



# St. Stephen Lutheran Church

Love God, Love People, Form Faith.

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.

***14th Sunday after Pentecost***  
***Aug 25, 2024***

## For Your Prayers -Aug 26-Sept 1, 2024

### Lectionary readings for this week:

**Monday:** Nehemiah 9:1-15 Ephesians 5:21—6:9 Psalm 119:97-104

**Tuesday:** Nehemiah 9:16-31 Ephesians 6:21-24 Psalm 119:97-104

**Wednesday:** Isaiah 33:10-16 John 15:16-25 Psalm 119:97-104

**Thursday:** Exodus 32:1-14 James 1:1-8 Psalm 15

**Friday** Exodus 32:15-35 James 1:9-16 Psalm 15

**Saturday:** Exodus 34:8-28 John 18:28-32 Psalm 15

**Next Sunday's Lessons** Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-9 Psalm 15 (1) James 1:17-27

Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

**Join your prayers for healing** with God's desires for **Trudi Arnold, Karen Bailey, Ed Brown, Kristin Carter, Bob Cummings, 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, Charles Baugh, 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, Mark Flatin, David Gade, Greg Gildner, Joan Goodhart, Sue Hassan and family, Nick Havola, Bradley Kim Joan and Laurie Heintzelman, 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, Kurtis Schultz, Lou Schuster, Sue Sena, Chad Strausbaugh, Charley Underdahl, Brenda Webster and Caleb Winig.

# 14<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

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

Welcome

**Centering Music** *Martin Luther's Morning Prayer* Carl Schalk  
Quartet: Jeffery Berry, bass; Lou Rossiter, tenor; Erika Cave, alto; Karen Ives, soprano

**Confession & Forgiveness** *(inspired by Psalm 84, John 6:56-69, Ephesians 6:10-20, written by Thom Shuman)*

If it was easy to follow Jesus, we would not need to ask for forgiveness. But it is tough—tough to say 'yes,' tough to be graceful, tough to be loving. Yet whatever we do, God loves us enough to forgive us and to feed us with the Bread of Life.

Let us pray,

**God, our sun and shield: we may long to be in your house, but our deeds show how tough it is for us to live there. Called to follow, we search for paths to take us back to our old ways; given the words of eternal life, we weakly proclaim the gospel to others; offered the path of salvation to walk upon, we stumble down the rocky roads of our world.**

**Forgive us, Guardian of our lives. Strengthen us with your Spirit, so we may follow Jesus Christ, the One we have come to believe and know is our Lord and Savior.**

*Silent prayers may be offered*

Today, receive the Bread of Life; today, hear the words of eternal hope; today, trust in the One who hears your prayers, and showers grace and forgiveness upon you.

**Today, we are set free to serve God's people, and to sing God's praises.**

**Thanks be to God. Amen.**

**Gathering Hymn**

*Christ Is the King!*

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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

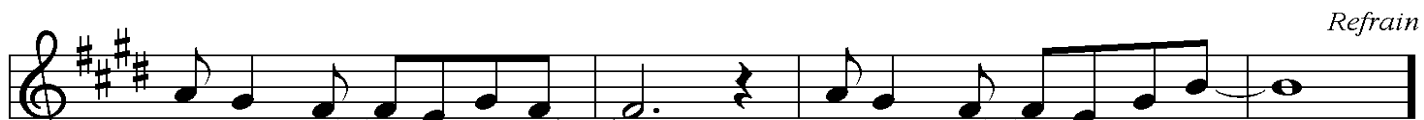


u - ni - ty of all; for  
hun - gry and the poor; that  
friends and fam - i - ly; for  
wa - ter and the word; that you



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,

*Refrain*



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

## Prayer of the Day

Holy God, your word feeds your people with life that is eternal. Direct our choices and preserve us in your truth, that, renouncing what is false and evil, we may live in you, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

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

*In the Near East, covenant means "agreement" or "alliance." It describes relationships and is the primary word used to characterize the relationship between God and Israel. By delivering Israel, God has already begun the relationship. Joshua calls upon the people to respond.*

<sup>1</sup>Then Joshua gathered all the tribes of Israel to Shechem, and summoned the elders, the heads, the judges, and the officers of Israel; and they presented themselves before God. <sup>2a</sup>And Joshua said to all the people, <sup>14</sup>“Now therefore revere the LORD, and serve him in sincerity and in faithfulness; put away the gods that your ancestors served beyond the River and in Egypt, and serve the LORD. <sup>15</sup>Now if you are unwilling to serve the LORD, choose this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your ancestors served in the region beyond the River or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you are living; but as for me and my household, we will serve the LORD.”<sup>16</sup>Then the people answered, “Far be it from us that we should forsake the LORD to serve other gods; <sup>17</sup>for it is the LORD our God who brought us and our ancestors up from the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, and who did those great signs in our sight. He protected us along all the way that we went, and among all the peoples through whom we passed; <sup>18</sup>and the LORD drove out before us all the peoples, the Amorites who lived in the land. Therefore we also will serve the LORD, for he is our God.”

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

**Psalm**

**Psalm 34:15-22**



- <sup>15</sup>The eyes of the LORD are up- | on the righteous,  
and God’s ears are open | to their cry.
- <sup>16</sup>**The face of the LORD is against those | who do evil,  
to erase the remembrance of them | from the earth.**
- <sup>17</sup>The righteous cry, and | the LORD hears them  
and delivers them from | all their troubles.
- <sup>18</sup>**The LORD is near to the | brokenhearted  
and saves those whose spir- | its are crushed. Refrain**
- <sup>19</sup>Many are the troubles | of the righteous,  
but the LORD delivers them from | every one.
- <sup>20</sup>**God will keep safe | all their bones;  
not one of them | shall be broken.**
- <sup>21</sup>Evil will bring death | to the wicked  
and those who hate the righteous | will be punished.
- <sup>22</sup>**O LORD, you redeem the life | of your servants,  
and those who put their trust in you will | not be punished. Refrain**

*Like a general giving a rousing speech to troops before battle, this letter closes by calling on Christians to be equipped for spiritual warfare against evil. The full armor of God includes truth, righteousness, peace, faith, the gift of salvation, and the word of God inspired by the Spirit.*

<sup>10</sup>Be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his power. <sup>11</sup>Put on the whole armor of God, so that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. <sup>12</sup>For our struggle is not against enemies of blood and flesh, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers of this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. <sup>13</sup>Therefore take up the whole armor of God, so that you may be able to withstand on that evil day, and having done everything, to stand firm. <sup>14</sup>Stand therefore, and fasten the belt of truth around your waist, and put on the breastplate of righteousness. <sup>15</sup>As shoes for your feet put on whatever will make you ready to proclaim the gospel of peace. <sup>16</sup>With all of these, take the shield of faith, with which you will be able to quench all the flaming arrows of the evil one. <sup>17</sup>Take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God. <sup>18</sup>Pray in the Spirit at all times in every prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert and always persevere in supplication for all the saints. <sup>19</sup>Pray also for me, so that when I speak, a message may be given to me to make known with boldness the mystery of the gospel, <sup>20</sup>for which I am an ambassador in chains. Pray that I may declare it boldly, as I must speak.

*Reader: "The Word of the Lord." Response: "Thanks be to God."*

**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.

The “hard saying” that offends Jesus’ disciples is his claim that his followers must eat his flesh and drink his blood. The followers who return to their old lives know something about how odd this sounds. Simon Peter, on the other hand, knows something about the scarcity of living, gracious words. He asks the most important question: “To whom shall we go?”

*Response after announcement of the Gospel: “Glory to you, O Lord.”*

[Jesus said,] <sup>56</sup>“Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. <sup>57</sup>Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. <sup>58</sup>This 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.” <sup>59</sup>He said these things while he was teaching in the synagogue at Capernaum. <sup>60</sup>When many of his disciples heard it, they said, “This teaching is difficult; who can accept it?” <sup>61</sup>But Jesus, being aware that his disciples were complaining about it, said to them, “Does this offend you? <sup>62</sup>Then what if you were to see the Son of Man ascending to where he was before? <sup>63</sup>It is the spirit that gives life; the flesh is useless. The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life. <sup>64</sup>But among you there are some who do not believe.” For Jesus knew from the first who were the ones that did not believe, and who was the one that would betray him. <sup>65</sup>And he said, “For this reason I have told you that no one can come to me unless it is granted by the Father.” <sup>66</sup>Because of this many of his disciples turned back and no longer went about with him. <sup>67</sup>So Jesus asked the twelve, “Do you also wish to go away?” <sup>68</sup>Simon Peter answered him, “Lord, to whom can we go? You have the words of eternal life. <sup>69</sup>We have come to believe and know that you are the Holy One of God.”

*Response at the conclusion of the Gospel: “Praise to you, O Christ.”*

**Sermon**

Offensive & Salvific Words  
*Silence for prayer and reflection.*

Pastor Jon Nelson

**Hymn of the Day**

*Eat This Bread, Drink This Cup*

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**Blessing of Backpacks and the Vocations of Teachers and Students**

**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

*For the Beauty of the Earth*  
Jeffery Berry, Clarinet

Charles Callahan

## Offering Song:

*Come to the Table*

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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 consists of four staves of music in a single system. The first staff is labeled 'Part I' and contains the melody for the first line of lyrics. The second staff is labeled 'Part II' and contains the melody for the second line of lyrics. The third staff contains the melody for the third line of lyrics. The fourth staff contains the melody for the fourth line of lyrics. The music is written in a single system with a key signature of one flat and a common time signature.

## 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.*



## **Blessing**

**Children, families, and all who love them,**

**go out into the beautiful world that God has made!**

**Go and play!**

**Go and learn!**

**Go and love others!**

**May you be filled with lovingkindness for yourself and everyone around you.**

**May the prayers of your faith community keep you safe, healthy, and full of**

**joy. 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**

*In Christ There Is No East or West/Breathe on Me, Breath of God*

Jeffery Berry, Clarinet

Arr. Mark Albrecht

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# Christ Is the King!



1 Christ is the king! O friends, re - jice; broth - ers and sis - ters,  
2 Oh, mag - ni - fy the Lord, and raise an - thems of joy and  
3 O Chris - tian wom - en, Chris - tian men, all the world o - ver,  
4 Let Love's all - rec - on - cil - ing might your scat - tered com - pa -  
5 So shall the church at last be one; so shall God's will on



with one voice let the world know he is your choice.  
ho - ly praise for Christ's brave saints of an - cient days.  
seek a - gain the Way dis - ci - ples fol - lowed then.  
nies u - nite in ser - vice to the God of light.  
earth be done, new lamps be lit, new tasks be - gun.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Text: George K.A. Bell, 1883-1958, alt.

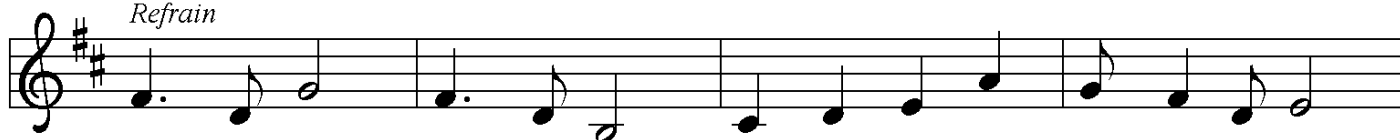
Music: BEVERLY, Charles R. Anders, b. 1929

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# Eat This Bread, Drink This Cup

*Refrain*



Eat this bread, drink this cup. Taste and see the good-ness of God.



Bread of life, cup of love, we re-joice in your pres-ence.



- 1 I will bless the Lord at all times, praise with heart and voice;
- 2 Look up - on the Lord, be ra - dian't, nev - er turn a - way.
- 3 An - gels fold their wings a - round us, guard through good and ill.
- 4 Saints of God, bow down and wor - ship, bless the ho - ly name.

*Refrain*



in my God I glo - ry for - ev - er: lis - ten and re - joi-ce!  
God will save in ev - 'ry af - flic - tion, hear us when we pray.  
Those who seek the Lord will lack noth-ing; taste, and have your fill.  
Rise to tell God's great-ness for - ev - er, won-drous deeds pro - claim!

Text: Jeremy Young, b. 1948, refrain; *With One Voice*, stanzas, based on Ps. 34  
Music: STONERIDGE, Jeremy Young  
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# Listen to the Word That God Has Spoken



Lis - ten to the word that God has spo - ken; lis - ten to the One who is



close at hand; lis - ten to the voice that be - gan cre - a - tion;



lis - ten e - ven if you don't un - der - stand.

## Father, We Thank You



1 Fa - ther, we thank you that you plant - ed your ho - ly name with -  
2 Watch o'er your church, O Lord, in mer - cy, save it from e - vil,



in our hearts. Knowl - edge and faith and life im - mor - tal Je - sus your  
guard it still; per - fect it in your love, u - nite it, cleansed and con -



Son to us im - parts. Lord, you have made all for your plea - sure,  
formed un - to your will. As grain, once scat - tered on the hill - sides,



and giv'n us food for all our days, giv - ing in Christ the  
was in this bro - ken bread made one, so from all lands your



bread e - ter - nal; yours is the pow'r, yours be the praise.  
church be gath - ered in - to your king - dom by your Son.

# Praise Ye the Lord

*Refrain*

Praise ye the Lord, hal - le - lu - jah!

Ev - 'ry - bod - y, praise the Lord.

1 Praise God with the sound of the trum - pet;  
 2 Praise God with ho - ly cym - bals;  
 3 Praise God in the ho - ly tem - ple;  
 4 Praise God on top of the moun - tains;

praise God with the lute and the harp;  
 praise God with strings and with pipes;  
 praise God for al - might - y deeds;  
 praise God both day and night;

praise God with the tim - brel and danc - ing;  
 praise God with clash - ing cym - bals;  
 praise God for those boun - ti - ful mer - cies;  
 praise God down in the low val - leys;

*Refrain*

praise God wher - ev - er you are.  
 praise God with all of your might.  
 for God ful - fills our needs.  
 praise God be - cause it's all right.

# May the God of Hope Go with Us

## *Dios de la esperanza*



*¡Dios de la es - pe - ran - za, da - nos go - zo y paz!*  
May the God of hope go with us ev - 'ry day,



*Al mun - do en cri - sis, ha - bla tu ver - dad.*  
to a world in need with news of joy and peace.



*Dios de la jus - ti - cia, mán - da - nos tu luz,*  
May the God of jus - tice speed us on our way,



*luz y es - pe - ran - za en la os - cu - ri - dad.*  
bring - ing light and hope to ev - 'ry land and race.



*O - re - mos por la paz, can - te - mos*  
Pray - ing, let us work for peace; sing - ing, share our



*de tu a - mor. Lu - che - mos por la paz,*  
joy with all; work - ing for a world that's new,



*fie - les a ti, Se - ñor.*  
faith - ful when we hear Christ's call.



## 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!

**Our Annual Handbell and Choir chimes Retreat** is today **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!

## Upcoming

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

#### **Registration forms are available in the Gathering Space!**

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 .Thank you for any help you can give!

### You've GOT TALENT!

Many hands make for light work, and your hands would be a blessing to welcome everyone to worship. Come to the tables in the Gathering Space to learn about helping as Greeters, Ushers, Communion Assistants or Acolytes. All ages and stages are welcome.

**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.

**Communal Life: Pub & Grub.** Join us on **Monday, August 26th at 7:00 PM at Billsburg Brewery for some food, drinks and conversation!**

**Worship: Preschool Teachers Installation.** In order to allow our teachers to attend their own worship services on Sunday morning, we will be installing them on **Tuesday, August 27th at Noon in the Worship Space.** The congregation is invited to attend this short service as we pray God's blessings on our teachers for the upcoming year. Light refreshments will be served in the Gathering Space afterwards.

**The Church Offices/Preschool** will be closed **Labor Day Monday September 2<sup>nd</sup>.**

**St. Stephen Calendar –August 25th-Sept 1 , 2024**

***Our worship service is available on our website [www.saintstephenlutheran.net](http://www.saintstephenlutheran.net),  
click on “Worship with Us” and “Services.”***

**SUNDAY, August 25~ 14<sup>th</sup> 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 (Worship Space)**

3PM-5PM Handbell Retreat (Fellowship Hall)

**MONDAY, August 26**

7:00 PM Pub and Grub (Billsburg brewery)

**TUESDAY, August 27**

9:30AM Staff Meeting (Pastor’s Office)

12:00 PM Preschool Teacher Installation (Worship Space)

**WEDNESDAY, August 28**

9:00 AM Yoga (Fellowship Hall)

10:30 AM Preschool Orientation (Preschool)

7:00 PM Faith Formation Committee (Library/Conference Room)

7:00 PM AA Meeting (Fellowship Hall)

**THURSDAY, August 29**

9:30 AM – 1:00 PM Preschool Orientation (Preschool)

12:00 PM Bulletin Review (Library/Conference Room)

**FRIDAY, August 30**

**SATURDAY, August 31**

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

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

**SUNDAY, September 1 ~ 15<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**

**10:00 AM Outdoor Worship at Chickahominy Park**

11:30 AM Picnic (Chickahominy Park)

## Leading our Worship and Hospitality Today

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| Acolyte/Crucifer.....      | Sonja Cave                                    |
| Altar Guild .....          | Diana Tiller-Dichtel and Nancy Egloff         |
| Audio-Visual Team.....     | JR & Diana Lyons                              |
| Bread Baker.....           | Pat Fretz                                     |
| Cantor .....               | Jeffery Berry                                 |
| 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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**Love God, Love People, Form Faith.**

*(St. Stephen Lutheran Church Vision Statement)*

**All of Us, Called Through Our Baptisms**

Doing Ministry in the World

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# *Welcome to St. Stephen Lutheran Church!*

*Please fill this out and drop it in the offering plate*

*or give it to an usher.*

*August 25, 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 # \_\_\_\_\_