



# THE EPISTLE

## **New Beginnings**

Fall is always an exciting time of the year for me. The weather is changing, activities abound, and those we haven't seen in a while are returning. It's fun to reconnect with folks and hear all about what's been happening in their lives over the summer. Programs and groups like Sunday School, GROW, Bible Study, Choirs, and Youth Groups have begun a new program year. Ministry teams are recommitting themselves to the tasks at hand. And even a few new ministries are underway. It truly is an exciting time to be the church!

The month of October marks an

anniversary for us. I began my call at St. Philip on October 6, so as that day comes and goes; it prompts me to reflect a bit on our first year together. I give thanks for your willingness to receive Bob and me into this community of faith. Together we've persevered through some tough changes like the modification of our Sunday morning schedule and a staff change.

Together we've gathered regularly for worship; we've gathered regularly to grow in faith; we've welcomed newcomers to this faith community; we've read the Bible in 90 Days;

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# ...New Beginnings...

we've identified our assets and begun to explore our unique SHAPE; we've organized the SPOT team to help us be more focused in our outreach; we've strengthened the ministries of other teams; we've cared for our property; we've walked with each other through the death of our loved ones; we've celebrated a variety of milestones; together we sent a large group of youth and adults to the ELCA Youth Gathering; and together we've used our hands to serve our neighbors. It has been a blessed year of ministry together! I look forward to seeing what God continues to do in and through us in this new year.

My sisters and brothers, being God's people together in a faith community is not always an easy thing. Sometimes it's hard to face the reality of things. Sometimes we will disagree on how things should be done. Sometimes we will have to make tough decisions. But know this: this is God's church! We are not engaged in this ministry alone! Paul's letter to the church in Philippi says it best: "I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work among you will bring it to completion by the day of Jesus Christ."

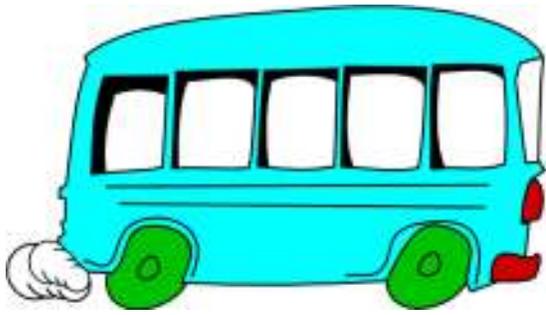
So let us go boldly into this year, trusting in God's presence among us as we engage in the work that God gives us to do.

Partnering with you,  
Pastor Pam

## Congregation Council News

**There will be a called Congregation Meeting on October 4 after both services for the purpose of receiving nominations for congregation council from the floor.**

**The election for congregation council will take place on Sunday, October 25 throughout the morning.**

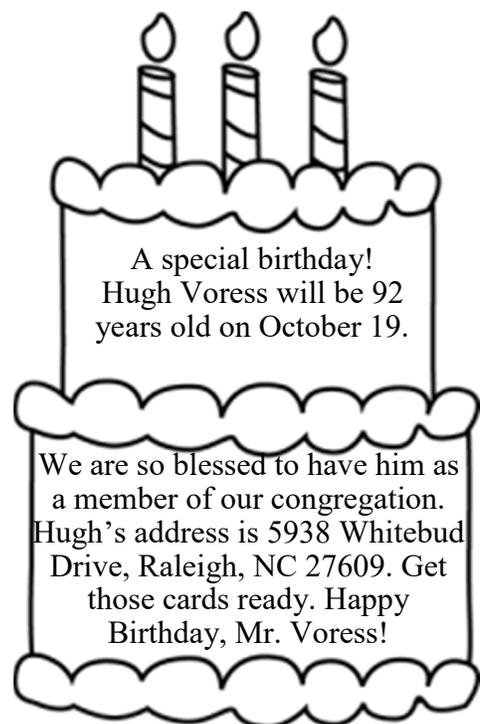


The next BUS TRIP is scheduled for Thursday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>. Our first stop is Replacements, Inc. (This warehouse has the world's largest selection of old and new dinnerware, glassware, silver, stainless, and collectibles). Lunch is at Saratoga Grill in Hillsborough. In the afternoon we will enjoy a bus tour of Historic Hillsborough. The tour ends at the Orange County Historical Museum. Because the guide for Historic Hillsborough will board our bus for the tour, we need to limit participants for this tour. Sign up early with Sandra Kelly, 919-247-1038 or [sankelly55@hotmail.com](mailto:sankelly55@hotmail.com).

Ladies Lunch –The next Ladies Lunch is at Coquette Brasserie in North Hills Shopping Center on October 8 beginning at noon. Address is 4351 The Circle at North Hills, Suite 119. All are welcome. Invite your friends and neighbors to enjoy this delightful French restaurant. Sign up with Sandra Kelly, 919-247-1038 or [sankelly55@hotmail.com](mailto:sankelly55@hotmail.com). Also, let Sandy know if you need transportation. Will you join us? We hope the answer is “oui, oui”.



Our Puzzle Get-Together for October will be held on Tuesday, October 27th. Help us complete a puzzle. Come for lunch at 11:30 or bring your own lunch, or come at noon to begin the puzzle. Contact Claire Muller, 919-900-8443 or [cmuller4@nc.rr.com](mailto:cmuller4@nc.rr.com) to sign up or if you have any questions. We would love to see you there.



A special birthday!  
Hugh Voress will be 92  
years old on October 19.

We are so blessed to have him as  
a member of our congregation.  
Hugh's address is 5938 Whitebud  
Drive, Raleigh, NC 27609. Get  
those cards ready. Happy  
Birthday, Mr. Voress!



# Families PLM Together

MOVING FAMILIES FROM HOMELESSNESS TO INDEPENDENCE

## **Holiday Smiles is back!**

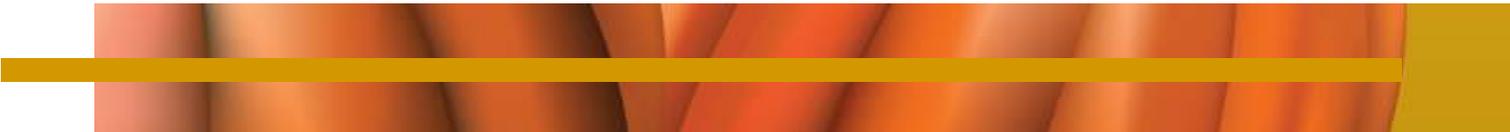
Thank you to the churches and individuals who've offered to help one or more families in our program with presents for the Christmas holiday (wish lists are provided). These families are working hard to leave homelessness behind and return to independence and stable housing. Knowing they don't have to worry about Christmas gifts frees them up to stay on track with their budget goals AND have a special holiday. Our Community Engagement Coordinator, Meghan Olesen is coordinating the effort, so you can contact her with questions or offers to help (her e-mail is: [meghan@plmft.org](mailto:meghan@plmft.org)). Thank you!

## **Hats, Gloves and Scarves Drive**

We're currently collecting hats, gloves and scarves for the families in our program (especially the children). We'd like to give them out at a family event being held October 10<sup>th</sup>. We'll be accepting new or gently used items until October 8<sup>th</sup>. Please reach out to Meghan Olesen to donate ([meghan@plmft.org](mailto:meghan@plmft.org)).

## **Share and Help Us Get the Word Out!**

Do you use Instagram? Connect with us (PLMFT). You'll also find regular updates on our Facebook page ([www.facebook.com/PLMFT](http://www.facebook.com/PLMFT)), and on Twitter ([@PLMFT](https://twitter.com/PLMFT)).



The Helen Wright Center provides temporary housing and support services for approximately 300 homeless women annually. Since women often arrive at the Center with no personal belongings, the Center has asked that we provide personal care kits. The kits contain a toothbrush (any type), small toothpaste, soap, shampoo, and hand sanitizer. We ask your help in providing these items for the kit. There are baskets at the entrance to worship services for these items. Remember, except for the toothbrush, we are asking for small size items (hotel soaps, shampoos, etc. are welcome). As always, if you don't have time to shop, a monetary donation will be accepted. Please label the donation for "Helen Wright" and we will do the shopping for you. This drive will run through the end of October. If you have questions, contact Sandra Kelly, 919-247-1038 or [sankelly55@hotmail.com](mailto:sankelly55@hotmail.com). Thank you.

## *Moving Forward Together for St. Philip*



### **STEWARDSHIP, YOU, AND THE PONY EXPRESS**

We are all optimistic about the potential of St. Philip as we move forward together. We are engaged in identifying our unique SHAPE both as individual partners in ministry and as a faith community. Exploring our assets led to a variety of new initiatives within the congregation as well as the expansion of other ministries. God is doing some amazing things in our midst as we continue to grow in faith and reach out to others in God's name.

Moving forward together to become the congregation that we are called to be means fully funding our ministry spending plan for 2015 and 2016.

This year, the Responding and Finance teams are initiating a process that will involve every household in the congregation based on the old Pony Express relay system. The plan is to have 18 "Trail Bosses" who will coordinate the passing of a saddle bag along a route that includes giving cards and envelopes for 8 to 10 households.

Each saddlebag will contain a list of the members on the route, addresses, telephone numbers and a giving card & envelope. The first name on the list will receive the saddlebag, read the stewardship summary in the saddlebag, take their giving card from one side of the saddlebag, complete the estimate and place the card in an envelope, seal it and place on the other side of the saddlebag. The saddlebag will then be delivered to the next name on the list, etc., etc., until all names on the list are contacted and each family is given the opportunity to fill out and submit their giving card. The last name on the list delivers the saddle bag back to the church office or to their Trail Boss for return to the church office.

Expediency is key here. We are encouraging all to partake, but the saddlebags should move quickly along the route. In addition to giving an estimate of giving for 2016, every household will have the opportunity to give an additional financial gift in support of our 2015 ministries. Together we can fully fund our ministries for 2015 and determine the extent that ministries will be funded in 2016.

The "Trail Boss" is always available to assist and answer questions. We only ask that you quickly fill out your giving card and deliver the bag to the next name on the list. The saddle bag itself will contain simple, detailed instructions. In this way every member will be involved.

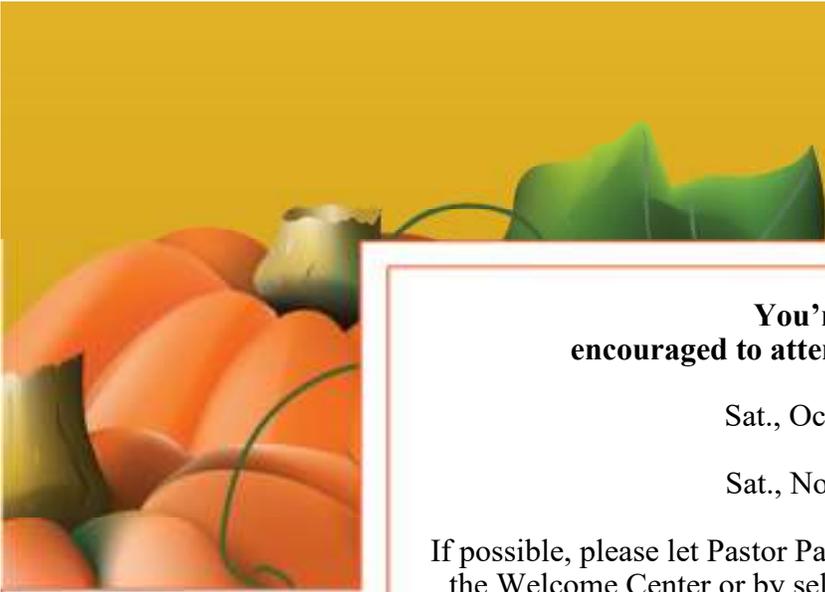
Those who have some mobility concerns, are shut-in, or live away from the congregation will have the opportunity to participate in the ride with the help of the US Mail! They will receive the same information as everyone else and be given the opportunity to complete an estimate of giving card.

Each and every one of us will "own" part of the process as we move forward together to support the ministries of St. Philip. This whole-church approach will shorten the drive and increase response among members, allowing fellowship to grow as the saddle bag is passed from one to the other. You will be able to make your decision about giving to God through St. Philip in the privacy of your home without another member of the church present to solicit your response. You will be able to meet your St. Philip friends as you pass the bag to your neighboring congregation members.

The Pony Express will begin at both services on October 18 when the "Trail Bosses" will be introduced to the congregation. The Pony Express will conclude at one 10:00 AM service on November 22 and be followed by a chuck wagon luncheon in Luther Hall. Over the next month, we will be explaining the details of the ride. For now, we simply ask everyone to saddle up and join the entire congregation on this new and exciting pony express ride.

Moving forward together,

Your Responding and Finance Committees



**You're Invited and encouraged to attend a S.H.A.P.E. Workshop!**

Sat., Oct. 31 9am - Noon

Sat., Nov. 7 9am – Noon

If possible, please let Pastor Pam know you're coming by signing up at the Welcome Center or by selecting the event in the MyChurch App and tapping "register."

## **Discovering Your S.H.A.P.E. Workshop**

In August, over 40 people attended a S.H.A.P.E. workshop. Here are comments from some of those participants about this opportunity.

From Lynn Kavcsak - I think we, as members, have an obligation to determine our S.H.A.P.E. in terms of how we serve St. Philip Lutheran Church and God. After completing the S.H.A.P.E. assessment, I saw a great deal of cross over between my personal and professional lives. The inventory helped me consider what I am really passionate about and areas in which I possess abilities. As a result, I am in the process of reconsidering my gifts and looking at my availability, in terms of service. I highly recommend all members of our church take the time to participate in this workshop and discover their own unique S.H.A.P.E.

From Joe Edwards - The SHAPE workshop far exceeded my expectations. Not only was it an opportunity for me to explore and understand my spiritual gifts, passions, and personality; but also inspired me to examine how I can use these gifts to serve St. Philip, my family, my work and my community. Thank you for this opportunity.

From Howard Cunningham - The SHAPE workshop helped me better understand my passions and abilities in serving God through the ministries at St Philip. My personality profile was a bit of a surprise to me and some others but is valuable in helping me learn more about myself. Such organized introspection has proven valuable to me.

From Carol Williamson - Besides identifying my spiritual gifts, strengths and passions, the workshop experience reminded me that it is okay and healthy to say "No", when asked to do things that drain you.

From Paula Metivier - A brief note to all, I really enjoyed the SHAPE workshop. It really opened up my heart and mind as we read the phrases, words, skills, talents that so many of us have. Sometimes we don't dig deep and try new activities because we are comfortable where we are in life. It helps you appreciate the person you are and why we communicate to others in a certain way. I recommend that others attend the workshop. There was even play dough, if you needed to fidget.

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From Sandy Glass - I notice that I have changed over the years as He has used me in different ways.

From Don Helmey - The SHAPE workshop is a worthwhile investment of time. It can provide some great insights as to the gifts God has given you and gets you thinking about how to use those gifts. You can't do everything, but this helps you to focus on what you can do.

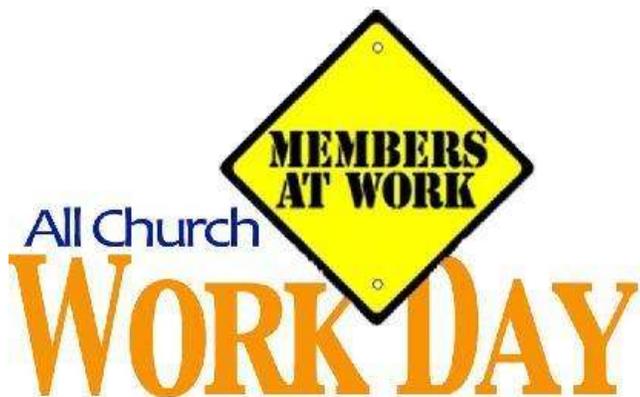
From Kathryn Edwards - I found the SHAPE workshop very interesting and informative. Completing the personality profile helped me see why I am good at some jobs and not well suited for others. By focusing on the passions I identified, I can better serve the ministries that I am most committed to and "just say no" to ones that are less fulfilling for me. I now have a much fuller understanding of my gifts and how I can use them to serve others.

From Bob Northrup - Love what you do and do what you love.

From Stacey Bell - Pastor Pam's SHAPE workshop was fabulous! Not only was it a tool for me to get to know myself better and, as a result, contemplate how God might use me for His work, but it was a great way to get to know others in the class!

From Anne Howard - Attending SHAPE workshop introduced me to other members, allowed me to explore possible contributions to the church and have fun!

From Joanne Andrews - Although I had no idea who would be at my SHAPE session...it was the best three hours I ever spent analyzing what I have to offer God through St Philip... some traits I didn't even know I possessed. I encourage each member to attend and have as much unanticipated fun as our group of 25 had! Attend with an open mind and heart and you are sure to be happily surprised!



Please join us Saturday, October 24 from 8:30 a.m. until noon for a Property Workday. We will be doing cleaning and maintenance inside and out that day. Cleaning supplies will be furnished. Bring yard tools to help outside. All are needed to help with the many items that need attention for this year.

# Youth Events

## Middle School Lock In—October 9



- Who? 6th-8th Grade Youth
- What? A joint lock in with Christ the King MS youth
- Where? Christ the King in Cary
- When? October 9th - Exact times TBD
- Why? Because it's fun!!!!

## YouthQuake - November 14th

**What?** YouthQuake is a day retreat for 3rd-5th graders across the North Carolina Synod. We will gather for music, crafts, games, worship, pizza and fun.

**Who?** 3rd-5th Graders

**When?** November 14th from 9:30-3:30

**Where?** Holy Trinity, Raleigh

**Cost?** \$20 which includes t-shirt, lunch, and craft supplies



## Confirmation Milestone Blessing—11:15 on October 25th

Please join us in celebrating our 8th grade confirmands as they are confirmed on October 25th during the 11:15 worship service. Below you may see who they are and what they offered to build the BODY of Christ. Your continued support for our confirmands is so greatly appreciated and encouraging! **Thank you!**

Confirmand	Project Offering
Pierce Alexander	Organized Christmas Tree offerings for deficit reduction.
Preston Hewett	Trailer for the St. Philip Website
Julie Lawrence	Collected and packaged goodies to send to military men and women through USO
Ethan Pongracz	Organized a food drive to serve IFFS
Koen Rodabaugh	Shampoo cleaned the carpet in Kepley Hall
Trey Thompson	Organize and attend the Crop Walk
Matthew Wiener	Collected dog supplies and delivered them to support the Wake County SPCA



## Sunday, October 25

at Broughton High School  
3pm for registration  
4pm walk begins  
kids wear your costumes  
adults, dress in '80's style

Come walk for a cause!!

Be sure to join the St. Philip team!  
How, you might ask?

Go to [www.crophungerwalk.com](http://www.crophungerwalk.com)

Search for Raleigh, NC

Click on *Raleigh Crop Hunger Walk*

Click *Donate*

Click "*I want to support the team.*"

Click on **Team St. Philip**

Hi, my name is Trey Thompson and I'm going to be telling you about the Crop Hunger Walk. The Crop Walk started in 1980. It was for children and families who were living in poverty. With donations every year Urban Ministries would give families food, a source of water, and sometimes shelter. In thirty-five years the Crop Hunger Walk has raised over \$2 million.

Imagine you live in Kenya. To get to fresh water you have to walk at least 5 miles. Once you get there you fill your five gallon Jerry, which weighs 42lbs. Then you have to walk back with it balanced on your head. What I just described to you is what a family has to do every day just to survive in Kenya.

For \$12 you can provide 200 micronutrient packets for malnourished children. \$30 can drill one meter of a shallow borehole well - providing safe water for a whole community. Any donations are helpful.

Please come to the End Hunger Now Crop Walk. It will be held at **Broughton High School, Sunday, October 25**. Get there at 3 pm for registration and for some very fun activities. The Walk itself begins at 4 pm. It is a 5k route. For all the kids coming be sure to wear your Halloween costume. There will be a prize for the most creative costume. For all the adults coming you can or don't have to but there is a Flashback to the 80's clothes. I hope to see most of you there!

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## All Saints Day Celebration – Sunday, Nov. 1, 2015

On All Saints Day we celebrate the victory won for all the faithful dead in Christ's life, death, and resurrection. All Saints' Day provides a time for us to remember, reflect on and thank God for our loved ones who have died. While we celebrate God's victory over death, we continue to grieve for our beloved dead knowing that God honors our tears.

Beginning on Oct 11, a Book of Remembrance will be at the Welcome Center for you to record the names of those who have died since the last All Saints Sunday. These names will be read during worship on Nov. 1<sup>st</sup>.

You're invited to bring a photo or memento honoring those who have died to worship with you on Nov. 1. These items can be placed on tables around the periphery of the sanctuary (8:00 and 11:15) and Kepley Hall (9:10).

# ...Sing, Sing, Sing...

How many times does the word "sing" appear in the Holy Bible?  
Depending on the translation you use,  
the word "sing" appears between 121 - to over 400 times!!!

Psalm 100: 1-2 states:  
"Make a JOYFUL NOISE to the Lord, all the earth!  
Serve the Lord with gladness!  
Come into His presence with singing!"

Looking for an opportunity to make that  
JOYFUL NOISE  
to the Lord?

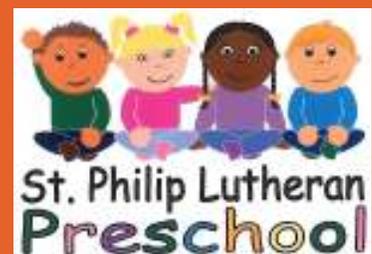
CHILDREN (K-5)...Wednesday evenings @ 6:45 p.m. in the Sanctuary  
ADULTS...Wednesday evenings @ 7:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary  
YOUTH...A fantastic opportunity is "in the works"!

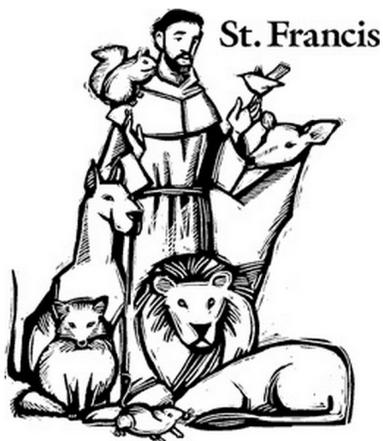
Any questions???  
Contact Marcia K-B, Director of Music Ministries

## Preschool Sunday

### Preschool Sunday - Oct. 11 at the 11:15 service

The St. Philip Preschool is thriving! We'll celebrate the preschool on Sunday, Oct. 11 at the 11:15 worship service. The families of the preschool have been invited to worship at St. Philip for that service. We'll recognize and install the teachers and staff and offer a prayer of blessing for the newly refurbished playground. A reception will be held in Luther Hall following the service. This will be an exciting and engaging service modeled after preschool chapel which occurs on Wednesday mornings. Come prepared to greet some new families and have some fun while worshipping together.





## “All God’s Critters Got a Place in the Choir!”

All critters are invited to bring their human companions for a **Pet Blessing on Saturday, Oct 3 at 10:00 am** in the parking lot. Yes, all God’s critters: dogs, cats, birds, rabbits, hamsters, fish, horses, snakes, lizards. If your critter is unable to attend, please bring a picture. Bring your own chairs. In case of rain we will gather in the basement of the Education building. Invite your friends and neighbors to bring their critters too!

On October 4, the church remembers and gives thanks for St. Francis of Assisi who died in 1226. He is recognized as a renewer of the church. Francis had a spirit of gratitude for all of God's creation. He is most often depicted as a monk surrounded by animals of every kind.

Hope to see you and your critters on Saturday, Oct. 3 at 10:00 am.

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## Upcoming Newcomer Orientations

*Are you interested in learning more about the Lutheran Church?*

*Are you interested in learning more about the ministries of St. Philip Lutheran Church?*

*Do you desire to become part of this community of faith?*

If you answered “yes” to any of these questions, then attending a Newcomer Orientation is the thing for you! Church membership has been described as our opportunity to grasp hold of each other in responsibility and love.

*In joining a church, you:*

- Make visible your commitment to Christ and his people. You state before God and others that you are part of this local body of believers.
- Enter into a relationship of mutual accountability. When we join a church we offer ourselves to one another to be challenged, encouraged, loved, and strengthened. We’re saying, “I am here to stay. I want to help you grow in faithfulness. Will you help me to do the same?”

Make promises to practice the spiritual disciplines of daily prayer, active service, weekly worship, regular Bible study, on-going fellowship, and generous giving within and through this particular community of faith known as St. Philip Lutheran Church.

**Newcomer Orientations will be held on:**

**Saturday, October 17 from 10am – Noon**

**Thursday, Oct. 22 from 6:30 - 8:30 pm.**

Choose the one that works best for you and your family.

Newcomers who desire to formally unite with this congregation will be received into membership on Sunday, November 1 at the service that you normally attend. Sign up for the orientation at the Welcome Center or register on the My Church App. If you have questions or need more information please contact Pastor Pam.

# October

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				<b>1</b> <b>6:30 PM</b> Crossing Practice	<b>2</b> <b>10:00 AM</b> Al-Anon Meeting <b>7:00 PM</b> AA-Meeting	<b>3</b> <b>10:00 AM</b> Blessing of the Animals <b>7:00 PM</b> AA Meeting
<b>4</b> <b>8:00 AM</b> Worship Service with Communion <b>9:10 AM</b> Crossing <b>10:20 AM</b> Sunday School <b>11:15 AM</b> Worship Service with Communion <b>1:30 PM</b> Flute Choir <b>1:30 PM</b> Scout Eagle Ceremony <b>6:30 PM</b> Handbell Choir	<b>5</b> <b>7:00 PM</b> Unbinding Your Heart	<b>6</b> <b>10:00 AM</b> Staff Meeting <b>7:00 PM</b> Scout Troop 342 Meeting <b>7:00 PM</b> Property Team <b>7:00 PM</b> TEC <b>7:00 PM</b> Worship & Music	<b>7</b> <b>9:30 AM</b> Preschool Chapel <b>6:00 PM</b> GROW Meal (Luther Hall) <b>6:30PM</b> MS & HS Youth Groups <b>6:45 PM</b> Children's Choir <b>6:45 PM</b> Bible Study <b>7:30 PM</b> Adult Choir	<b>8</b> <b>12:00 PM</b> Ladies Lunch <b>6:30 PM</b> Crossing Practice	<b>9</b> <b>10:00 AM</b> Al-Anon Meeting <b>7:00 PM</b> AA-Meeting <b>7:00 PM</b> Middle School Lock-In	<b>10</b> <b>10:00 AM</b> Brown Bag Ministry <b>4:00 PM</b> TEC Anniversary <b>7:00 PM</b> AA Meeting
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<b>18</b> <b>8:00 AM</b> Worship Service with Communion <b>9:10 AM</b> Crossing <b>10:20 AM</b> Sunday School <b>11:15 AM</b> Worship Service with Communion <b>1:30 PM</b> Flute Choir <b>6:30 PM</b> Handbell Choir <b>7:00 PM</b> Forward Together	<b>19</b> <b>1:00 PM</b> Bridge Group <b>5:30 PM</b> PLMFT <b>7:00 PM</b> Unbinding Your Heart	<b>20</b> <b>10:00 AM</b> Staff Meeting <b>7:00 PM</b> Scout Troop 342 Meeting	<b>21</b> <b>9:30 AM</b> Preschool Chapel <b>6:00 PM</b> GROW Meal (Luther Hall) <b>6:30PM</b> MS & HS Youth Groups <b>6:45 PM</b> Children's Choir <b>6:45 PM</b> Bible Study <b>7:30 PM</b> Adult Choir	<b>22</b> <b>1:00 PM</b> Seniors Ministry <b>1:15 PM</b> Project Enlightenment <b>6:30 PM</b> Crossing Practice <b>6:30 PM</b> Newcomer's	<b>23</b> <b>10:00 AM</b> Al-Anon Meeting <b>7:00 PM</b> AA-Meeting	<b>24</b> <b>8:00 AM</b> Property Workday <b>10:00 AM</b> Brown Bag Ministry <b>12:00 PM</b> Girl Scouts <b>7:00 PM</b> AA Meeting
<b>25</b> <b>8:00 AM</b> Worship Service with Communion <b>9:10 AM</b> Crossing <b>10:20 AM</b> Sunday School & Confirmation <b>11:15 AM</b> Worship Service with Communion <b>1:30 PM</b> Flute Choir <b>6:30 PM</b> Handbell Choir	<b>26</b> <b>7:00 PM</b> Unbinding Your Heart	<b>27</b> <b>10:00 AM</b> Staff Meeting <b>6:30 PM</b> Women's Group <b>7:00 PM</b> Scout Troop 342 Meeting	<b>28</b> <b>9:30 AM</b> Preschool Chapel <b>9:30 AM</b> Quilting <b>6:00 PM</b> GROW Meal (Luther Hall) <b>6:30PM</b> MS & HS Youth Groups <b>6:45 PM</b> Children's Choir <b>6:45 PM</b> Bible Study <b>7:30 PM</b> Adult Choir	<b>29</b> <b>6:30 PM</b> Crossing Practice	<b>30</b> <b>10:00 AM</b> Al-Anon Meeting <b>7:00 PM</b> AA-Meeting	<b>31</b> <b>9:00 AM</b> SHAPE <b>7:00 PM</b> AA Meeting 



<b>Inge Mokros</b>	10/1
<b>Don Alexander</b>	10/3
<b>Sammy Pumu</b>	10/3
<b>Joey Casadonte</b>	10/4
<b>Joe Reter</b>	10/6
<b>Julie Schneider</b>	10/6
<b>Catalina Fagan</b>	10/8
<b>Ronald O'Neal</b>	10/8

<b>Mike Herring</b>	10/9
<b>Simon Kindl</b>	10/9
<b>Diane Seaver</b>	10/9
<b>Ron Ubertini</b>	10/9
<b>Elizabeth Bruce</b>	10/10
<b>Timothy Shermer</b>	10/10
<b>Kathryn Edwards</b>	10/11
<b>Edward Metivier</b>	10/11
<b>Lana Sanders</b>	10/13
<b>Joey Kupsky</b>	10/14
<b>Aaron Gentzler</b>	10/16
<b>Joanne Andrews</b>	10/18
<b>Martha Bouknight</b>	10/18
<b>Michael Seaver</b>	10/20
<b>Laura Bunte</b>	10/21
<b>Heather Kindl</b>	10/21
<b>Barbara Sullivan</b>	10/21
<b>Samantha Card</b>	10/22

<b>Allen Hewett</b>	10/22
<b>Wendy O'Neal</b>	10/22
<b>Michael Fagan</b>	10/23
<b>Dianne Rimmer</b>	10/24
<b>Anthony Ubertini</b>	10/24
<b>Tammy Vinsel</b>	10/24
<b>Leah Foil</b>	10/26
<b>Joel Kepley</b>	10/26
<b>Linda Miller</b>	10/26
<b>Laura Walser</b>	10/26
<b>Jim Bell</b>	10/28
<b>Anne Howard</b>	10/29
<b>Russ Lehman</b>	10/29
<b>Dennis Parnell</b>	10/29
<b>Frank Bouknight Jr.</b>	10/30
<b>Courtney Kavcsak</b>	10/30
<b>Jake Gibson</b>	10/31

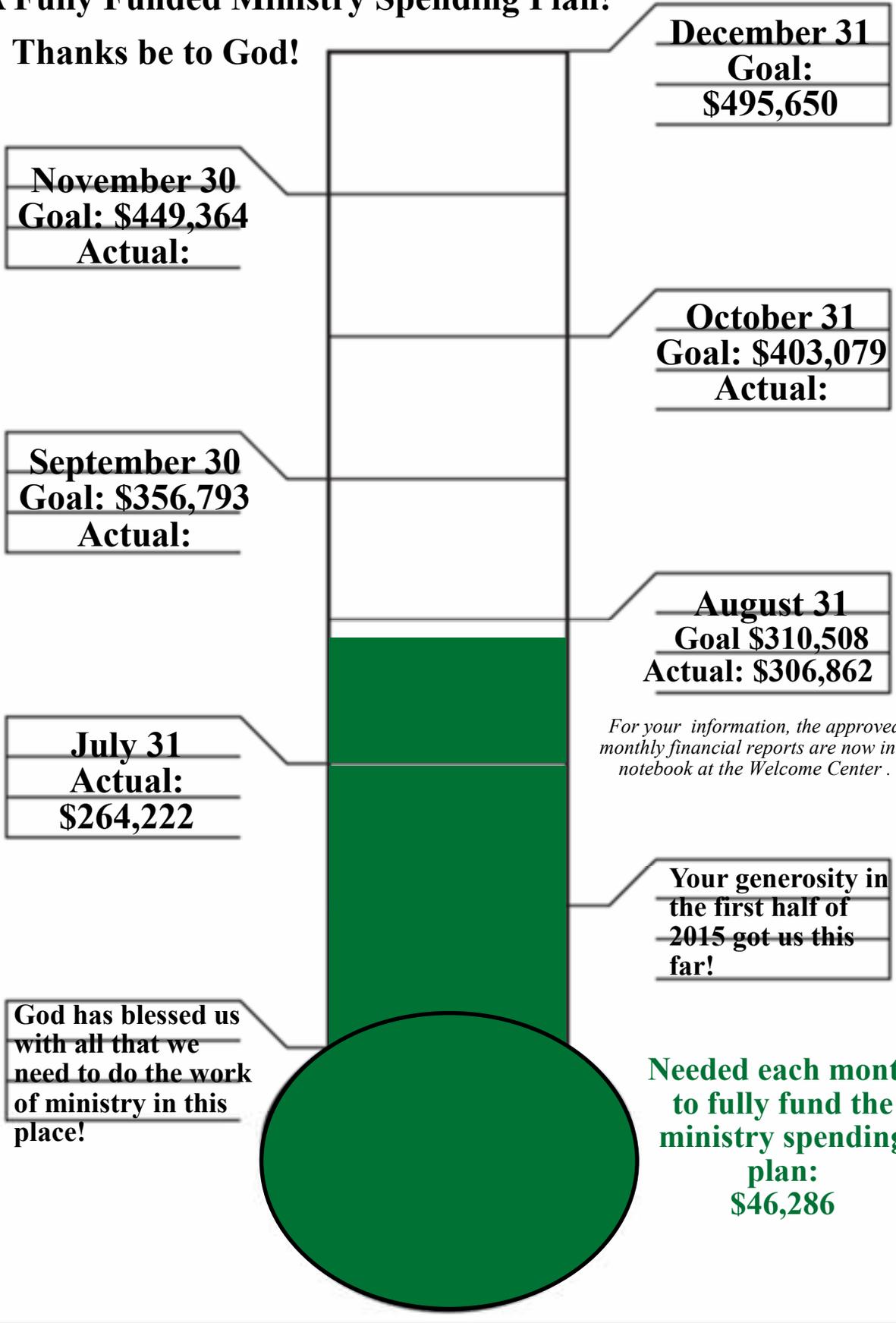
# Happy Anniversary

<b>John &amp; Shari Foil</b>	10/1/1989	26
<b>Bill &amp; Dani Hopwood</b>	10/3/2007	8
<b>Brian &amp; Carol Wessler</b>	10/5/1991	24
<b>Karen &amp; Dennis Parnell</b>	10/8/1994	21
<b>Derek &amp; Merri Swartz</b>	10/17/2006	9
<b>Don &amp; Julie Helmey</b>	10/18/1980	35
<b>Ted &amp; Clara Edris</b>	10/22/1949	66
<b>John &amp; Suzanne Zeok Sr</b>	10/25/1969	46
<b>Herschel &amp; Linda Miller</b>	10/26/1974	41

# St. Philip Lutheran Church—2015 Spending Plan

## A Fully Funded Ministry Spending Plan!

Thanks be to God!



**December 31**  
**Goal:**  
**\$495,650**

**November 30**  
**Goal: \$449,364**  
**Actual:**

**October 31**  
**Goal: \$403,079**  
**Actual:**

**September 30**  
**Goal: \$356,793**  
**Actual:**

**August 31**  
**Goal \$310,508**  
**Actual: \$306,862**

**July 31**  
**Actual:**  
**\$264,222**

*For your information, the approved monthly financial reports are now in a notebook at the Welcome Center .*

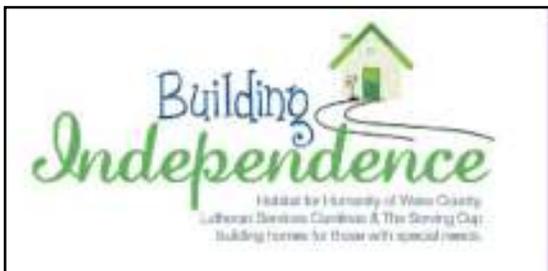
**Your generosity in the first half of 2015 got us this far!**

**God has blessed us with all that we need to do the work of ministry in this place!**

**Needed each month to fully fund the ministry spending plan:**  
**\$46,286**

## Building Independence - Lutherans are Building Homes, Communities, and Hope

Building Independence is a partnership between Habitat for Humanity of Wake County, Lutheran Services Carolinas (LSC), and The Serving Cup with the Lutheran Coalition of congregations in Wake County and Thrivent Financial.



The Building Independence project will build and maintain affordable housing for 9 low-income adults with intellectual and/or developmental disabilities in three adjacent Wake county homes. The homes will be built at 2610 Lake Wheeler Road.

Most of the Lutheran churches in Wake County have set a goal to raise \$7500 for this project. St. Philip has contributed \$1000 so far. We've entered late into the fund raising phase of this project and have fallen short in our financial support.

Construction will begin around November 5. Work days will be held on Thursday, Friday, and Saturdays beginning at 8am and ending at 3:30pm. While you are encouraged to sign up for build days that will work with your schedule, our coordinators hope that St. Philip folks will sign up to build on **Sat., Nov. 21 and Dec. 5.**

A dedicated volunteer registration link has been provided for volunteers to use in signing up to work on a build day: <http://vhub.at/buildingindependence2015>. 45 volunteers will be needed on each day so your support is essential!

How can YOU support this project?

Make a donation - make check payable to St. Philip and note "Building Independence" on the memo line of your check.

Clear your schedule so that you can participate in the build on Saturdays, Nov 21 and Dec 5.

Indicate your willingness to be part of the building team by emailing Bob Northrup at [bobnorthrup@gmail.com](mailto:bobnorthrup@gmail.com) or Mark Glass at [mark.glass@gmail.com](mailto:mark.glass@gmail.com).



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Deadline for the November Epistle is **Tuesday, October 20.** Submissions should be sent to Natalie at [admin@st-philip.org](mailto:admin@st-philip.org). Submissions received after the 20th may be sent out in the weekly E-News.

Deadline for E-News and BBN is Wednesday at 12:00 noon.

**Sunday Morning Schedule:**  
8:00 a.m. Traditional Service  
9:10 a.m. Crossing Service in Kepley Hall  
10:20 a.m. Sunday School  
11:15 a.m. Traditional Service

Office Hours: 8:30am-4:30pm  
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