

January 30, 2026

Last Sunday's **Visitation by Bishop Phil** was a joyous occasion as Jennifer Gary was confirmed, Marla Malone was received into the Episcopal Church, and Dave Baylor, Elizabeth Clark-Stern, Marilyn Hannon, ME Kintzi, and John Terauds reaffirmed their faith. The gathering around each person as the bishop laid hands on their head and prayed for them was a **powerful testament to God's Spirit in our midst.**



Thank you to all who offered their gifts to make it such a special day with wonderful music, beautiful flowers, a graceful altar setting, a full team of liturgical ministers, and a delicious brunch afterwards!

This Sunday: Annual Parish Meeting February 1, 11:30 am

We'll gather after church to celebrate the last year, to elect new vestry members and delegates to convention, and to give thanks for the lay leadership and ministries of our parish. Please come and take your part in this important event in the life of our parish!



Sunday Hymns Preview

Click on the title to listen

#684 O for a closer walk

#656 Blest are the pure in heart

#637 How firm a foundation



Sunday February 1 and 8: Donate Valentines for Elementary Students

Do you miss the sweet Valentines you and/or your children would exchange at school? Not all families have the means to purchase these cards. Next time you are at the supermarket, **please consider buying a box or two to bring to church on Sunday Feb 1 or Feb 8.** Valentines collected will be distributed to local elementary schools with weekend food bags.

Are you interested in a Men's Retreat?

Please take some time to fill out this **form**.

Contact **Rev. Peter Snow** [here](#) with any questions.



Sunday Forum: Information Session with ROOTS Young Adult Shelter and Teen Feed

February 15, 11:30 am in the Parish Hall

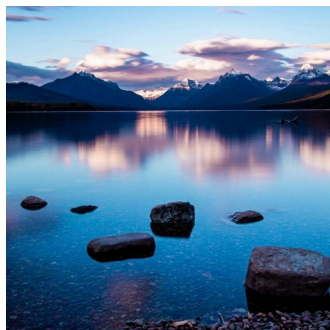
Please join us Sunday February 15th for a discussion with **ROOTS Young Adult Shelter** and **Teen Feed**. Both these organizations operate in the University District, working to support teens and young adults experiencing homelessness. Roots Young Adult Shelter can house up to 45 young people each night, making it the largest shelter for youth ages 18-25 in WA State. St. Stephen's has a long relationship with Teen Feed, which works with the community to offer support to meet basic needs, build strong relationships, and ally with houseless youth as they meet their future off the streets. Roots Shelter offers guests access case management, housing navigation, wellness supports, employment help, and connection to community resources.

We look forward to hearing your thoughts and concerns at this forum. Please reach out to **Beth Cogan**, bethbenbear@gmail.com, if you have any questions.

Renewal of Ministry with the Welcoming of a New Rector

Wednesday, February 25, 6:30 pm, in the Nave

Mark your calendars for Wednesday, February 25 -- **a very special evening of celebration and blessing!** Bishop Phil LaBelle will be present at St. Stephen's as we renew the mutual ministry of all the people in our community and institute Rev. Jennifer as the next rector of the parish. The bishop will also **bless our new preschool**, Laurelhurst Early Learning, and give **thanks for the leadership and generosity of Cloud 9**.



Still Waters: Community, Contemplation, and Action

Tuesdays: 10:00 am in the Parish Hall, 7:00 pm on Zoom

Join your community for a new weekly group led by Elizabeth Clark-Stern designed to **deepen our connection** to each other and to God, and **create a confidential space** for sharing our challenges, joys, and ideas about our calling. Inspired by the program innovated by Richard Rohr, this group will offer the weekly practices of Still Waters, including some gentle Thai Chi and a 10 minute Centering Prayer. **The group will meet each**

Tuesday at 10:00 am in the Parish Hall or 7:00 pm on Zoom. **Contact Elizabeth Clark Stern** [here](#) to receive the Zoom link.

Community Bulletin Board

Saturday, February 7, 4:00 pm, in the Nave: "Begin Again": A Graduate Choral Conducting Recital featuring Scott Fikse, conductor and the University of Washington Choir Cohort. Free admission.

Coming Up at St. Stephen's

Sundays 10:00 am Holy Eucharist and Coffee Hour (Nave and Parish Hall)

Sundays 3:00 pm. Youth Group Food Program (Narthex)

Tuesdays, 10:00 am Still Waters: Community, Contemplation, and Action (Parish Hall)

Wednesdays 6:30 pm Men's Bible Study (Parish Hall)

February 1 11:30 am Annual Parish Meeting (Parish Hall)

February 15 11:30 am Forum on Young Adult and Teen Needs (Parish Hall)

February 18 6:30 pm Ash Wednesday Service

February 25 6:30 pm Renewal of Ministry with Welcoming of a New Rector (Nave)

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