



# St. Stephen's E-NEWS

...Where God is seen, love is felt, lives are changed!

September 14, 2018

## Adult Forum

These two articles were in the Knoxville News-Sentinel on Sunday, September 9. They speak to some of the issues that will be addressed at this Sunday's Adult Forum. Our presenters will be Michael Beehan and his wife Lissie. Join us at 10:00 a.m. in the Parish Hall.

<https://www.knoxnews.com/story/news/local/2018/09/09/undocumented-immigrants-held-knox-jail-spike-under-new-agreement/1202070002/>

<https://abcnews.go.com/International/wireStory/immigrant-families-struggling-trauma-separation-57677797>

## Coffee Volunteer

**To date no one has signed up to do coffee this Sunday. If no one signs up over the weekend there will be no coffee this Sunday or any Sunday where there is no volunteer.** We are trying to make the set up and clean up as easy and simple as possible. We are not using the large urns or the ceramic mugs. We are switching to the Bunn coffee maker and the hot plates and disposable cups. You can sign up for as many weeks as you like. Please call the church office or Betsy Ellis (865)414-2720) if you have any questions or want to volunteer.



## Food Baskets

The "Thanksgiving or Fall Baskets" will be given out September 29. This is the new schedule to coincide with the Oak Ridge School term. We will not give out baskets at Thanksgiving. Please have your food items and monetary donations in by Sunday, September 23.

**Food Basket Items:** Cornmeal mix, stuffing mix, flour, sugar, rice, beans, spaghetti, spaghetti sauce, macaroni & cheese, boxed cereal, peanut butter, jam/jelly, apple sauce, apple juice, granola bars, crackers, graham crackers, cake mix, cake icing, oatmeal, instant pudding, raisins

**Canned Items:** spaghettios, fruit, greenbeans, corn, peas, mixed vegetables, pumpkin, cranberry sauce, tuna, chicken, soup/stew

### Non-food items:

toothpaste, bath soap, laundry detergent, paper towels, toilet paper, garbage bags, shampoo, conditioner, deodorant



## Thanksgiving Day Lunch

Thanksgiving Day luncheon heads up. Some of you are already making your family plans for how you will do Thanksgiving Day lunch this year AND have been asking if St. Stephen's will have a Thanksgiving Day luncheon. The answer is "Yes, we will". So, mark you calendar and watch for more information to come. Hope to see you there."



## Pastoral Care

**JOIN US THIS WEEK AS WE PRAY FOR** Chip & Amy Pennoyer, Louis, Jack; Bill & Mary Peterson, Britton; Phyllis Petersen; Carl & Hella Peterson.

*Please add these names to your prayer list.*

## Sermon

"Who do you say that I am?" That is the question in the middle of Mark that Jesus raises with his disciples and us. Jesus has gone out of his way to take his disciple to Caesarea Philippi to ask them that question before he leads them on the way to Jerusalem. So what does Caesarea Philippi have to do with answering Jesus question, "Who do you say that I am?" You may be surprised by the answer. Pastor Damos

## Annual Meeting

The annual meeting for St. Stephen's is scheduled for Sunday, October 21, 2018. At that time, among other agenda items, the parish will elect four (4) new members to the Vestry. Please consider standing for this election. If you nominate someone, please get his/her permission before you do so. Four seats will need to be filled. Submit names to the outgoing Vestry Members, Dean Hartley, Brian Bovee, or Dan DiGregorio. Additionally, Nancy Anderson is filling an unexpired term, and is eligible to stand for election. Nominees may also be submitted to Vicki Hancock, Nominations close two weeks before the annual meeting (midnight, October 7, 2018).

Please review the Bylaws. [http://www.ststephensor.com/Bylaws/Bylaws\\_2016.pdf](http://www.ststephensor.com/Bylaws/Bylaws_2016.pdf) as to the requirements.

## Sabbatical

Please remember that Fr. Lovett is on Sabbatical and is to use this time for "rest and replenishment of the body and the spirit."

*As difficult as it may be, we ask that you refrain from contacting him during this time.*

**Keep Fr. Lovett in your prayers during his time of refreshing and renewal.**