



St. Stephen's

Episcopal Church and School

Commitment to Ministry Form 2022

Read about the many ministries of St. Stephen's, and prayerfully reflect on how God is calling you to participate in the life of the parish.

Your completed form may be returned via email to office@ststeve.org

- Acolytes:** assist priest in essential duties for the smooth flow of liturgy
- Alexis Pointe Gospel Sing-a-long:** lead singing at assisted living facility
- Altar Guild:** prepare Worship Services, care for altar & sanctuaries
- Amigos de Jesus:** outreach ministry to the Hispanic community
- Audio Visual Team:** help with Sunday live-stream
- Bible Babes (Monday):** women who meet weekly on Monday to study the Bible and broaden our Christian journey
- Bible Babes (Thursday):** women who meet weekly on Thursday to study the Bible and broaden our Christian journey
- Brotherhood of St. Andrew:** outreach to young men and boys within and outside the parish that might benefit from a strong, Christian, male influence
- Celebration of Life:** Assists, prepares, and coordinates receptions for memorial services
- Cemetery:** a Board of Trustees that oversee the plots and niches on our grounds
- Children & Youth Ministries:** Leads and teaches the children & youth of our community
- Choir:** lead singing during Worship
- Christ Centered Prayer:** weekly contemplative prayer group
- Community of Hope:** Christian community of lay chaplains united in prayer, providing Pastoral Care, along with the clergy, to the community
- Communion Bread:** bake the bread regularly used for Worship
- Daughters of the King:** prayer and ministry based on Benedictine practices
- ECW:** Episcopal Church Women help raise funds to meet the needs of the church and community
- Feast of Friends:** small group ministry meeting monthly for a meal and fellowship
- Gardening Angels:** maintain the various gardening areas around the church campus
- Great Generations:** fellowship-based gathering with lunch, programs, and music
- Greeters:** welcome and invite the congregation, and especially newcomers, into full participation in the life of the church
- Grief Share:** provides help and encouragement after the death of a loved one

- Helping Hands:** pitch in to help when needs arise (*Many hands make light work!*)
- Holy Grounds:** Coffee Hour hosts after worship on Sundays!
- Kitchen Angels:** keep the kitchen clean and coordinate snacks for events
- Lay Eucharistic Ministers:** train to serve as a lay leader during eucharist services
- Lay Eucharistic Visitors:** train to take communion to the homebound
- Lectors:** Proclaim scripture and read prayers at worship services
- Lifelong Learning:** participate in the educational offerings of the parish (also a Vestry Committee)
- Men's Bible Study:** an ecumenical group including breakfast, study, and prayer
- Order of Naucrati:** an organization of ethically minded hunters and fishers who share their harvests with those who are hungry
- Prayer Shawls:** meet and knit shawls to support those in need
- Prayer Warriors:** through intercessory prayer, fulfill submitted prayer requests
- Roadside Cleanup:** clean two sections of highway on a quarterly basis
- Santa Ministry:** provide needy families in the Wimberley community with gifts and food for Christmas
- St. Stephen's School Board:** Serve as a church representative of our primary outreach ministry, SSES (3 year term)
- Trailblazers:** supports the maintenance and upkeep of the nature trail and labyrinth
- Cursillo:** a retreat to help gain tools for living their Christian faith in order to enthusiastically share the joy of knowing Christ with others. Also includes *Ultraya*, a regular gathering of those who have attended Cursillo
- Ushers:** distribute service leaflets & alms basins, assist worshipers find seating, direct worshipers to communion, and help keep the worship space neat
- Yoga:** weekly gentle yoga on the mat or in the chair
- Vestry:** Serve on the elected governing body of the parish (3 year term)
 - Fellowship Committee:** Vestry Committee that organizes and plans various gatherings
 - Finance Committee:** Vestry Committee that helps guide the Vestry and Rector to support the financial needs of the community
 - Lifelong Learning:** Vestry Committee that helps plan the educational offerings of the parish
 - Outreach Committee:** Vestry Committee that oversees and coordinates outreach ministries of the church
 - Stewardship Committee:** Vestry Committee that helps support the Vestry and Rector with the time, talent, and treasure needs of the community

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