

**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 THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

**AUGUST 27<sup>TH</sup> 2017**

**HOLY EUCHARIST**

**FR. SARRAZIN FAREWELL**



# St. Stephen's Episcopal Church

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Sunday's sermon: Fr. Victor Sarrazin

## Sunday's Hymns (9:00 am)

<b>Processional Hymn:</b> <i>Joyful, Joyful We, Adore Thee</i>	#376
<b>Gloria:</b>	#S280
<b>Sequence Hymn:</b> <i>The Church's One Foundation</i>	#525
<b>Offertory Hymn:</b> <i>God Is So Good</i>	<i>Choral Anthem</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>I Am the Bread of Life</i>	#335
<b>Recessional:</b> <i>How Great Thou Art</i>	G496
<b>Organist:</b> Wes Moulton	

## Today's Readings & Readers

Lesson 1: Exodus 1:8 - 2:10

### Psalm 124

Lesson 2: Romans 12:1-8

Gospel: Matthew 16:13-20

### 9:00am Sun

Eucharistic Minister:

Dottie Gutwein &  
Dennis Smith

Lector(s):

Rosemary Snapp

Acolyte:

Charlotte Hickey

## Announcements

- Don't forget the Salvation Army's Food Locker.
- Don't forget to signup to host the coffee hour after your favorite service time/date.
- While the Flower fund is coming back to life, it still needs your support for fresh flowers weekly.

# The Word of God

Goodbye Rev. 1

**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 CONCLUSION OF OUR PASTORAL RELATIONSHIP WITH FR. VICTOR**

**In 2006, I was inducted by Bishop Smith as Rector St. Stephen's church. I have, with God's help, and to the best of my abilities, exercised this trust, accepting the privileges and responsibilities. After prayer and careful consideration, the time has come for me to leave this responsibility and I publicly state that my tenure as rector of**

**St. Stephen's ends this day. I will be moving to New York, with my wife Rhonda, and continue searching for a new calling in the service of God and the Episcopal Church.**

***Sr. Warden:* Do you, the people of St. Stephen's, recognize and accept the conclusion of this pastoral relationship?**

**CONGREGATION RESPONDS: WE DO.**

***Fr. Victor: Speech***

***Fr Victor presents to the Senior Warden symbols of the transition:***

***The keys of the parish***

***The Shovel used to break ground for Education building***

***The Rector's Cross***

***Sr. Warden:* As your Senior Warden, I have ecclesiastical responsibility until my tenure ends, at the Annual Meeting in January 2018 when a new Senior Warden will be appointed who will continue through the calling of a new rector for this church.**

**In the meantime, a meeting will be held for the Vestry this coming week with the Rev. Megen Traquair, Canon for the Ordinary, to discuss and explain the Transition process. I am in the process of searching for supply clergy to distribute Holy Eucharist. In the meantime, our Lay Eucharistic Ministers will be also leading morning/evening prayer on the weekends. The Diocese will recommend an interim for our vestry to interview and hire.**

**Eventually, a search committee will be formed and in time, God will send us the next correct rector for us. As sad as it is to have to say farewell to Fr. Vic, I am very happy to know he and Rhonda will be together again. It has been my pleasure to work with him on the liturgy and in all other aspects of his work here.**

**I wish him the best and pray that God will soon reveal his next ministry.**

***FR. DONNE leads Fr. Vic and congregation in prayer:***

**God, you have bound us together for a time as priest and people to work for the advancement of your kingdom in this place: We give you humble and hearty thanks for the ministry which we have shared in these past 11 years.**

*Pause*

**We thank you for those who have been joined to this part of Christ's family through baptism. We thank you for opening our hearts and minds again and again to your Word, and for feeding us abundantly with the Sacrament of the Body and Blood of your Son**

*Pause*

**Now, we pray, be with he who leaves and with us who stay; and grant that all of us, by drawing ever nearer to you, may always be close to each other in the communion of your saints. All this we ask for the sake of Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord. AMEN**

### **The Peace**

All stand. The Fr. Vic 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:

*We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God, source of life abundant. From before time you made ready the creation. Your Spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into being: sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and waters; and every living thing. You made us in your image, and taught us to walk in your ways. But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away; and yet, as a mother cares for her children, you would not forget us. Time and again you called us to live in the fullness of your love. And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing (say):*

*Celebrant and People sing or say the Sanctus .....S130*

**♪ {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*

*Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus the holy child of God. Living among us, Jesus loved us. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw all the world to himself yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love. Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you.*

*On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."*

*As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine. Again, he gave thanks to you, gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for*



*the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.”*

*Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice.*

*Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ. Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made. In the fullness of time bring us, with Sts. Stephen, Barbara, Andrew and all your saints, from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world.*

*Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, forever and ever.*

All Respond: **AMEN!**

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

## **The Lord's Prayer**

**BCP p. 364**



**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 God, we thank you for feeding us with the holy food of the Body and Blood of your Son, and for uniting us through him in the fellowship of your Holy Spirit. We thank you for raising up among us faithful servants of your Word and Sacraments. We thank you especially for the work of Fr. Victor among us. Grant that both he and we may serve you in the days ahead, and always rejoice in your glory and come in time into your heavenly kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN**

CHOIR WILL DO SPECIAL SUNG BLESSING

**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.)

- Sunday **Sept 17** St Stephen's will hold a **Getting to Know You Brunch** between services from 8:30 to 10:15. We encourage members who attend different services to either stay late or come early, to get together and socialize. Please make sure to sign up in the parish hall or on line (just for a head count).
- **SOS: Save Our Stuff:** Gloria Brunell will be hosting a yard/parking lot sale, here at St. Stephen's, to benefit the continuing upkeep/updating of our Church home. The Sale will be **Saturday Oct 7th 2017**. During that week feel free to bring your gently used items to the church. Please go through your home looking for stuff you could part with.
- **San Carlos Apache Reservation Blanket Drive:** Once again this year our parish will be working with All Saints, Safford, AZ to provide blankets for the families in Bylas, AZ along with food boxes. They will be delivered the weekend before Thanksgiving and Christmas. Please place your clean, used blankets on the side pews to be stored away until delivery time. We also appreciate the large clear zipper type bags in which some blankets are sold/or returned in by dry cleaners. Anyone wishing to donate toward the food boxes, may do so . Please mail your checks marked for Bylas Food Drive to All Saints Episcopal Church, c/o Mindy Weisser-Lee, 210 W. Main St., Safford, AZ 85546. Questions? Call Dottie Gutwein 530-515-0679

# This Week at St. Stephen's

## Saturday Sep 2

9:30a Daughters of the King, Church  
5p Eucharist, Church

## Wednesday Aug 30

9:30a Prayer Group, Church

## Sunday Sep 3

7:30a Holy Eucharist, Church  
10:30a Holy Eucharist W/ Choir, Church  
6p New Be Clean, Ed. Center

## Looking forward

- Labor Day Sep 4
- Fellowship Brunch Sep 17

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Or you can also use the QRC here to fill this out online.



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