

**Welcome to**



ST. STEPHEN'S  
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

*Saint Stephen's welcomes everyone who wishes to follow Christ, worship together, grow in faith and share God's love through service to others.*

**THE EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

**JULY 29<sup>TH</sup> & 30<sup>TH</sup> 2017**

**HOLY EUCHARIST**

The kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls; on finding one pearl of great value, he went and sold all that he had and bought it.

*...Jesus*



# St. Stephen's Episcopal Church

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Sunday's sermon: Fr. Victor Sarrazin

## Sunday's Hymns (10:30 am)

|  |                        |
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| <b>Processional Hymn:</b> <i>Praise To the Lord, the Almighty</i>  | #390                   |
| <b>Gloria:</b>   | #S280                  |
| <b>Sequence Hymn:</b> <i>The King od Love My Shepherd Is</i>       | #645                   |
| <b>Offertory Hymn:</b>   | <i>Organ Voluntary</i> |
| <b>Doxology:</b>   | #380 Vs 3              |
| <b>The Lord's Prayer:</b>  | G7                     |
| <b>Sanctus Hymn:</b>   | #S130                  |
| <b>Fraction Anthem:</b>  | #S154                  |
| <b>Communion Hymns:</b> <i>For the Bread Which You Have Broken</i> | #341                   |
| <b>Recessional:</b> <i>There's a wideness in God's Mercy</i>       | #470                   |
| <b>Organist:</b> Billie Hayes                                      |                        |



## Today's Readings & Readers

Lesson 1: 1 Kings 3:5-12

**Psalm 119:129-136**

Lesson 2: Romans 8:26-39

Gospel: Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52

|                       | <b>5pm Sat</b> | <b>7:30am Sun</b> | <b>10:30am Sun</b>               |
|-----------------------|----------------|-------------------|----------------------------------|
| Eucharistic Minister: | Tim Holsonback | Peggy Brown       | Dennis Smith &<br>Dottie Gutwein |
| Lector(s):            | Jeff Speer     | Peggy Brown       | Maryjane Mahland                 |
| Acolyte:              |                |                   | Dennis Smith                     |

## Announcements

- While the Flower Fund is in the red we will be using silk flowers except on the occasions when someone has signed up to sponsor. Please help the flower fund return to full bloom with a donation to the flower fund either in the can marked Flowers in the Parish hall or by writing "Flower Fund" on your check and dropping it in the plate. Thanks.

# The Word of God

Ordinary Rev. 2

**Processional Hymn:** (10:30 am see inside of front cover)

The people standing, the Celebrant says:

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

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

## **Gloria**

(People: 10:30 only: ..... **S280**

At the other services: ..... **BCP p. 356**



**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.**



## **The Collect of the Day**

Celebrant : *The Lord be with you.*

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: *Let us pray.*

After the Celebrant says the Collect.

The People: **Amen.**

## **The Lessons**

*The people sit.*

*After each Reading, the Reader says:*

**Hear what the Spirit is Saying to God's People.**

*People:* **Thanks be to God.**

**Lesson 1:** *(see Insert)*

**Psalm Reading:** *(See Insert)*

**Lesson 2:** *(See Insert)*

**Sequence Hymn:** *(See inside of front cover for Hymn number) 10:30 only*

*Then, all standing, the Priest reads the Gospel, first saying*

## **The Sermon** **The Nicene Creed**

**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**

*(see the back of the lectionary insert)*

**Confession of Sin**

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The Deacon or Celebrant says:

*Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.*

Minister 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 heart;  
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 Priest, says:

*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.*

People: **Amen.**

### **The Peace**

All stand. The Celebrant says to the people

*The peace of the Lord be always with you.*

People **And also with you.**

The offertory Hymn: 10:30 only: see inside of front cover

**Doxology**..... #380 v3

♪ **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

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The priest, faces them and sings or says : *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:

*It is truly right to glorify you, Father, and to give you thanks; for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and for ever.*

*Fountain of life and source of all goodness, you made all things and fill them with your blessing; you created them to rejoice in the splendor of your radiance.*

*Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day; and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we sing (say),*

People sing or say the Sanctus: 10:30 only:.....**S130**

Other services .....**BCP p. 367**

♪ **{Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might, }R  
heaven and earth are {full }R of your glory.**

**{Hosanna in the highest. }R**

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

**{Hosanna in the highest. }R ♪**

*The people stand or kneel.*

*The Celebrant continues*

*We acclaim you, holy Lord, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our Creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures.*

*When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking*

*you we might find you. Again and again you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation.*

*Father, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, he lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfill your purpose he gave himself up to death; and, rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the whole creation new.*

*And, that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for him who died and rose for us, he sent the Holy Spirit, his own first gift for those who believe, to complete his work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all.*

*When the hour had come for him to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end; at supper with them he took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, 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; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, 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."*

*Father, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.*

Celebrant and People

**We praise you, we bless you,  
we give thanks to you,  
and we pray to you, Lord our God**

The Celebrant continues

*Lord, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ.*

*Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name.*



*Remember, Lord, your one holy catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace.*

*[Remember (NN. and) all who minister in your Church.]*

*[Remember all your people, and those who seek your truth.]*

*[Remember \_\_\_\_\_.]*

*[Remember all who have died in the peace of Christ, and those whose faith is known to you alone; bring them into the place of eternal joy and light.]*

*And grant that we may find our inheritance with [the Blessed Virgin Mary, with patriarchs, prophets, apostles, and martyrs, (with \_\_\_\_\_) and] all the saints who have found favor with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.*

*Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and for ever. **AMEN.***

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

## **The Lord's Prayer**

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**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.**

or

**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 for ever. Amen**



(Music found in Gather Hymnal #7)

## The Breaking of the Bread

(10:30 only: ..... S154

other Services .....BCP p. 364

The people say or sing:

♪ [{{Alleluia.}}r3] **Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
Therefore let us keep the feast. [{{Alleluia.}}r3] ♪**

Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation:

*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. All people are welcome at Christ's table.*

*The Bread and the Cup are given to the communicants with these words*

The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven. [Amen.]

The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation. [Amen.]

**Communion Hymn** (See inside of front cover for Hymn number)

After Communion, the Celebrant says: *Let us pray.*

*Celebrant and People:*

**Almighty and everliving God,  
we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food  
of the most precious Body and Blood  
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;  
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries  
that we are living members of the Body of your Son,  
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.  
And now, Father, send us out  
to do the work you have given us to do,  
to love and serve you  
as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.  
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,  
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.**

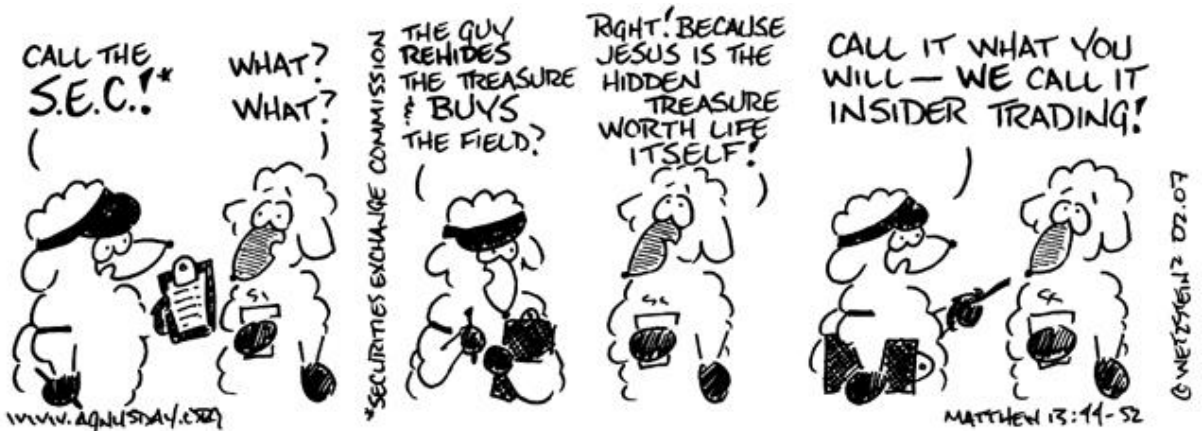
**Recessional Hymn** (See inside of front cover for Hymn number)

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

People: **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia, (Alleluia)**

## Announcements (cont.)

- Save the Date! Wednesday Night August 9th at 7p St. Stephen's will have an Evening Prayer with Taize music. The Daughters of the King, St. Barbara Chapter, will enhance the mid-week evening service with simple refreshments afterwards. Please come and invite your friends to join us.
- Here's a message for our Convention delegates; registration needs to be completed before Aug 18th. Please visit the office for a copy of the registration form and return your completed copy to the office in early August.



# This Week at St. Stephen's

**Wednesday Aug 2**  
9:30a Prayer Group, Church

**Saturday Aug 5**  
9:30a Daughters of the King, Church  
5p Holy Eucharist, Church

**Thursday Aug 3**  
6:30p Brotherhood of St. Andrew, Parish Hall

**Sunday Jul 30**  
7:30a Holy Eucharist, Church  
9a Adult Forum, Ed. Center  
10:30a Holy Eucharist W/ Choir, Church  
6p New Be Clean, Ed. Center

## Looking forward

- Ignatian Spirituality Aug 5
- Ignatian Spirituality Aug 12
  - Labor Day Sep 4

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