

The Healing Ministry at St. Stephen's

The Healing Ministry at St. Stephen's was started by Father Thomas Squiers in the summer of 2009. Though it was originally designed to be a chapter of the Order of St. Luke (an international healing ministry, founded by an Episcopal priest), those in the ministry felt it may be better to customize their own healing ministries according to the needs of their parishes and the greater community.

For the last several months, the Healing Team has been studying the healing ministry of Jesus, as revealed in the Gospels. By studying His healing, it prepares those to understand Christ's mindset and to know why and how He healed. It is imperative that we have a clear knowledge of the teaching of the Bible in this respect, because that is our basic standard of truth for understanding this ministry.

The ultimate goal is to appoint those, through a discernment process, to serve in the congregation as Lay Healing Ministers. These individuals will, once they have been examined and have completed their training, be able to administer unction to the sick by the anointing with oil and the laying on of hands.

The Healing Ministry meets once a month on the third Sunday at Panera Bread Company, 1804 Precinct Line Road Hurst, TX 76054 from 12-1:30 p.m. We meet in the community room at the back of the restaurant. Anyone who is interested in coming is certainly welcomed to check it out.

Healing Services @ St. Stephen's

On the 3rd Friday of every month, St. Stephen's conducts a Healing Service (most of the time with Communion). The evening usually begins with a potluck dinner at 6:30 p.m. and the healing service at 7:30 p.m. Anyone may host the healing service in their home. If you are interested in attending, please contact Fr. Thomas for the location (tsquiers@gmail.com).