St. Stephen's Episcopal Church Family Ministry Winter/Spring 2024

Staff contacts for family ministry:
The Rev. Abby Kocher, Children's ministry
The Rev. Cate Anthony, Children's ministry
Caroline Harris, Youth ministry
The Rev. John Jenkins, Youth ministry
The Rev. Will Stanley, ex officio

January 2024

Sunday, January 7 Regular worship schedule resumes

10:10-11 a.m. Catechesis of the Good Shepherd resumes

Many Parents, One Vine, Room 14

Youth Bible Study, Room 4

Sunday, January 14 Holiday weekend (MLK Day January 15)

10:10-11 a.m. Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

Many Parents, One Vine, Room 14

Youth Bible Study, Room 4

NO youth groups

Sunday, January 21

10:10-11 a.m. Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

Many Parents, One Vine, Room 14

Youth Bible Study, Room 4

6:30-8 p.m. Youth groups, Small Fellowship Hall

Friday, January 26 –

Sunday January 28

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd training weekend (3 of 5)

Sunday, January 28

10:10- 11 a.m. Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

Many Parents, One Vine, Room 14

Youth Bible Study, Room 4

3:30- 5:30 p.m. Come and See: Level II Atria for Parents and Volunteers

6:30-8 p.m. Confirmation session #4, Small Fellowship Hall

February 2024

Sunday, February 4

10:10-11 a.m. Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

Many Parents, One Vine, Room 14

Youth Bible study; Room 4

6:30-8 p.m. Youth groups, Small Fellowship Hall

Sunday, February 11

10:10-11 a.m. Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

Many Parents, One Vine, Room 14

1:30 p.m. Youth meet at St. Stephen's to travel to Bowlero2-4 p.m. Super Bowling at Bowlero (families of children ages 0

through 5th grade meet at Bowlero at 2 p.m.)

4:30 p.m. Youth return to St. Stephen's for pick-up

Tuesday, February 13 Shrove Tuesday/Mardi Gras

Youth acolyte sign-up opens for Holy Week services

5:30 p.m. Pancake Supper, Fellowship Hall 6:30 p.m. Burning of the Palms, Courtyard

Wednesday, February 14 Ash Wednesday

7:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist and the Imposition of Ashes

Noon Holy Eucharist and the Imposition of Ashes 5:30 p.m. Holy Eucharist and the Imposition of Ashes

No Wonderful Wednesday supper

Sunday, February 18 Lent I

10:10-11 a.m. Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

Many Parents, One Vine, Room 14

Youth Bible study, Room 4

Sunday, February 25 Lent II

10:10-11 a.m. Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

Many Parents, One Vine, Room 14

Youth Bible study, Room 4

6:30-8 p.m. Confirmation Session #5, Small Fellowship Hall

March 2024

Sunday, March 3 Lent III

10:10-11 a.m. Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

Many Parents, One Vine, Room 14

Youth Bible study; Room 4

6:30-8 p.m. Youth groups, Small Fellowship Hall

Sunday, March 10 Lent IV

10:10-11 a.m. Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

Many Parents, One Vine, Room 14

Youth Bible study; Room 4

Sunday, March 17 Lent V

10:10-11 a.m. Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

Many Parents, One Vine, Room 14

Youth Bible study; Room 4

6:30-8 p.m. Youth groups, Small Fellowship Hall

Sunday, March 24 Palm Sunday

NO Sunday morning formation (all ages)

7:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist: Rite One

9 a.m. Liturgy of the Palms and Holy Eucharist: Rite Two

Palmer Hall and main church participants gather at Three

Chopt Road for festive procession

11:15 a.m. Liturgy of the Palms and Holy Eucharist: Rite Two

5:30 p.m. Celtic Evensong and Communion

6:30-8 p.m. Confirmation Session #6; Small Fellowship Hall

8 p.m. Compline

Thursday, March 28 Maundy Thursday

5:30 p.m. Agape Meal and Foot Washing

7:30 p.m. Maundy Thursday Liturgy and Stripping of the Altar

followed by all-night vigil

Friday, March 29 Good Friday

Noon The Liturgy for Good Friday

1:30-5 p.m. Self-directed Stations of the Cross

3 p.m. Guided Stations of the Cross

5:30 p.m. Guided Stations of the Cross (youth-led)

Key: Children's formation/Catechesis |
Youth formation | Family events |
Confirmation | Special worship details |
Sign-ups | Other

St. Stephen's Episcopal Church Richmond, Virginia Rev. 01.21.24 (updates at ststephensRVA.org/familyministry) Saturday, March 30

7:30 p.m. Holy Saturday/Easter Eve

The Great Vigil and First Eucharist of Easter

Sunday, March 31 Easter Day

NO Sunday morning formation (all ages)

7:30 a.m., 9 a.m., 11:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist

10:15 a.m. Easter egg hunt (youth helpers)5:30 p.m. Celtic Evensong and Communion

8 p.m. Compline

April 2024

Sunday, April 7 NO Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

10-11 a.m. Many Parents, One Vine, Room 14

Youth Bible study; Room 4

6:30-8 p.m. Youth groups, Small Fellowship Hall

Sunday, April 14

10-11 a.m. Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

Many Parents, One Vine, Room 14

Youth Bible study; Room 4

Sunday, April 21

10-11 a.m. Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

Many Parents, One Vine, Room 14

Youth Bible study; Room 4

6:30-8 p.m. FINAL youth group meeting, Small Fellowship Hall

Saturday, April 27-Sunday, April 28

Confirmation Retreat, location TBD, beginning at 11:30 a.m. Saturday, concluding at St. Stephen's following 9 a.m. worship

Sunday, April 28

10:10-11 a.m. Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

Many Parents, One Vine, Room 14

Youth Bible study; Room 4

Tuesday, April 30

6-7:30 p.m. Sacred Pause for high school seniors and their parents

May 2024

Sunday, May 5 NO Sunday morning formation (all ages)

High school senior recognition (time, service TBA)

9 and 11:15 a.m. Bishop's visit with Confirmation for youth and adults in the

Main Church (Palmer Hall meets as usual)

Sunday, May 12

10:10-11 a.m. Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

Many Parents, One Vine, Room 14

Youth Bible study, Room 4

1 p.m. St. Stephen's Choristers' Mother's Day Tea

Sunday, May 19

8, 9, 11:15 a.m., 5:30, 8 p.m. **The Day of Pentecost**

Final day for regular worship schedule and Palmer Hall service

until fall 2024

Final Catechesis of the Good Shepherd for 2023-2024 year Final Many Parents, One Vine for 2023-2034 year, Room 14

Final Youth Bible study for 2023-2024, Room 4

Sunday, May 26

8, 10 a.m.; 5:30, 8 p.m. Summer worship schedule begins

NO Palmer Hall service

NO Sunday morning formation

June 2024	
Friday June 7- Sunday June 9	Catechesis of the Good Shepherd training weekend (4 of 5)
July 2024	
Monday, July 29- Thursday, August 1	Vacation Bible School
August 2024	
Friday, August 9- Sunday, August 11	Catechesis of the Good Shepherd training weekend (5 of 5)