WELCOME!
If you are worshipping at St. Stephen’s for the first time today, you are welcome to share in the Holy Communion. Please fill out a “Visitor” card at one of the Greeters tables and/or the guest book on the podium before you leave and get a welcome packet.

COMMUNION
If you are in need of a gluten free wafer during Communion please let an usher know before the offertory or let one of the persons serving the host know. If you have a mobility problem, please let an usher know before the service begins and communion will be brought to you.

LOOKING FORWARD

SUMMER PICK-UP CHOIR FOR THE MONTHS OF JULY AND AUGUST
We would love to have you sing again during this summer, now that we have resumed in-person worship services. There will be one rehearsal on 7/1. No vesting. You come as you are each Sunday to lend your voice to our 10AM worship service. There are some things we would ask of you if you wish to be a part of this joyful group:

• All persons who are interested must purchase a choir mask. (We are still under some COVID limitations. Even though this is a fluid situation, we will still have some restrictions through the summer months). The masks have arrived so please see Judy.
• Please email Judy of your intention to sing by the Friday before your participation Sunday.
• You should report to church no later than 9:30 AM each Sunday that you indicate your participation.

Please email Judy Baity at jmbdmbymb@sbcglobal.net, at your earliest convenience.

St Stephen’s Update
July 25th, 11:30am
Spurling Hall

A discussion of our finances with Senior Warden Sheri Flay, Treasurer John Fortman and Rector Christopher Montella.
Join us! Come for the coffee, and stay for the conversation!

Upcoming Funeral services:
Saturday, July 24th at 11:00am – Salley Stott
Sunday, July 25th at 1:00pm – Bob Hill
Saturday, July 31st at 1:00pm – Ed Deane
Sunday, August 1st (time TBA) – Loretta Daniels

The “Black Palm Springs”? Racism in SCV? What is your experience in SCV?

Join us Sunday evening, July 25th, at 6:30pm, as we come together in conversation for another “Fireside Chat & Picnic”, sponsored by St. Stephen’s Anti-Racism Coalition. This is your chance to tell your story & listen to others as we discuss racism and its history in Santa Clarita and surrounding areas. Bring your own dinner – snacks & drinks provided. Due to the heat, we may meet in the parish hall. All parishioners and their friends are welcome to participate. Contact Mary Jo Higginbotham with any questions or for more info: maryjohigg@gmail.com

WEDNESDAY EUCHARIST
Wednesday Eucharists are now on hiatus until Wednesday, September 15th.
Food Collection

Saturday, July 31st, 9 - 11:00am
St. Stephen’s Parking Lot

MOST NEEDED FOOD ITEMS:
• Peanut Butter (small & large sizes)
• Applesauce, Fruit & Pudding Cups
• Tuna & Vienna Sausage (pull-top)
• Canned vegetables
• Canned Ravioli (pull-top)
• Soup (pull-top)
• Spaghetti/Pasta Sauce (jars or cans)

URGENT NON-FOOD ITEMS:
• Grocery Gift Cards (any amount)
• Women’s Tampons & Pads
• Laundry Detergent Pods & liquid
• Household Cleaners
• Trash Bags (any size)
• Toilet Paper
• Disinfectant Wipes

Bring Your Recyclable Cans & Bottles too! (glass & plastic) ONLY if they show “CRV” on the bottom. Thanks!

Did You Know? Did you know that there is a library of livestreamed church service videos on our Facebook page? You do not need a Facebook account to watch as it is a public page. www.facebook.com/StStephensSCV
We also have an entire library of Christopher’s sermons on the St. Stephen’s Website. www.ststephens.org
On the Home page go to the "Worship" tab and then click on "Sermons."

St. Stephens Episcopal Church is partnering with church member, Eleanor Nold, on her Gold Award project targeted at teenage mental health! Youth ages 12 to 20 will be able to make friends, learn about life out East, and have discussions about community responses to mental health, trauma and the stressors of the modern age through a pen pal campaign with St. Martin’s-in-the-FIELD Episcopal Church in Severna Park, Maryland. Please check the link on the Website for Zoom meetings. https://sites.google.com/view/cross-country-connections/home?authuser=0.
You can also contact Eleanor Nold directly at elfnold@gmail.com.

Thursday August 12th 5:00-6:00pm via Zoom
Please join us for another Alzheimer’s Association educational program hosted by St. Stephen’s. This month’s program is titled “ALZHEIMER’S IS NOT NORMAL AGING” and will focus on the impact of Alzheimer’s, it’s risks and factors, Alzheimer’s Association resources, and other related information. All are welcome – you may invite friends and family outside of St. Stephen’s as well. Please register at https://bit.ly/3y4PrhE
If you are able to continue to supporting the mission and ministry of St. Stephen's, you can pay your pledge or make a new or recurring donation online here st-stephens.org/giving. As you may have heard, you can now also text your donation by texting the word GIVE to 661.228.8909 and following the prompts. Click here for an easy How To Use Text Giving guide. We are deeply grateful for your commitment and support, especially right now.

**St. Stephen’s Prayer List**

**On-Going Needs:** Joanne E., Mary Lou C.,

**Current Needs:** Dorcas, Susan B., Byron, Wilson, Jim, Judy, Tom J., Bree, Barbara G. “Mo” M., Silvio., Sue S., Debi & Dave C., Eason C., Nickolay, Tina, Jennifer, Geoff M., Farida, Sophia, Laurie H., Susan N., Mary, Beverly, Greg, Paola,., Lucia E., Daniel J., Dorothy M., Barbara S.D., Randy S., Marilyn C., David C., Lee, Pat H., Kathy, Nick, Andrew, Mark, Lee, Lois, Dennis, Barbara, Carol M., Bonnie, Nick F., Miriam, Catherine N., Patty, Ernesto, Moira N., Melinda S. Meghan R., Liam, **Bob M. John R., Judith, Bo,**

**Rest in Peace:** Jimmy Cuticchia, Devin Johnson, **Salvador**

If you would like to have prayers for yourself or someone else, please email Peggy Stabile at pstabile@pegasus2.net or call the church office at 661.259.7307. Please be aware that your prayer request content will be shared with the members of the prayer chain. If you wish for Peggy to hold your prayer request in confidence, please clarify that in your submission. Prayer requests remain active for 4 weeks and must be renewed thru Peggy or the office to be on the list again.

**St. Stephen’s Week**

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**Thursday evening, August 12th from 7:00 – 8:30pm via zoom. Discussion of the book, *Between the World and Me* by Ta-Nehisi Coates**

Join us at: [https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85864655865](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85864655865)

This is a recurring event - We will discuss a different book the second Thursday evening of each month via zoom. Sponsored by St. Stephen’s Anti-Racism Coalition. While it’s strongly encouraged that you read the books, it’s okay to just come and listen. Everyone is welcome to attend.