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### ***Stephen Ministry***

“The decision to accept the ministry of a Stephen Minister was one of the best decisions I ever made. After my husband died, I felt so lost and alone. My family was wonderful, but they were hurting too, and I hated to burden with how badly I was feeling. My friends were supportive, but they had their own problems and although the first month they called often, the busyness of their own lives soon caused their calls to be less and less. Then one of the Stephen Leaders from my church asked if I’d like to have a Stephen Minister-someone who would listen and care, someone who would be there for one and walk with me through the lonely road ahead. I’m so glad I said “Yes” that day because having a Stephen Minister has been such a blessing. I can share anything with her and I know she’ll keep my confidences. I can’t begin to tell you what a help it’s been to have such a faithful Christian friend.” We often hear comments such as this, encouraging others to take advantage of this very special ministry. If you or someone you know are going through a difficult or painful time, whatever that may be (divorce, illness, loss of a job, loneliness, caring for a loved one...) please contact one of our Stephen Leaders, Vonnie Carlson at 925-846-5231, Pat Rustin at 925-828-4818 or Barbara Silzer at 925-964-9630. It may be one of the best decisions you’ve ever made!

### ***Worship Committee***

Special thanks to all of you who took the time to list your favorite hymns. We tried to use as many as possible in the service on August 30, but if your favorite hymn wasn’t used, look for it at our next Favorite Hymn Service on November 29th.

### ***Thrivent Financial for Lutherans***

Thrivent Fraternal Board Meetings  
Saturday October 10th, @ 9:00 a.m.

For more information on these meetings please contact Gayle Wilson @ 510-405-8100 or toll - free @ 800-972-2880



## ***Really Inspiring!***

by Robin Rankin

Really inspiring! That's what I would call my experience at the Mt. Cross Women's Retreat last month. Worship times were led by some very talented young women. Their youth and vibrancy were quite contagious. And as someone who is a little musically challenged, I was pleasantly surprised when I knew some of the song lyrics due to the Praise Service here at St. Philip! Mimi Mosley was the featured speaker. Her style was warm, funny, and from the heart. Her hope is "to show women love and acceptance because of the love and acceptance Jesus Christ has shown me. I believe that when you know that love, and offer it to others, walls come down and hope fills the heart. Through my own painful childhood and young adult years, Christ revealed His hand of mercy on my life. It was through suffering that I saw my purpose. You, too, can have gladness replace your mourning." All of that came through loud and clear in her presentation. Break out sessions included topics such as improving your devotion time, discovering the gift of hospitality, and spiritual gifts assessment. The most meaningful part of the day for me was the session on devotion time. Liz Palfreyman presented some excellent ideas on how to make a commitment to daily devotion. I'm hopeful that her inspiration will jumpstart my own efforts in daily devotion time. Although only three women from St. Philip were able to attend this year, I look forward to many more women being able to attend next year. It was a wonderful day of rejuvenation

## ***The Prayer Chain Needs You!***

Each week there is a notation in the church bulletin, "For prayer chain requests or to join the prayer chain call....." But have you wondered "what is a prayer chain?" or "why would I request a prayer for the prayer chain?". Simply stated, a prayer chain is a network of individuals who will receive a prayer request for a concern or a thanksgiving, forward the request to the next available person in the network and then immediately pray for that request. The prayer chain is a spiritual system which communicates and takes prayerful action on the needs of the congregation. The work of the prayer chain is done behind the scenes. All that is asked of you is to take the time to pray as soon as you receive the request. How and where you pray is up to you. You can be notified of a request by phone or by e-mail, the choice is yours. E-mail works well for those who work full time, travel, or for those who have left our congregation but still would like to remain in prayerful contact. Why ask for a prayer through the prayer chain when we have a prayer sheet in the Sunday bulletin? There may be times you need a prayer to be offered and you cannot wait until Sunday morning. Or perhaps your need does not fit neatly into one of the prayer list categories. You may also want to ask for more specific requests than can be typed onto the prayer sheet. Finally, your request may be of a very personal nature that you would not really like to "be announced" and/or kept confidential. The prayer chain will honor your request for confidentiality. James 5:16 states: "Pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective." God's power is infinitely greater than ours. Our most powerful resource is communion with God through prayer. Won't you join our prayer chain? Your link will add to our strength. If you need a prayer, please call and let us ease your heart and mind as we add our strength and prayers to yours. For prayer chain requests or to join the prayer chain, please call, Becky Broderick 925-830-0168 [riroder@gmail.com](mailto:riroder@gmail.com)

### ***Fesco: Family Emergency Shelter Coalition***

Needed items to be given to families who have nothing and are moving from the shelter to an apartment. Please bring please bring any of these items you can by Monday Oct 19, 2009 and leave them by the bull it en board. Thanks for all your help. You can make a difference. No clothing or food please. Paper Towels, Toilet Paper, House hold Cleaners, Dish Towels, Laundry Baskets Sponges Kleenex, Glasses, Mugs Towels & Washcloths Cooking Utensils or checks made out to FESCO

### ***LWML***

The LWML Fall Event will be Saturday, Oct 17th, 2009 8:30-1:00 p.m. Women from 7 Lutheran Churches will be at our church to hear Lynnette Campbell speaks on "M.O.S.T" missions. There will also be a communion service led by Pastor Travis and a delicious Taco Bar lunch. Total cost is \$5.00. To help with this event, please sign up in the narthex. For more info contact Donna Johnson at 510-825-7724

### ***Mary Martha Guild***

On Oct 19th at 7:00 p.m. the topic for the evening will is SUN AND OTHER NATURAL HEALTH BENEFITS, presented by Karen Balch R.N. There will be a devotion and refreshments. All women and teenage girls are invited to attend.

### ***From the Youth Board:***

#### ***Monday Meals at Crosswinds Church, Dublin.***

We will be helping serve dinner to those in need in conjunction with Open Heart Kitchen on Monday, October 12, at Crosswinds Church in Dublin. Our shift will be from 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Please sign up in the narthex or e-mail rankin@comcast.net if you are interested in helping so we can get you the necessary volunteer information from Open Heart Kitchen. All ages, high school and older, are welcome.

***The Youth Board Needs You! OMG*** - the Youth Board is currently in violation of our church constitution for not having enough board members! Don't let the Board of Education be the only committee in compliance! Join our group to help shape the youth of our congregation. We have a passion for helping kids grow spiritually by connecting with their Christian peers through monthly events, service projects, and Bible study. If you have a similar passion, call Susie Wilkerson, 828-2117, or Robin Rankin, 551-0458.

## **SCROLL/BULLETIN GUIDELINES**

**CHURCH OFFICE HOURS: 8:30-5:00 p.m. M-F**

**SCHOOL OFFICE HOURS: 8:30-3:30 p.m. M-F**

**TO SUBMIT SCROLL/BULLETIN ARTICLES OR INFORMATION:**

**DEADLINES:**

**Scroll:** *the 15th of the preceding month by noon to the church office via hard copy or E-mail.*

**Bulletin:** *Noon Wednesday. Items requiring a full page should be in the office by noon on Tuesday.*

*Items submitted after either deadline will be printed on available space, ( if any). Please e-mail any and all articles to Terri at ([terri@stphilipchurch.com](mailto:terri@stphilipchurch.com).) All items are subject to adjustment in length and or language at the editor's discretion.*

## **ST. PHILIP LUTHERAN CHURCH AND SCHOOL**

CHURCH: 925-828-2117

SCHOOL: 925-829-3857

Worship: 8:30 & 11:00 am  
Sunday school: 9:45 am  
Adult Bible Class: 10:00 am  
Pastor: Rev. Travis Guse  
Administrative Assistant: Terri Parnoff  
DCE: Susie Wilkerson  
Music Director: Barbara Silzer

Principal: Fred Brauer  
Preschool Director: Sharon Collins  
Administrative Assistant: Erika Hidley  
Administrative Assistant: Linda Meyer

FAX (for both): 925-829-6672

### ***Our School***

Principal & M/S Math & Science: Mr. Fred Brauer

Preschool: Mrs. Sharon Collins, Mrs. Rachel Johnson, Mrs. Kelly Premo, Mrs. Wendy Tetzloff

Kindergarten: Mrs. Christie Bru

First Grade: Mrs. Sally Larsen

Second/Third Grade: Miss. Shannon Schneider

Fourth/Fifth Grade: Mrs. Char Nale

Middle School (6,7,8) Mrs. Dee Christopher

Physical Education: Mrs. Linda Meyer

School Board Chairman Bob Green

## ***Those Who Serve -October, 2009***

If you cannot serve on your scheduled day, please, trade or find a sub and notify the church office. Thanks!

Altar Guild	<b>Oct</b>	4	Irene Alvarado & Debbie Gartner	
		11	Barbara Jones & Cathy Wickboldt	
		18	Kim Struecker & Pam Roeber	
		25	Anne Lorrenz & Debbie Meier	
			<b>8:30 a.m.</b>	<b>11:00 a.m.</b>
Communion Assistants	<b>Oct</b>	4	Rob Broderick & Walter Wickboldt	
		11		Marvin Matey & Steve Christopher
		18	Joel Geach & Ron Doyle	
		25	Dennis Struecker & Craig Blackburn	John Roeber & Bob Green
Acolytes	<b>Oct</b>	4	Alex Bru	Samantha Bonkofsky
		11	Matthew Haworth	Megan Rankin
		18	Nicole Costa	Noah Phillips
		25	Ruby Boyle	Jacob Rubio
Readers	<b>Oct</b>	4	Jennifer Phillips	Diane Griffiths
		11	Cindy Blackburn	Karen Balch
		18	Pam Roeber	Bev Symmank
		25	Kim Halsey	Bob Balch
Ushers	<b>Oct</b>	4	Paul Rankin	Earl Stevens
		11	Lee Stark	Harry Turbeville
		18	Walter Wickboldt	Mike Kelley
		25	Bill Casper	Bob Balch
Greeters	<b>Oct</b>	4		Ray & Minta Bowers
		11	Ron & Carole Doyle	Harry & Vicki Turbeville
		18		Joan Kumparak
		25	Bill & Joyce Sliney	
Elders of the Service	<b>Oct</b>	4	Becky Broderick	Marvin Matey
		11	Aline Strachan	Sue Cooley
		18	Pam Roeber	Mike Kelley
		25	Ron Doyle	Doretta Thomsen
Visitors' Table	<b>Oct</b>	4	Pat Rustin	Susie Stagnaro
		11		Minta Bowers
		18	Aline Strachan	Irene Alvarado
		25	Kim Struecker	Astra Gabriel