

Dear St. Philip Lutheran Church,

Throughout 2024, we have focused on relationships and being a community of faith. This coming year, in 2025, we will be focusing on being "Fulfilled Spiritually." We often focus on our mind and body, but don't talk much about our spirit or soul. The work of the church is spiritual work, and we are filled spiritually through the ministries of the church. Take a moment to look at the attached article that explains how the ministries of St. Philip fulfill us spiritually. The things that fill, satisfy or bring a person joy may be different for you than someone else, so I also invite you to reflect on what fills you. What are the things that fill your mind, body and spirit? How does St. Philip fill you or your family?



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I invite you, as an individual or as a family, to consider your financial contribution for 2025. As you will read in the article, our ministry initiative for 2025 is to reach out to the communities around us to encourage them to think about their spiritual selves. When you give to St. Philip Lutheran Church, you are giving to God and you are helping St. Philip fulfill God's mission for us! **Your generosity makes an enormous difference. Thank you for your support of the ministry of St. Philip Lutheran Church.**

I therefore invite you to fill out a Statement of Intent card. This helps us as a church to determine our budget and plan for 2025. You can fill out a digital Statement of Intent card on our website at www.stphilip-co.org/stewardship or you can fill out the Statement of Intent card (below) and bring it to church on **Stewardship Weekend, Saturday, October 12 and Sunday, October 13**. We are inviting you to either have submitted your online statement of intent card by that day or bring your Statement of Intent card to worship to offer it up to God.

In gratitude,

Pastor Brad Doty, Senior Pastor

In response to God's work in and through St. Philip Lutheran Church to bless and make an impact on the lives of many, I/we intend to cheerfully give by making a contribution during 2025, beginning January 1st. I/we estimate our giving to be:

\$ _____ per **week**; or \$ _____ per **month**; or \$ _____ per **year**

I/we understand that this amount may be changed, if necessary, by contacting Kirsten Olshausen, the Business Administrator.

_____ This is an undesignated contribution to St. Philip Lutheran Church to support St. Philip Lutheran Church and the ELCA.

OR

_____ This is a direct contribution to St. Philip Lutheran Church to support St. Philip Lutheran Church and its ministries.

_____ I/we would like to sign up to give through automatic withdrawal.

_____ I/we am/are already signed up to give through automatic withdrawal.

_____ I/we would like the church to update my/our electronic giving amount.

(Please contact Kirsten Olshausen, our Business Administrator, at 303-979-4491, ext.102, if you have any questions or need help setting up a new automatic withdrawal.)

Family Member #1 (please print)

Family Member #2 (please print)

Signature: _____

Signature: _____

Preferred Phone Number: _____

Preferred Email: _____



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Fulfilled *Spiritually*

STEWARDSHIP APPEAL FOR 2025 ST. PHILIP LUTHERAN CHURCH

LIVING A LIFE FULFILLED

We all desire to live a fulfilled life. We seek joy and happiness in hopes that our heart will be filled. Fulfillment is not something you can obtain; rather, it is a feeling. We can feel fulfilled physically, mentally and spiritually. One of the roles of the church is to help people be spiritually fulfilled.

When have you felt fulfilled? Think about a time you spent with family or friends and you left with the feeling of joy, satisfaction and a full heart. It is an amazing feeling that you don't want to let go of. We often do things in our life that fill us. This is what we want people to experience when they attend worship or a ministry of the church. We want people to be filled with joy in their heart and be fulfilled spiritually when they come to St. Philip. What fills you spiritually? Is it when you gather with other people, grow in knowledge or in your relationship with God, when you worship or listen to the music, or when you serve others?

You Can Help Make this Happen!

It is your support, participation and financial contributions that make this impact on people's lives possible.

The ministry of St. Philip Lutheran Church is supported by contributions of the people of this congregation. We come together as the people of God to do the work God calls us to do. This year we will be focusing on how we can live a life

fulfilled and encourage others to do the same. We will be reaching out to the community to invite them to live a life where they are fulfilled physically, mentally and spiritually. We encourage you to join us and support this work at St. Philip!

Fulfilled Spiritually

“May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.”

- Romans 15:13

Ways St. Philip seeks to fulfill people spiritually:

- Encouraging people to build relationships with others and God.
- Provide opportunities for people to care, support and love those in need.
- Gather together to worship and praise God through music.

Gather Ministries

St. Philip gathers people of all ages together to be in relationship, learn and grow.

Gathering together is so valuable and fulfilling. When we connect with one another at church, a ministry event, Bible study, small group or service event, we support, encourage, challenge, love and care for each other. These are the places we are able to open up and be community together. This is a different kind of community than what we experience outside of the church. It is Christian community filled with God's love and God's presence. When we gather together and are in relationship, we are fulfilled spiritually.



Serve Ministries

St. Philip sends people out into the world to live out their faith in love and service.

Out of our faith, we do good works and serve others. We love and care for those in our congregation and for our neighbor. God has given each of us different skills, talents and passions to be able to serve and help those who are in need. When we serve and care for those who are in need, we are fulfilled spiritually.

College Outreach
Creative Caring Quilters
Dipes and Wipes
Holy Hammers
Prayer Shawls
Rejoicing Spirits
Sharing with Sheridan
Transportation Ministry



Celebrate Ministries

St. Philip comes together to praise and thank God through music and worship.

St. Philip is blessed with many people who have the gift of music. Listening to the beautiful sounds of an instrument and the voices from our choir is glorious. It touches the heart and is so fulfilling. When we come together as a community to worship God together, it is special. We come to praise and thank God for all God has done for us; we also receive Christ in Holy Communion and hear the word of God spoken and preached. Worship is a celebration and it is one of the places we truly experience and receive God. God is the one who calls us and gathers us together as the people of God. Whether we are physically together or connected digitally, we come together to worship God. When we worship together, we are fulfilled spiritually.



Outreach Initiative

Being spiritually fulfilled is something we want others to experience. This past year, St. Philip has been working to get out into the community in a variety of ways and this year; including a float and booth at the Western Welcome Week parade. In 2025, we want to reach out to many more people, thousands more! We will do this by being present in the community and by sending out mailed advertisements to our surrounding communities as well as the communities south and west of Chatfield Reservoir, specifically Sterling Ranch. We will transform our website to be outreach-focused and share the story of St. Philip and God's love with these communities. We want others to experience God's love and grace and for them to be fulfilled spiritually.

