

## St Stephen's Announcements Oct 31- Nov 6 2024

- **TRUNK or TREAT in Church Parking Lot – Thursday Oct 31<sup>st</sup>, 4:30-6:30pm.** Come with candy to give to the kiddies and decorate your trunk or back of your car. Wear a costume to make it even more festive. Invite your friends to bring their vehicles and goodies to hand out too!
- **Stewardship Campaign** – November 1-30<sup>th</sup> we will hold our annual Stewardship season. We so appreciate everyone who provides us with a pledge card with your planned giving for the coming year. It makes it much easier to plan our budget when we have those pledge cards. We ask that you return your card to us by November 30<sup>th</sup>.
- **Special prayers for our nation, election process, and elected officials** to ask God's Spirit to guide, protect, and inspire peace among us as we conclude the election cycle.
- **Looking for a Treasurer Assistant** – Anne Roth has been serving as our treasurer for about 4 years and would like to train someone to take her place. Primary duties are to create checks to pay our bills, work with our bookkeeper, and prepare an annual budget (with vestry and bookkeeper) and annual report for the Diocese (fill in form sent by Diocese).
- **November is full of lots of meaningful themes:** Remembering Veterans, All Souls and All Saints, Stewardship, Creation Care, Native American Heritage month, and Thanksgiving! We will try to emphasize these themes in the coming month.
- **First Friday Film Night – November 1<sup>st</sup> 5:30pm.** We will be watching “Geronimo: An American Legend” for Native American Heritage Month (Nov). Geronimo comes to breathtaking life in this explosive epic Western as the fearless warrior who was the last Indian leader to surrender to the white man. Meet in the Parish Hall. Soup and bread for supper. Bring your own beverage and invite a friend.
- **Birthday Sunday – Sunday November 3<sup>rd</sup>:** Mexican hot chocolate Cake! Come celebrate our November birthdays 11:00am after worship on Sunday.
- **Second Saturday Supper – November 9<sup>th</sup> 6:30pm,** we will meet at **Gunny's Barbecue (BBQ), 5043 S Hwy 92, Sierra Vista, AZ.** Menu link: <https://gunnysbarbeque.com/our-food/> Invite a friend and join us.
- **Monthly Art and Meditation Hour – November 20<sup>th</sup> 11am to noon.** Come join us for a time of quiet reflection and meditation through art/craft. Let this be an opportunity to let the Spirit quiet and calm us. Invite a friend!
- **Celebration of Life for Alan Bole during Saturday 5pm evening worship on Nov 24<sup>th</sup>** – Alan was a member of our church for the last several years and he died recently from complications of cancer. We will have some special prayers for him and a time to remember him during the Saturday evening service which he usually attended.
- **THANKSGIVING WORSHIP AND DINNER – November 28<sup>th</sup> at the church.** Please RSVP how many people in your party and what you plan to bring. Sign up Sheet is in Parish Hall..
- **DECORATIONS HELPERS FOR ADVENT/XMAS NEEDED: On Friday morning Nov 29<sup>th</sup> 10 am:** we ask you to help put up our Advent and Christmas decorations for the season. Meet at the church to help us get ready for the holidays! Coffee and donuts provided to give you energy!
- **Dec 24 Christmas Eve 5pm service and Dec 25 Christmas Day 10am service with light brunch following.**
- **Giving Envelopes have arrived.** Please find yours in the box in the back of the church and take it home. Thanks!
- **The Groceries 4 U fund is dry,** we have no more “Better Bucks”. If you can give a donation to the Groceries 4 U fund it would help replenish this outreach program before the holidays for those in need.