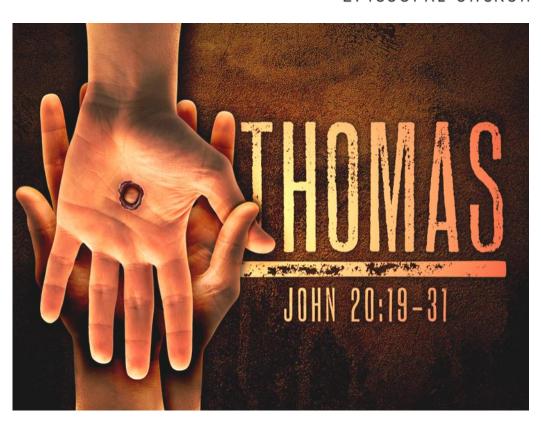
Welcome to St. Stephen's Episcopal Church

Saint Stephen's welcomes everyone who wishes to follow Christ, worship together, grow in faith and share God's love through service to others.

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER HOLY EUCHARIST



ST. STEPHEN'S



27 &28 April 2019

St. Stephen's Episcopal Church

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Today's Celebrant: Rev. Allison Cornell, Rector

Deacon: Ben Wetherill

Organist:

Today's Readings & Readers

Psalm 126

Reading 1: Isaiah 43:16-21 Reading 2: Philippians 3:4b-14

Gospel: John 12:1-8

5pm Sat 10:30am Sun

Eucharistic Minister: Jeff Speer Ed Stone & Nancy Rea

Lector: Tim Holsonback Sandra Calhoun

Acolyte:

Announcements

• Your UTO boxes are due this weekend.

- Come a little early to church on Sundays and join in the Discussion: Where's the Good News in the news today? Sundays 9am Coffee and discussion of the headlines and what our response is/should be based on our faith as followers of Jesus. How does Scripture inform our response?
- **Disaster Planning Conference** April 27th Tucson Rev. Allison, Senior Warden Cheryl Stone, and Junior Warden Sherry Simon will be attending to get info on ensuring our church is ready for potential disasters either at the church or in our community.
- May 4th **Day of Discernment** Rev. Allison will accompany three of our members to Phoenix for the Day of Discernment at the cathedral, for a day of information about leadership in the Episcopal Church for Lay and possible ordained leaders. Dottie Gutwein and Cheryl Stone are discerning calls to the deaconate. Marie Gordon is discerning a call to the priesthood. Please pray for our leaders and their discernment.
- Saturday May 11th Community Crafts and Yard Sale Our church is hosting a community event for those who wish to sell crafts or yard sale items starting at 8am until 2pm. If you are interested in reserving a spot, please see either Ed Stone or Mark Sowards to pay the \$10 space reservation fee and complete the space rental agreement.
 - St. Stephen's Spring Rummage Sale (part of the community craft and yard sale on May 11th)—Please begin bringing any items that you wish to donate for our Spring rummage sale to the church and store them in the Educational Building or in the Shed .See Gloria Brunell, williamb650@gmail.com, 520-508-9474, for additional help/questions on what she is looking for as items to sell.

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- Rev. Allison out of town May 12 to May 22 partial vacation and partial continuing education at a chaplain conference "Caring for the Human Spirit".
- Coming soon: Vacation Bible School this summer! We are planning to hold an intergenerational Vacation Bible School in July for families with the theme of "The Bread of Life" looking at the significance of bread in the Bible from Old Testament to New. We need helpers to design the activities and to help during the Vacation Bible School with the activities. Please volunteer to help us begin to reach out to families and invite them into our church and help them to grow spiritually. All that is needed is a willing spirit. See Rev. Allison or Cheryl Stone.
- Next Vestry Meeting is May 15
- We continue to seek a new organist or pianist. Please pray that God guides the right person to us soon. We have Doreen Oberg who has helped us recently as a short-term pianist for us and we greatly appreciate her help.
- The cupboard is bare at the **Willcox Food Pantry** and they are in serious need of food donations. The pantry serves 800 families a month and sends home 50 backpacks a week to school children to provide them with food over the weekend. Peach's Pantry has graciously volunteered to provide backpacks for the school kids this week and will even deliver the backpacks on Thursday morning. Please bring food donations to church and put on our Peach's Pantry table.
- We've emptied the **Groceries 4 U program fund** helping 20 local people; if you can donated any amount it would help people in our community who are on the edge.

To all of you and the many people who are not listed here but who had part in our Holy Week and Easter worship services:

THANK YOU!

Wes, thank you for the **GLORIOUS** music on Easter and the meaningful songs with choir and organ through the week from Palm Sunday to the Easter Sunday service. I have heard many people exclaim it was the best Easter they could recall in many years or ever!

Dottie and Joan, thank you to all the helpers who with you changed the seasonal colors and accoutrements to set the tone for our Holy Week/Easter worship. I know lots of hard work goes into our keeping things laundered, pressed, and ready for display/use.

Dottie, thank you also for arranging for altar servers and readers for so many different services. I was happy to have many voices and servers help us with our worship. Please pass along my thanks to all readers, servers, ushers, etc...

Dottie & Alverita, Paula, and Wendy, please pass along my thanks for all who got the parish hall and Ed. bldg. ready for our church family and guests to enjoy fellowship together... those who cleaned and tidied and decorated and served food and cleaned up afterwards.

Sherry and Renee - thank you for helping to do many behind the scenes things like getting our altar window tinted and the work you continue to do on our facilities fixing toilets, painting, putting in flooring, etc...

To Eddie our thanks for his work on our grounds in helping to fix our water irrigation system and his hard work on weeding around our buildings.

This Week at St. Stephen's

Tuesday Apr 30

12p SA Survivors Group, Dinning Room 6p Practicing Forgiveness, Parish Hall

Wednesday May 1

9:30a Prayer Group, Church 7pm Evensong, Church

Thursday May 2

6:30p Bro.hood of St. Andrew, Parish Hall

Saturday May 4

12:30p Woman's NA meeting, Ed. Center 5p Holy Eucharist, Church

Sunday May 5 (Cinco de Mayo)

9a Good News in the News today?, Ed. Center 10:30a Holy Eucharist /w Choir, Church 6p New Be Clean, Ed. Center

Looking forward

- Yard & Rummage Sale May 11
 - Mother's Day May 12
 - Memorial Day May 27

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