St Stephen's Announcements Feb 27- March 5 2025

Ongoing Weekly Discipleship Opportunities		
Adult Forum – Sat 4pm & Sun 12pm	Bible Study on Zoom – Tues 4pm	Education for Ministry (EFM) –
Lenten booklet reading and discussion	Book of Isaiah	Thursdays 4pm zoom and/or Parish
up to Easter.	See Deacon Sherry for Zoom connection	Hall

- Shred-a thon and Prescription Medication disposal City of Sierra Vista invites you for a free and secure collection and proper disposal of your sensitive items on Saturday, March 1, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Veterans Memorial Park. There is a 5-box limit per vehicle. The following items are NOT accepted: binders, binder clips, inhalers, needles, aerosol cans, lotions or liquids, and hydrogen peroxide.
- LENT / EASTER INVITATION INITIATIVE We need you and your help. This Lent and Easter season we want to invite those who perhaps do not feel connected with God or a church to join us and be welcomed to see if our church may be a place where they find acceptance and connection. Please take a flyer, a bookmark, or an upcoming service card and invite someone you know to come to church with you. Help them renew or begin a relationship with God and others to build up the community and the church.
- Lenten Devotional Books available for individual or group reflection/discussion. Books will be used for Adult forum Sat and Sun.
- United Thank Offering Blue Boxes and calendar of reflective giving As you enter our Lenten season, consider using the blue boxes for collecting your loose change as an offering to assist Episcopal Churches with help for various ministries. See this link for additional information on how the UTO assist churches: https://unitedthankoffering.com/about/.
- March 4th Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper. Come enjoy Pancakes, sausage, coffee, juice for dinner with us at the church Parish Hall, 5:30pm to 6:30pm!
- March 5th Ash Wednesday. Services at 9:30am and 6pm. Get your ash in church!
- March 7 First Friday Film Night: Jesus Christ Superstar (Live w/ John Legend as Jesus, 2021). A live TV musical recounting the final days of Jesus Christ and those around him. Soup supper 5pm-5:30pm and movie to follow in the Parish Hall. Invite a friend.
- March 8th May 31st Saturdays 10-11am "Women of the New Testament Bible Study in the Parish Hall A study of various women in the New Testament and how they inform/enhance our faith. Led by Deacon Dottie. Study materials provided. Please see Deacon Dottie to sign up for this study and reserve your booklet.
- March 8th 6:30pm Second Saturday Supper Join us for dinner out and conversation at Olive Garden. Please let Rev. Allison know if you plan to come. We will try to reserve the family room at the restaurant. Menu link: https://www.olivegarden.com/menu/classic-entrees. Address is 380 N Highway 90, Priva, Sierra Vista, AZ 85635.
- March 9th 2-3 pm Nancy Rea invites the church members to help bless her new house after Sunday worship. We will go throughout the house saying prayers and blessing her rooms and then have a time of fellowship with snacks to fill the house with good vibes and joy. Please bring an appetizer or dessert to share. Address: 1040 Carmelita Dr., Sierra Vista, AZ 85635.
- The Chosen Season 5, The Last Supper. Join us at the Cinemark Movie Theater (at the mall) for viewing the episodes of season 5 of The Chosen on the big screen. Tickets are \$7. Afterwards join us for food and reflection on the episodes just watched. See flyer for more info.
- NEW MEMBER / VISITOR RECOGNITION On Easter Sunday we will have a short welcome recognition for some
 new folks to our worship services to celebrate their joining us in the ongoing new life that Christ offers to each and
 every one of us.

Coming this Spring:

- April 12-13 Palm Sunday
- Holy Week: April 17 Maundy Thursday 6pm service April 18 Good Friday 6pm service
- No Worship Service Saturday April 19
- April 20 Easter Sunday with potluck brunch in Parish Hall.