



St. Stephen's E-NEWS

WHERE GOD IS SEEN, LOVE IS FELT, LIVES ARE CHANGED.

January 28, 2022

SUNDAY WORSHIP & RETURN TO IN-PERSON WORSHIP

On the fourth Sunday after Epiphany, we will resume our usual worship schedule: a 7:45 A.M. spoken service and a 10 A.M. choral communion. Our readings will be:

- Jeremiah 1:4-10
- Psalm 71:1-6
- 1 Corinthians 13:1-13
- Luke 4:21-30

We conclude the story of Jesus's preaching and rejection in Nazareth.



As we mentioned in a parish-wide email, in order to monitor the number of active COVID cases, please let either the clergy or the Parish office know if anyone in your household has tested positive. It is important information for us to know by **Thursdays** every week, to give us time to switch to a virtual-only service, and to notify everyone in the parish as early as possible. In the last few weeks, Fr. Bailey has received a lot of texts or emails from parishioners with COVID on Fridays and Saturdays, so an earlier notification would be helpful! Rest assured that we keep these names confidential.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CANCELLED

LAST MINUTE UPDATE: Nursery and in-person Sunday school for children and adults is cancelled for Sunday, January 30, 2022. We will still have in-person worship at 7:45 a.m. and 10 a.m., including Children's Chapel. But all in-person Sunday School classes are cancelled.

THE LIFEGIVING HOME

The Lifegiving Home Book Study has been postponed for this Sunday. We will announce when this book study will start.



We yearn for a place of belonging and becoming. A lifegiving haven of warmth, rest, and joy that will bless everyone who enters it. A welcoming respite in an isolated culture. We long for a Lifegiving Home. Join us on a new path to creating special memories for your children, establishing God-centered traditions, and cultivating a loving atmosphere your family will cherish all their lives. This book study will be facilitated by Emily Doane using the text, The Lifegiving Home by Sally Clarkson (ISBN #978-1496403377).

EPIPHANY BOOK STUDY

The book study resumes on Sunday, January 30, 2022 over Zoom at 11:45 A.M. - email reminders with the Zoom meeting link will be sent on Sunday morning!

Fr. Bailey will cover with Chapters 2-3 of "Reading While Black: African American



Interpretation as an Exercise in Hope" by The Rev. Dr. Esau McCaulley. Dr. McCaulley who teaches New Testament at Wheaton College.

COMMUNION DELIVERY

We are looking for a few good volunteers who would be willing to deliver communion to folks on Sundays. Please contact Fr. Bailey or Fr. Ashton if you would like to take communion to those who aren't able to attend Sunday worship services. It is much appreciated!



ADULT BIBLE CLASS

Sadly, the Sunday Adult Bible Class has been cancelled again this week. We will let you know when we resume the Sunday Adult Bible Class. Thank you for your patience!

~ Jack Campbell

WEEKLY PRAYERS

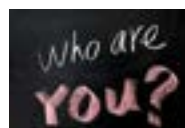
WE PRAY FOR PARISH MEMBERS

Nancy Bishoff
Steven and Elizabeth Botica
Brian and Barbara Bovee
Mike and Roni Boyd

Please include these people in your prayers.

MYSTERY VOLUNTEER

We had a green volunteer sheet turned in without a name! This mystery volunteer is interested in being an acolyte, our Food Basket Ministry and our Haiti mission...but there's no name on the sheet.



Who are you? Please notify the Parish Office if this matches your interests! Thank you!

DAILY DEVOTIONALS ARE IN

The February/March/April 2022 issues of Forward Day-by-Day devotionals have arrived and are available to pick up in the Parish Office in the Mailroom or the Hospitality area. Please feel free to pick up a copy next week. Enjoy!