



Body Building News

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St. Philip Lutheran Church

December 15, 2019

Prayers for:

- Rachel Bradbury, friend of HB & Carol Williamson, for healing
- Rudy Sellitsch, Kenny Beck's brother-in-law, for healing
- Allen Smith, Barbara Church's brother, for healing
- Jim & Betty Deal
- Jackson, grandson of Joe & Kathryn Edwards, for healing
- Margaret Ann Feilke for healing
- Cindi Lee, friend of Louise Bouknight, Barbara Sullivan & Carol Rogers for healing
- Evelyn Ridenhour, mother of Crystal Ridenhour, for healing
- Ellen Cobb, Dianne Rimmer's mother, for healing
- Bryan Glass, Mark & Sandy's son, for healing
- Fabiola and Maria Gama, Catalina Fagan's sisters for healing
- Marion Iverson for peace and comfort
- Karen Ciliv, friend of Barbara Sullivan, for peace and healing
- Earl Fagan, for healing
- Carson Cutler, great nephew of Chuck & Cindy Wolfe, for healing
- Robert Wrisley Jr., for healing
- Jerry, Mary Ellen Wrisley's sister, for healing
- John Massa, friends of the Maness - Knauff family, for healing
- Laurie Roslinski, for healing, peace, & comfort and Tim for strength and peace
- Barbara Church, for healing
- Bonnie Anderson, friend of Dave & Betty Wahlstrom, for healing
- Brittany Kearney, Sue's daughter, for healing
- Bob Frey, Kathy Blum's father, for healing
- Wallace Miller, wife Lauren & family, Lauren is Don Helme's cousin, for peace and healing
- Daryl Humphrey, friend of the Schroeder family, for healing
- Inge Mokros, for healing
- Carol Williams, for healing
- Don Carpenter, for healing
- Ralph Perhac's daughter, Janet, for healing
- Tim Landie, friend of Carol Williamson, for healing
- Bob Foil, for healing
- Jerry Beck, Jim's sister-in-law, for diagnosis and healing
- Mary Beth Smith, for healing
- Jennifer Morrisett, Nancy Grant's cousin, for healing
- Laura Harris, for healing
- Kent Williams, for healing
- Barbara, friend of Sue Kepley & Margaret Feilke, for healing and peace
- Tom Ruetz, Debbie Voress' brother in law, for healing
- Pat Butkerait, for healing
- Roy Church, for healing
- Laura and family & friends of Jim Harris, at his death

Worship Attendance for December 8th Total 148 (9:00—57 11:00—91)

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
15 9:00 am Crossing Service 10:10 am Congregation Meeting 10:10 am Sunday School 10:10 am Youth Choir 11:00 am Traditional Service 1:30 pm Restoration Ministry 5:00 pm Handbells	16	17 9:30 am Men's Breakfast 10:00 am Puzzle Get-together 10:00 am Adult Book Club 10:00 am Staff Mtg 7:00 pm Boy Scouts	18 6:30 pm HS Youth Group 7:30 pm Voices of Praise	19 6:30 pm Crossing rehearsal	20 10:00 am Anon 7:00 pm AA	21 8:00 am Restoration Choir 7:00 pm AA

Congregation Meeting—TODAY—12/15/19 at 10:10 in Kepley Hall, will be held to vote on the proposed 2020 budget.

Men's Breakfast—9:30 am Tuesday 12/17 at iHop. Come and join other St. Philip men for some good food & fellowship. There's room for you at the table!

Adult Book Club—Join us on December 17th at 10:00 in the parlor to discuss the month's book *Endangered* by C.J. Box. This book is available at the Wake County Library. Everyone is invited to join the group, bring book suggestions with you! Contact Kathryn Edwards or Carol Williamson with questions.

Sharing God's Blessings—As we have shared with you previously, our giving has been substantially behind budget this year, offset somewhat by lower expenses. However, it is important that we cover all remaining expenses and set aside reserves for anticipated future costs.

We are seeking your help in making up this gap and are announcing a \$41,000 goal for the 2019 Catch Up Campaign. First, we are asking those who are behind their 2019 Estimate of Giving amount, to please catch that up before the end of the year. In addition, we are asking everyone to consider a strong additional gift for December to make up this projected shortfall. We really need to do this to be in a healthy position going into 2020 and as we anticipate welcoming our new pastor.

Envelopes with various amounts are available on a display that will be in the Narthex or at Kepley Hall. If you are in a position to help and are so led, please take one and submit your additional giving. Or simply give your additional catch up offering in the manner your normally contribute. We thank you and ask for your prayers for a successful financial result for 2019.

Attention THRIVENT members—We are nearing the end of another year, and it would be great if you would check to see if you have any Thrivent Choice Dollars you can donate to St Philip. You can either go online to Thrivent.com or call 1-800-Thrivent and ask for Fraternal. If you call just tell them you want to designate your Choice dollars to St Philip. If you do it online, once you get connected go to My Thrivent and there you will see a button to designate your Choice dollars. Let's see if we can designate all of the Choice dollars available to us Thank you for considering giving your Choice Dollars to your church.

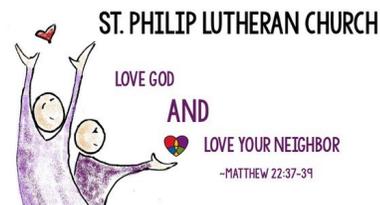
Poinsettias—If you would like to place a Poinsettia in the Church Sanctuary to decorate for the Christmas Season, please fill out an order form and place in the offering plate or in Church Office. Forms are located at the Welcome Center or at the door to Kepley Hall. Make your check payable to "St. Philip Lutheran Church" for \$10.00 each and mark for "Poinsettias". **The deadline is December 19**

A Worship Service of Longing & Hope—A Blue Christmas Worship service will be held near the shortest day of the year—**Sunday 12/22 at 7:00 pm**. Not everyone feels like celebrating during the Christmas season. The joyous and hectic days surrounding the celebration of Christmas can sometimes magnify the feelings of grief, sadness, depression, loneliness, fear and loss. The blue of the Advent season (which symbolizes hope) is the very remedy we need for what makes us feel 'blue' at Christmas. Everyone seeking respite from the hectic pace is invited to this Blue Christmas service.

Faith and Fellowship Sunday School—F&F is a discussion based Sunday school class that offers multiple series on various topics throughout the year. This winter we are using *Animate: Bible Sessions* we will be watching videos which blend live action with animations - to introduce a question, provide a thought-provoking perspective - with a time for discussion on personal reflection and share ideas with the group. This group meets in Luther Hall, facilitated by Howard Cunningham. Please consider this series as an opportunity to deepen and share your faith with your brothers and sisters in Christ here at St. Philip.

St. Philip's Purpose Statement—We Share the Love of Christ!

A St. Philip Church Prayer: Gracious God, As the family of St. Philip we ask that you open our ears to hear God's call for us and guide our feet in following. Help us to be good stewards of our time and treasure and to put our trust in you to provide. We ask for blessings on the life of our future pastor and that your Spirit guide us in preparing for this new relationship in ministry. We put our hope in you. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.



WE SHARE THE LOVE OF CHRIST!