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SERVICES

Sunday 8:00 AM – Holy Eucharist Rite I
Sunday 10:30 AM – Holy Eucharist Rite II
Live streamed on YouTube
Tuesday 11:30 AM – Holy Eucharist Rite I
and Healing Service in St. Alban's Chapel

UPCOMING IMPORTANT DATES

Sunday 5:00 PM Fireside Weenie Roast followed by S'mores in the Grove/Labyrinth

ONGOING CHURCH EVENTS

- · Sunday · Coffee and Conversation Parish Hall · After Both Services
- · Sunday · Lectionary Study for Adults Pollard Room 9:30 AM
- · Sunday · Storytelling for Adults in the Parish Hall 9:30 AM
- · Sunday · Sunday School · 9:30 AM
- · Tuesday · Bible Study Pollard Room 10:00 AM
- · Wednesday · Men's Group Pollard Room 8:30 AM
- · Thursday · Contemplative Prayer Via Zoom 4:00 PM

FALL BACK!

Daylight savings kicks in this Sunday. Don't forget to turn your clocks back!



INQUIRERS CLASSES BEGIN THIS SUNDAY!

Inquirers classes begin this Sunday at 9:30 in the chapel. Whether you are a newcomer to St. Stephen's or looking for a refresher in your faith, the class is open to all to attend!

BEFORE YOU COME - Please watch the video titled "Why Christianity?" that is now up on our YouTube channel. It is an overview of some of the content we will be covering on Sunday. We will use this video as a springboard for discussion in our class on Sunday, so it will be extremely helpful for you to have watched or listened to the video (which is about 20 minutes long).



Family Fireside Weenie Roast and S'mores!

Next Sunday, November 3rd, Parish Life and Christian Education are partnering to sponsor a family-friendly Fireside Weenie Roast followed by S'mores at 5:00 in the Grove. The dogs, buns, condiments, and beverages, along with the fixings for the s'mores will be provided. Bring your own camp chairs and come join in the fun!



City-wide Prayer Vigil

There will be a city-wide prayer vigil at the Oak Ridge Peace Bell on Sunday, November 3rd at 4:30 PM in anticipation of the upcoming election. Faith communities all over Oak Ridge are invited to gather to lift up our country and local community during this season. The prayer

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gathering will be an invitation to resist the increasing amount of hatred and toxic vitriol that is becoming too common these days. No RSVP is needed; just show up.



A Conversation with the Camino Pilgrims

After the 10:30 service on Sunday November 17th, our pilgrims will have a short presentation about their week spent in Spain walking the Camino de Santiago de Compostela. Beverages and Tarta de Santiago (St. James' Cake) will be served. Please come be a part of our Camino conversation.

The first Sunday of the month means the Open Offering goes to the Discretionary Fund.



THANKSGIVING DINNER - RSVP!!!

St. Stephen's will once again host a parish/community Thanksgiving meal on Thanksgiving Day, November 28. We will celebrate Holy Eucharist at 10 AM with the meal following at 11. As you start making your plans for the holiday season, please consider joining us and your fellow parishioners for this feast. The main courses (turkey and ham) will be provided. Each participant will be invited to bring a side dish to share. A link to RSVP and sign up for side dishes will be sent out later this month.

In addition, please feel free to invite anyone who is not a member of St. Stephen's to join us. This meal is an outreach opportunity to include those who may be hungry, grieving, or lonely this holiday season. We simply ask that you RSVP on their behalf so that we make sure we have enough food.



The Blessing Box Requested Items this week are: Oatmeal Packs, Cereal, Applesauce Cups.



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