

St Stephen's Announcements June 6-12 2024

- **Welcome Bishop Reddall!** We are glad to have you with us for this Sunday's worship and lunch following!
- **We celebrate two of our friends being received into the Episcopal Church Sunday June 9th: Shelby Leeder and Alan Bole.** Be sure to share your joy of their joining us as new Episcopalians!
- **Bible Study: The Book of Proverbs with Sherry Simon** – We are resuming our Bible Study via zoom. Sessions begin June 4th on Tuesdays at 5pm with Proverbs Chapter 1. The Bible will be read using different versions/translations and also thought-provoking questions from "Proverbs" by Lydia Brownback. You do not need to own the book by Lydia Brownback, Sherry will reference it during the study. You should have a Bible to read from during the session/study. Zoom connection info: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8118888197> or zoom meeting Id #811 888 8197. Each session will last an hour long. Sessions will likely continue through the summer and possibly longer.
- **No Worship Service on Saturday June 8th** : We ask our usual Saturday evening worshippers to attend Sunday June 9th 10 am worship for our Bishop Jennifer Reddall visit. Lunch with the Bishop will follow at 11:15am.
- **1st Friday Film Night** – Join us June 7th at 5:30pm in the Ed Bldg to watch the Sci-Fi movie "Gattica": In "the not-too-distant" future, where genetic engineering of humans is common and DNA plays the primary role in determining social class, Vincent (Ethan Hawke) is conceived and born without the aid of this technology. The only way he can achieve his life-long dream of becoming an astronaut is to break the law and impersonate a "valid", a person with appropriate genetic advantage. Salad Dinner, bring your own beverage. Invite a friend.
- **2nd Saturday Supper** – Come share dinner together at Pizza Hut Bistro June 8th 6:30pm, 900 E. Fry Blvd (near Summit Fitness). We will have a time of fellowship and feasting. Invite your friends to join us. Menu available at this link: <https://www.pizzahut.com/menu> .
- **June 9th – Bishop Reddall visits with St. Stephen's.** Come hear about future plans in our church and diocese from our Bishop. We will have a picnic lunch (sandwiches, chips, cookies) after worship with the Bishop so you can ask her any questions you may have. Vestry will meet with the Bishop after lunch.
- **Rev. Allison and Robin on vacation June 15-23:** Evening Prayer and Morning Prayer June 15-16, and Rev. Keith Saare to serve as priest/celebrant for worship June 22-23.
- **Special Father's Day Gift for the men of the church** – Be sure to come to church Sat or Sun June 15-16 for a special gift to honor the men who are fathers or who have been like-a-father to others.
- **Possible Father's Day Cookout after Sunday worship** – Sunday June 16th: Burgers and Dogs on the grill if we can get it organized!
- **School Supplies for Next School year** – We will begin collecting school supplies in July for the start of the next school year and we intend for our collection to benefit kids in the more rural parts of Cochise County who may not have as much help getting prepared as those in our bigger towns.
- **Personal Hygiene Items** – As you vacation and travel, if you stay in hotels where they provide soap, shampoo, conditioner, etc... please bring those items home with you to donate to personal hygiene kits that we will provide to Good Neighbor Alliance for the homeless residents to use. Likewise, if you see a good sale on those travel size items in the store, feel free to pick some up to donate for the same purpose.
- **Please continue to drop off your aluminum cans and pull tabs** – We will continue to take to Animal Shelter to donate for them.
- **FREE FOR ANYONE** – Remember to check the table in the Parish Hall and the fridge drawer for goodies to take with you.
- **Koffee Kitty** asks for your donations to help with fellowship snacks and beverages. Please put a little something in the kitty.

Coming Up:

- **July 7th Birthday Cake Sunday** – Come celebrate our July birthdays with cake, candles, wishes, and song. **July 4th - Veterans' Park Pet Parade.** Come see pets dressed up for July 4th and help out with offering of Pet Blessings from St. Stephen's Episcopal Church. See Rev. Allison to volunteer to be a "Pet Blessor".
- **Saturday 27th July – Lunch and Learn opportunity to hear a speaker from the organization "Veterans for Child Rescue"** explain ways to keep kids safe from child trafficking and how to watch for and report suspected child traffickers. Open to the community. Salad lunch provided.
- **Wed July 17 – NEW! Starting an hour of artistic meditation 11am to 12 pm on 3rd Wednesdays of the month.** Bring your art supplies to do Rock painting, coloring, mandalas, zen tangles, drawing, writing poetry, whatever you want to do for about an hour. First 15 mins will be silent or listening to soft music. Next 45 mins will be open to sharing thoughts (or not) as you are inspired.