

St Stephen's Announcements Sept 15-22 2023

- **Keep the people of Morocco, Libya, Florida, Hawaii and other places experiencing natural disasters** from hurricanes to earthquakes to floods in prayer for their recovery efforts and restoration.
- **Phyllis Fortenbury is at the Life Care Nursing Home, Wilcox Drive, Room 233.** She would love to hear from St Stephen's congregation. She is recovering from Gall bladder operation and some other medical issues. Her family does not know how long she will be there and is working with the VA for future residency. Please send her cards and notes to let her know we still think of her and pray for recovery.
- **St. Stephen's will be collecting monetary donations in the Rector's Discretionary basket for Maui between Aug 16 and Sept 30th.** 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.
- **First Responder Appreciation Cards** – We want to send a little thank you to our local first responders as we remember those who gave their lives on 9-11 trying to save others after the terrorist attacks that day. Please bring your thank you cards unsealed with your personal notes of appreciation inside. We will sign them from St. Stephen's Episcopal Church in Sierra Vista. Then we will take them to the various firehouses and police stations to share with our first responders our gratitude for what they do for us.
- **Yard cleanup day Saturday Sept 16th 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.
- **Next Vestry Meeting Sept 19th at 5:30pm in Ed Bldg.**
- **First Friday Film Night – Oct. 6th at 5:15 pm** with Season 3 of The Chosen. We will watch two more episodes. Salad dinner. Bring your own beverage.
- **Second Saturday Supper: Oct 14th at 6:30pm** we will eat at Hibatchi Grill and Buffet, 465 AZ-90, Sierra Vista, AZ 85635, Near the Hobby Lobby. Come eat and share in fellowship with us. Bring a friend.
- **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.
- **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.
- **Monster Mash** – Church Potluck Sunday October 29th 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 31st 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!



1. Sent forth by God's bless-ing, our true faith con - fess-ing, The
 God's sac - ri - fice end-ed, O now be ex - tend-ed The
 2. With praise and thanks - giv - ing, to God who is liv - ing, The
 Our faith ev - er shar-ing, in love ev - er car-ing, We



1. peo-ple of God from his dwell-ing take leave.
 fruits of this Mass in all hearts who be - lieve. The seed of Christ's
 2. tasks of our ev - 'ry-day life we em-brace.
 claim as our neigh-bor all those of each race. One bread that has



1. teach-ing, our in - ner souls reach-ing, Shall blos-som in ac-tion for
 2. fed us, one light that has led us U - nite us as one in his



1. God and for all. His grace shall in - cite us, his love shall u -
 2. life that we share. Then may all the liv-ing with praise and thanks -



1. nite us To fur-ther God's king - dom and an - swer his call.
 2. giv - ing Give hon - or to Christ and his name that we bear.

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