

## St Stephen's Announcements 2 – 8 October 2025

<b>Ongoing Weekly Discipleship Opportunities</b>		
<b>Education for Ministry (EFM)</b> – Discipleship program meets end of August to end of May in person or on zoom. See Deacon Sherry for information on joining this program.		
<b>Saturday Morning Bible Study</b> – Starting Aug 2 <sup>nd</sup> at 10am in Parish Hall: The Book of Genesis. See Deacon Dottie for more info.		
<b>Adult Forum</b> – Sat 4pm & Sun 12pm “Sermon on the Mount” by Emmett Fox book study	<b>Bible Study on Zoom</b> – Mon 3pm See Deacon Sherry for Zoom connection	<b>12-Steps for anyone meeting</b> Wednesdays 5pm in Parish Hall. Currently reading book on growing spiritually by Eckhart Tolle

- **Welcome Visitors! We are glad to have you worship with us.** Enjoy our service, participate as much as you feel comfortable doing so. Let this worship time be our gift to you and your soul. Don't worry about putting anything in the collection as a visitor. Your being here is your gift to us.
- **We will have Anti-Communion** services on Saturdays and Sundays unless we get a supply or an interim priest. Wednesdays will usually be Morning Prayer services until a vicar is chosen. Both deacons are committed to this effort.
- **October 3<sup>rd</sup> – 1st Friday Film Night** The voted in movie is **A Million Miles Away**. We will have a soup or salad dinner starting @ 1730 (530pm), and we'll start the movie after. Bring your own snacks and drinks. See you Friday!
- **Friday, October 10<sup>th</sup> 11-2 Lori's Place is hosting a open house.** Come join us to celebrate Domestic Violence Awareness Month by bringing together Lori's Place, law enforcement, faith leaders, and the public to bridge gaps and build better communities! [214 E. Tacoma St. Sierra](#)
- **October 12 at 2 PM, [St Andrew's Roman Catholic Church](#) is hosting its Annual Song Fest.** Choirs from churches around Sierra Vista will be singing and leading us in some great music. Everyone is invited and it is always a wonderful time. At 800 Taylor Dr, Sierra Vista, AZ 85635, click link above for directions.
- **Second Saturday Dinner (just for this month) is moved to the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday, October 18th, because of the convention up in Phoenix.** We will meet at La Casita Mexican Restaurant, [Website-menu](#) [Directions](#) [465 E Fry Blvd. Sierra Vista.](#)
- **Thanksgiving!** We are planning a **Thanksgiving Day, Nov 27<sup>th</sup>, Turkey Dinner** following the service at 10 AM. A sign-up sheet will be available soon. We already have a volunteer to roast a turkey, make cranberry relish and turkey gravy, so give some thought to what else we might want. Also, please invite your family and /or close friends to join us (they need not bring a dish)
- **Donations for Huachuca City UMC distribution to people with needs:** You may donate toothpaste, toothbrushes, powder laundry detergent, or detergent dissolvable sheets to assist Lay Pastor Sara Evans with folks in Huachuca City. Please put powder detergent into smaller Ziplock sandwich bags for easier distribution to people with needs. Donations can be placed in the tub/bin in the pew at the back of the church next to the info table.
- **FREE TABLE – Please check each week for items on the Free Table or in the fridge Free Drawer.** If you put something out for others and those items are not taken after two weeks, please take them back and donate them to other organizations in our community.
- **Our Discretionary Fund** is being used up quicker than usual right now: We had 5 requests for rent help in the last 2 weeks. This is a very important outreach for people in need in our community, and we don't want to disappoint by refusing a one-time assistance. An appeal is being made for donations to the fund to help us help others in more dire straits than us.
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BE STILL, MY SOUL

E♭ B♭7 E♭ B♭7 E♭ B♭7 E♭ A♭ B♭ E♭ B♭7 E♭ B♭7 E♭

1. Be still, my soul— the Lord is on thy side! — Bear pa - tient - ly the  
 2. Be still, my soul— thy God doth un - der - take — To guide the fu - ture  
 3. Be still, my soul— the hour is has - t'ning on — When we shall be for -

B♭7 E♭ A♭ E♭ Cm E♭ B♭ Fm

1. cross of grief or pain; Leave to thy God to or - der and pro - vide —  
 2. as he has the past; Thy hope, thy con - fi - dence let noth - ing shake —  
 3. ev - er with the Lord, When dis - ap - point - ment, grief, and fear are gone, —

C7 Fm E♭ A♭ Fm G E♭ Cm

1. In ev - 'ry change he faith - ful will re - main. Be still, my soul— thy  
 2. All now mys - te - rious shall be bright at last. Be still, my soul— the  
 3. Sor - row for - got, love's pur - est joys re - stored. Be still, my soul— when

E♭ B♭ Fm C7 Fm E♭ B♭sus4 B♭7 E♭

1. best, thy heav'n - ly friend ——— Through thorn - y ways leads to a joy - ful end.  
 2. waves and winds still know ——— His voice who ruled them while he dwelt be - low.  
 3. change and tears are past, ——— All safe and bless - ed we shall meet at last.

Text: 10 10 10 10 10 10; Katharina von Schlegel; in *Neue Sammlung Geistlicher Lieder*, 1752; tr. by Jane Borthwick, 1813–1897.  
 Music: FINLANDIA; Jean Sibelius, 1865–1957; arr. fr. *The Hymnal* 1933.

# Offertory Hymn

## REVELATION AND ADORATION

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## This Is My Father's World

Malbie D. Babcock, 1903

TERRA BEATA  
SMD

English folk melody  
adapt. Franklin L. Sheppard, 1915

1. This is my Fa-ther's world, and to my lis- 'ning ears  
2. This is my Fa-ther's world; the birds their car- ols raise;  
3. This is my Fa-ther's world; O let me near for- get

all na- ture sings, and 'round me rings the mu- sic of the spheres.  
the morn- ing light, the lil- y white de- clare their Mak- er's praise.  
that though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the Rul- er yet.

This is my Fa-ther's world; I rest me in the thought of  
This is my Fa-ther's world; He shines in all that's fair; in the  
This is my Fa-ther's world; the bat- tle is not done; Je -

rocks and trees, of skies and seas; His hand the won- ders wrought.  
rus- tling grass I hear Him pass, He speaks to me eve- ry- where.  
sus who died shall be sat- is- fied, and earth and heav- en be one.