



St. Stephen's E-NEWS

...Where God is seen, love is felt and lives are changed!

September 17, 2021

17 Pentecost

Proverbs 31:10-31

Psalm 1

James 3:13-4:3, 7-8a

Mark 9:30-37

SUNDAY WORSHIP

This Sunday is the 17th Sunday after Pentecost and there will be a spoken service of Holy Eucharist at **7:45 A.M.** and a choral Eucharist at **10:00 A.M.** in the Nave.

In Sunday's gospel, Jesus says, "Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me." We will explore this theme this Sunday.



NO NURSERY ON SUNDAY

There will be no Nursery available this Sunday, September 19, 2021.

TUESDAY BIBLE STUDY

The Tuesday Adult Bible Study will discuss parables of Jesus. Come join us on Tuesday mornings at 10 A.M. in the Pollard Library. We finish in time for the 11:30 A.M. Holy Eucharist and Healing Service.

PASTORAL CARE

THIS WEEK, WE PRAY FOR PARISH MEMBERS:

Lisa Plante
Michael Potter
Blynn and Ruth Prince
James and Beth Reed, Alex Green, and Tucker
Please include these people in your prayers.

WORSHIP TRAINING

The Worship Training day is tomorrow, **September 18, 2021 from 9 to 11 A.M.** Breakfast and coffee and tea will be available! We request all lectors, acolytes, eucharistic ministers, and ushers to attend. We have some new folks who are learning, and Fr. Bailey would like to give a refresher to our experienced servers!



EYF

EYF will meet this Sunday, September 19th. This is our week to prepare lunch for the Sunday School kids. Please join Molly, Caleb, and me in the kitchen around 9:45 A.M. We will be preparing pancakes and sausage for their lunch. Although it doesn't take long to make pancakes, there is some preparatory work required. We will need to set-up the pancake griddles, the warming pans, cook the sausage, prepare the pancake batter, etc. This will be similar to the Shrove Tuesday Dinner but on a much smaller scale.



Following lunch, we will have Sunday School with Fr. Bailey and then start discussing the Myers Briggs Personality Test and then play some games at the church. Dismissal will be at 2:15 P.M. Hope to see you on Sunday. We will need all hands on deck to prepare lunch!

~ Craig Brent, Caleb and Molly Justice

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

In honor of St. Francis of Assisi, we will have our annual Blessing of the Animals on **Saturday, October 2, 2021.** Bring your dogs, cats, birds, fish, hamsters! If you have a beloved animal who has passed away in the last year, please send a photo of your pet, and we will also bless them.



VESTRY NOMINATIONS OPEN

LAST CALL: The Vestry nomination window closes on **September 19, 2021.** You may nominate yourself or others, with their permission. You may make nominations to the church office or to the Nominating Committee (Nancy Anderson, Barbara Bovee, Judy DiGregorio and Lew Felton).



ANNUAL MEETING

Mark your calendar! Our Annual Parish Meeting will be held **Sunday, October 3, 2021.** We will have ONE service at 10 a.m., and the Annual Meeting will take place during the normal sermon time.

The meeting will also be livestreamed on YouTube. Details will be forthcoming in the next week about voting in person and electronically. We hope our entire parish will be able to participate in any way they are comfortable.

