



St. Stephen Lutheran Church

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One of 13,000 Stephen Ministry Congregations Around the World

We believe that community is *beautiful* and *messy* and *fulfilling* and *conflicted* and...the POINT. God calls us together into community for the sake of one another, our neighbors, and creation. We don't always get it right, but we trust that when we center the love and grace that Jesus taught, we will get it right more often than not. ***You are welcome here!*** We don't expect perfect, put-together people; we don't want you to conform to us and our ways; we want you to show up as who you are and to experience the love and grace of God as we have experienced it. And we hope that once you do, you will join us in sharing it with others too.

13th Sunday after Pentecost
August 18, 2024

For Your Prayers -Aug 19-25, 2024

Lectionary readings for this week:

Monday: Genesis 43:1-15 Acts 6:1-7 Psalm 36

Tuesday: Genesis 45:1-15 Acts 7:9-16 Psalm 36

Wednesday: Genesis 47:13-26 Mark 8:14-21 Psalm 36

Thursday: Joshua 22:1-9 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11 Psalm 34:15-22

Friday: Joshua 22:10-20 Romans 13:11-14 Psalm 34:15-22

Saturday: Joshua 22:21-34 Luke 11:5-13 Psalm 34:15-22

Next Sunday's Lessons Exodus 19:1-6 Psalm 12 (6) 1 Corinthians 12:27-31a
John 1:43-51

Join your prayers for healing with God's desires for **Trudi Arnold, Karen Bailey, Ed Brown, Steve Bushman, Kristin Carter, Jack Harris, Sharon Jacobs, Jim Mayfield, Carol Meyer and Helen Nelsen**

Pray for those unable to come to worship: **Martin Bleck, Ed Brown, Birdie Burton, York Doerr, Bob and Angie Groom, Pat Janot, Marilyn Johnson, Jeanne Nelson, Darlene Simon, and Kay Wasaff.**

Pray for these loved ones of our congregation: Bob Alt, Donald and Carol Baum, Rose Baumgarten, Sally Blackburn, June Brantley, Sharon Brown, Linda Bonfiglio, Mary Bloom, Amy Carl, Karin Cavanaugh, Ruth Ann Coski, Judy Craun, Sophia Czajkowski, Judy Drezek, Martin Flatin, David Gade, Greg Gildner, Joan Goodhart, Sue Hassan and family, Nick Havola, Bradley Kim Joan and Laurie Heintzeman, Char Henry, Lisa Hill, Jaxon Ireland, The Jacobs Family, Brian Johnson, Don Johnson, Connie Kendrick, The Kennedy family, Marnah Lund, Trish and Matthew Macerelli, Laura Margolin, Jack Mayfield, The Keith Meins family, Liz Montalvo, Becky Murphy, Ed Moninger, Bob Myers, Silvana Oderisi, Denise Ogborn, Lori Ogborn, Betty Roth, Kurtis Schultz, Lou Schuster, Chad Strausbaugh, Charley Underdahl, Brenda Webster and Caleb Winig.

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IV. Gathering: *The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God*

Welcome

Centering Music *Schmucke Dich, O Liebe Seele (From Cantata No 180) J.S.Bach*

Call to Worship *(inspired by Ephesians 4:25 – 5:2 and John 6, written by Thom Shuman, on <http://lectionaryliturgies.blogspot.ca>)*

In these moments, in this family of faith,
the God of gentleness gathers us together:
**hoping that our self-righteous anger
might become passionate justice for others.**

In this place, in that Body shaped by his grace,
Christ, the Bread of life, calls us to service:
**hoping our comfort level of complacency
might be transformed into compassion
for the needy all around us.**

In our hearts, our mouths, our actions,
the Spirit of holiness gifts us with truth:
**hoping our faltering, fumbling words
might be transfigured into good news.**

Gathering Prayer *(by Christine Longhurst, re:Worship, based on Psalm 145:15-16, Isaiah 55:1-3, John 6:35)*

Lord, the eyes of all look to You in hope; **and You give them what they need.**
You open Your hand **and satisfy the hunger and thirst of every living thing.**
We, too, turn to You again, longing to be filled— **to eat of the Bread of Life,**
to drink from Your life-giving streams, **to taste Your goodness and live.**

May the time we spend together in Your presence **nourish our hearts and minds;**
may it strengthen our relationship with You, **and renew our commitment to live in
this world as Your faithful disciples.**

For You alone are God, **the Source and Sustainer of life.**
In Jesus' name, **Amen.**

Gathering Hymn

Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness

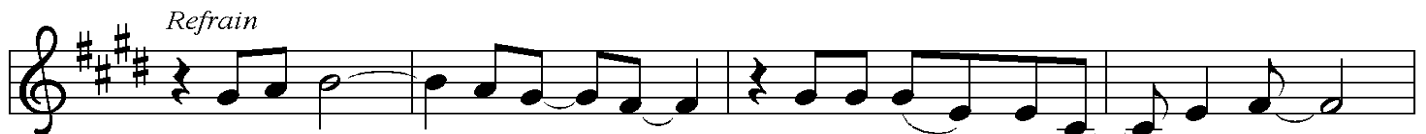
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Greeting: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion
of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

Kyrie

Refrain



Ky-ri - e e - lei - son, on our world and on our way.



Ky-ri - e e - lei - son, ev-'ry day.



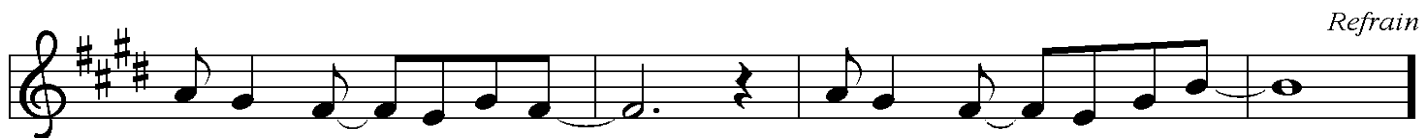
- 1 For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the
- 2 That we may live out your im - passioned re - sponse to the
- 3 For peace in our hearts, . . . for peace in our homes, . . for
- 4 For your Spir - it to guide; that you cen - ter our lives in the



u - ni - ty of all; for
hun - gry and the poor; that
friends and fam - i - ly; for
wa - ter and the word; that you



this ho - ly house, for all who wor-ship and praise,
we may live out truth and jus - tice and grace,
life and for love, for our work and our play,
nour-ish our souls . . . with your bod - y and blood,



let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

Prayer of the Day

Ever-loving God, your Son gives himself as living bread for the life of the world. Fill us with such a knowledge of his presence that we may be strengthened and sustained by his risen life to serve you continually, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

II. Word: *God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song*

First Reading

Proverbs 9:1-6

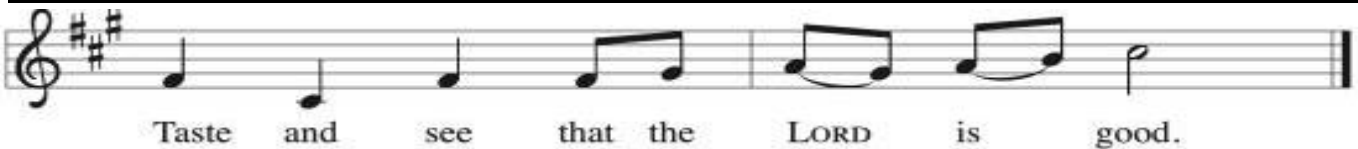
Wisdom is portrayed as a woman who invites people to partake of her banquet. Just as ordinary food is necessary for physical life, Wisdom's food—insight and understanding—is necessary for fullness of life with God. Partaking of Wisdom's banquet is the way to life.

¹Wisdom has built her house, she has hewn her seven pillars. ²She has slaughtered her animals, she has mixed her wine, she has also set her table. ³She has sent out her servant-girls, she calls from the highest places in the town, ⁴“You that are simple, turn in here!” To those without sense she says, ⁵“Come, eat of my bread and drink of the wine I have mixed. ⁶Lay aside immaturity, and live, and walk in the way of insight.”

Reader: “The Word of the Lord.” Response: “Thanks be to God.”

Psalm

Psalm 34:9-14



⁹Fear the LORD, you saints | of the LORD,
for those who fear the | LORD lack nothing.

¹⁰**The lions are in want and | suffer hunger,
but those who seek the LORD lack nothing | that is good. Refrain**

¹¹Come, children, and lis- | ten to me;
I will teach you reverence | for the LORD.

¹²**Who among you takes plea- | sure in life
and desires long life to en- | joy prosperity?**

¹³Keep your | tongue from evil
and your lips from | lying words.

¹⁴**Turn from evil | and do good;
seek peace | and pursue it. Refrain**

Second Reading

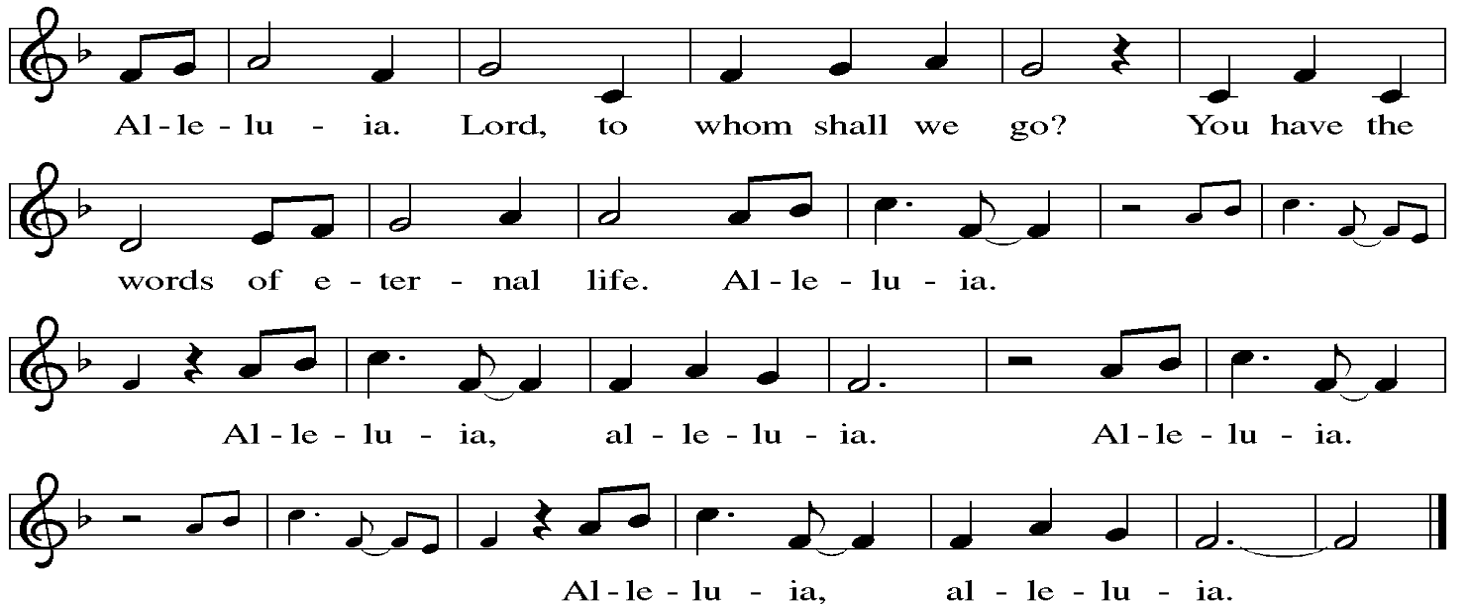
Ephesians 5:15-20

True wisdom integrates our new reality in Christ with our Christian fellowship and daily conduct. Because we are filled with the Spirit, Christians regularly rejoice together, give thanks to God for one another, and care for one another. In this way we revere our Lord Jesus Christ.

¹⁵Be careful then how you live, not as unwise people but as wise, ¹⁶making the most of the time, because the days are evil. ¹⁷So do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. ¹⁸Do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery; but be filled with the Spirit, ¹⁹as you sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs among yourselves, singing and making melody to the Lord in your hearts, ²⁰giving thanks to God the Father at all times and for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

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Gospel Acclamation



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Gospel

John 6:51-58

In John's gospel, the feeding of the five thousand leads to extended teaching in which Jesus identifies himself as the true "bread of life." Finally, in these verses, he makes a connection that would not be understood until after his death, in light of the church's celebration of holy communion.

Response after announcement of the Gospel: "Glory to you, O Lord."

[Jesus said,] ⁵¹"I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh." ⁵²The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, "How can this man give us his flesh to eat?" ⁵³So Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. ⁵⁴Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood have eternal life, and I will raise them up on the last day; ⁵⁵for my flesh is true food and my blood is true drink. ⁵⁶Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. ⁵⁷Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. ⁵⁸This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live forever."

Response at the conclusion of the Gospel: "Praise to you, O Christ."

Sermon

Walk in the Way of Insight
Silence for prayer and reflection.

Pastor Jon Nelson

Hymn of the Day

I am the Bread of Life

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Prayers

Each petition concludes, "In your mercy," Response: "hear our prayer."

III. Meal: *God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ*

Offering

Offerings are gathered for the mission of the church: preaching and teaching the good news of our salvation through the death and resurrection of Christ, and caring for the poor. During the offering, the table is set for the Lord's Supper.

Offering of Music *O Bread of Heaven* Cesar Franck, arr. Susan Palo Cherwien
Branch Fields, Bass Soloist

Offering Song:

Come to the Table

ACS 961

Part I
Come to the ta - ble, come to the ta - ble.

Part II
Come one, come all. Come one, come all.

All is now read - y, come one and all. Come, oh, come.

Come one, come all. Come one, come all.

The musical score is written in G major (one flat) and 4/4 time. It consists of four staves. The first staff is the vocal line for Part I, with lyrics 'Come to the ta - ble, come to the ta - ble.' The second staff is the vocal line for Part II, with lyrics 'Come one, come all. Come one, come all.' The third staff is the vocal line for the final phrase, with lyrics 'All is now read - y, come one and all. Come, oh, come.' The fourth staff is the vocal line for the final phrase, with lyrics 'Come one, come all. Come one, come all.'

Offertory Prayer

Risen One, you call us to believe and bear fruit. May the gifts that we offer here be signs of your abiding love. Form us to be your witnesses in the world, through Jesus Christ, our true vine. **Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is indeed right, our duty, and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry, full of your glo-ry. Ho -
san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high -
est. Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Words of Institution

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

Holy Communion

When receiving Communion, either stand or kneel at the Rail. Pastor will distribute the bread and a Communion Assistant will come with a tray of pre-filled cups of wine and grape juice. The juice will be in the middle of the tray. Gluten-free wafers are available as an alternative to bread. St. Stephen is a congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, so all are welcome to receive Christ's body and blood in the Lord's Supper.



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the
world; grant us peace, grant us peace, Lamb of God.

Communion Hymn

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Communion Music

The Call R. Vaughan Williams, ed. K. Lee Scott
Branch Fields, Bass Soloist

Table Blessing

Prayer after Communion

IV. Sending: *God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world*

Sending Hymn

O Living Bread from Heaven

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Blessing

**The blessing of God,
who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us,
✠ be upon you now and forever. Amen.**

Dismissal

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ. **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

God Extends an Invitation

Setting, Anne Krentz Organ

We would like to thank Branch Fields for sharing his talents with us.

Branch Fields is a professional singer who has performed with opera companies, orchestras, and musical theater companies throughout North America. He was at New York City Opera for several years as a house bass, and got a Broadway debut in *South Pacific*, understudying Emile de Becque. He recently was Capt. Von Trapp in *The Sound of Music*. When he's not engaged out of town, Branch tries to perform as much as he can for the hometown crowd. He grew up in Williamsburg, in Queens Lake, graduating from Bruton High. He came back 11 years ago to be near his parents and raise his three children with his wife, Mya.

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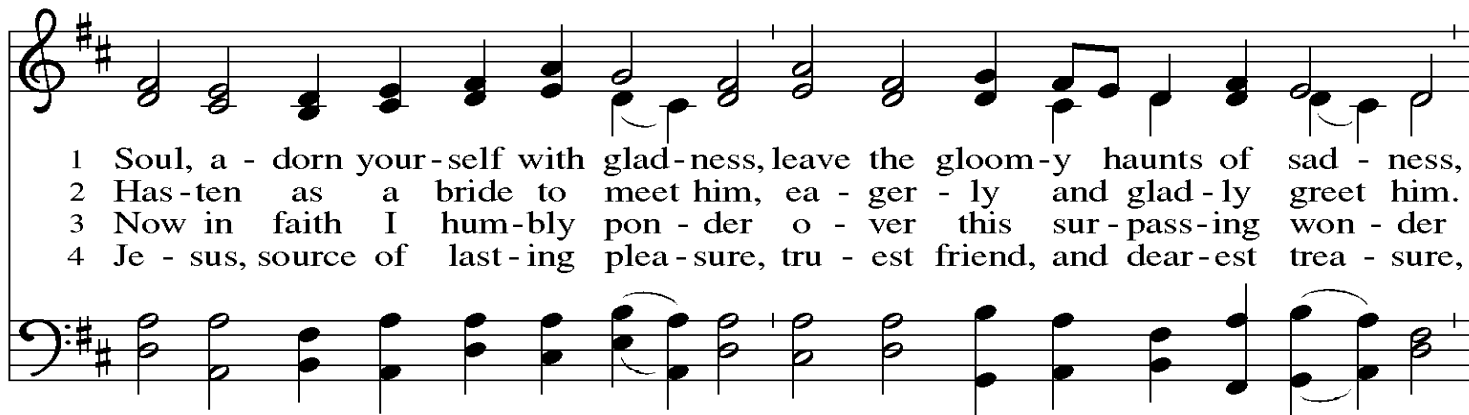
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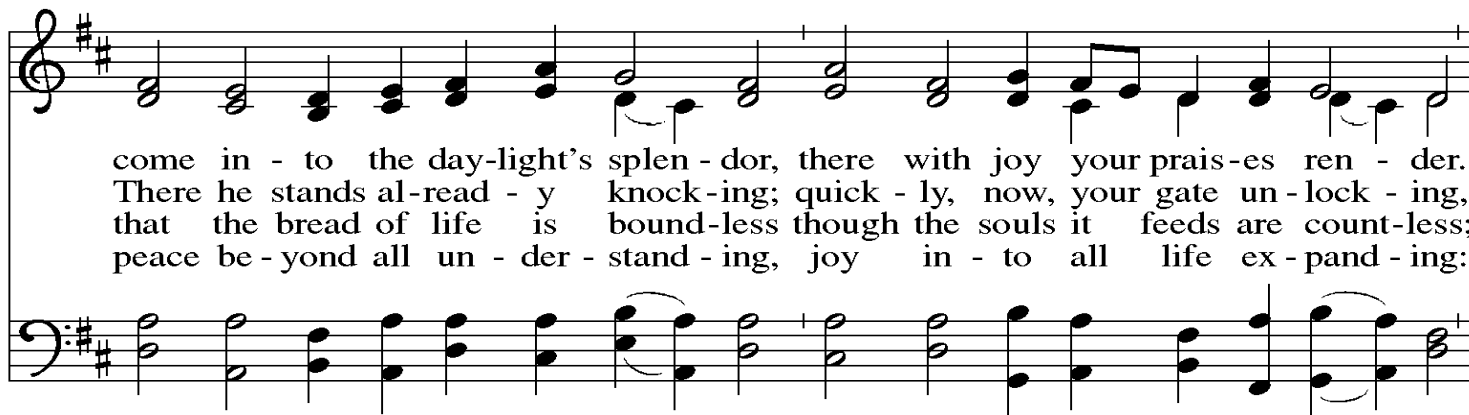
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Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness



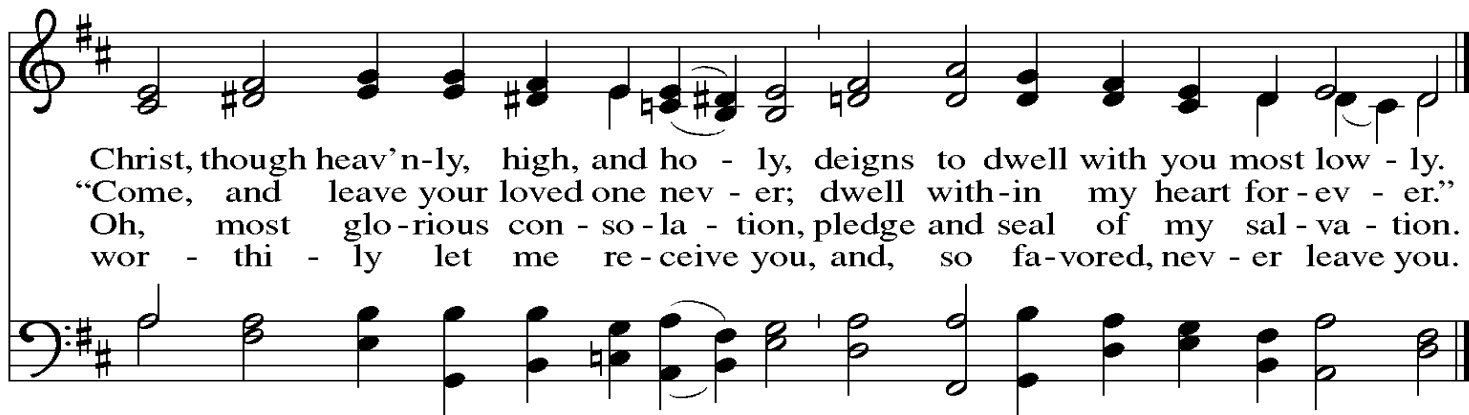
1 Soul, a - dorn your - self with glad - ness, leave the gloom - y haunts of sad - ness,
2 Has - ten as a bride to meet him, ea - ger - ly and glad - ly greet him.
3 Now in faith I hum - bly pon - der o - ver this sur - pass - ing won - der
4 Je - sus, source of last - ing plea - sure, tru - est friend, and dear - est trea - sure,



come in - to the day - light's splen - dor, there with joy your prais - es ren - der.
There he stands al - read - y knock - ing; quick - ly, now, your gate un - lock - ing,
that the bread of life is bound - less though the souls it feeds are count - less;
peace be - yond all un - der - stand - ing, joy in - to all life ex - pand - ing:



Bless the one whose grace un - bound - ed this a - maz - ing ban - quet found - ed;
o - pen wide the fast - closed por - tal, say - ing to the Lord im - mor - tal:
with the choic - est wine of heav - en Christ's own blood to us is giv - en.
hum - bly now, I bow be - fore you, love in - car - nate, I a - dore you;

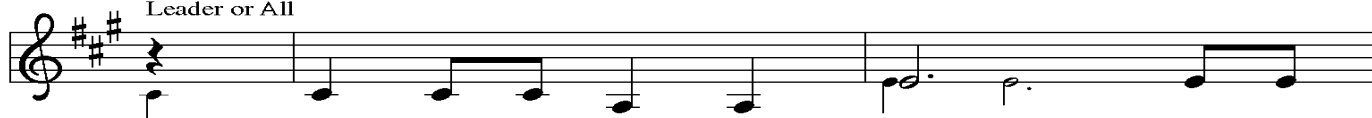


Christ, though heav' n - ly, high, and ho - ly, deigns to dwell with you most low - ly.
"Come, and leave your loved one nev - er; dwell with - in my heart for - ev - er."
Oh, most glo - rious con - so - la - tion, pledge and seal of my sal - va - tion.
wor - thi - ly let me re - ceive you, and, so fa - vored, nev - er leave you.

Text: Johann Franck, 1618–1677; tr. *Lutheran Book of Worship*
Music: SCHMÜCKE DICH, Johann Crüger, 1598–1662
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I Am the Bread of Life

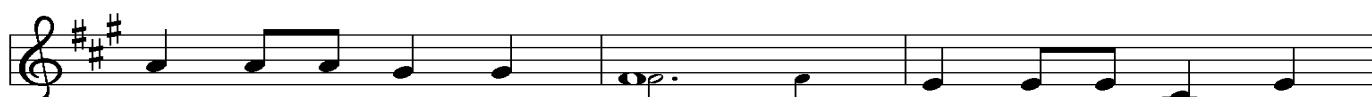
Leader or All



1 "I am the Bread of life. You who
 2 "The bread that . . . I will give is my
 3 "Un - less . . . you . . . eat of the
 4 "I am the res - ur - rec - tion,
 5 Yes, Lord, . . . I be - lieve that . . .



come to me shall not hun - ger, and who be -
 flesh for the life of the world, . . . and if you
 flesh of the Son of Man . . . and . . .
 I . . . am the life. . . If you be -
 you . . . are the Christ, . . . the . . .



lieve in me shall not thirst. No one can come to
 eat . . . of this bread, and you shall . . . live for -
 drink . . . of his blood, and drink . . . of his
 lieve . . . in . . . me, e - ven . . . though you
 Son . . . of . . . God, who . . . have . . .



me un - less the Fa - ther beck - ons."
 ev - er, . . . you shall live for - ev - er."
 blood, you shall not have life with - in you."
 die, . . . you shall live for - ev - er."
 come in - to . . . the . . . world. . .

Refrain

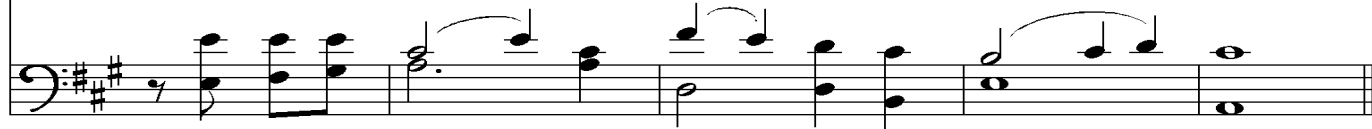
All



"And I will raise you up, and I will raise you up,



and I will raise you up on the last day."



Text: Suzanne Toolan, RSM, b. 1927, based on John 6

Music: I AM THE BREAD, Suzanne Toolan, RSM

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God Extends an Invitation

Nuestro Padre nos invita



Nues-tro Pa - dre nos in - vi - ta a la me - sa de la
God ex - tends an in - vi - ta - tion to the ta - ble of cre -



vi - da, don - de hay vi - no, luz y pan; y no -
a - tion, where there's wine and light and bread. Here we



so - tros nos reu - ni - mos, y lo nues - tro com - par - ti - mos, pues a -
gath - er in thanks - giv - ing and we of - fer all our liv - ing. Here the



sí es la co - mu - nión; pues a - sí es la co - mu - nión.
feast of life is spread; here the feast of life is spread.

Text: Miria T. Kolling; English and Spanish tr. Gerhard M. Cartford, b. 1923
Music: NUESTRO PADRE, Miria T. Kolling
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Come, Let Us Eat

Leader or All



1 Come, let us eat, for now the feast is spread,
2 Come, let us drink, for now the wine is poured,
3 In Je - sus' pres - ence now we meet and rest,
4 Rise, then, to spread a - broad God's might - y word,

All



come, let us eat, for now the feast is spread.
come, let us drink, for now the wine is poured.
in Je - sus' pres - ence now we meet and rest.
rise, then, to spread a - broad God's might - y word.

Leader or All



Our Lord's bod - y let us take to - geth - er,
Je - sus' blood poured let us drink to - geth - er,
In the pres - ence of our Lord we gath - er,
Je - sus ris - en will bring in the king - dom,

All



our Lord's bod - y let us take to - geth - er.
Je - sus' blood poured let us drink to - geth - er.
in the pres - ence of our Lord we gath - er.
Je - sus ris - en will bring in the king - dom.

Text: Billema Kwillia, b. 1925, sts. 1-3; Gilbert E. Doan Jr., b. 1930, st. 4, alt.; tr. Margaret D. Miller, b. 1927, sts. 1-3, alt.

Music: A VA DE, Billema Kwillia, adapt.

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This Is Christ's Body

This is Christ's bod - y, bro - ken and blest. Feed us with

The first system of music features a treble and bass staff in a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat). The melody in the treble staff consists of quarter and eighth notes, with some chords. The bass staff provides a harmonic accompaniment with chords and some moving lines.

mer-cy and love. We are Christ's bod - y,
with mer - cy and love.

The second system continues the melody and accompaniment. It includes a long note with a slur in the treble staff, spanning across the first two measures of the system.

bro - ken and blest. Heal us and make us one.

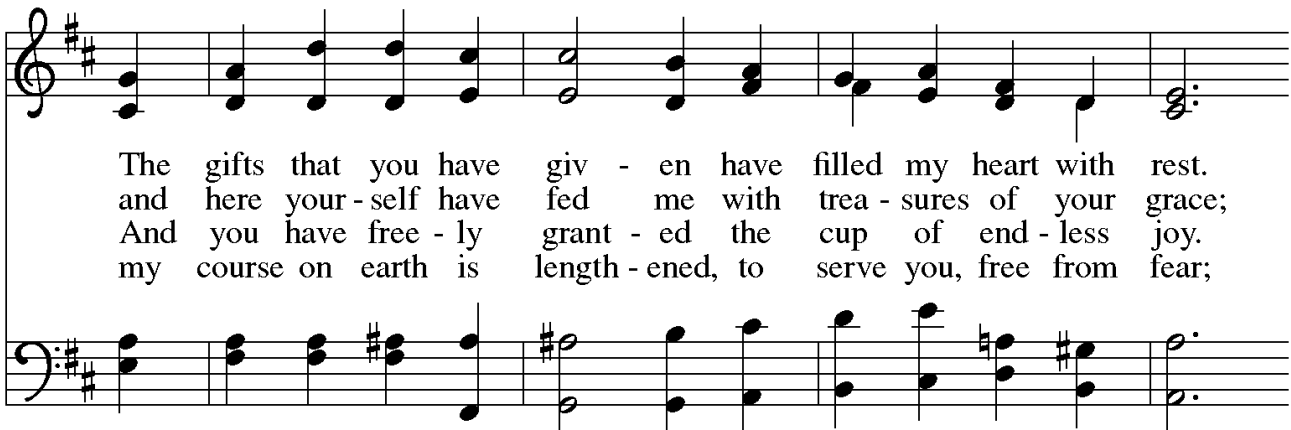
The third system concludes the piece. The melody in the treble staff ends with a long note and a slur. The bass staff also concludes with a long note and a slur.

Text: Anne Krentz Organ, b. 1960
Music: BROKEN AND BLESSED, Anne Krentz Organ
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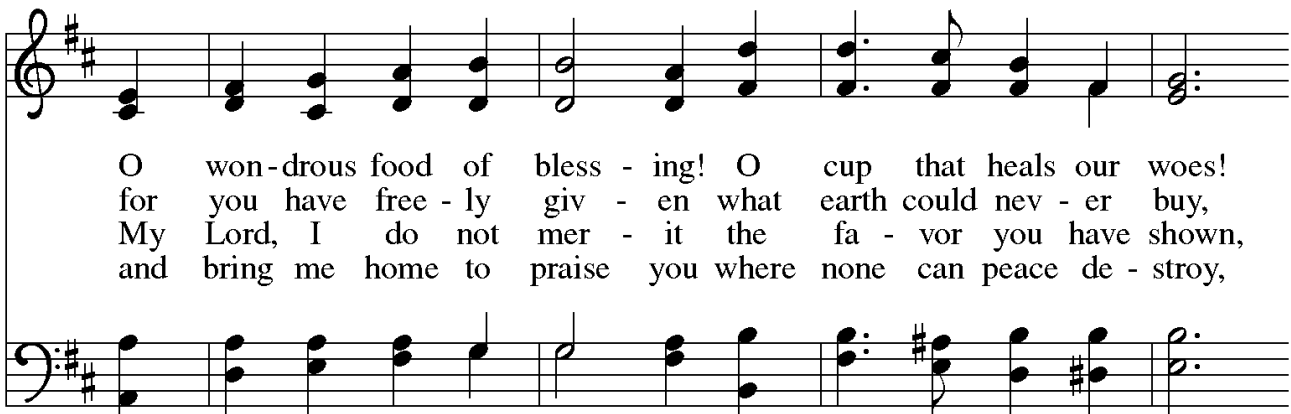
O Living Bread from Heaven



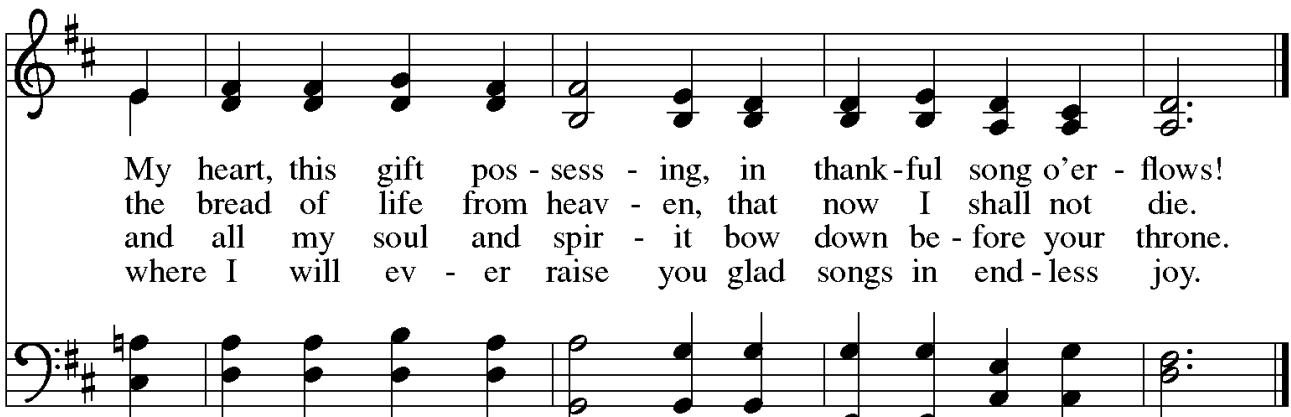
1 O liv - ing Bread from heav - en, how well you feed your guest!
2 My Sav - ior, you have led me with - in your ho - liest place,
3 You gave me all I want - ed; this food can death de - stroy.
4 Oh, grant me then, well - strength - ened with heav'n - ly food, while here



The gifts that you have giv - en have filled my heart with rest.
and here your - self have fed me with trea - sures of your grace;
And you have free - ly grant - ed the cup of end - less joy.
my course on earth is length - ened, to serve you, free from fear;



O won - drous food of bless - ing! O cup that heals our woes!
for you have free - ly giv - en what earth could nev - er buy,
My Lord, I do not mer - it the fa - vor you have shown,
and bring me home to praise you where none can peace de - stroy,



My heart, this gift pos - sess - ing, in thank - ful song o'er - flows!
the bread of life from heav - en, that now I shall not die.
and all my soul and spir - it bow down be - fore your throne.
where I will ev - er raise you glad songs in end - less joy.

As We Gather

Restrooms & First Aid

- ❖ A gender-neutral, family restroom and a Women's restroom can be found in the hallway behind our Worship Space.
- ❖ Additional Men's and Women's restrooms can be found on the lower level of the church building.
- ❖ A first aid kit and an A.E.D. can be found hanging on the wall in the hallway behind our Worship Space.

Live-streaming

- ❖ We regularly live-stream our services and cannot guarantee that you will not appear on our YouTube channel. Sitting in the East Wing or the NE section of the Worship Space will minimize your chances of being on screen. We can also bring communion to you if you inform an usher of that desire.

Parents! Thanks for bringing your children to worship.

- ❖ Did you know that intergenerational worship is the single most important activity encouraging children's faith formation? (See vibrantfaith.org)
- ❖ When parents and children need to take a break for a few minutes, there's a play area (aka "pryground") with toys and books in the East wing of the Worship Space.
- ❖ Age-appropriate activity bags are available in the Gathering Space – ask an usher for assistance.

Assistance is Available for You:

- ❖ **An induction loop** is provided for the benefit of hearing aid users. To use, please switch your hearing aid to "T."
- ❖ **Large print** worship materials are available – ask an usher.

Health Update: We always encourage you to monitor yourself for symptoms of illness and to worship from home if you are experiencing any. We have masks and hand sanitizer available for use in our building should you require.

What's Happening Today

Flowers this morning are given by Karen Shoberg to the Glory of God!

Choir "Warm-ups" for Fall today **August 18 11-11:45 AM**. This is a quick 45-minute run-thru of music to hit the ground running for our fall choir. Your next Opportunity will be Next Sunday August 25th same time. Regular rehearsals will Begin in September.

Upcoming

St. Stephen Fall 2024 Women's Retreat: "Walking the Spiritual Journey"

Registration forms are on the way! Friday evening social, Sept. 27 * Saturday retreat program, led by our own Christina Nelson, Sept. 28 * Sunday sermon, by Kristen Berkey-Abbott, Sept. 29 Plan to come (and bring a friend!) for part or all of the retreat weekend! A light continental breakfast and box lunch are provided on Saturday. Venue: St. Stephen Lutheran Church

Outreach project: **School kits for Lutheran World Relief** We are asking for donations of items. Please look for a basket and poster in the gathering space. Monetary donations can be made by writing a check to St. Stephen and putting "**Special Campaign – School Kits**" on the memo line. If you have any questions, please contact Pam Buckley at 757.869.3373 or GuamMom16@aol.com. Thank you for any help you can give!

You've GOT TALENT! Do you have an interest in getting our worship services out to those who can't come to worship? Do you like to bake bread and be interested in helping with the communion bread? Maybe your talent is decorating for holidays or just be willing to help prepare the worship space. Come to the tables in the Gathering Space to see how we might benefit from your talents on the AV team, Altar Guild or Bread Baking.

Our Annual Handbell and Choir chimes Retreat is coming **Sunday, August 25, 3pm-5pm**. Come join the fun and try out our Handbells and our Choir Chimes. No previous experience required. This is purely for fun, laughter, and a ringing-good-time! You are not expected to become a member of the St. Stephen Ringers (unless you become convinced you want to - hmmm?). Please sign the bulletin insert to let me know you're coming. This is ideal for rising 6th graders up to Octogenarians, for families, and for you!

Outdoor Worship at Chickahominy Park. Given the fun we had at our start of summer picnic at Freedom Park we decided to do it again, this time with worship! We will have an outdoor worship service on **Sunday, September 1st at 10:00 AM** in the shelter between the playground and pool at Chickahominy Park. We have invited OSLC to join us. Hot dogs, hamburgers, veggie burgers, buns, water, lemonade, plates, cups, and silverware will be provided; please bring a side dish or dessert to share, and your own lawn chairs. **Please RSVP** so we can plan an appropriate amount of food, you can let us know you're coming (and your numbers) by either marking the bulletin sign-up sheet or contacting the SSLC office.

St. Stephen Calendar –August 11th-18th , 2024

Our worship service is available on our website www.saintstephenlutheran.net, click on “Worship with Us” and “Services.”

SUNDAY, August 18 ~ 13th Sunday after Pentecost

9:00AM Coffee and Fellowship (Gathering Space)

9:45 AM **Worship – Holy Communion** (*livestreamed on our YouTube channel*)

11-11:45AM **ALL Choir rehearsal** (Sanctuary)

MONDAY, August 19

10:00AM Staff meeting (Pastor’s Office)

4:00 PM Stephen Ministers Meeting (Conference Room)

TUESDAY, August 20

WEDNESDAY, August 21

7:00 PM AA Meeting (Fellowship Hall)

THURSDAY, August 22

7:00 PM SMCC Meeting (Conference Room)

FRIDAY, August 23

SATURDAY, August 24

5:30 PM AA Meeting (Library/Conference Room)

5:30 PM Al-ANON Family Meeting (Gathering Space)

SUNDAY, August 25 ~ 14th Sunday after Pentecost

9:00AM Coffee and Fellowship (Gathering Space)

9:45 AM **Worship – Holy Communion** (*livestreamed on our YouTube channel*)

11-11:45AM **ALL Choir rehearsal** (Sanctuary)

3PM-5PM Handbell Retreat (Fellowship Hall)

Leading our Worship and Hospitality Today

Acolyte/Crucifer.....	Sonja Cave
Altar Guild	Diana Tiller-Dichtel and Nancy Egloff
Audio-Visual Team.....	JR & Diana Lyons
Bread Baker.....	Pat Fretz
Cantors	Branch Fields
Communion Assistants	Cyndy Touhsaent and Pam Buckley
Flower Delivery	Karen Nester
Greeters/Hosts	Ned Neidlinger
Lectors.....	Sandy Peterkin and Rosemary Stimson
Preacher.....	Pastor Jon Nelson
Tellers.....	Tom Peterkin, Sandy Peterkin, Sandy Croushore
Ushers.....	George Bass and Russ Dabel

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All of Us, Called Through Our Baptisms

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Peninsula Pastoral Counseling Center (757-873-2273; counselors are in

Williamsburg on Thursdays)

Welcome to St. Stephen Lutheran Church!

Please fill this out and drop it in the offering plate

or give it to an usher.

August 18, 2024

Name: _____

For guests and members with changes:

Address (Home) _____

City/State _____ Zip _____

Telephone # _____

E-Mail Address _____

Guests Only:

I belong to _____

Church Address _____

Please check as many as pertain:

_____ Member

_____ First time guest

_____ Regular guest

_____ Guest (out of town)

_____ Student at William & Mary

_____ Looking for a church home

_____ Desire to speak with pastor

_____ Would like more information about Stephen Ministry

_____ Would like a Stephen Minister to contact me

Any comments? Please be sure your name is above, so we may respond, if necessary.

Prayer Requests

Please **add** to the prayer list in this month's bulletin and next month's *Quill*:

Name: _____

Please **remove** from prayer concerns:

Name: _____

___ I/We need a name tag: _____

___ I/we will be attending the outdoor service on Sept 1st # _____

___ I/we will be attending the Annual Handbell/Choir chime retreat Sunday
August 25th from 3pm-5pm # _____