

St. Stephen's United Methodist Church

the mini-shield

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This Week in Worship

July 8

Mark 6: 1-13

“The Power of Weakness”

Rev. Ed Light



The office closed July 4

*“with Liberty and
Justice for All”*

VBS 2018!



*“Miriam and the
Magic Tambourine”*

July 22-25 5:30-8:15 pm

Register or Volunteer online at

ststephensnorman.org

Explore music, games, crafts and water science
along the banks of the Nile river with your friends!

Free Supper at 5:30 pm

For more info-Contact Ms. Lynnette-

palmertonl@yahoo.com



Thank you to everyone who has
donated scholarship money for
the Youth Summer Mission Trip
to New Mexico!!

We are so grateful for St. Stephen's support of our
youth group!



Seekers Class

Last week I was especially energized by the video presentation and discussion in Seekers Class. I thought it might also be of interest to others so I am sharing information about our current curriculum. For the last few weeks we have been looking at the Bible and how through our misinterpretations it has divided us. We began last Sunday looking at the possibility of unity in the church using an example called “The Refuge” in Bloomfield, CO, where 2 pastors with different beliefs have co-pastored The Refuge and how they have let their love of Jesus overcome their differences. Though skeptical after the introduction of this series, Sunday we continue the video series “Different But Not Divided, Practicing A Third Way, “ with the pastors, Karl Wheeler and Kathy Escobar, and invite you to join us.
Mary Lee



Special Music this coming Sunday will
be Melissa DelGado, OU alum from
the School of Music. She is a
fantastic vocalist!

Don't Miss It!



Kid's Corner

*“The Two Debtors” parable that Jesus
taught about forgiveness will be our class
discussion, with grateful wind spinners for
crafts.*

See you in Sunday School! Ms. Lynnette

Life Happenings
July 1, 2018

We celebrate...from the Quinnette/Culps: Baby Cassidy being at church for the first time!* Julia, Leah, and Sarah Crowson turning 13* Mary Jane Shahan and Venita MacGorman both recovering at home* Rod Murrow's special music

Our prayers are with....friends with mental health concerns* Steve Gresham having knee arthroscopy this week* Tom Benton who has been hospitalized* Brenda Wheelock who is having gall bladder surgery* Amber Mathis' mom, hospitalized* Roger Brown, recovering from surgery* David and Emily White* Nelwyn Moore* Paula Grove * Megan Moser* Blake Bridges Vandewalker* those who are traveling* families that have been separated *

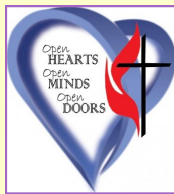
Sign up today! Get on the Bus!!

Join Bishop Nunn and other United Methodists around the state as we travel to the National Civil Rights Museum in Memphis, TN and Little Rock Central High School in Little Rock AR this September 20-23, 2018. While on a chartered bus, we will have conversations about race relations, racism, white privilege, social bias, and intercultural competence.

The cost is \$295 per person; which includes transportation, lodging / continental breakfast and museum tickets. The price is based DOUBLE OCCUPANCY in the hotels, so if you prefer SINGLE occupancy at the hotels, please pay an additional \$165. One half of the cost is due upon registration. The second half will be due by September 1st.

For more information, contact Rev Twila Gibbens @twila.gibbens@gmail.com or 918-508-9079 or Rev. Trina Bose North @ 405-535-8288.

<https://okumc-reg.brapp.com/getonthebus2018>



**Director of Adult Education
Job Opening**

Our Director of Youth and Adult Education, Hannah Frye, is going back to being the Youth Director in August. This means the part-time position of Director of Adult Education needs to be filled!

This position is salary-based and about 15-18 hours per week. It involves co-facilitating Sacred Journey every week, attending staff meetings, leading Adult Education Committee meetings, and planning events like Roundtables and Advent Workshop. If you are interested in the position and would like to know the full details of job responsibilities, please email Hannah at

hannahssumc@gmail.com. She will be happy to meet with you!

This Week at St. Stephen's

Thursday, July 5:

6:00 Buddhist Meditation — Room 10
6:00 Emotions Anonymous — Room 6
7:00 NYSH — Lyle Hall

Friday, July 6:

7:00 Native American Flute Circle — Room 11

Saturday, July 7:

11:00 Acts NA — Room 11
1:00 Project Outreach — Community Hall

Sunday, July 8:

Noon Adult Ed — Hannah's office
3:00 Adult Mission Trip Sponsors Hannah's office
3:00 Immigration Committee — Room 12
4:00 Youth — Lyle Hall
6:00 Meditation — Room 11

Monday, July 9:

6:00 Emotions Anonymous — Room 6
7:00 AI Anon—Room 11

Tuesday, July 10:

6:00 Debtors Anonymous — Room 12

Wednesday, July 11

2:30 Sacred Journey — Room 12
6:45 Summer Reading discussion —
The Triumph of Christianity, by Bart Ehrman, facilitated by Jeanne Miller, Panera Bread, 2200 W. Main St.

Trustee News *The kitchen is undergoing renovations and will be out of service until mid-July!*



In the meantime, please limit use of the kitchen to absolute essentials. And, as always, please wash, dry, and put away any kitchen items you use.

St. Stephen's Bridge Club Looking for a fun group to join? The St. Stephen's Bridge Club meets monthly on a Friday or Saturday evening in someone's home or at the church. We are a very low-key group and we have players of different levels of ability. When we get together we usually play three or four rounds of party bridge at two to four tables. Snacks and good conversation are included! If you would like to be on our email list or can substitute from time to time, please contact Andy Peters at andrewpeters9@yahoo.com