# June 29 – July 13, 2025

**Scripture – July 6** Psalm 66 and Galatians 6:1-16

# 9:00 am Hymns – July 6

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# **Welcome Pastor Darby Lawrence**

St. Philip's is pleased to welcome Pr. Darby Lawrence as our new visitation pastor.

Pr. Darby is recently retired and has served several congregations in the Midwest. He will be visiting most of our members who can't attend in person and those in care facilities. He will also occasionally preach and lead worship.

# Office and Food & Clothing Shelf Closed

The office will be closed on Thursday, July 3, in celebration of the Fourth of July. The F&CS will also be closed on Friday, July 4. Have a safe and fun weekend!

# **Mountains of Fun!**

Vacation Bible School 2025 took us on an Alaskan adventure...and it was a huge success! 28 kids learned that Jesus is our true north...we have an unmovable, unshakable friend forever! A special thank you to all of our incredible volunteers. An event like this would not have been possible without you!

### Polka Worship and Bratwurst Night – Wednesday, July 9!

Any polka lovers out there? This one is for you! On Wednesday, July 9, we will serve bratwurst and the fixings from 5:15 - 6:00 pm, followed by a polka worship service at 6:00 pm, with hymns set to familiar polka tunes! All hymn lyrics are original, written by Worship Band Leader Cheri Sykes. Sing along to your favorite polkas. The polka band includes members of the 10:30 worship band, featuring Sherry Carpenter on accordion, plus James Haugan, (Sanctuary Choir and Bells of Praise), on tuba! There may be other special quests. Die-hard polka dancers can stay after to cut a rug on further polkas. All of this will be in the newly revamped Fellowship Hall. Join us and bring all the polka fans among your wider acquaintances!

#### Staying Connected – Over 700 Downloads of Our App!

We are so excited to announce that since its inception, 733 people have downloaded our app onto their phone or tablet. Our app is designed to help us all stay connected, 'on the go' and offers access to our worship services, church communications, volunteer opportunities, our calendar, and so much more!

## Join us for Christmas in July

Benevolence holds a Christmas Shoppe the second Saturday in December, where parents in need are able to choose two gifts for each of their children for Christmas. Last year, we were able to see that 150 children had gifts under their tree. Our goal for this year is the same, and many of you have said that doing some shopping in July is helpful, rather than having it all come in December. So, from July 9 - 20, a tree with gift suggestions will be available in the Mission Corner. You may choose a tag with a gift suggestion, purchase the gift and return it to be used for our Shoppe. We will also have a tree up in November for those who like to do their Christmas shopping at that time. Thank you for your support, and happy shopping!

#### Summer Brunch!

All are invited to a summer brunch! The Parish Fellowship Committee will be serving brunch on Sunday, July 13. It will be served from 9:30 – 10:45 am in the Fellowship Hall. A free will offering will be taken. Everyone is encouraged to come! Any committee or group is invited to host a brunch this summer. You may use it as a fundraising opportunity. You can serve a continental breakfast or a hot meal. There are many Sundays to choose from, so call the office to get a date on the calendar.

#### Save the Date - 28th Annual SPLC Garage Sale!

Wednesday, August 13 from 5:00 - 8:00 pm (\$3/admission)

Thursday & Friday, August 14 & 15 from 9:00 am -7:00 pm

Saturday, August 16 from 9:00 am -12:00 pm – It's Everything ½ Price Day! *Let's do it again - 28 for the 28th Challenge.* 

All your donations last year helped make the 27th Anniversary sale a huge success. Let's do it again – we challenge those who can donate 28 items to the 28th Annual Garage Sale. The more donated the more we can sell – and the more we can raise! So, start sorting and saving your gently used items to donate. And tell your friends and family – we gladly accept donations from the community for the sale. Donations can be dropped off from Friday, August 1 - Sunday, August 10. Hold onto your items until then, as no early donation drop-offs can be accepted.

#### **Prayers of the People:**

*For healing, guidance, & wholeness of life* Gladys Howell, Doris Moxness, Samantha, Lloyd Schleicher, Bob & Sheila West, Linda Gondorchin, Richard Lindstrom

*For safety and guidance while serving in the military* Tyler, Rhianon, and Derek

*For the family and friends of* Melissa and Mark Hortman