



St. Stephen's E-NEWS

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June 11, 2021

3 Pentecost

Psalm 20

1 Samuel 15:34-16:3

2 Corinthians 5:6-17

Mark 4:26-34

SUNDAY WORSHIP

This Sunday, June 13, 2021 is and we will have two services of **MORNING PRAYER: 9 A.M. worship**: outside in the Grove, and **11:00 A.M. indoor worship + livestream**: in the Nave.

For the month of June, masks will be required for indoor worship. Every other pew has been block off to limit capacity and help maintain physical distancing.

FAMILY PICNIC IN THE PARK

This Sunday, June 13, 2021, at 5 P.M., St. Stephen's will be hosting a "Picnic in the Park" for all of our families at Melton Lake Park. We will provide hamburgers (and veggie burgers!) and hot dogs; bring a side dish for your family and 2-3 others; and most importantly, bring yourself and your kids! We will eat under the pavilion while the kids can romp on the playground and in the park! An RSVP to Fr. Bailey at revnorman1011@gmail.com or to 251-604-1705 would be helpful to make sure we have enough burgers (and especially if you'd prefer a veggie burger), but if you forget, come on anyway! And if you miss this one, we will have another "Picnic in the Park" on Wednesday, June 23, 2021. Hope to see you on the 13th! ~ Fr. Bailey



SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP

We look forward to seeing you on our Sunday Evening **Social Hour at 5 p.m.**

[Join Sunday Social Hour](#)

Zoom Credentials:

Meeting ID: 829 7991 8885

Passcode: 799322



OPEN VOLUNTEER SPOTS

We are looking for ushers, lectors, and acolytes for both of our services! We are looking to add volunteers to these valuable and meaningful services to our worship.

An expanded group of ushers, lectors and acolytes will allow some of the people on our list to take a break or even "retire" from decades of service! The commitment is usually about one Sunday a month, and training is provided.

Please send Fr. Bailey an email at revnorman1011@gmail.com to let him know you are interested in taking on a new volunteer role at St. Stephen's! We can't do it without you!

GET ON THE CALENDAR!

Committees are starting meet at the church again. If you are planning on using the church building for meetings, please let us know! Contact the Parish Secretary at secretary@ststephensor.org to request your group meetings to be added to the calendar!



SHUTTERBUG READING CAMP

We are busy in the planning stages of our Shutterbug Clearfork Reading Camp, and have created a list of items we need to have donated or borrowed. We also have plenty of roles for volunteers!

Here's a list of much-needed items we need people to **donate**:

- Magazines, especially National Geographic type issues with high-quality photos.
- Paper towel or toilet paper rolls
- Photo paper
- Healthy snacks, such as fruit roll-ups, crackers, granola bars, etc. to send home for the families.

Here's a list of much-needed items we need to **borrow**:

- Fully functional digital cameras with memory cards, battery charger and download cables, labelled with your name, so we can return it to you.
- Dress up props for fun photos
- Disco Bball or colored lights to create a fun atmosphere

We also need camp volunteers to attend the camp, as well as a few volunteers to help make "party food" and assemble snack bags at the church. Please let us know how you can help this meaningful camp **Wednesday to Friday, July 7 - July 9, 2021**. Call Carol Gardner at 865-385-7584 if you would like to help.



PASTORAL CARE

JOIN US AS WE PRAY THIS WEEK FOR:

Caleb and Molly Justice

Ken and Katie Kendall

Goldie Kennedy

Lisa Kennedy and Lindsay Mayes

Please include these people in your prayers.



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EAST TENNESSEE READS MARCH BY JOHN LEWIS

Communities across East Tennessee are reading March by John Lewis during the summer of 2021. The March trilogy is an autobiographical black and white graphic novel trilogy about the Civil rights movement, told through the perspective of civil rights leader and U.S. Congressman John Lewis. The series is written by Lewis and Andrew Aydin, and illustrated and lettered by Nate Powell. In partnership with the East Tennessee Freedom Schools, our Episcopal Schools, and our parishes, the Diocese of East Tennessee is offering many ways to engage with the trilogy through interviews, discussion groups, reading camps, and even Godly Play stories. Visit the [Diocese of East Tennessee website](#) to watch an introductory video and check back for more content through the summer.

This offering is a joint partnership of the Diocesan Task Force on Becoming a Beloved Community, the Diocesan Task Force on Christian Formation, and the East Tennessee Freedom Schools.

At the end of the summer or early fall, participants will have the option to make a trip to Selma and share another aspect of this journey together. Between now and the end of summer, let's learn together!

