

Staying Connected

Always Connected to God, Each Other and the World

Current Worship Opportunities during COVID-19 Pandemic

SUNDAYS 9:30 AM Worship Options

In person in Sanctuary – This option is currently not available per our Safety Committee. We will revisit this possibility in the coming month. Thank you for your patience!

Online Live streamed on St. Stephen's Face Book

From your car in either parking lot. Broadcasted via 87.9 FM / Communion brought to car

WEDNESDAYS 6:30 PM Online "The Well" St. Stephen's Face Book

WEEKDAYS Varying times Channel 16—Comcast (Sunday 9:30 am Service Recorded)

Annual Congregational Meeting via Zoom

Mark your calendars for Sunday, January 31, 11 AM

We will hold our [Annual Congregational Meeting](#) using Zoom online conferencing software. You can use your computer, or phone. Your participation is vital—we need your support, vote, and would love to see you even if it's via the internet.

For those of you not familiar with Zoom it is a video conferencing software that is free to use, and allows you to hear and see the meeting, and even participate, without leaving home. Most laptop computers and tablets have a camera and microphone built in so you can be seen and heard if you choose. You can download the software at <https://zoom.us/>. Please take the time to download the Zoom app at least 15-30 minutes before the meeting in case you run into any difficulties. There is no need to purchase any version of Zoom, just accept the free download. If you do not have access to a computer and the internet, you will be able to dial in and hear the audio through your phone, but no video.

A few minutes before 11 a.m. on January 31 either go to the Zoom website and download the app or access the app previously downloaded. Click on "Join a Meeting". You will be asked for a meeting ID# and password. They are **Zoom Meeting ID number: 380-950-620 Password: 55118.** **If you chose to join the meeting via phone** dial in using either **301-715-8592 or 253-215-8782** The meeting ID# and password are the same as for computer access. They are **Zoom Meeting ID number: 380-950-620 Password: 55118**

Now the fun part—you can find a **copy of our Annual Report** posted on **our website** (www.ststephenswsp.org) **under the Resources tab, Annual Reports** (<https://www.ststephenswsp.org/annualreports.cfm>) once there **click on the year 2020.** Those of you that we do not have a current email address for—watch your mailbox we will get you a copy first part of next week.

We're looking forward to seeing everyone online Sunday the 31st!

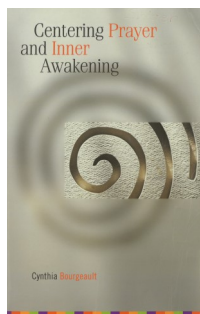
Contemplative Prayer and Study Continues via Zoom 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the Month

January 27 (read through page 41)

St. Stephen's Zoom Room 7-8 pm

Zoom Meeting ID: 380-950-620 Password: 55118

On January 13th we returned to the basics, introducing the practice of Contemplative Prayer. **We are using the book "Centering Prayer and Inner Awakening" by Cynthia Bourgeault.** Please read through page 41 for discussion on January 27th. All are welcome.



Men's Renewal Group Non-Breakfast Breakfast

**Every other Friday
Upcoming dates: Feb. 5 & 19**

8-9am via Zoom
Meeting ID: 380-950-620
Password: 55118

All Men are Welcome!



Faith Families - No Faith Formation Classes this week

Wednesday, January 27 | Service project "Love In a Note"
Replacing "Love in a Ziploc Bag".

We've invited the congregation to join you in this week's service project. Please see below for more details and reminders of our new project "Love In a Note". **Share God's love and light in the world starting with your neighborhood, friends, family the list goes on!**

Need some inspiration? Here's a catchy tune that we all know and love—all together now:
*This little light of mine I'm gonna to let it shine. This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine.
This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine. Let it Shine, Let it Shine, Let it Shine!*



LOVE IN A NOTE

This year our Faith Formation students' service project for January 27th will be "LOVE IN A NOTE" rather than "LOVE IN A ZIPLOC BAG".

Join our youth by taking time this week to reach out to someone in your **neighborhood, church, friends, your own family members** and **send them a note of encouragement or thank you!**

This could be a **handwritten note, card or picture. Be creative.** (Due to COVID "Love in a Note" is replacing our usual project "Ziploc Bags of Love" as our way to share and be God's love and light in the world!)

Who can you let God's light shine to?

6TH GRADERS AND UP—SAVE THE DATE!

February 20th at 6pm there will be a zoom activity. Ali will send out a link in February. This is for Grades 6 and up, It will be online games and such. It may be easier to use a computer for this zoom! If you have any questions please check in with Ali.

HIGH SCHOOLERS:

There is a high school group that meets Wednesday nights at 7pm! The zoom info for that is: 894 3514 0057 password is 55118



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WAPO 2021

YOUTH—SAVE THE DATE!

St Stephen's has reserved 20 spaces for the week of **June 20-25, 2021 at WAPO for the Youth** and **4 spaces for July 18-20, 2021 at WAPO for Seeds.**

Registration opens **February 1 and continues through February 28.**

After that time our reserved spots are opened up to the general population. So please register during February so we can all be together!

Please register on the WAPO website <https://lakewapo.org/>

If you have questions please contact Ali (ali@ststephenswsp.org)



The Saint Paul Area Synod 2021 Tool Kit for Congregational Leaders Saturday, February 27 - 9:00-11:45am | Online via Zoom

All persons in leadership in our faith community are welcome to attend ... Council and committee members, staff, dedicated volunteers, or anyone who's interested in what makes our church tick. This year, we'll gather on Zoom for a morning of learning and networking. Dr. Michael Osterholm will provide his assessment of where we're at with the pandemic and what the future might hold for churches. After his keynote, we'll break off into separate workshops. There's no cost to attend; registration opens next week, January 11.

Watch for more information as it becomes available. Note: Conference assemblies will be held on Saturday, February 13 for voting members. If you would like to represent St Stephen's please contact the church office.



TOOL KIT for congregational leaders



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