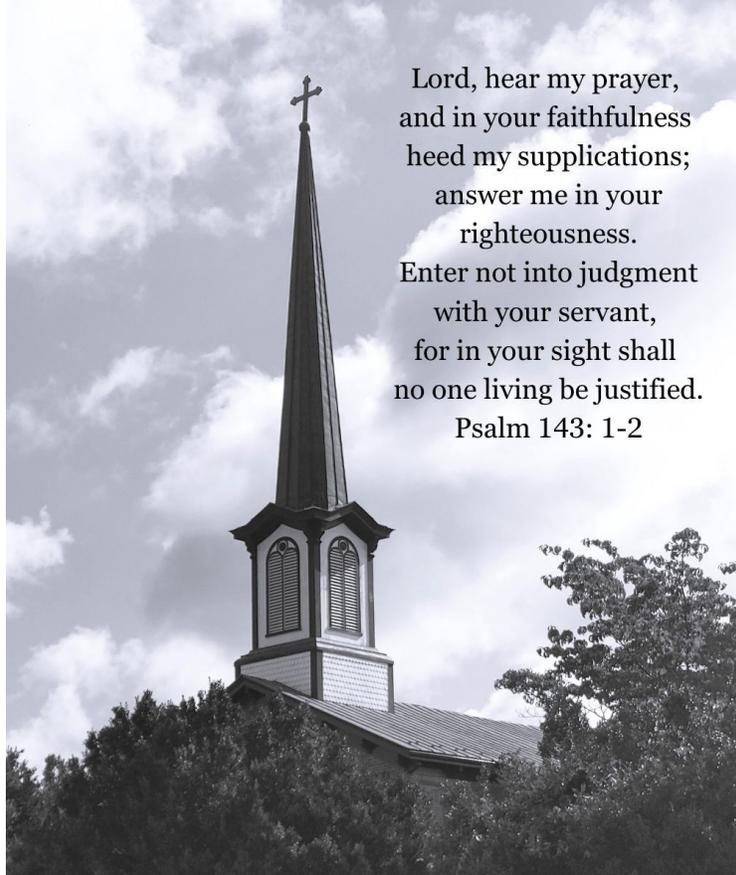




ST. STEPHEN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Welcomes You!



Lord, hear my prayer,
and in your faithfulness
heed my supplications;
answer me in your
righteousness.
Enter not into judgment
with your servant,
for in your sight shall
no one living be justified.
Psalm 143: 1-2

THE FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT

March 22, 2026

8:00 AM & 10:30 AM A Penitential Order with Holy Communion, Rite I

The Very 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: MARCH 22-28

WORSHIP | PRAYER | STUDY

SUNDAY

- 8:00 AM Holy Communion
- 9:00 AM Adult Forum
- 9:00 AM Children's Sunday School
- 9:15 AM Choir Practice
- 10:30 AM Holy Communion | Facebook Live
- 11:45 AM Coffee Hour Fellowship
- 11:45 AM Children's & Youth Choir

TUESDAY

- 7:00 PM Lectio Divina
- 5:30 PM Vestry Meeting

WEDNESDAY

- 7:00 AM Brotherhood of St. Andrew
- 10:00 AM DOK Quiet Hour
- 11:00 AM Rector's Bible Study
- 5:15 PM Lenten Dinner and Adult Study
- 5:45 PM Children's Lenten Program

THURSDAY

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

Saturday

- 11:00 AM Palm Cross Making

FOOD CLOSET OPEN

- MONDAY - FRIDAY | 9 AM - 12:00 NOON
- THURSDAY | 4 - 6 PM

SERVING TODAY

CLERGY:

The Very Rev. Trent Moore

READERS & CHALICE BEARERS:

- 8:00 AM Troy Elliott
- 10:30 AM Barbara Rosica, Lina Frank

USHERS:

Elizabeth O'Reilly, Peyton Cramer, Cindy Rickett, Rusty Booth

ALTAR GUILD:

Julie Hayes, Bob Brotzman, Jamie Adams

ACOLYTES:

Grace Warner
Charlie Kincheloe

MUSIC DIRECTOR

Dr. Wonhee Kang

Chancel Choir

Mission

Sharing what God has given with glad and generous hearts.

Vision

We will be a welcoming and inclusive family of faith rooted in the good news of Jesus Christ, informed by our history and tradition, hopeful for the future, and committed to living out our mission through connection to community.

PRELUDE - “Be Thou Humble”

G.T. Rowley

(Please stand)

ENTRANCE HYMN - “O for a thousand tongues to sing”

493, Hymnal 1982

WELCOME

Celebrant: Bless the Lord who forgiveth all our sins.

People: ***His mercy endureth for ever.***

Celebrant: Hear what our Lord Jesus saith: Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets. *Matthew 22:37-40*

(Please kneel if able)

THE CONFESSION

Celebrant: Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

Silence may be kept

Celebrant and People

Almighty and most merciful Father, we have erred and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep, we have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts, we have offended against thy holy laws, we have left undone those things which we ought to have done, and we have done those things which we ought not to have done. But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us, spare thou those who confess their faults, restore thou those who are penitent, according to thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesus our Lord; and grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake, that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, to the glory of thy holy Name. Amen.

THE ABSOLUTION

Celebrant:

The Almighty and merciful Lord grant you absolution and remission of all your sins, true repentance, amendment of life, and the grace and consolation of his Holy Spirit. ***Amen.***

(please stand)

THE KYRIE

AT 8:00 AM

Celebrant: Lord, have mercy upon us.

People: Christ, have mercy upon us.

Celebrant: Lord, have mercy upon us.

AT 10:30 AM

S - 91, Hymnal 1982

Lord, have mercy upon us. Lord have mercy upon us.

Lord have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us. Lord have mercy upon us.

Lord have mercy upon us.

THE COLLECT

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And with thy spirit.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Celebrant:

Almighty God, you alone can bring into order the unruly wills and affections of sinners: Grant your people grace to love what you command and desire what you promise; that, among the swift and varied changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. ***Amen***

(Please be seated)

THE FIRST LESSON - EZEKIEL 37:1-14

The hand of the Lord came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the Lord and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. He led me all around them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. He said to me, "Mortal, can these bones live?" I

answered, "O Lord God, you know." Then he said to me, "Prophecy to these bones, and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord. Thus says the Lord God to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. I will lay sinews on you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live; and you shall know that I am the Lord."

So I prophesied as I had been commanded; and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them; but there was no breath in them. Then he said to me, "Prophecy to the breath, prophecy, mortal, and say to the breath: Thus says the Lord God: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live." I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood on their feet, a vast multitude.

Then he said to me, "Mortal, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, 'Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely.' Therefore prophecy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord God: I am going to open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people; and I will bring you back to the land of Israel. And you shall know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people. I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the Lord, have spoken and will act," says the Lord.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

THE RESPONSE - PSALM 130

Out of the depths have I called to you, O Lord;
Lord, hear my voice; *

let your ears consider well the voice of my supplication.

If you, Lord, were to note what is done amiss, *

O Lord, who could stand?

For there is forgiveness with you; *

therefore you shall be feared.

I wait for the Lord; my soul waits for him; *

in his word is my hope.

My soul waits for the Lord,
more than watchmen for the morning, *

more than watchmen for the morning.

O Israel, wait for the Lord, *

for with the Lord there is mercy;

With him there is plenteous redemption, *

and he shall redeem Israel from all their sins.

THE SECOND LESSON - ROMANS 8:6-11

To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law-- indeed it cannot, and those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

(Please stand as you are able)

AT 10:30 AM:

GRADUAL HYMN - "Come down, o love divine"

516, *Hymnal 1982*

THE GOSPEL - JOHN 11:1-45

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

People: **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

Now a certain man was ill, Lazarus of Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. Mary was the one who anointed the Lord with perfume and wiped his feet with her hair; her brother Lazarus was ill. So the sisters sent a message to Jesus, "Lord, he whom you love is ill." But when Jesus heard it, he said, "This illness does not lead to death; rather it is for God's glory, so that the Son of God may be glorified through it." Accordingly, though Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus, after having heard that Lazarus was ill, he stayed two days longer in the place where he was.

Then after this he said to the disciples, "Let us go to Judea again." The disciples said to him, "Rabbi, the Jews were just now trying to stone you, and are you going there again?" Jesus answered, "Are there not twelve hours of daylight? Those who walk during the day do not stumble, because they see the light of this world. But those who walk at night stumble, because the light is not in them." After saying this, he told them, "Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep, but I am going there to awaken him." The disciples said to him, "Lord, if he has fallen asleep, he will be all right." Jesus, however, had been speaking about his death, but they thought that he was referring merely to sleep. Then Jesus told them plainly, "Lazarus is dead. For your sake I am glad I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him." Thomas, who was called the Twin, said to his fellow disciples, "Let us also go, that we may die with him."

When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days. Now Bethany was near Jerusalem, some two miles away, and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them about their brother. When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, while Mary stayed at home. Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask of him." Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again." Martha said to him, "I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day." Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?" She said to him, "Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one coming into the world."

When she had said this, she went back and called her sister Mary, and told her privately, "The Teacher is here and is calling for you." And when she heard it, she got up quickly and went to him. Now Jesus had not yet come to the village, but was still at the place where Martha had met him. The Jews who were with her in the house, consoling her, saw Mary get up quickly and go out. They followed her because they thought that she was going to the tomb to weep there. When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?"

Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days." Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?" So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, "Father, I thank you for having heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me." When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go."

Many of the Jews therefore, who had come with Mary and had seen what Jesus did, believed in him.

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord

People: Praise be to thee, O Christ.

(Please be seated)

THE SERMON

The Very Rev. Trent Moore

(Please stand as you are able)

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.*

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Reader: Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church and the world.

Almighty and everliving God, who in thy holy Word hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks for all: Receive these our prayers which we offer unto thy divine Majesty, beseeching thee to inspire continually the Universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity,

and concord; and grant that all those who do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love.

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all bishops and other ministers especially Sean, Mark, Gayle, Mark, and Trent, that they may, both by their life and doctrine, set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments.

And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace, and especially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear and receive thy holy Word, truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

We beseech thee also so to rule the hearts of those who bear the authority of government in this and every land that they may be led to wise decisions and right actions for the welfare and peace of the world.

Open, O Lord, the eyes of all people to behold thy gracious hand in all thy works, that, rejoicing in thy whole creation, they may honor thee with their substance, and be faithful stewards of thy bounty.

And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succor all those who in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity especially:

Carol G	Rick B	Mary F	Jens T
Catherine	Wayne S	Michelle F	Charlie H
Jeanette G	Bo C	Butch D	Joseph G
Kirsten B	Sarah T	Norma G	Joe K
Martha T	Brad H	Barbara H	Jim M
Nadine	Greg & Linda L	Jack S	Charlie C
Robert D	John H	Chris T	Isabella S
Sally J	Ernest L	Aaron F	Rebecca H
Marietta E	Jack R	Thomas & Carol	

We pray for those in the military, law enforcement and first responders and their families, especially SC National Guard 116th Engineer Brigade (deployed in Jordan) and

Caleb B	Samuel M	Allahvel F	Rhys H
Jessica H	Braedon W	Matthew S	Ian A
Carrington T	Christopher J	Earl E	Julian M
Matthew G	Taylor C	Chris S	Steven F (and his
Abigail B	Taylor G	Wes W	troop)
Daniel V	John F, Jr	Walter W	
Peyton F	Ian M	Steven O	

For those celebrating birthdays and anniversaries this week:

Mar 23 Marsha B	Mar 28 Mary Jo B
Mar 23 Lyndel M	Mar 28 Ron S
Mar 26 Terry S	

In our Diocese we pray for Shrine Mont Camps and The Rt. Rev'd E. Mark Stevenson, The Rt. Rev'd Gayle Elizabeth Harris, The Rt. Rev'd Mark A. Bourlakas, and all Bishops participating in the House of Bishops meeting.

In the Anglican Communion we pray for The Anglican Church of Korea.

And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear beseeching thee to grant them continual growth in thy love and service; and to grant us grace so to follow the good examples of all thy saints, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom.

Celebrant: Grant these our prayers, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. ***Amen.***

THE PEACE

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

People: ***And with thy spirit.***

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

“Take My Yoke Upon You”

*words by J Paul Williams
music by Douglas Nolan & Joseph M Martin*

(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.***

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING - Eucharistic Prayer 1

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And with thy spirit.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up unto the Lord.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

People: It is meet and right so to do.

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who was in every way tempted as we are, yet did not sin; by whose grace we are able to triumph over every evil, and to live no longer unto ourselves, but unto him who died for us and rose again.

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

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

SANCTUS

S -114, Hymnal 1982

Celebrant and People

***Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts:
Heaven and earth are full of thy Glory.
Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.
Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.***

(The people kneel or stand)

All glory be to thee, Almighty God, our heavenly Father, for that thou, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks, he brake it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink ye all of this; for this is my Blood of the New Testament, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, according to the institution of thy dearly beloved Son our Savior Jesus Christ, we, thy humble servants, do celebrate and make here before thy divine Majesty, with these thy holy gifts, which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; rendering unto thee most hearty thanks for the innumerable benefits procured unto us by the same.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us; and, of thy almighty goodness, vouchsafe to bless and sanctify, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, these thy gifts and creatures of bread and wine; that we, receiving them according to thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; most humbly beseeching thee to grant that, by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we, and all thy whole Church, may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion.

And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto thee; humbly beseeching thee that we, and all others who shall be partakers of this Holy Communion, may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction, and made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him.

And although we are unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer unto thee any sacrifice, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service, not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offenses, through Jesus Christ our Lord;

By whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. *Amen.*

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

Celebrant and People

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

AT 10:30 AM

S - 158, Hymnal 1982

*O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world
Have mercy upon us.
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world
Have mercy upon us.
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world
Grant us thy peace.*

THE PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

Celebrant and People

We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

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.

AT 10:30 AM:

COMMUNION HYMNS *(the congregation is invited to join in singing)*

“Eternal light, shine in my heart”
“I am the bread of life”

466, Hymnal 1982
335, Hymnal 1982

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

THE BLESSING

Celebrant

The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always. ***Amen.***

AT 10:30 AM:

CLOSING HYMN - “Lord, whose love through humble service”

610, Hymnal 1982

THE DISMISSAL

Celebrant: Let us bless the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

THE POSTLUDE

“Behold, the Great Redeemer Die”

George Careless

Holy Week Schedule

Saturday, March 28 : Palm Cross Making, 11:00 AM
Sunday, March 29: Palm Sunday Service & Holy Communion, 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM
Wednesday, April 1: Tenebrae Service, 7:00 PM
Thursday, April 2: Agape Meal with foot washing, 5:30 PM
Stripping of the Altar and Communion, 6:30 PM
Friday, April 3: DOK Quiet Hour 10:00 AM
Good Friday Service, 12:00 & 7:00 PM
DOK Guided Stations of the Cross, 1:00
Self-guided Stations of the Cross, 1:00 - 6:30 PM
Saturday, April 4: Easter Vigil, 8:00 PM St. James Episcopal Church, Warrenton, VA
Sunday, April 5: Easter Sunday Service and Holy Communion, 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM
Egg Hunt, 12:00 PM

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Lenten Dinner and Study

Our Lenten dinners continue Wednesday evenings where we will offer food, fellowship, learning, and worship for the whole family. The adults will hear a teaching from Fr. Trent based on award winning author Timothy Keller's "*Forgive*" and participate in small group discussion. The children and youth will join Karyn and Grace for lessons on The Beatitudes. The schedule will be 5:00 Dinner is served (arrive when you can), 5:25 Compline, 5:40 Teaching & Small Groups Begin, 6:25 The Program ends, 6:30 Choir Rehearsal.

Easter Lily Memorial

Each year, we decorate the sanctuary with lilies for Easter Sunday. If you would like to donate one or more lilies, please fill out the form that is inserted into the bulletin. You may designate who you would like your plant to be in honor or in memory of. The suggested donation for each lily is \$25. You may also email Karyn your request at sscc@ststephensculpeper.net. Please have your request in by March 30th.

Palm Sunday Procession

Next Sunday is Palm Sunday. To join the Palm procession prior to the 10:30 AM service, meet in the parking lot at 10:15 AM.

Palm Cross Making

This Saturday, March 28th, at 11:00 AM in the Gathering Room we will be making the Palm Crosses for Palm Sunday. We plan to craft 100 crosses, so your help will be appreciated. Hand-making the crosses is a wonderful way to begin the celebration of Holy Week. Contact Becky Walser for more information.

We Need Candy

Our Easter Egg Hunt is Easter Sunday at 12:00 PM and we need candy! You can either pick up a bag of empty eggs from the Parish Hall or Office and return them filled or drop off candy and our youth will fill the eggs. Please have eggs and candy back to the office by this Friday, March 27th.

DOK Annunciation Quiet Hour

The Feast of the Annunciation primarily celebrates the moment when the Archangel Gabriel announced to the Virgin Mary (precisely nine months before Jesus' birth) that she would miraculously conceive and bear Jesus Christ, marking the beginning of the Incarnation – God becoming human. Join the DOK Wednesday, March 25th at 10:00 AM in the sanctuary for a Quiet Hour. All are welcomed.

Adult Forum

Though Lent, Adult Forum will be meeting in the Rector's Office and will be studying the weekly lessons. There will be a break starting Palm Sunday and resume back in the Parish Hall April 19th.

Spring Craft Show

We are hosting our second Spring Craft Fair on Saturday, April 18th from 9:00-1:00 PM in our lower parking lot. We are offering an early bird special of \$40 a spot to our church members who are interested in participating. The price will increase to \$50 a spot starting March 20th. All proceeds will help fund the youth mission trip. Contact Karyn for more information.

Lectio Divina

This Tuesday, at 7:00 PM Lectio Divina continues their study of Esther with Esther 3:1-9. Contact Kitty or Briarly for more information or the Zoom link.

Music and Arts Camp

Registration is now open for our Music and Arts camp which is July 20-24th. This is open to kids grades K-5th and is free to attend. Register now by scanning the QR code to the right before it opens up to the public on April 6th. Space is limited and it does fill up quickly.



Brotherhood of St. Andrew

All men are welcomed to join the Brotherhood of St. Andrew Wednesday mornings at 7:00 AM in the Parish Hall. They are currently doing a study on the book "The Year of Living Biblically." Contact Trice for more details.

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.



Food Closet Needs of the Week

toothpaste, tooth brushes, shampoo, conditioner deodorant

Spring & Summer Save the Dates

- Spring Craft Show - April 18
- Youth Sunday - May 10
- Youth Mission Trip - May 31-June 6
- Shrine Mont - July 10-12
- Music & Arts Camp - July 20-24



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