

## St Stephen's Announcements Aug 24-31 2023

- **With a heavy heart we grieve the death of Maryhelen Henthorn who died Tuesday Aug 22 from cancer and other health complications.** A memorial service will be held later this fall. Please keep her husband Duane and son Philip in prayer as they mourn.
- **St. Stephen's will be collecting monetary donations in the Rector's Discretionary basket for Maui between Aug 16 and Sept 30<sup>th</sup>.** Let our gratitude and blessings be a blessing to the people of Maui. Donations will be sent to Episcopal Relief & Development (ERD) Disaster Relief Fund at the end of Sept.
- **Mark hip surgery update** – Mark is home as of Thursday Aug 24<sup>th</sup>. May will return home in about another week.
- **First Friday Film Night – Restarts on Sept. 1<sup>st</sup> at 5:30pm** with Season 3 of The Chosen. We will watch two episodes. Salad dinner. Bring your own beverage.
- **Yard cleanup day Saturday Sept 16<sup>th</sup> 7:30am to 10:30am** – Bring your gardening gloves, clippers, etc... We will have donuts and coffee/tea for you. Looking to weed and trim around the church.
- **Step up to the plate to help with Sunday refreshments and fellowship hour** – Come a little early to get coffee and snacks ready and stay a little after to help clean up. Volunteer to bring a snack. See the calendar on the wall to sign up in Parish Hall.
- **We need additional people to assist with our tellers who count the offering and make the deposit for the church on Sunday afternoon.** Anyone who would like to help is encouraged to see Nancy Rae or Anne Roth for more information and training. It takes about 30 minutes to do after worship on Sundays.
- **Please continue to drop off your aluminum cans and pull tabs** – We will continue to take to Animal Shelter to donate for them.
- **Change for change** – Coming soon, want to get rid of that loose change on your dresser, in your car, or between your sofa cushions? The United Thank Offering (UTO) blue boxes will be available soon to receive your change in order to help others change their communities and fund various ministries seeking to make positive changes. Take a blue box and fill it with your loose change as a way to help others around The Episcopal Church.
- **Rev. Allison and Robin will be on vacation September 4-12 in Sudbury, Ontario, Canada.** Wed, Sat, and Sun Services will continue with morning and evening prayer liturgies.
- **Adult Christian Education** – Saturday at 4pm and Sunday at 12 noon. Coming Soon: Book discussion on “The Road Less Travelled” by M.Scott Peck. The author, a practicing psychologist, integrates traditional psychological and spiritual insights aimed at showing the reader how to embrace reality and achieve serenity and fullness in life. To reserve your copy, please let Rev. Allison know of your interest in joining this study. We will begin this fall.
- **New Outreach Ministry:** Those interested in Brainstorming ideas for engaging 30-40 yr olds in our community to discuss their spiritual journeys and dissatisfaction with churches, please see Rev. Allison.
- **Monster Mash** – Church Potluck Sunday October 29<sup>th</sup> after worship in the Ed Bldg... Wear a Halloween costume as we celebrate autumn, harvest, All Souls and All Saints, as well as Halloween.
- **Annual Hymn Festival** – Oct 29 at 2pm at St. Andrew's Catholic Church. Come hear and sing along with your favorite hymns. Community-wide choir, Pastors' chorus, and more.
- **Trunk or Treat at St. Stephen's Parking Lot** – Let's invite our neighbors and their kids to show us their costumes and get some treats. Tuesday October 31<sup>st</sup> 5 to 7 pm, park your car in our lot, open your trunk where your candies and goodies will be, Give to the kids. Even better if you decorate your car and wear a costume!