

## St Stephen's Announcements Apr 13-19 2023

- **Vestry approved a change to Sunday Worship hour to be 10AM starting May 7<sup>th</sup>.** Many asked if we could move our worship time on Sunday to an earlier time now that Rev. Allison is no longer supporting St. Raphael's in Benson. The unanimous vote was for a 10AM service on Sundays.
- **Friday Film Night April 14th at 5pm** – We will watch “The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel” about several people who move to India to start new chapters of their lives and their reactions to this change. Light supper of soup is offered. Bring your own beverage. All are welcome! Bring a friend!
- **Spring Community Concert** – See flyers on table. April 21-22 at the United Methodist Church. Theresa Emrie and Harriet Koln are part of the community choruses who perform several times a year. It is always a great concert and this Spring's concert ticket sales support the “Better Bucks” program in Sierra Vista. Hope you will attend!
- **Summer Camp at Chapel Rock is now taking reservations for campers** – A Newsweek article on best summer camps in the whole USA listed Chapel Rock as one of the best in the nation. If you know of camp aged kids who would like a great summer camp experience, please take a postcard from the table with the dates. Some scholarships are available.
- **Next Singalong will be songs that reflect April Showers and May Flowers on April 28th** at 6pm - Email Rev. Allison ([revallison@ststephensaz.org](mailto:revallison@ststephensaz.org)) with your favorite songs about rain and flowers (or names of flowers, such as “Build me up, Buttercup” or “Daisy Jane”) and we will put them on the list. Join us and bring a friend for the singalong night!
- **Joan Strom moved to Denver Colorado 4 months ago** – Her health needs required her to be closer to family members and in a facility that would help her with daily activities and routines. She is settling into an independent living apartment where she has access to meals, someone to ensure she takes her meds, and activities with other people for socialization. Her daughters say she is doing very well and thriving. She would love to hear from her friends at St. Stephen's, so here is her address for cards and letters: **Joan Strom, 9560 Sheridan Ave, #300, Westminster, CO 80031.**
- **“Getting your affairs in order” workshop** – Coming May 13<sup>th</sup> 11am to 2pm with lunch: Does your family know what you want if you become unable to make known your healthcare and end of life decisions for yourself? RSVP to sign up for a workshop that will provide you with information and templates to complete your Advanced Healthcare Directive, Power of Attorney, and Funeral arrangements. Your family will appreciate that you have determined what you want to have happen and relieve them of the burden of trying to figure out what to do. RSVP Rev. Allison (520-458-4432 or email [revallison@ststephensaz.org](mailto:revallison@ststephensaz.org)) so that we know how many copies of documents to have available and how much lunch to provide.
- **Coffee Hour Coordinator wanted** – We would like to have someone who can arrange/ask for volunteers to get our Sunday morning coffee hour set up and cleaned up each week, and to note when we need coffee hour items like, well, coffee, tea, creamer, sweetener, napkins, plates, pastries, etc... Please see Rev. Allison if interested in being the coordinator.
- **Throughout this year, we are looking at the theme of “Spiritual Journeys”** – Where are you on your spiritual journey and what helps to bring you closer to God or what prevents you from coming closer to God? We will be offering different activities to explore footsteps on our pathways to God that will expand our ideas and experiences of self-care, prayer & meditation, nature & creation, and other topics. Stay tuned for workshops and other activities that you are invited to join and which will be led by members of our church and community.
- **Cell tower on our property assessment** – We are having a company assess if our property could host a cell tower and bring in additional income for the church. They will be taking photos and putting together a proposal for possible siting of the tower. We will then wait to see if our site is chosen. More as we know it.
- **Memorial Day Weekend Cookout** – Stick around after worship on Sunday May 28<sup>th</sup> for a cookout of burgers and hotdogs, chips and sodas. Invite your friends and family to come and celebrate the unofficial start of summer. Signup coming soon.