

St. Philip Information and News (SPIN)

January 8, 2025



Worship News

Baptism of Our Lord

This Sunday, January 12, we will observe Baptism of our Lord Sunday. In this service we will celebrate our baptisms, so if you have a baptismal candle from your baptism, we invite you to bring it with you to worship. We will also have candles available. We will light our candles as we reflect on our baptisms.

Altar Flowers

Sign up for altar flowers for 2025 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.

Saturday Evening Worship

Saturday evening worship takes place on the **2nd & 4th Saturdays of each month at 5pm** in the sanctuary with the Holden Evening Prayer liturgy. Following the service we will have wine and cheese fellowship with other light refreshments with water and juice.

Church News

Creative Caring Quilters

The Creative, Caring Quilters will NOT meet the third Saturday of January which is the 18th. We will meet on **Saturday, January 25 from 9am-12pm in the Fellowship Hall**. Our ministry is creating quilts to be sent worldwide for people in distress through Lutheran World Relief. We presently have completed 13 quilts and hope to complete more by March when we take them to the Ingathering downtown. We welcome anyone who would like to join us. We enjoy good conversation, coffee, treats, and sewing tips. Bring a "Sew N Tell" to share or any other craft that you have created and would like to share.

St. Philip Supper Club

We are reviving the St. Philip Supper Club (monthly) with a theme--dining around the world! We will start **January 18, 2025** and it will be at The Athenian Restaurant in Aurora--Greek food! (<https://www.theathenianrestaurant.com/>) Opa! Each person is responsible for paying for their own dinner (reservations will be made so that separate checks are available) and also responsible for transportation there and back. Carpooling from St. Philip is a great option too. Please RSVP by or before Jan 12, 2025 so that a reservation can be made to accommodate us. Questions? Please contact Juley or Rich Allee (juleyallee@gmail.com or eella.t.r@gmail.com).



17th Annual Men of St. Philip Chili Cook-Off

Mark your calendars now! Saturday, February 22, 2025

You won't want to be anywhere else when the Seventeenth Annual St. Philip Chili Cook-Off commences! Come, savor the tasty concoctions and marvel at the culinary skills of the closet chefs in our congregation as they compete in preparing a variety of chili dishes! And to add to the fun, not only will this be a chili cook-off, but it will combine with our New Member Dinner! This will be the perfect opportunity to eat AND greet! (Attendance and participation is free, but a freewill offering will be welcomed.) Prizes will be offered for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place, plus a special award for the Best Named Chili. 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: 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 3pm. 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!

Call or talk to Paul Selander (303-241-0321) for all the details!

Volunteer Opportunities/Donations/Service

Sharing with Sheridan Food Pantry

On the first Thursday of the new year on a sunny, chilly afternoon, we served 198 families (621 neighbors). After the rollercoaster that was December, these numbers are much closer to the average we saw through the fall of 2024. We continue to be well stocked from recent food drives, but will need **canned pasta, baked beans, chili, pasta sauce, clean grocery and newspaper bags, quart Ziploc bags, and egg cartons.**

SWS is looking for someone to put together an annual report using Publisher or something similar. We will provide all the data and the text. If interested, contact Jan Philpy.

You may be familiar with the USPS Stamp Out Hunger drive that takes place in May. Over the years we have discovered that significantly more food is donated if there are bags handed out ahead of time. So, we are looking for a sponsor—if you know of a company or group that would sponsor the bags, please contact Jan Philpy.

King Soopers and Sharing with Sheridan: The King Soopers at 3100 S Sheridan Blvd. (just north of 285 on Sheridan) has again selected Sharing with Sheridan Food Pantry to benefit from the Fight Hunger bag program. For the month of January, whenever a \$2.50 reusable Fight Hunger bag is purchased at this King Soopers, \$1 will be donated to our food pantry. Stop by!

Put Your Faith into Action!

Holy Hammers Work Dates - No Experience Needed

If you want to help 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! We can also arrange a date for your work or social group to volunteer together - it's a great team builder!

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!*

- 3 spots on **Saturday, February 15** 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!)

- 1 spot on **Saturday, January 18** at the Production Shop (430 S. Navajo St., Denver) **from 8:50am-4:30pm**

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!

Bible Studies/Small Groups

Monday

Monday Women's Bible Study

Monday Women's Bible study meets 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.

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

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

Beginning on January 8, we will be reading and discussing the book "Forgiveness—A Lenten Study" by Marjorie J. Thompson. The book is available at Barnes & Noble or at Alibris Books online. We hope you will join us. 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**. For more information, contact Bill Colbenson at 720-381-3348.

Wednesday Night Women's Bible Study

We look forward to seeing you in January when we will begin a new study with an opportunity to learn more about each other as well.

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!

Preparing for Worship - January 12, 2025 Baptism of Our Lord
First Reading: Isaiah 43:1-7
Second Reading: Acts 8:14-17
Gospel Reading: Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

Worship Servants for Sunday, January 12, 2025

Music: Bluegrass Group

Assisting Minister	Sandi Stevermer
Lector	Linda Tegeder
Communion Servants	Linda Tegeder, Jan Philpy
Sacrament Servants	Sandi Stevermer, Carolyn Endecott
Greeters	Bruce & Judy Anderson
Ushers	Chuck Rogge, Mike Laboda
Key Keeper	Week beginning Jan. 12: Gaylen Rapp



Matthew 3:16, NRSV

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.*

Members

Diane Michael, Family & friends of Tracy Stabrava, Family & friends of Bill Faerber, Family & friends of Annelore Fecht, Brad Reed, Marcia Wagner, Carolyn Smith, Phyllis Kemp

Family Members

Clair (Jan & Gary Philpy's great-niece)
Amber (Karen Otto's niece)
Family of Karen Douglass (Juley Allee's aunt)
Gail (Karen Otto's sister)
Erik Hanson (Martha Hanson's son)
Diana (Diane Bracken's niece)
Ginger Schnickel (Tom & LeRae Schnickel's sister-in-law)
Lauren (Jeff & Angy Lyslo's daughter-in-law)
Gregory Osterloth (Bill Osterloth's son)
Shelley Krause (Anne Krause's cousin)
Margy Crary (Anne Krause's aunt)
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)
Caroline Carroll (Harriet Truman's daughter)
Clarissa Lee (Sharon Peters' niece)
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)

Friends

Cheryl Barnard (Hassman)
Family of Rebecca Bearden (Hassman)
Scott Rodman (Nottingham)
Judy (Flatley)
Chris (Henning)

Lisa Wycoff (Burgess; Mossbrucker)
Makayla King (MOSAIC)
Ruth (SPELC)
Ryan Gaibler (Thomas)
Conrad & family (Anderson)

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.



Calendar of Events

January 8-19, 2025

<p>Wednesday, January 8 6:30a – Camp Gladiator II 9:30a – Men’s Bible Study (YR) 9:30a – Women’s Bible Study (MC-1) 4:00p – Worship Styles & Formats (MC-3) 6:00p – Confirmation (FH, kitchen, YR) 6:00p – Youth Group (FH, YR) 6:00p – Men’s Pizza Night (MC-4/5) 7:00p – Choir Rehearsal (Sanc.)</p>	<p>Tuesday, January 14 9:00a – League of Women Voters (MC-3) 10:00a – SPLC Staff Meetings (MC-1) 1:00p – Mahjong Group (MC-1) 5:30p – Camp Gladiator 7:00p – Boy Scouts (FH) 7:00p – SPELC Board Meeting (MC-4/5) 7:00p – Tues. Night Bible Study (offsite)</p>
<p>Thursday, January 9 7:30a – Men’s Breakfast (offsite) 4:15p – Webelos Meeting (MC-4/5, FH) 5:30p – Camp Gladiator 7:00p – Bell Rehearsal (Sanc) 7:30p – Prayer Team (Zoom)</p>	<p>Wednesday, January 15 6:30a – Camp Gladiator II 6:00p – Confirmation (FH, kitchen, YR) 6:00p – Youth Group (FH, YR) 7:00p – Choir Rehearsal (Sanc.)</p>
<p>Friday, January 10 <i>Church office open 8am-noon</i> 6:30a – Camp Gladiator II</p>	<p>Thursday, January 16 7:30a – Men’s Breakfast (offsite) 5:30p – Camp Gladiator 7:00p – Bell Rehearsal (Sanc) 7:30p – Prayer Team (Zoom)</p>
<p>Saturday, January 11 8:30a – Second Wind (FH-1) 9:00a – Bluegrass Rehearsal (Sanc.) 10:30a – Al-Anon (MC-3) 11:30a – Al-Anon Business Meeting (MC-3) 4:00p – Rejoicing Spirits (FH, Sanc.) 5:00p – Saturday Evening Worship (Sanc.)</p>	<p>Friday, January 17 <i>Church office closed</i> 6:30a – Camp Gladiator II 7:00p – Littleton Gem & Mineral Club (FH)</p>
<p>Sunday, January 12 9:00a – Worship 10:15a – Sunday School (FH) 10:15a – Faith and Fellowship (6th-12th grades) 10:30a – Adult Faith Formation (MC-4/5) 1:00p – Fecht Memorial Service (Sanc., FH)</p>	<p>Saturday, January 18 10:30a – Al-Anon (MC-3) 10:30a – Faerber Memorial Service (Sanc., FH, kitchen) 6:00p – Supper Club (offsite)</p>
<p>Monday, January 13 6:30a – Camp Gladiator II 9:30a – Book Club (FS) 1:00p – Prayer Shawl Knitting Group (FS) 6:35p – Pub Theology (offsite)</p>	<p>Sunday, January 19 9:00a – Worship 10:15a – Sunday School (FH) 10:15a – Faith and Fellowship (6th-12th grades) 10:30a – Adult Faith Formation (MC-4/5)</p>



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