#### THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

#### Sun., Jan. 9

- 8:30 AM Traditional Worship
- 9:30 AM Coffee Fellowship (Fellowship Hall) •
- 9:35 AM Sunday School
- 10:30 AM Contemporary Worship & Live Stream on YouTube
- 1:00 PM Heartland Ephphatha

#### Mon., Jan. 10

- 4:30 PM Just-for-Kix
- 8:00 PM Monday Night Fellowship @ Brau Brothers

#### Tues., Jan. 11

- 1:30 PM Sarah Circle
- 4:30 PM Just-for-Kix
- 6:00 PM Adult Children of Alcoholics
- 7:00 PM Council Meeting

#### Wed., Jan. 12

- 12:00 PM 12@12
- 5:30 PM Confirmation

#### Thurs., Jan. 13

- 9:00 AM Senior Coffee
- 9:00 AM Red Cross Blood Drive
- 10:00 AM Worship on Studio 1
- 4:30 PM Just-for-Kix
- 5:15 PM NHCC Board Meeting
- 5:30 PM Women's Recovery

#### Fri., Jan. 14

- 6:30 PM Alcoholics Anon.
- 7:00 PM Worship on Studio 1

#### Sat., Jan. 15

• 9:30 AM Karen 7th Day Adventist

#### Sun., Jan. 16

- 8:30 AM Traditional Worship
- 9:30 AM Annual Meeting (Fellowship Hall)
- 9:35 AM Sunday School
- 10:30 AM Contemporary Worship & Live Stream on YouTube



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# PRAYERS & ANNOUNCEMENTS We remember in prayer these and all others we name in our hearts:

- David Roberts (brother of Val Breczinski, cancer)
- Delores Manke (hospice)
- Ellen Wischer (in hospice)
- Phil Green (nephew of Roger Green, ALS)
- Don Greathouse (dad of Jeff Greathouse, stroke)

# Help Kaylee Juutilainen Find a Kidney!

A young St. Stephen member, Kaylee Juutilainen, is in need of a kidney. Please consider being a donor! Go to mhealth.donor screen.org/register/now to begin the process!

# **Quilters**

Reminder that the Quilters meet the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays during the school year. All are welcome.

# **Senior Coffee**

Thursdays, 9:00-10:00am in the Fellowship Hall. All welcome.

# **Coffee Fellowship**

Sundays between services (9:30-10:30am) in the Fellowship Hall. All are welcome.

# Communion

Beginning in January we will have communion on the 1st and 3rd Sundays.

# **Red Cross Blood Drive**

Thursday, Jan. 13th in the Ark from 9am to 2pm.

# Baptism of Our Lord January 9nd, 2022 † Worship

**Annual Meeting** 

Sunday, January 16th is the all congregation Annual Meeting at 9:30am between services in the Fellowship Hall. Please plan to attend.

# **Sanctuary Painting**

Our Sanctuary painting is scheduled to be completed by next week.

#### **Youth Fundraiser**

Enjoy dinner at Pizza Ranch in Marshall on Monday, January 31st to support our Jr. & Sr. High Youth.

#### Save the Date

The Spaghetti Dinner Youth Fundraiser is planned for Sun., February 13th. More to come.

# Newsletter

The January newsletter was emailed. You can also find it on www.ststephenmarshall.org - click the "About Us" menu, at the top of the page and select "News". There are a few printed copies outside the office as well.

# **Serve / Ministry Teams**

Please consider joining a ministry team or two! We would like our teams to be filled so each member is scheduled once a quarter. We are also looking for more lay leaders for services in the interim. For more information please contact Wendy in the church office.

# **TODAY'S READINGS**

First Lesson - Isaiah 43:1-7

<sup>1</sup>But now thus says the LORD, he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel: Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine. <sup>2</sup>When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you. <sup>3</sup>For I am the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior. I give Egypt as your ransom, Ethiopia and Seba in exchange for you. <sup>4</sup>Because you are precious in my sight, and honored, and I love you, I give people in return for you, nations in exchange for your life. <sup>5</sup>Do not fear, for I am with you; I will bring your offspring from the east, and from the west I will gather you; <sup>6</sup>I will say to the north, "Give them up," and to the south, "Do not withhold; bring my sons from far away and my daughters from the end of the earth— <sup>7</sup>everyone who is called by my name, whom I created for my glory, whom I formed and made."

# Second Lesson - Acts 8:14-17

<sup>14</sup>Now when the apostles at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them. <sup>15</sup>The two went down and prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit <sup>16</sup>(for as yet the Spirit had not come upon any of them; they had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus). <sup>17</sup>Then Peter and John laid their hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

# **Gospel Lesson -** *Luke 3:15-17, 21-22*

<sup>15</sup>As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, <sup>16</sup>John answered all of them by saying, "I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. <sup>17</sup>His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire."

<sup>21</sup>Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, <sup>22</sup>and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

# **Annual Meeting**

All Congregation - Please attend!

Sunday, January 16th 9:30 am in the Fellowship Hall

#### **WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS**

Presiding	Erin Kuehl (8:30) Jasmine Steffen (10:30)	Usher	Mike Citrowske (8:30) Jolane Allerson (10:30)
Musician	Mary Hauschild (8:30) Gunvar Dombek (10:30)	Acolyte	Trenton Klenken (8:30) Mikaylee Gunderson(10:30)
Lector	TBD (8:30) Jolene Breczinski (10:30)	Projector	Cash Branstner (8:30) Tori Bursell (10:30)
Altar Guild	Nicole Lewis	Video	Troy Kepler (10:30)