St. Philip Information and News (SPIN)

October 2, 2024

Worship News

Altar Flowers

Sign up for altar flowers 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

Women's Ministry Gathering: An Evening with Esther

Join us on **October 10** for a captivating reenactment of the story of Esther, where courage and faith triumph over adversity. After the presentation, enjoy a time of reflection and fellowship. Hors-d'oeuvres, drinks, and wine will be served during registration and fellowship time. **Doors open at 5:30pm for registration and fellowship. Event is from 6:00pm-8:00pm.** We will also be taking an offering in support of GraceFull Community Café, a local ministry dedicated to serving our community with love and grace. Come and be inspired!

Holiday Greenery from the Boy Scouts

The Boy Scouts from Troop 554 (the troop chartered at St. Philip) will be taking orders for fresh holiday greenery after services on **Sunday, October 13 and Sunday, October 20**. Items available for order include fresh evergreen wreaths, garland, swags and centerpieces. Troop 554 accepts checks, cash, Zelle or Venmo as payment. Any ordered items will be available for pickup after service on **Sunday, December 8**. Funds raised will help the Boy Scouts pay for campouts and activities. Many Boy Scouts are saving for a trip to Florida in the summer of 2025 where they will go to Sea Base High Adventure Camp. Thank you for your support of Troop 554.

Silver Sages Oktoberfest

This Oktoberfest event is a fun gathering of German food, fun and fellowship. For this event, we will gather at **Pastor Brad's house from 4:00-6:00pm on Monday, October 14**. You are invited to bring a favorite German dish to share. Pastor Brad will grill brats and have some of his homebrewed Oktoberfest beer to taste or drink. You can sign-up by emailing Pastor Brad or signing up in the narthex.

What are the Silver Sages? A sage can be defined as a wise person of reflection and experience. The Silver Sages group at St. Philip is for our older and wiser members and friends who may or may not have silver hair. The group originally formed for those in the later stage of life, often retired, to be able to have fellowship and fun together. It's a great way to get to know other people and to love, care and support one another through this stage of life. The Silver Sages is a fun group and we hope you will join this Oktoberfest event or one in the future.

Endowment Committee

The endowment committee has decided to open another window of time to accept requests for endowment grants beginning **Sunday**, **October 6 and going through Friday**,



October 25. Please see the St. Philip website to access the endowment application: https://www.stphilip-co.org/endowment/. We are only accepting applications electronically through the website. If you have a new mission or are expanding an existing one and are in need of funds to accomplish your goals, please consider applying for an endowment to assist you. We will thoughtfully consider all requests that meet our criteria.

Adult Faith Formation: James Bible Study

The class is in recess this week due to Deacon Korra's vacation. Classes will resume next **Sunday, October 13**, continuing session three.

Adult Faith Formation: Lutheranism 101

Do you want to learn more about Lutheran Theology or are you interested in learning more about what Lutherans believe? Or perhaps you want a refresher from your confirmation days and to dig deeper into Lutheran Theology. Pastor Brad is teaching a Lutheranism 101 class after worship on Sundays during the adult faith formation hour **at 10:30am in MC-4/5**. The class will go over Lutheran theology and topics going back to Martin Luther. Join Pastor Brad in learning more about the Lutheran Church and Lutheran Theology.

Children, Youth & Family Ministries

Kids and Youth Sunday School!

We are looking for some amazing volunteers! You do not need to have kids in the program to volunteer. We are growing and that creates more opportunities for YOU to be a part of our Faith Formation ministry for kids and youth! In order to best serve our students, we are hoping to split them into age groups for part of Sunday School. We will need volunteers for each age group. It is best to have volunteers ahead of time so we can plan better.

For the preschool and elementary students you will lead a lesson and activity (could be a game, craft, or other hands on activity). This will be about 30-40 minutes from 10:25-11:05am

For our youth in 6th - 12th grades you will lead a faith-based discussion with the youth for about 15-20 minutes @ 10:25am then supervise their fellowship time in the youth room until 11:15am.

All materials for lessons and discussions will be provided!

There will be a sign-up chart available on Sundays or you can sign up here.

THANK YOU FOR MAKING A DIFFERENCE FOR OUR KIDS! WE LOVE OUR VOLUNTEERS!



Volunteer Opportunities/Donations/Service

Celebrate World Hunger Day and the 50th Anniversary of ELCA World Hunger

In observation of World Hunger Day and the 50th anniversary of ELCA World Hunger, our service focus for October will be on efforts to help those who are food insecure. <u>Things you can do:</u>

1. Donate to Sharing With Sheridan Food Pantry - Our community is experiencing a significant increase in food insecurity; we see an average of 180 families per week, nearly double the number we saw three years ago. At the same time, we are finding substantially reduced quantities of no-cost food at the Food Bank of the Rockies and other food sources. These are the shelf-stable items that are most helpful to us at the current time: Peanut butter, Jelly and jam, Meal soups, Dried pinto beans,

Canned corn, Rice, Masa flour, Sugar, Cooking oil.

All donations can be placed in the storage bins outside the office labeled "Sharing with Sheridan."

2. 2024 Foothills CROP WALK - Take steps and raise funds to provide meals for those in our community who need them. The steps we take and the funds we raise will make a difference in the lives of others. *This year there is no scheduled in-person walk event. Individuals and teams are encouraged to <u>register online and walk throughout</u> <u>October</u>. Online donations are encouraged, but donors may send checks and money orders (please no cash) to:*

Church World Service PO Box 968 Elkhart, IN 46515

Checks should be made payable to CWS/CROP. Please write Foothills, and team name or participant name on the memo line so that credit can be given to that team or participant.

3. Participate in Rainbow Trail's Grace Race -_Join Rainbow Trail Lutheran Camp at their 18th Annual Grace Race on **Saturday October 5**. This is an annual 5k run/walk around Sloan's Lake Park in Denver to raise funds for ELCA World Hunger. It is a great event with the community of Rainbow Trail and other St. Philip members attending the event. The race was started as part of RTLC's 50th anniversary in 2007 to raise money for ELCA World Hunger. **Over the last 17 years RTLC and the participants of Grace have contributed over \$95,000 to the ELCA World Hunger Appeal.** This will be the year we push our donations to ELCA World Hunger over \$100,000! Join us for this great event.

Give to Support Hurricane Helene Relief Efforts

You've seen the news. Entire towns, roads, and bridges have been washed away, and millions remain without power and cell service. Lutheran Disaster Response has strong relationships in the region and is already at work on the ground. Working alongside synods and other partners, Lutheran Disaster Response is prepared to provide support throughout the impacted region. When you give to Lutheran Disaster Response, you provide crucial support and the flexibility to go where help is needed most. To donate, go to Lutheran Disaster Response/ELCA. Or, if you would like to write a check to St. Philip, designate "LWR Hurricane Relief" in the memo line.

Put Your Faith into Action! Holy Hammers Work Dates - No Experience Needed

If you want to volunteer but the Holy Hammers dates listed below don't fit your schedule just get in touch with Rich Allee - there are lots of other Habitat for Humanity opportunities indoors AND outdoors - we'll find something that works for you!

The New Construction Site Work dates below will be at Augustana Homes which is a community of four 3 & 4 bedroom - 2 bath duplexes being built on land provided by Augustana Lutheran Church. *There is no experience needed!*

- All spots filled Wait List Only **Saturday, October 26** at the New Construction site, Augustana Homes (5088 E. Dakota Ave., Denver) **from 8:50am-4:30pm.**
- 1 spot on Saturday, November 9 at the New Construction site, Augustana Homes (5088 E. Dakota Ave., Denver) from 8:50am-4:30pm

ReStore and the Production Shop work dates are indoors and are perfect for anyone needing a less physical activity while working inside OR for younger family members (you only need to be 14 to help in the Shop or at the ReStore!) Future Holy Hammer indoor work dates will be listed here - *No experience is needed.* Contact Rich Allee for more information

Get Signed Up!

The link for registration and sign up for all of the above work dates is: holyhammers.denver.volunteerhub.com/. Go to Volunteer Website. In upper right corner click on Create Account. When completing "Affiliations" indicate that you are a Group Volunteer and when asked if you are a member of a Holy Hammers congregation select St. Philip Lutheran Church from the drop down menu. Volunteers must be 16 or older – Volunteers for the Production Shop or the ReStore can be 14 or older. *No experience is needed.* Contact Rich Allee if you have any questions and please let him know if you register for a date!

Sharing with Sheridan Food Pantry

Last Thursday we went back to summer weather as we gathered to serve a smaller crowd of **152** families. For the upcoming week we can use **dry pasta**, **meal soups**, **peanut butter**, **mac & cheese**, **clean plastic grocery bags**, **and egg cartons**.

We are in desperate need of egg cartons as we have exhausted our previous stockpile.

For those who wish to drop off donations directly at the food pantry, please take them to the east door of the Sheridan Recreation Center on Thursdays only between 11:30am and 1:00pm. You can also bring items to church anytime.



Bible Studies/Small Groups Monday

Monday Women's Bible Study

Monday Women's Bible study will begin studying the book of Matthew this Fall. We will meet on the **1st and 3rd Mondays of the month from 9-11am** in the Fireside room. Contact Juli Cooley at jhcool519@gmail.com for information.

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.

<u>Pub Theology</u>

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.

<u>Tuesday</u>

2024 Family Bible Study

Every Tuesday Night from 7-9pm.

Meeting at the Selander Home (6338 S Harlan Way in the Leawood subdivision) All adult members of our congregation are welcome to attend.

Our study continues with the relationship of the Old and New Testaments. This is an in-depth study of ancient text interpretation by Rabbinic and modern-day scholars. This year we will be centering around Prophet Daniel. Each week Rudy Swenson will lead a different discussion of this fascinating book of the Old Testament. Please come and join us whenever you can. Any questions call Paul at 303-241-0321.

Wednesday

Wednesday Morning Women's Bible Study

2nd and 4th Wednesdays at 9:30—11:00am

During the months of October, November, and December, we'll be discussing various faith topics. We hope you will join us. In January, 2025 we will be reading and discussing "Forgiveness—A Lenten Bible Study" by Marjorie J. Thompson. Please contact Chris Youngren for more information at 303-973-3096.

Wednesday Morning Men's Bible Study

The Wednesday morning Men's Bible Study meets on the **2nd and 4th Wednesdays from 9:30-11am**. We will be doing a Bible study based on the first season of "The Chosen". 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!

Events

Women Supporting Women Event

Join other women and feel supported by a community of Christ-centered believers through life's transitions. "Recovering from Illness" is the theme for the gathering on **Friday, October 4 at 9:30am** at Denver Seminary. Learn more and register at www.heartledtransitions.com.

Preparing for Worship - October 6, 2024 Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

First Reading: Genesis 2:18-24

Second Reading: Hebrews 1:1-4; 2:5-12

Gospel Reading: Mark 10:2-16

Worship Servants for Sunday, October 6, 2024		
Pastor Brad Doty, preaching		
Assisting Minister	Sandi Stevermer	
Lector	Jon Dierksheide	
Communion Servants	Amy Rahne, Gary Philpy	
Sacrament Servants	Suzanne Peterson, Sandi Stevermer	
Greeter	Mike Laboda	
Ushers	Bill Colbenson, Tom Silco	
Key Keeper	Week beginning Oct. 6: Mark Pixley	

Calendar of Events October 2-13, 2024

Wednesday, October 2 6:30a – Camp Gladiator II 6:00p – Confirmation (FH, kitchen, chapel) 6:00p – H. S. Youth Group (YR, FH, Chapel) 7:00p – Choir Rehearsal (Sanc.)	Tuesday, October 8 9:00a – League of Women Voters (MC-3) 10:00a – SPLC Staff Meetings (MC-1) 5:30p – Camp Gladiator (outside) 7:00p – Bell Rehearsal (Sanc.) 7:00p – Boy Scouts (FH) 7:00p – SPELC Board Meeting (MC-4/5) 7:00p – Tues. Night Bible Study (offsite)
Thursday, October 3 7:30a – Men's Breakfast (offsite) 10:30a – M. Reitz Viewing (Sanc.) 11:00a – Marilyn Reitz Memorial Service 5:30p – Camp Gladiator (outside) 5:30p – Peninsula Homeowners Assn. (FH) 6:15p – Cub Scout Pack 47 (MC-4/5) 7:30p – Prayer Team (Zoom)	Wednesday, October 9 6:30a – Camp Gladiator II 9:30a – Men's Bible Study (YR) 9:30a – Women's Bible Study (MC-1) 6:00p – Confirmation (FH, kitchen, chapel) 6:00p – H. S. Youth Group (YR, FH, Chapel) 6:00p – Men's Pizza Night (MC-4/5) 7:00p – Choir Rehearsal (Sanc.)
Friday, October 4 Church office open 8am—noon 6:30a – Camp Gladiator II 9:30a – Girl Scout Leader Training (MC-1) 12:00p – Flute Group Practice (YR)	Thursday, October 10 7:30a – Men's Breakfast (offsite) 4:15p – Webelos Meeting (MC-4/5) 5:30p – Camp Gladiator (outside) 5:30p – Women's Ministry Event (Sanc., FH, Narthex) 7:30p – Prayer Team (Zoom)
Saturday, October 5 9:00a – Grateful Threads Presentation (FH, kitchen) 9:30a – Art Quilt Bee (MC-4/5) 10:30a – Al-Anon (MC-3)	Friday, October 11 Church office open 8am—noon 6:30a – Camp Gladiator II 9:15a – CMTA Event (Sanc.) 12:00p – Flute Group Practice (YR)
Sunday, October 6 9:00a – Worship in person & online 10:15a – Sunday School (FH) 10:15a – Faith and Fellowship (6th-12th grades) 10:30a – Adult Faith Formation (MC-3, MC-4/5) 3:00p – Sedalia Spurs (MC-4/5) 5:00p – Rejoicing Spirits Service (Chapel)	Saturday, October 12 8:30a – Second Wind (FH-1) 10:30a – Al-Anon (MC-3) 11:30a – Al-Anon Business Meeting (MC-3) 1:00p – Piano Recital (Sanc.) 5:00p – Saturday Evening Worship (Sanc.)
Monday, October 7 6:30a – Camp Gladiator II 9:00a – Women's Bible Study (FS) 6:35p – Pub Theology (offsite)	Sunday, October 13 9:00a – Worship in person & online 10:15a – Sunday School (FH) 10:15a – Faith and Fellowship (6th-12th grades) 10:30a – Adult Faith Formation (MC-3, MC-4/5)

KEN CARYL CONCERTS "AMERICAN SONGBOOK"

Join us for a varied program of jazz standards, folk tunes & patriotic songs performed by St. Philip musicians and friends, including a special appearance by our SPELC PreK class.



Sunday, November 3 at 3pm

St. Philip Lutheran Church

7531 S. Kendall Blvd. Littleton, CO 80128

FREE ADMISSION (donations appreciated)

ALL AGES WELCOME

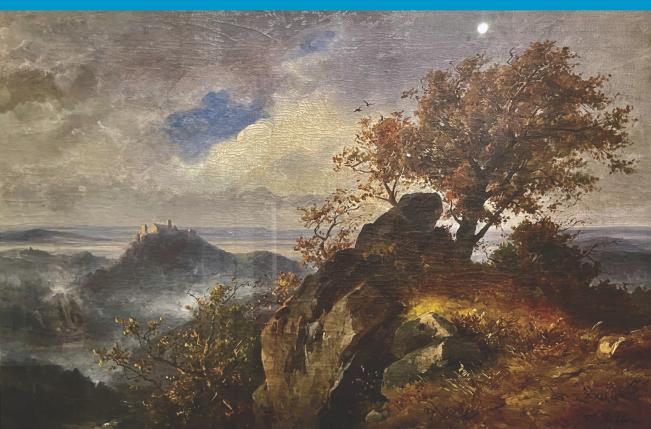
REFRESHMENTS & SOCIAL TIME FOLLOWING THE PERFORMANCE







FREE CONCERTS



Built on the Rock Sunday, October 13, 2024

2:30 pm

Ascension Lutheran Church 1701 W Caley Ave., Littleton, CO 6:30 pm

Faith Lutheran Church 303 N Ridge Rd., Castle Rock, CO



The Lutheran Chorale



We are not selling tickets but appreciate your free will offerings.



Visit www.thelutheranchorale.org for more information.



St. Philip Lutheran Church Sunday October 27th 3:00 – 4:30 p.m.



Free event! Bring your Friends!

Trick-or-Treat at the many decorated trunks!





If you would like to volunteer and/or provide a decorated trunk - you can sign up here!

Or contact Melinda Svenkerud Msvenkerud@stphilip-co.or



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. <u>Prayer requests will run for two weeks unless otherwise requested.</u>

<u>Members</u>

Family of Marilyn Reitz, Tom Booth, Harry Breitbach, Marcia Wagner, Carolyn Smith, Phyllis Kemp

Family Members

Family of Ben Flack (Becky Near's nephew)
Mary (Dori Hammer's aunt)
Gail (Karen Otto's sister)
Matthew Hall (Marilyn Belford's grandson-in-law)
Ada Mishkind (Joanne Ermold's granddaughter)
Anna (Liz & Brad Reed's granddaughter)
Laura Hughes (Nancy Schell's daughter)
Tom McGinnis (Mary Flatley's brother)
Jim Flatley (Tom Flatley's brother)
Erik Hanson (Martha Hanson's son)

Caroline Carroll (Harriet Truman's daughter) Clarissa Lee (Sharon Peters' niece) Kevin Gilliland (Harriet Truman's son-in-law) Ryan Ermold (Joanne Ermold's son) Jenna Ermold (Joanne Ermold's daughter) Ron Ermold (Joanne Ermold's husband) Tim Booth (Tom Booth's brother) Lauren Person (Mary Flatley's daughter) Betty Wicklund (Janet Shibly's aunt)

<u>Friends</u>

Alice (Otto) Penny Kelly (Stevermer) Kaci (Werner) Suzanne (Werner) Family & friends of Jim McLaughlin (Stevermer) Mena (SwS) Kathy (Endecott) Family & friends of Walker Moench (White) Family & friends of Dorothy Tulane (Anderson) Halle (Haggenjos) Lisa Wycoff (Burgess; Mossbrucker) Kelly Glover (Nickels) Makayla King (MOSAIC) Ruth (SPELC) Ryan Gaibler (Thomas) Conrad & family (Anderson)

Prayers for all those affected by Hurricane Helene. May God's healing presence give them hope in their time of need.

Prayers of remembrance and love for all our homebound members.

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

Prayers for healing and comfort for those suffering with physical and mental injuries, anxiety, and depression.

