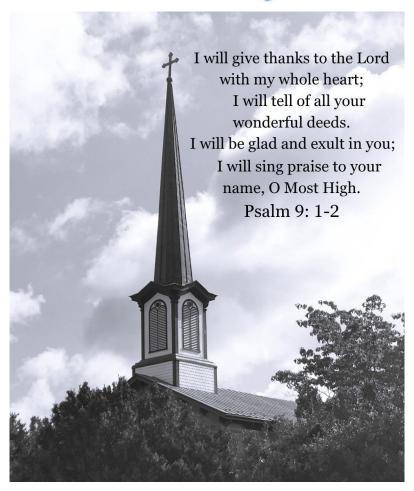
## ST. STEPHEN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

# Welcomes You!



## THE TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

November 9, 2025 8:00 & 10:30 AM Holy Communion The Rev. Trent Moore

#### WELCOME TO ST. STEPHEN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH!

Thank you for joining us!

Please fill out a visitor card located in your pew and place it in the offering plate or hand it to an usher. We'll be in touch with you later in the week.

#### **Receiving Holy Communion**

When you approach the altar rail, the clergy will place a wafer in your open hand with the blessing. You can sip from the chalice or dip (intinct) the wafer, or not. Request gluten-free wafer if preferred. Or request a blessing by crossing your arms over your chest.

**JOIN US THIS WEEK: NOVEMBER 9-15** 

#### **SUNDAY**

8:00 AM Holy Communion 9:00 AM Children's Sunday School 9:15 AM Chancel Choir Practice 10:30 AM Holy Communion | Facebook Live 11:45 AM Coffee Hour Fellowship 12:00 PM Youth Group

#### **TUESDAY**

#### **Church Office & Food Closet Closed**

7:30 PM Lectio Divina

#### **WEDNESDAY**

7:00 AM Brotherhood of St. Andrew 11:00 AM Rector's Bible Study 4:30 PM Buildings & Ground Meeting 6:30 PM Chancel Choir Practice

#### **THURSDAY**

6:45 PM St. Dunstan's Choir 8:30 PM Compline

#### **FOOD CLOSET OPEN**

Monday - Friday | 9 AM - 12:00 Noon Thursday | 4 - 6 PM

#### **SERVING TODAY**

CLERGY:

The Rev. Trent Moore

#### **READERS & CHALICE BEARERS:**

8:00 AM Marty Moon 10:30 AM Barbara Rosica, Lina Frank

#### **USHERS:**

Elizabeth O'Reilly, Rusty Booth, John Hallett, Julie Yowell

#### **ALTAR GUILD:**

Bob Brotzman, Andrea Gilbertson, Randy Jones, Glen Carpenter

#### MUSIC DIRECTOR

Dr. Wonhee Kang

**Chancel Choir** 

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## 8:00 & 10:30 AM Holy Communion

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in celebration of their son's birthday by Ray and Carolyn Walker.

PRELUDE - "St. Albinus"

Hentry John Gauntlett (1805-1876)

(please stand)

ENTRANCE HYMN - "Before thy throne, O God, we kneel"

574, Hymnal 1982

WELCOME

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People: And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

Celebrant:

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.* 

THE GLORIA

S - 280, Hymnal 1982

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen. Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

#### THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

#### Celebrant:

O God, whose blessed Son came into the world that he might destroy the works of the devil and make us children of God and heirs of eternal life: Grant that, having this hope, we may purify ourselves as he is pure; that, when he comes again with power and great glory, we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen*.

(please be seated)

#### FIRST LESSON - JOB 19:23-27A

Job said, "O that my words were written down! O that they were inscribed in a book! O that with an iron pen and with lead they were engraved on a rock forever! For I know that my Redeemer lives, and that at the last he will stand upon the earth; and after my skin has been thus destroyed, then in my flesh I shall see God, whom I shall see on my side, and my eyes shall behold, and not another."

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

## **AT 8:00 AM**

## THE RESPONSE - PSALM 17:1-9

Hear my plea of innocence, O Lord; give heed to my cry; \*
listen to my prayer, which does not come from lying lips.

Let my vindication come forth from your presence; \*
let your eyes be fixed on justice.

Weigh my heart, summon me by night, \*
melt me down; you will find no impurity in me.

I give no offense with my mouth as others do; \*
I have heeded the words of your lips.

My footsteps hold fast to the ways of your law; \*
in your paths my feet shall not stumble.

I call upon you, O God, for you will answer me; \*
incline your ear to me and hear my words.

Show me your marvelous loving-kindness, \*
O Savior of those who take refuge at your right hand from those who rise up against them.

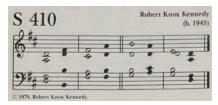
Keep me as the apple of your eye; \*

hide me under the shadow of your wings,

From the wicked who assault me, \*

from my deadly enemies who surround me.

#### At 10:30 AM



- 1 Hear my plea of innocence, O LORD; give heed to my ?cry; \* listen to my prayer, which does not come from lying ?lips.
- 2 Let my vindication come forth from your ‡presence; \* let your eyes be fixed on ‡justice.
- 3 Weigh my heart, summon me by ‡night, \* melt me down; you will find no impurity in <u>↑me.</u>
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  O Savior of those who take refuge at your right hand from those who rise up against <u>\*them.</u>
- 8 Keep me as the apple of your <u>‡eye</u>; \* hide me under the shadow of your <u>‡wings</u>,
- 9 From the wicked who assault <del>\$\ding\*</del> me, \* from my deadly enemies who surround <del>\$\ding\*</del> me.

## Second Lesson - 2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17

As to the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our being gathered together to him, we beg you, brothers and sisters, not to be quickly shaken in mind or alarmed, either by spirit or by word or by letter, as though from us, to the effect that the day of the Lord is already here. Let no one deceive you in any way; for that day will not come unless the rebellion comes first and the lawless one is revealed, the one destined for destruction. He opposes and exalts himself above every so-called god or object of worship, so that he takes his seat in the temple of God, declaring himself to be God. Do you not remember that I told you these things when I was still with you?

But we must always give thanks to God for you, brothers and sisters beloved by the Lord, because God chose you as the first fruits for salvation through sanctification by the Spirit and through belief in the truth. For this purpose he called you through our proclamation of the good news, so that you may obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. So then, brothers and sisters, stand firm and hold fast to the traditions that you were taught by us, either by word of mouth or by our letter.

Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and through grace gave us eternal comfort and good hope, comfort your hearts and strengthen them in every good work and word.

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

(please stand)

**GRADUAL HYMN** - "Praise to the living God"

372, Hymnal 1982

#### **THE GOSPEL - LUKE 20:27-38**

The Rev. Trent Moore

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Some Sadducees, those who say there is no resurrection, came to Jesus and asked him a question, "Teacher, Moses wrote for us that if a man's brother dies, leaving a wife but no children, the man shall marry the widow and raise up children for his brother. Now there were seven brothers; the first married, and died childless; then the second and the third married her, and so in the same way all seven died childless. Finally the woman also died. In the resurrection, therefore, whose wife will the woman be? For the seven had married her."

Jesus said to them, "Those who belong to this age marry and are given in marriage; but those who are considered worthy of a place in that age and in the resurrection from the dead neither marry nor are given in marriage. Indeed they cannot die anymore, because they are like angels and are children of God, being children of the resurrection. And the fact that the dead are raised Moses himself showed, in the story about the bush, where he speaks of the Lord as the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. Now he is God not of the dead, but of the living; for to him all of them are alive."

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord **People:** Praise to you Lord Christ

(please be seated)

<u>The Sermon</u>

The Rev. Trent Moore

(please stand)

#### THE NICENE CREED

Celebrant and People:

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

(please kneel or be seated)

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*Reader*: Father, we pray for your holy catholic Church;

People: That we all may be one.

Reader: Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

People: That your Name may be glorified by all people.

*Reader*: We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

People: That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

Reader: We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

People: That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Reader: Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

People: That our works may find favor in your sight.

Reader: Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

People: That they may be delivered from their distress.

Reader: Give to the departed eternal rest **People:** Let light perpetual shine upon them.

Reader: We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy; **People:** May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

*Reader*: Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

Carol G	Wayne S	Michelle F	Terry S
Catherine	Bo C	Butch D	Charlie H
Jeanette G	Sarah T	Norma G	Andrew &
Kirsten B	Bob M	Barbara H	Phyllis P
Martha T	Brad H	Jack S	Anthony C
Nadine	Greg & Linda L	Chris T	Brendan
Robert D	John H	Harold B	Carol V
Sally J	Ernest L	Aaron F	
Marietta E	Jack R	Thomas & Carol	
Rick B	Mary F	Jens T	

The congregation may add their petitions, followed by silence.

We pray for those in the military, law enforcement and first responders and their families, especially:

Caleb B	Peyton F	John F, Jr	Wes W
Jessica H	Samuel M	Ian M	Walter W
Carrington T	Braedon W	Allahvel F	Steven O
Matthew G	Christopher J	Matthew S	
Abigail B	Taylor Ĉ	Earl E	
Daniel V	Taylor G	Chris S	

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life. We give thanks for those celebrating birthdays and anniversaries this week, especially:

Nov 10 - Jack W Nov 14 Elliott D Nov 11 - Camilla Y

The congregation may add their thanksgivings, followed by silence.

In our Diocese we pray for Clergy and Lay Delegates and Alternates to Annual Convention and members of all Diocesan Committees.

In the Anglican Communion we pray for The Church in the Province of the West Indies.

Silence

Celebrant:

O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. *Amen.* 

Silence

Celebrant: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

## THE CONFESSION OF SIN

Celebrant and People:

Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
In thought word and deed,
By what we have done,
And by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole hearts;
We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
Have mercy on us and forgive us;
That we may delight in your will,
And walk in your ways,
To the glory of your Name. Amen.

#### THE ABSOLUTION

Celebrant:

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen.* 

(please stand)

## THE PEACE

Celebrant: The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

(please be seated)

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## **OFFERTORY**

Celebrant:

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

## At 8:00 AM

Celebrant: All things come of Thee, O Lord,

People: and of Thine own have we given Thee.

(Please stand)

At 10:30 AM (At the Presentation of the gifts)

(Please be seated)

## **OFFERTORY ANTHEM**

"Sing a New Song"

Michael Praetorius (1571-1621)

(please stand)

THE DOXOLOGY

#380 (v. 3), Hymnal 1982

Celebrant and People sing:

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

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## **THE HOLY COMMUNION**

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer C

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Celebrant: God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

People: Glory to you for ever and ever.

Celebrant: At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies,

suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

People: By your will they were created and have their being.

Celebrant: From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with

memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against

you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

People: Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.

Celebrant: Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your

righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to

fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

People: By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.

Celebrant: And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles,

and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to

proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

(The Sanctus is said in unison at 8:00 a.m. and sung at 10:30 a.m.)

<u>Sanctus</u> S – 125, Hymnal 1982

Celebrant and People

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

#### Celebrant:

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper, he took the cup of wine, gave thanks, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving, **People:** We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.

#### Celebrant:

Lord God of our Fathers: God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

People: Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

#### Celebrant:

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. *Amen.* 

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray,

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

## THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

#### AT 8:00 AM

Celebrant: Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; **People:** Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

AT 10:30 AM S-155, Hymnal 1982

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Celebrant:

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

**Communion Hymns** (the congregation is invited to join in singing)

"From glory to glory advancing"
"O heavenly Word, eternal Light"

326, Hymnal 1982

64, Hymnal 1982

#### **POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Celebrant and People:

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

## THE BLESSING

Celebrant:

The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face to shine upon you, and be gracious to you; the Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace. In the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. *Amen*.

(please stand)

**CLOSING HYMN** - "My country, 'tis of thee"

717, Hymnal 1982

#### THE DISMISSAL

Celebrant: Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

"Savannah" from Harmonia Sacra, ca 1760

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## **Stewardship Sunday**

Next Sunday, November 16th, is Stewardship Sunday. Parishioners are asked to bring their pledges for the 2026 mission year. At each service contributions and pledge cards will be blessed. At 9:00 AM please join us in the Parish Hall for brunch.

#### **Ministry Fair**

November 23rd at both 9:00 AM and during Coffee Hour we will be having a ministry fair. This is your chance to find out all the St. Stephen's has to offer and to sign up for ministries you are wanting to join.

#### **Wreaths Across America**

St. Stephen's Youth Group has become a Sponsorship Group for Wreaths Across America here in Culpeper. The cost to sponsor a wreath is \$17 each. Please consider sponsoring a wreath using our special link in hopes of getting full coverage at Culpeper National Cemetery. Contact Karyn for the order link or to order in person.

## Rector's Bible Study & Adult Forum Updates

The Wednesday Bible Study continues a study on Exodus. Join them at 11:00 AM in the Rector's Office. Adult Forum will be taking a break and will resume December 7th at 9:00 AM in the Parish Hall.

## **Coat Drive**

We are collecting coats, new or gently used, for our annual coat drive now through December 3rd.. They can be dropped off at the office during regular office hours. The coats will be blessed on December 7th.

## **Buy-A-Christmas Box**

Culpeper Food Closet Leadership is pleased to share an expansion of support to local families facing food insecurity during the upcoming holiday seasons. For every \$25 donation, will buy a box of food for a family of four. Contact the office for more details. For donations, checks (made out to the Food Closet with "Christmas Box in the memo) can be dropped off at the office or done online using the QR code.

#### 2026 Flower Chart

The Flower Chart for 2026 is hanging up in the Parish Hall across from the kitchen. If you would like to sign up for altar flowers next year, please write your name in an available date.

#### **Brotherhood of St. Andrew**

All men are welcome to join the Brotherhood of St. Andrew Wednesdays morning at 7:00 AM for breakfast and study. They continue their study on the book "The Theopolitan Vision" by Peter Leithart. Contact Trice for more information.

#### **Dickens Dinner**

Our annual Dickens Dinner will be December 5th from 5-8:00 PM in the Parish Hall. RSVPs are now being accepted, space is limited. Contact the office to RSVP.

#### Lectio Divina

Please join Lectio Divina on Tuesday evening, November 11th via Zoom at 7:00 PM as we reflect on 1 Peter 4:12-19. As across the nation we will celebrate our Veterans who have often suffered immeasurable losses, physically, mentally and personally, let us also remember what Christ suffered for our sakes. St. Peter gives us two instructions to help us when we are persecuted for the sake of our Faith: 1-trust your life fully to God 2-continue to do good! Contact Briarly for more information.

#### **Thursday Night Compline**

All ore welcomed to join the DOK for Thursday night Compline which begins with five minutes of Gregorian chant at 8:25 PM to allow time to calm and center yourself. Come and be blessed by this precious service at the close of the day. Contact Kitty or the office for the link.

## **Important Fall Dates**

- Stewardship Brunch November 16
- Community Thanksgiving Dinner November 20
- Ministry Fair November 23

## Children, Youth, Family

- Youth Group November 9
- Movie Night November 21
- Youth Thanksgiving November 25

## **Food Closet Needs of the Week**

Poptarts, individual oatmeal packets, granola bars, cold cereal, canned fruit

## **Online Giving & Pledge**

Scan this QR code to donate to St. Stephen's using your credit card, debit card or PayPal account or to make your 2026 Pledge.





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## **HOURS**

CHURCH OFFICE: Monday - Friday | 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

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Kristen Settle & Riley St. John, Nursery Attendant

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Hours: Monday - Friday | 9:00 AM - 12:00 p.m., Thursdays 4:00 - 6:00 PM Mail: P.O. Box 343, Culpeper, VA 22701 Located: 120 N. Commerce Street

**Phone:** 540.825.1177

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