
Dan Heins
Brandon Newmiller

8/24

Roy Hager
Kim Nedved
Kristen O'Hanahan
Alexander Keltner

8/25

Eunice Leopold
Ann Hager
Cindy Mallon
Mary Austin
Jake Maes

8/26

Tim Hollander
Vanessa Rand
Michael Dolif

8/27

Carol Wall
Robert Dechant
Jacob Bennigsdorf

8/28

Wendy Hyde
Rhonda Rhodes
Virginia Zimmerman
Erik Stortz

8/29

Betty Welch
William Castor
Colin Black

8/30

Steven Deboer
Jane Stouder
Kipp Smallwood
Keith Detweiler
Ellis Pitts

8/31

Naomi Doerr
Amber Staples



Anniversaries

8/3

Scott & Rebecca Miller

8/5

Elizabeth & Brad Reed

8/7

Kim & Valerie Wilhelm

8/8

Debbie Schmidt & Kris Shelton
Nathan & Melanie Hamm

8/9

Eric & Ericka McDaniel
Lynn & Carlton Nourse
Sheryl & Jose Garcia

8/12

Robin & Galinda Knight

8/13

Michael & Sandi Stevermer
Rebecca & Scott Near

8/14

John & Annette Marstiller

8/15

Kevin & Dawn Collins

8/16

Jerry and Dianne Mydlach

8/18

Richard & Jo Rock
Duane & Judy Eatinger

8/19

Dennis & Cindy Mallon

8/20

Richard & Janet Wagner

8/23

William & Marilyn Reitz

8/25

Lesia & Dan Hatlestad
Mike & Denise Krohn

8/26

George & Nancy Jacobson
Bob & Karen Connor

8/27

Robert & Shirley LeVin

8/28

Don & Jean Zundel
Angela & Ben Seep
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