



The Servant of St. Stephen's Episcopal Church

What makes St. Stephen's great to me, is how it's a welcoming environment for ALL- The true embodiment of Christ! It means the world to me that there is a place where everyone can feel accepted and loved, no matter one's race, physical abilities, gender, gender identity, sexual orientation, age, political views, etcetera...

Submitted by Rachel Whitney



The Waystead

People have quite often asked me, "What is the Hermitage?" Usually it's the guys who come to fix my swamp cooler or trim my trees, but occasionally it's someone from St. Stephen's/ San Esteban. So I thought I'd offer the description from my blog that talks about my hermitage, the Waystead, and the intentional life of a professed contemplative and solitary.

If you would like further information, please follow this link:

<https://leahsan.blogspot.com/p/the-waystead-is-hermitageof-lindisfarne.html>



Our Vicar

Oh No!

Our Vicar has been injured. He had a battle with a saw and lost. As a result, he has cut a nerve in his hand. Hopefully it is just a temporary situation and he will heal. It has unfortunately affected his ability to type and he is unable to submit his article for this edition of the Servant.

We are actively searching for articles specifically regarding your experiences with St. Stephen's, why you choose to worship here, what brings you back, what would you like to see happening here. What is your take regarding your responsibility to the community of St. Stephen's and your community at large? Please feel free to submit your articles to:

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I have been a member of St. Stephen's for almost seven years. I remember the first time I came, in October 2012. I had been in Utah for a couple of weeks and it was a true culture shock for me, as I had only been in the USA for less than five months. I was a very confused immigrant.

St. Stephen's was having a big anniversary celebration, the church was full, not only with St. Stephen's people, but also with our Lutheran friends. People were vested and it was very exciting. And in that crazy excitement with so many guests, during coffee hour, Martha noticed I was new there and talked to me for a little bit and then walked me around the parish hall introducing me to every single person there. I was overwhelmed, but next Sunday I came back and I did not consider any other church ever since.

Over the years I made it through a full Bishop's Committee term and a few months as Junior Warden. I have attended the two year Diocesan Church Development Institute. I got married here, I baptized both of my children and buried

The Golden Rules for Living

- If you open it, close it.
- If you turn it on, turn it off.
- If you unlock it, lock it up.
- If you break it, admit it.
- If you cannot fix it, call in someone who can.
- If you borrow it, return it.
- If you value it, take care of it.
- If you make a mess, clean it up.
- If you move it, put it back.
- If it belongs to someone else and you want to use it, get permission.
- If you do not know how to operate it, leave it alone.
- If it is none of your business, do not ask questions.
- If it is not broken, do not fix it.
- If it will tarnish someone's reputation, keep it to yourself.

Love,
Fran



WOW (Worship on Wednesday) news

We are going to start a chess club with the kids that come on Wednesdays. If you have any children who might be interested in this, plan to have them at church 5:30 on Wednesdays.

Also, if you happen to have a chess set that you no longer use, please consider donating it to St. Stephen's.



my mother here. I have grown and I have loved and every step along the way. I have had the St. Stephen's community by my side, I have felt the love and the support and I am infinitely grateful.

The next step in my journey, as I have discovered together with the wonderful discernment committee, is for me to go to seminary. I have been accepted and will start attending the Bexley Seabury seminary in Chicago in September. The wonderful technological advancements of our century allows me to continue to live here and do my work online or with minimum travel. I am looking forward with some trepidation travelling to Chicago a few times per semester, I am beyond excited to learn more and become immersed in school work and reading and I am also eager to explore a new city and meet new people.

None of this would have been possible without the amazing people of St. Stephen's and their support, and without the guidance and mentorship of Padre Pablo. I am incredibly fortunate and grateful.

Submitted by Daniela Lee



Cursillo – VIA de CRISTO

Hopefully you read the recent e-mail inviting you to come to the upcoming VIA de CRISTO weekend. It is September 26 to 29th at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church. If you are a "Cursillista" (someone who has already attended a weekend) and want to help let me know – angels are always welcome. The Ultreya – gathering of people connected to or interested in VIA de CRISTO is at Saint Luke's Episcopal Church from 3 to 5 p.m. in Park City. (4595 Silver Springs Road) on August 17. This includes a service, music, sharing and updates and a potluck.

Please contact me if you have questions.

Deanna Anderson

