

## St Stephen's Announcements Nov 25-Dec 1 2021

- **Mark Sowards our Parish Administrator and Tech Guru Extraordinaire is having ankle surgery on Nov 30<sup>th</sup>** and will be out of the office and off his feet for several weeks. Volunteers to help with the office tasks and with the camera operation on Sunday are appreciated. Mark is unsure exactly how many days he will be unavailable... need to see how the surgery goes. Please see Rev. Allison to volunteer.
- **Anne Roth has graciously agreed to be our new treasurer for the immediate future.** Thank you, Anne, and we welcome your help.
- **Training for Lectors (Readers) and Eucharistic Ministers coming December Saturday Dec 4<sup>th</sup>** starting at 9am in the church. Lector training should only take about 20 minutes. Eucharistic Minister training will follow at 9:30am for about half an hour. Alternate training date/time is Wednesday 10:30am Dec. 8<sup>th</sup>. All who are interested in becoming Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, or both should see Rev. Allison to let her know how many to plan for training.
- **Stewardship Campaign Nov 7 – Nov 30:** Our theme this year is “And the Beat Goes On!” – You are the heartbeat of our faith community, and we thank you for the support and love you continue to share with God, each other, and our church as we live out our mission to “love and serve” as Jesus taught us. Please prayerfully consider your estimated giving for the coming year.
- **Thanksgiving Day Worship Service Nov. 25<sup>th</sup> at 10:30am** – Joan Strom's family will be baptizing her great-grand daughter, Finley, as we give thanks for the blessings of our lives including our family, our feast, and our faith. All are welcome to come give thanks to God for all that God has done for us.
- **Helpers wanted to get the Advent/Christmas decorations out and up on Saturday Nov. 27<sup>th</sup> at 9am.** If you have an hour to spare, we could use your help as we decorate for Advent and Christmas in/around the church.
- **Coats for Kids of Cochise County** – The Big Red Box on our porch is for donations of coats for kids in our county. Please donate new or gently used, clean coats. Donations can be made from now through Dec 15<sup>th</sup>. All sizes of kids thru young adult.
- **Advent Study – “I Witness” – Booklets available on table near front door of church.** Adult forum to discuss each week's readings Sat 4pm and Sunday 12:30pm starting on November 28<sup>th</sup>. One book per household please. All are welcome and encouraged to join the discussion.
- **The church is in need of recommendations for a janitor (sexton).** Our current sexton will complete her time with us at the end of October. The contract would be for a total of 6 hours a month (two 3-hour sessions every other week) for a total of \$120/month.
- **Changing Hours:** Sunday Worship time will change Nov 7<sup>th</sup> to 11am start time. Adult forum will move to 12:30am start. Rev. Allison's office hours will be Wed, Thurs, Fri, 9am to 3pm starting Nov. 3<sup>rd</sup>.
- **ALL Worshippers** – Please recycle your bulletins for Advent. They will be reused each week with new lectionary inserts.