

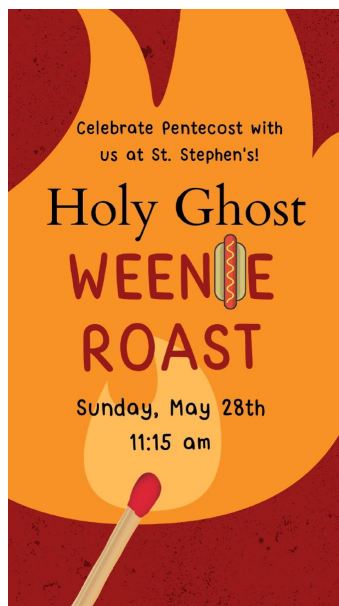


May 14: The Sixth Sunday of Easter

Service Bulletins

Service bulletins for Sunday's 7:45 a.m. Spoken Eucharist and 10:00 a.m. Choral Eucharist will be available on the church's website [here](#).

St. Stephen's Updates



Mark your calendars for the Parish Life-sponsored "Holy Ghost Weenie Roast" to celebrate Pentecost on May 28. The Men's Group has agreed to man the grills that day as we serve up burgers with all the fixins', and - of course -hot dogs!

Disclaimer

Please bear with your temporary E-News staff during this transition period. A new editor will be taking over in a few weeks and the full E-News, complete with



photos, will return.



Youth Sunday, May 14

This coming Sunday, May 14, our youth and children will take leadership roles during the 10:00 a.m. service. Plan to attend and support our wonderful youth and children.

In addition, our own Caroline Wood, the Diocesan Youth Coordinator, will be leading our music that morning. Adam Ballintoy will be our preacher that day.



Grounds Work Day

Grounds workday Saturday May 20, nine to noon. Rain date a week later. Help us spruce up for Pentecost. Many tasks, most unskilled and non-strenuous. Contact Brent (865-607-7015, brentsigmon@me.com) or Nancy (865-548-6109, ncarow@mac.com) with questions.



Pentecost Readers Needed

We are asking for volunteer readers to help with a long-standing tradition at St. Stephen's: Like the event in Acts 2,000 years ago, we want the gospel proclaimed in as many languages as possible.

If you read in a language other than English, you are invited to share the experience of hearing the Gospel in many languages. Everyone reads together, so if your language skills are a bit rusty, no one will know. If you are interested in reading at either the 7:45 or 10:00 a.m. services, please let the office know no later than Friday, May 21.

Outreach Focus for May

The loose offerings on the 2nd, 3rd and 4th Sundays in May will be designated for Brysonn's Closet Food Pantry.

Many of you may be unfamiliar with Brysonn's Closet, located in the old Anderson's Hilltop Market at the corner of West Outer Drive and Illinois Avenue. In the back of the Brysonn's Closet Thrift Store is a small food bank that serves over 100 individuals a month from Anderson, Roane and Morgan Counties. The folks who come to Brysonn's are some of the poorest of the poor. After meeting with a caring worker, essential food items as well as pet food (if needed) and hygiene/cleaning items are given to the family. Brysonn's

Closet is a non-profit totally supported by donations.

You can help support this wonderful local ministry by giving *financially*, and/or *donating some much-needed items not purchasable with Food Stamps* (laundry detergent, dishwashing soap, toilet paper, deodorant, cleaning supplies, and pet food). You may leave your donations in the grocery carts found in the Narthex and the hospitality area. Your financial support may be cash or check, with the memo line directing the offering to "Brysonn's Closet." You may also support this effort by donating online at www.ststephensor.org.



Eucharistic Visitor (EV) Training

Fr. Bailey will lead a training/retraining session for the Eucharistic Visitors Monday, May 15, 2023, at 5:30 p.m. in the Pollard Room.

As the Eucharistic Visitor brings the sacraments directly from the Altar to those they visit, the EV represents the church body reminding those they visit that they are still a vital part of the community.

If you are interested in learning more more about becoming an Eucharistic Visitor, please contact Fr. Bailey.

Observance of Ascension Day, May 18, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. in the Nave.

Clearfork Camp

The Clearfork Camp committee requests donations of old magazines, used paper bags for skirts, and snack bag contents. Magazines will be used for arts and crafts activities, while paper bags will be used for other fun activities.

As for the snack bags, we ask for non-perishable items such as granola bars, trail mix, and other healthy snacks to keep our campers energized throughout the day.

Donations can be dropped off in the hospitality center during regular business hours, 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m., Monday through Thursday.

WOW (Walk Over Wednesday)

St Stephen's WOW lunch program for high school students is an incredible initiative that deserves recognition. The program provides nutritious meals to high school students, ensuring they access healthy food during the school day.

The dedicated volunteers of St Stephen's WOW lunch program are positively impacting the lives of these students, and their efforts are truly commendable

This week we celebrated the graduating seniors participating in St Stephen's WOW lunch program; we honor their hard work, dedication, and perseverance. These students have shown that with determination and support, anything is possible

Everyone on our WOW teams will look forward to the return of the students to school in July and their ongoing lunch program participation.

To request after-hours assistance please call the church's landline, 865-483-8497, and follow the voice prompts to "Pastoral Emergency" (Option 2).

The church's office hours are 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., Monday through Thursday. Offices are closed on Fridays and weekends.

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