

For the next few weeks, we will hold  
**ONE SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE ONLY**  
**9:00 A.M., COURTYARD**  
*(This one service will also be live-streamed.)*



**eNEWS**

September 3, 2021



**Altar Flower Orders**

[ststeve.org/flowers](https://ststeve.org/flowers)

**Calendar of Events**

<https://www.ststeve.org/calendar>

**Christ Centered Prayer (Zoom), Wednesdays, 5:00 p.m.**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89203035553?pwd=ZnA2b1dkSjMybThtWEhuMzJjbUkwZz09>

**Daily Meditations**

[ststeve.org/meditations](https://ststeve.org/meditations)

**Facility/Room Reservations**

<https://ststevewimberley.wufoo.com/forms/facilityroom-use/>

**Sunday Service In-Person & Live Stream (YouTube, Facebook), Sundays, 9:00 a.m.**

[ststeve.org/sunday](https://ststeve.org/sunday)

In-person service held at 9:00 in the Courtyard.

## COLUMNS

### VESTRY HIGHLIGHTS

*By Phil Muth, Vestry Clerk*

The Vestry met on Monday, August 23, 2021. There was no July 2021

meeting. "The Treasurer's Report" from Roy Buckley showed income \$4,000 below budget, but expenses were \$21,000 below budget. So our finances continue to look good.

Our stewardship campaign will kick off in October. *The First Fruits Dinner & Gala* will be held at Old Glory Ranch on Sunday, October 24, 2021 and *Stewardship Sunday* will be on Sunday, October 31, 2021. Mark your calendars now!



A generous donor is funding many of the Gala's expenses, so we are expecting this to be both a profitable and FUN event.

Although we are currently holding one Sunday worship service only at 9:00 a.m., due to the wide spread pandemic spike in cases, other activities will continue as scheduled. This includes Youth Ministry and Christian Education. A revised schedule is included in this issue of *eNEWS*. Members of the Vestry continue to touch base by phone with parishioners to discuss the temporary change to one Sunday worship service and any other discussion items you wish to raise.

The next Vestry meeting will be held on Monday, September 27, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. and is open to all. That's it for now. I look forward to visiting with you after our September Vestry meeting.

*Blessings,  
Phil Muth*

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## TREASURER'S NEWS

*By Roy Buckley*

The financial activities for the periods of June and July 2021 followed patterns familiar in years past, inasmuch as Pledge revenues appeared somewhat light in comparison to Pledge receipts recorded in January through May 2021. June Pledge receipts totaled \$28,915 and the July total was nearly identical, \$28,921. Cumulative Revenue for the months of June and July were \$35,093 and \$32,314, respectively. Notable was June's Plate receipts of \$4,528, well above the norm experienced throughout 2021 to-date. June's robust Plate revenue was a direct result of member enthusiasm brought about by Fr. Schubert's installation ceremony. Cumulative Revenues for each month fell short of Budget: \$1,542 short of Budget in June and \$4,321 short of Budget in July. Moving toward summer's end, as families return from travel and settle back into routine, we should experience revenue streams that approach anticipated Budget levels. We'll keep our fingers crossed and pray for some welcome and sustaining beneficence from our members.



The expense side of June and July's financial picture continues to reflect upon the solid expense control and management procedures set by Parish Administration. June cumulative expenses were \$56,766 (bettering Budget by \$657) and July cumulative expenses totaled \$41,896 (bettering Budget by \$3,316). Both months bettered our Budget expectations by sizeable margins. Applause, applause to our Admin team – Jeannetta, Lydia, and Fr. Kevin.

So, what do these numbers for June and July 2021 actually mean? Through July 31, 2021 SSEC is maintaining a Net Ordinary Operating Surplus (i.e., Inflows exceeding Outflows) of \$37,816, which is considerably better than we anticipated in our projections at the beginning of 2021. The below Revenue/Expense schedule, in summary form, juxtaposes for comparative purposes the financial activities occurring in the months of June and July 2021.

If you have any questions, comments, or suggestions, please drop a note to me in my McArthur Hall mail box, or [email me](#).

Blessings to all!  
Roy R. Buckley, Treasurer and Finance



	Actual Jun-21	Budget Jun-21	Actual Jul-21	Budget Jul-21	Actual To-Date	Budget To-Date
Pledge Income	\$28,915.00	\$33,593.75	\$28,920.90	\$33,593.75	\$203,342.05	\$235,156.25
Pledge Pre-Paid/Carried Forward	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$78,050.00	\$78,050.00
Pledge Annual Lump Sum	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$56,500.00	\$34,800.00
<b>TOTAL PLEDGE INCOME</b>	<b>\$28,915.00</b>	<b>\$33,593.75</b>	<b>\$28,920.90</b>	<b>\$33,593.75</b>	<b>\$337,892.05</b>	<b>\$348,006.25</b>
Offerings	\$1,265.00	\$550.00	\$1,340.00	\$550.00	\$4,785.00	\$3,850.00
Non-Pledge Income	\$4,528.00	\$2,083.00	\$623.00	\$2,083.00	\$10,278.40	\$14,581.00
Fund Raising Income	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$1,400.00	\$0.00	\$1,500.00	\$0.00
Special Gift Income	\$0.00	\$250.00	\$0.00	\$250.00	\$3,990.00	\$1,750.00
Flower Income	\$285.00	\$158.00	\$30.00	\$158.00	\$1,820.00	\$1,106.00
Prior Year Pledge	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$5,230.00	\$0.00
<b>Total Ordinary Inflow</b>	<b>\$35,093.00</b>	<b>\$36,634.75</b>	<b>\$32,313.90</b>	<b>\$36,634.75</b>	<b>\$365,495.45</b>	<b>\$369,293.25</b>
APPORTIONMENT	\$7,335.00	\$7,335.00	\$7,335.00	\$7,335.00	\$51,345.00	\$51,345.00
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EVANGELISM & FORMATION	\$0.00	\$42.00	\$0.00	\$42.00	\$0.00	\$294.00
MINISTRY	\$727.52	\$275.00	\$109.91	\$275.00	\$2,126.51	\$2,435.00
OPERATING	\$17,504.38	\$17,992.00	\$4,261.63	\$5,780.50	\$57,350.20	\$66,161.50
RECTOR RELOCATION	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,085.40	\$2,500.00
STAFF	\$31,199.59	\$31,779.00	\$30,189.33	\$31,779.00	\$214,772.82	\$226,203.00
<b>Total Ordinary Outflow</b>	<b>\$56,766.49</b>	<b>\$57,423.00</b>	<b>\$41,895.87</b>	<b>\$45,211.50</b>	<b>\$327,679.93</b>	<b>\$348,938.50</b>
<b>Net Ordinary Operating Surplus / (Deficit)</b>	<b>(\$21,673.49)</b>	<b>(\$20,788.25)</b>	<b>(\$9,581.97)</b>	<b>(\$8,576.75)</b>	<b>\$37,815.52</b>	<b>\$20,354.75</b>

## NEWS

### CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED LABOR DAY, MONDAY, 9/6/21



In celebration of Labor Day, ***the church office will be closed all day, Monday, September 6, 2021.*** The office will reopen for regular hours: 8:30 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, September 7, 2021. (Normal church office hours are M-TH, 8:30 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. Non-emergency calls received outside of regular hours, will be returned the following business day.)

### COMMEMORATIVE SSEC MUGS AVAILABLE SOON



Here's a sneak preview of the two design choices for the brand new commemorative St. Stephen's 12 ounce ceramic mug, featuring exquisite artwork by Carroll Dolezal. Mugs will soon be available for purchase at \$15 per mug. They are perfect for both cold and hot drinks, including holiday hot chocolate!



## SCHEDULE OF **NEW ADULT** FALL SEMESTER CLASSES

### SUNDAY



#### ADULT BIBLE CLASS

*New Clothes: Putting on Christ and Finding Ourselves by John Newton*

9:15 a.m. - 10:15 a.m.

Meeting Room 1

Leaders: [Bob & Becky Denton](#)

**Starts Sunday, October 3**

### MONDAY



#### MONDAY BIBLE BABES

*Gospel of Mark*

12 noon - 1:30 p.m.

McArthur Hall & Courtyard

Leaders: [Cindy Taylor](#) & [Becky Denton](#)

**Starts Monday, September 13**

### TUESDAY



#### ADULT COED BIBLE CLASS

*Faith After Doubt by Brian D. McLaren*

10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

Zoom:

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86591706722?](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86591706722?pwd=OEMzM2psWUFRRmhHUmFIQ0xXbFJVQT09)

[pwd=OEMzM2psWUFRRmhHUmFIQ0xXbFJVQT09](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86591706722?pwd=OEMzM2psWUFRRmhHUmFIQ0xXbFJVQT09)

Leader: [Bob Reed](#)

**Starts Tuesday, September 28**

### THURSDAY



#### THURSDAY BIBLE BABES

*"Caste"*

4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Home of [Nancy Cooke-Jenkins](#)

Leaders: Various

**Starts Sunday, September 9**

## SCHEDULE OF **NEW CHILDREN'S & TEEN** FALL SEMESTER CLASSES

### SUNDAY

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#### GODLY PLAY CLASS

ages: potty trained to 5/6 years

10:30 a.m. - 11:15 a.m.

McArthur Hall

Leader: [Darelle Jordan](#)

**Starts Sunday, October 3**

#### KINGDOM KIDS

ages: 6-9

10:30 a.m. - 11:15 a.m.

Meets in Sanctuary/Log Cabin

Leaders: [Elisa Webster](#) & [Donna Hoyland](#)

**Starts Sunday, October 3**

#### MOUNTAIN MOVERS

ages: 10-12

10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

Meets in Sanctuary/Log Cabin

Leaders: [Elisa Webster](#) & [Donna Hoyland](#)

**Starts Sunday, October 3**

## SUNDAY



#### TEENS CLASS

ages: 13 - 18

5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. on all Sundays but the second Sunday of the month

2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. the second Sunday of the month, Mission Sunday

Youth Center on all Sundays but the second Sunday of the month

Courtyard on the second Sunday of the month, Mission Sunday

Leaders: [Elisa Webster](#), Melissa Odell, Maddie Boreggo

**Starts Sunday, September 12**

## BRING NON-PERISHABLES TO MISSION SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 12 @ 2 PM



Our monthly afternoon Eucharist and outreach project – *Mission Sunday* – is resuming on Sunday, September 12 @ 2:00 p.m. in the Courtyard. Church and school families are especially invited. Your neighbors, friends, and extended family are always welcome to join in the worship, fellowship, and outreach effort of *Mission Sunday*. Teens will be serving as readers and acolytes at this brief 30 minute worship service. This month our featured charity is Wimberley Crisis Bread Basket. Please bring your non-perishable donations to the 2:00 p.m. Mission Sunday Holy Eucharist on September 12 at 2:00

p.m. After we worship together in the Courtyard, we will sort and prepare the donations for delivery to Wimberley Crisis Bread Basket.

The most needed items at this time are low sodium/low sugar:

- whole grain pasta
- canned spaghetti sauce
- canned tomatoes
- canned soup
- peanut butter or other nut butters (example: cashew, almond, sunflower seed)
- jelly (low sugar)
- canned meat (chicken, tuna, chili)
- canned fruit (water packed)
- apple juice
- oatmeal
- canned vegetables (low sodium)
- toiletries

- dinner mix (ex. Hamburger Helper)

Please choose products that are in boxes, cans, or plastic bottles and do not need to be refrigerated.

## DWTX CONVOCATIONAL GATHERINGS POSTPONED



David M. Reed, Bishop of West Texas, released a letter this week confirming that:

"In light of the COVID-19 Delta variant's ongoing surge, I am postponing the We Will Continue Gatherings scheduled to take place September 18 and 25."

When a new date is known, we will share this information with you in the eNEWS.

## HEALING PRAYER RETURNS ON SEPTEMBER 22, 2021



In just a few weeks, we will resume the St. Stephen's Healing Eucharist. This service will be held weekly on Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m. and will last 45 minutes. On the third Wednesday of the month, we encourage you to stay after the service and to head over to McArthur Hall for "Great Generations."

**The Healing Service will be held in the Chapel and wearing masks is expected.** The service begins in silence as we take our seat in the pews in prayerful consideration of God's saving Grace and Love. You can expect this service to contain a shared homily and a laying on of hands and anointing. Fr. Kevin will invite persons seeking anointing to come forward to the altar rail, at which time they are to provide their name and any particular request for prayer. Fr. Kevin will lay hands upon the person with prayer and anoint the person with oil. Communion and a Blessing will follow.

The Episcopal Church's understanding is that through the laying on of hands and the administering of the sacrament of unction (anointing of oil) God's healing grace is bestowed upon the sick and needy. This is so, with the full knowledge that God's healing and grace is available for all conditions of humanity.

We invite you to join us on Wednesdays for this healing service beginning, September 22 @ 10:30 a.m. in the Chapel.

## CHURCH NURSERY REOPENING SUNDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2021



The church Nursery is expected to re-open on Sunday, October 3, 2021. The hours of the Nursery on Sundays are 7:45 a.m. until 11:45 a.m. Nursery Manager Chu Robertson is eager to share bible story and play time with your youngest family members – infants through four years old. The church Nursery is located in the Children's Ministry Building to the right of the Sanctuary. One side of

the building is the Nursery and the other side is reserved for Godly Play classes. Nursery teachers are experienced, trained, and Safeguard-certified. For more information on this ministry, visit: <https://www.ststeve.org/children>.

## MINISTRY ACTIVITIES



## SEPTEMBER 11 ROADSIDE CLEANUP NEEDS VOLUNTEERS; HAYS CITY STORE PROVIDING LUNCH FOR VOLUNTEERS



After a morning of rewarding volunteering in the great outdoors helping beautify the stretch of highway that St. Stephen's is responsible for keeping clean, what better added reward could there be than a free lunch! Tamara Tindol, owner of Hays City Store & Ice House, has generously offered to buy lunch for all September 11, 2021 volunteers who help with the roadside ministry's quarterly cleanup. Adult and teen volunteers are welcome! It feels good to rid this TxDOT-assigned five mile stretch of FM 3237 of trash and recyclables. *Come join us! We'll have an orange vest waiting for you.*

As an added incentive, the names of those participating in the September 11 roadside cleanup will be placed in a raffle. One winner will be chosen and will receive a gift card from Hays City Store to use at a later date.

Registration for this ministry event is necessary and greatly appreciated. Safety information and instructions will be sent to you ahead of the scheduled cleanup date.

***Click the button below to signup. It's that easy.***

On the day of the event, those who have registered, will check in between 7:00 a.m. and 8:00 a.m. in the Courtyard to pick up orange vests, trash grabbers, and other supplies. Together, in pairs, we will then head out to beautify our five mile stretch of highway. This is a great opportunity to get some exercise, enjoy the outdoor Texas Hill Country views, help out the entire community, and earn a free delicious lunch from Tamra and the good folks at Hays City Store. Be a part of the amazing "before & after" of a cleanup. It's rewarding!

For more information, contact Cindy Taylor, [taylorcindy34@gmail.com](mailto:taylorcindy34@gmail.com) or Todd Schmidt, [tkschmidt88@gmail.com](mailto:tkschmidt88@gmail.com), or Mike Marcionetti, [mikeydrum@gmail.com](mailto:mikeydrum@gmail.com).

**SIGN UP FOR SEPTEMBER 11 CLEANUP**

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### COMPANIONS (WIDOW GRIEF SUPPORT) MEETS TUESDAY, 9/7/21

The Companions (Widow Grief Support) ministry resumes its weekly meetings this month. Weather permitting, they will meet on Tuesday, September 7, 2021 at 3:00 p.m. in McArthur Hall or the Courtyard.

*"Do not be anxious about anything,  
but in every situation,  
by prayer and petition,  
with thanksgiving,  
present your requests to God.  
And the peace of God,  
which transcends all understanding,  
will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus. - Philippians 4:5-7*



For more information on this ministry, visit the church website, [www.ststeve.org/ministries](http://www.ststeve.org/ministries).

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### CANCER SUPPORT GROUP MEETS WEDNESDAY, 9/8/21, OFFSITE

The Wimberley Valley Cancer Support Group, sponsored by St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, meets monthly at the Wimberley Valley Chamber of Commerce



on the second Wednesday of the month at 11:30 a.m. in the Member's Room. Each participant brings a brown bag lunch. All who have been diagnosed with cancer now or in the past are invited to attend and share a time of relaxation and conversation with others who share their experiences. Fully vaccinated persons are welcome. Masks and social distancing are

recommended at this time.

For more information, contact: Sharon East, [sharoneast2@gmail.com](mailto:sharoneast2@gmail.com), or Dave Boyd, [davsimpboyd@gmail.com](mailto:davsimpboyd@gmail.com).

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## TAKE 5 EPISODE 77 AIRS THURSDAY, 9/9/21 ON YOUTUBE & FACEBOOK



Be sure to tune in to TAKE 5's Episode 77 on YouTube and Facebook airing Thursday, September 9, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. CT. Host Allen Hennig will be featuring the hymn "All the Way, My Savior Leads Me" inspired by Psalm 48. Featured artwork is by Carroll Dolezal. We hope that this episode of TAKE 5 serves as a treat for your ears, eyes, and spirit. These five minute music breaks air every Thursday at 10:00 a.m. CT. For additional TAKE 5 episodes, visit: [ststeve.org/music](http://ststeve.org/music).

[TAKE 5 Episode 77 on YouTube](#)

[TAKE 5 Episode 77 on Facebook](#)

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## WOMEN'S RETREAT @ WELLSPRINGS, SEPTEMBER 10-12, 2021



The SSEC ministry for Episcopal Church Women (ECW) is sponsoring two events in September—a retreat and an after-retreat get together.

All adult women are encouraged to attend the Women's Retreat at Wellsprings Retreat Center, to be held September 10-12, 2021. Cost is \$30. Look for the sign up sheets and poster in McArthur Hall. Activities at this relaxing weekend of fun and fellowship include: yoga with Carla Daws, music with JoAnn Seeberger,

movie night, and a presentation by Rev. Bryn Caddell.

Following the retreat at Wellsprings, all women from St. Stephen's are invited to attend a get together at Carolyn Galle's home in Wimberley, Texas on Saturday, September 18 @ 1:00 p.m.

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## DOK MEETING SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2021 @ 10:30 A.M.



The Daughters of the King (DOK) meet the third Sunday of the month in McArthur Hall at 10:30 a.m. For His Sake, the Daughters of the King will gather for prayer and discernment. We welcome you to be with us.

For more information, contact: Sue Wright, [suzywright2@gmail.com](mailto:suzywright2@gmail.com)

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## NEW DATE FOR LITURGICAL MINISTRY TRAINING: SATURDAY, 10/9/21

The new date for the Liturgical Ministry Training for Lectors, Intercessors, Lay Eucharistic Ministers, Acolytes, and Ushers is



Saturday, October 9, 2021. All volunteers, whether currently serving or new recruits are encouraged to come to this training led by Fr. Kevin and . Childcare is being provided during the day's training. If you need childcare, be sure to indicate this need on your RSVP.



At noon Lay Ministers from the morning and afternoon training sessions will gather for lunch. We last met as a group in January 2020. We have experienced many changes since then. This time together will give us an opportunity to celebrate this journey.

**10:00 a.m. until 12 noon** - Training for those serving the 8:00 a.m. Sunday services

**12 noon - 1:00 p.m.** - Lunch is provided for all trainees

**1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.** - Training for those serving the 10:30 a.m. Sunday services. *If you are serving both the 8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. services, you will benefit the most from taking this afternoon training, since the training will cover the additional changes to the later service.*

Fr. Kevin and Charlotte Carter are dedicated to delivering the training that you will need to become comfortable and confident. Please RSVP to let us know that you will be attending. Training is strongly advised for both new recruits and current lay ministry.

***For Liturgical Training,  
RSVP to Charlotte Carter  
[charlotteanncarter@gmail.com](mailto:charlotteanncarter@gmail.com)***

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## CHILDREN'S & TEEN MINISTRY UPDATES

*St. Stephen's has programs for all ages of children and teens. Our children's and teen ministries are led by incredibly capable and enthusiastic individuals and headed by Family & Youth Minister Elisa Webster, [elisawebster9@gmail.com](mailto:elisawebster9@gmail.com). Read below for what's unfolding this school year.*

*If you find your adult self getting super excited as you read along, you, too, can be a part of the Sunday School year through volunteering once a month. We need more volunteers in Godly Play, Kingdom Kids, and Mountain Movers classes. Contact Elisa to let her know you are interested.*



### **TEEN MINISTRY (13-18 years)**

*We have big news for you!* Madelaine Borrego will be joining the teen ministry leadership. Maddie is a sophomore from Texas State and for the next 10 months she will be helping Family & Youth Minister Elisa Webster with the teen ministry. She is currently studying Elementary Education and has served as a counselor at Camp Capers. She is also a recipient of the Helen Campbell Endowment Fund Youth Leader Scholarship. This scholarship is awarded to a responsible college student to help lead the St. Stephen's Youth Group. Some of Maddie's responsibilities will include: program development and implementation; facilitating discussions around Biblical themes, theology, and social issues; sharing one's Faith journey; leading games and activities; advocating a healthy environment for Youth to grow and learn.

We are thrilled to have Maddie join us and to share the revamped Youth Room with your teens. Special thanks to Melissa Odell and Jayne Marburger and all the others who helped with the Youth Room's painting and designing.

***Please take note that our first meeting will be on Mission Sunday, September 12 at 2:00 p.m.*** Maddie is looking forward to forming relationships with your teens and working

with the Youth Ministry and parents to enhance our Youth program in every way possible.

"We have great plans for this new year with exciting outings and opportunities to build a closer walk with Christ and new friendships," enthuses Elisa.



### **GODLY PLAY MINISTRY (potty-trained to 5/6 years)**

Godly Play teacher Darelle Jordan is so eager to once again see our young family members. Children, especially at this age, have an innate sense of the presence of God. The Godly Play approach helps them to explore their faith through story, to gain religious language and to enhance their spiritual experience through wonder and play. Based on Montessori principles and developed using a spiral curriculum, the Godly Play method will serve children well through early, middle, and late childhood and beyond. Darelle and Elisa invite your young ones to, "Come play with us!"

**Registration for Godly Play begins Sunday, September 19.** Godly Play classes are expected to begin Sunday, October 3 at 10:30 a.m. in the Children's Ministry Building.

### **GODLY PLAY REGISTRATION**



### **KINGDOM KIDS (ages 6-9) & MOUNTAIN MOVERS MINISTRY (10-12 years)**

Our theme this year comes from the *Catechism of the Good Shepherd*, as chosen by Fr. Kevin. We will also use the "Forbid them not" as it follows the Episcopal lectionary readings. Our schedule for meeting will be more abbreviated to allow families to be together with their children for communion. How it will work is like this – families and their children will enter the Sanctuary for the 10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist service and take their seats. Then as the crucifier leaves the church, the teachers will lead your children/grandchildren to the Log Cabin for their Sunday School. The teachers will return your children to you in time for communion.

Each class time will include: the story, a reading from the Word, reflection on the Word, use of materials, prayerful response to the Message, and cleanup of materials.

**Registration for Kingdom Kids & Mountain Movers begins Sunday, September 19.** Kingdom Kids & Mountain Movers classes are expected to begin Sunday, October 3.

### **KK & MM REGISTRATION**

## **COMMUNITY OF HOPE**

### ***Do you need someone...***

*To listen, without judgment, to what is weighing on your heart?  
To recognize your needs and respect your rights to your feelings?  
To honor any conversation with complete confidentiality?  
To support you as you take steps of change on your journey?  
To just walk with you and let you be you?*



Each one of us, at some point or at several points in our lives, could use a "companion" to walk with us during the challenges of our journeys. A Community of Hope Lay Chaplain is someone who cares about you, will not promise miracles, will not decide for you what you should do, will not take steps for you, and will not rescue you. He or she will be available to you, support you, pray for you, and assure you that you are God's beloved. Please, if you are walking alone, invite one to join you on your path.

### **SEPTEMBER COMMUNITY OF HOPE CONTACTS**

Becky Denton, [dentonrebecca1@gmail.com](mailto:dentonrebecca1@gmail.com)

Dot Green, [dotgreen@anvilcom.com](mailto:dotgreen@anvilcom.com)



# SAVE THE DATE



## **FRI, SEPTEMBER 3**

*Coffee & Tea Friends* (offsite @ Sip!), 9:00 a.m.

## **SUN, SEPTEMBER 5**

*Choir Practice*, McArthur Hall, 8:00 a.m.

*Holy Eucharist Rite II Service*, Courtyard, 9:00 a.m.

*Coffee Hour*, McArthur Hall, 10:00 a.m.

## **MON, SEPTEMBER 6**

*Church Office Closed All Day for Labor Day*

*Men's Prayer Group* (offsite @ Wimberley Cafe), 7:30 a.m.

*Cursillo Reunion Group*, McArthur Hall, 10:30 a.m.

## **TUES, SEPTEMBER 7**

*Companions (Widow Grief Support)*, McArthur Hall/Courtyard, 3:00 p.m.

*Yoga*, McArthur Hall, 4:00 p.m.

## **WED, SEPTEMBER 8**

*Cancer Support Group* (offsite: Wimberley Valley Chamber of Commerce), 11:30 a.m.

*Prayer Shawl Ministry* (offsite: Thomason Funeral Home), 2:30 p.m.

*Christ Centered Prayer*(Zoom), 5:00 p.m.

## **TH, SEPTEMBER 9**

*TAKE 5* (YouTube, Facebook), 10:00 a.m.

*Bible Babes* (offsite @ Nancy Cooke-Jenkins home), 4:00 p.m.

## **FRI, SEPTEMBER 10**

*Episcopal Women's Retreat* (offsite @ Well Spring Retreat Center), 12 noon

## **SAT, SEPTEMBER 11**

*Episcopal Women's Retreat* (offsite @ Well Spring Retreat Center), all day

*Quarterly Roadside Cleanup*, Courtyard, 7:00 a.m.

## **SUN, SEPTEMBER 12**

*Episcopal Women's Retreat* (offsite @ Well Spring Retreat Center), until 12 noon

*Choir Practice*, McArthur Hall, 8:00 a.m.

*Holy Eucharist Rite II Service*, Courtyard, 9:00 a.m.

*Mission Sunday Holy Eucharist Service*, Courtyard, 2:00 p.m.

*Youth Group*, Courtyard, 2:00 p.m.

## **MON, SEPTEMBER 13**

*Men's Prayer Group* (offsite @ Wimberley Cafe), 7:30 a.m.

*Cursillo Reunion Group*, McArthur Hall, 10:30 a.m.

*Bible Babes*, McArthur Hall/Courtyard, 12 noon

## **TUES, SEPTEMBER 14**

*Companions (Widow Grief Support)*, McArthur Hall/Courtyard, 3:00 p.m.

*Yoga*, McArthur Hall, 4:00 p.m.

## **WED, SEPTEMBER 15**

*Great Generations Gathering, 11:30 a.m., McArthur Hall*  
*Prayer Shawl Ministry (offsite: Thomason Funeral Home), 2:30 p.m.*  
*Christ Centered Prayer (Zoom), 5:00 p.m.*

**TH, SEPTEMBER 16**

*TAKE 5 (YouTube, Facebook), 10:00 a.m.*  
*Bible Babes (offsite @ Nancy Cooke-Jenkins home), 4:00 p.m.*

**FRI, SEPTEMBER 17**

*Coffee & Tea Friends (offsite @ Sip!), 9:00 a.m.*

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Fr. Kevin blesses the prayer shawls that will go out to those needing some extra love from St. Stephen's.

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