

## **St. Stephen's Table An Opportunity to Serve**

### **General Information:**

Organized through St. Stephen's Episcopal Church in Pittsfield, more than 200 nutritious meals are served each week to needy men, women, and children on Thursday and Friday evenings and Saturday noontime throughout the year. The meals are prepared and served by volunteers from the church and from the wider community. Volunteer coordinators from the parish organize the entire effort, including food pickups from the Food Bank of Western Massachusetts and some local stores. Sign-up sheets are outside the Parish Office for memorial or thank offering gifts to provide the meats for a dinner on a particular date.

### **BCD & St. Stephen's**

BCD volunteers work at St. Stephen's Table in Pittsfield (located just behind St. Stephen's Church) several times a semester. St. Stephen's Table is a soup kitchen where BCD volunteers help out with serving dinner -- carrying plates of food, clearing plates, serving dessert and coffee. A chaperone or two (BCD teachers) accompany the students there, leaving BCD at 4:30 pm on scheduled Thursdays. Parents may also choose to bring their student to St. Stephen's Table. However, parents must pick up their child at 5:50 pm. The Church is at 67 East St., Pittsfield. We use the side entrance on Allen St.

The way we structure the volunteering is in 4 different groups, with each group going 3 times. Students can volunteer in one or more groups.

Group A; Oct. 3, 24, and Nov. 7

Group B: Nov. 21, Dec. 12, Jan. 9

Group C: Jan 23, Feb. 13, Feb. 27

Group D: April 3, April 17, May 1

It's a wonderful place to help out those in need and to make a difference in the lives of those less fortunate. It's also a great opportunity for BCD students to be part of the community around us.

If you have more questions, please feel free to contact Sarah Williams at [sWilliams@berkshirecountryday.org](mailto:sWilliams@berkshirecountryday.org) or at x129.