



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

## **SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**



**Welcome and Announcements:**

10 July 5pm & 11 July 10:30am, 2021

## Entrance Rites

*The people stand as they are able.*

**Opening Hymn/Song** *(I Danced in the Morning)*

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## Opening Acclamation:

BCP p. 355

**Presider** Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

**People** **Glory to God for ever and ever.**

## Gloria - Canticle 13

*(Words found in BCP p. 90)*

**Glory to you, Lord God of our fathers; \***

**you are worthy of praise; glory to you.**

**Glory to you for the radiance of your holy Name; \***

**we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.**

**Glory to you in the splendor of your temple; \***

**on the throne of your majesty, glory to you.**

**Glory to you, seated between the Cherubim; \***

**we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.**

**Glory to you, beholding the depths; \***

**in the high vault of heaven, glory to you.**

**Glory to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; \***

**we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.**

## Salutation

**Presider** God be with you.

**People** **And also with you.**

**Presider** Let us pray

## The Collect of the Day:

BCP p. 230

**Presider** The Lord be with you.

**People** **And also with you.**

**Presider** Let us pray.

*(BCP p. 230)*

**People:** **O Lord, mercifully receive the prayers of your people who call upon you, and grant that they may know and understand what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to accomplish them; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.**

# The Word of God

## The Lessons

**First Lesson:** A reading from the book of the **2 Samuel 6:1-5, 12b-19**

David again gathered all the chosen men of Israel, thirty thousand. David and all the people with him set out and went from Baale-judah, to bring up from there the ark of God, which is called by the name of the Lord of hosts who is enthroned on the cherubim. They carried the ark of God on a new cart, and brought it out of the house of Abinadab, which was on the hill. Uzzah and Ahio, the sons of Abinadab, were driving the new cart with the ark of God; and Ahio went in front of the ark. David and all the house of Israel were dancing before the Lord with all their might, with songs and lyres and harps and tambourines and castanets and cymbals.

So David went and brought up the ark of God from the house of Obed-edom to the city of David with rejoicing; and when those who bore the ark of the Lord had gone six paces, he sacrificed an ox and a fatling. David danced before the Lord with all his might; David was girded with a linen ephod. So David and all the house of Israel brought up the ark of the Lord with shouting, and with the sound of the trumpet.

As the ark of the Lord came into the city of David, Michal daughter of Saul looked out of the window, and saw King David leaping and dancing before the Lord; and she despised him in her heart.

They brought in the ark of the Lord, and set it in its place, inside the tent that David had pitched for it; and David offered burnt offerings and offerings of well-being before the Lord. When David had finished offering the burnt offerings and the offerings of well-being, he blessed the people in the name of the Lord of hosts, and distributed food among all the people, the whole multitude of Israel, both men and women, to each a cake of bread, a portion of meat, and a cake of raisins. Then all the people went back to their homes.

*Lector:* Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's People.

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

## Psalm 24

*Domini est terra*

*(Read aloud in unison)*

**1 The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it, \***

**the world and all who dwell therein.**

**2 For it is he who founded it upon the seas \***

**and made it firm upon the rivers of the deep.**

**3 "Who can ascend the hill of the Lord? " \***

**and who can stand in his holy place?"**

**4 "Those who have clean hands and a pure heart, \***

**who have not pledged themselves to falsehood,  
nor sworn by what is a fraud.**

**5 They shall receive a blessing from the Lord \***

**and a just reward from the God**

**of their salvation."**

**6 Such is the generation of those who seek him, \***

**of those who seek your face, O God of Jacob.**

**7 Lift up your heads, O gates;  
lift them high, O everlasting doors; \***

**and the King of glory shall come in.**

**8 "Who is this King of glory?" \***

**"The Lord, strong and mighty,  
the Lord, mighty in battle."**

**9 Lift up your heads, O gates;  
lift them high, O everlasting doors; \***

**and the King of glory shall come in.**

**10 "Who is he, this King of glory?" \***

**"The Lord of hosts,  
he is the King of glory."**

## **Second Lesson: A reading from Ephesians 1:3-14**

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved. In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace that he lavished on us. With all wisdom and insight he has made known to us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure that he set forth in Christ, as a plan for the fullness of time, to gather up all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth. In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked

with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; this is the pledge of our inheritance toward redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

*Lector:* Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's People.

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

### **Gospel Lesson: Mark 6:14-29**

*Reader*        The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark

*People:*        **Glory to you Lord Christ**

King Herod heard of Jesus and his disciples, for Jesus' name had become known. Some were saying, "John the baptizer has been raised from the dead; and for this reason these powers are at work in him." But others said, "It is Elijah." And others said, "It is a prophet, like one of the prophets of old." But when Herod heard of it, he said, "John, whom I beheaded, has been raised."

For Herod himself had sent men who arrested John, bound him, and put him in prison on account of Herodias, his brother Philip's wife, because Herod had married her. For John had been telling Herod, "It is not lawful for you to have your brother's wife." And Herodias had a grudge against him, and wanted to kill him. But she could not, for Herod feared John, knowing that he was a righteous and holy man, and he protected him. When he heard him, he was greatly perplexed; and yet he liked to listen to him. But an opportunity came when Herod on his birthday gave a banquet for his courtiers and officers and for the leaders of Galilee. When his daughter Herodias came in and danced, she pleased Herod and his guests; and the king said to the girl, "Ask me for whatever you wish, and I will give it." And he solemnly swore to her, "Whatever you ask me, I will give you, even half of my kingdom." She went out and said to her mother, "What should I ask for?" She replied, "The head of John the baptizer." Immediately she rushed back to the king and requested, "I want you to give me at once the head of John the Baptist on a platter." The king was deeply grieved; yet out of regard for his oaths and for the guests, he did not want to refuse her. Immediately the king sent a soldier of the guard with orders to bring John's head. He went and beheaded him in the prison, brought his head on a platter, and gave it to the girl. Then the girl gave it to her mother. When his disciples heard about it, they came and took his body, and laid it in a tomb.

*Reader*        The Gospel of the Lord

*People*        **Praise to you Lord Christ**

# Sermon

**Nicene Creed:**                   *(Said aloud by all, in unison)*                   *BCP p. 358*

*(Contemporary Version)*

**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 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, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who 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**

**Prayers of the People**

*(BCP p. 97-98)*

Leader:       Help us, O God our Savior;

People:       **Deliver us and forgive us our sins.**

Leader:       Look upon your congregation;

People:       **Give to your people the blessing of peace.**

Leader:       Declare your glory among the nations;

People:       **And your wonders among all peoples.**

Leader:       Do not let the oppressed be shamed and turned away;

People:       **Never forget the lives of your poor.**

Leader:       Continue your loving-kindness to those who know you;

People:       **And your favor to those who are true of heart.**

Leader:       In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer pray for *The Episcopal Church in the Philippines.*

People: **May God bless and keep them.**

Leader: In the Diocesan cycle of prayer we pray for *St. Philips In The Hills*.

People: **May God bless and keep them.**

Leader: We pray for the first peoples of this land, especially the Apache peoples who called this area home.

People: **For greater understanding and cooperation between us towards the common good for all.**

Leader: Satisfy us by your loving-kindness in the morning;

People: **So shall we rejoice and be glad all the days of our life.**

## **Confession of Sin**

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

**All: God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.**

## **Absolution**

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

## **Exchange of the Peace**

Presider May the peace of Christ be always with you

**All And also with you.**

*The Ministers and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

## **Offertory:**

Presider: *Offer to God a sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, and make good your vows to the Most High*



# The Holy Communion

## The Great Thanksgiving

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 God thanks and praise.**

*Presider Continues*

*All thanks and praise are yours at all times and in all places, our true and loving God; through Jesus Christ, your eternal Word, the Wisdom from on high by whom you created all things.*

*You laid the foundations of the world and enclosed the sea when it burst out from the womb; You brought forth all creatures of the earth and gave breath to humankind.*

*Wondrous are you, Holy One of Blessing, all you create is a sign of hope for our journey; And so as the morning stars sing your praises we join the heavenly beings and all creation as we shout with joy:*

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

**Hosanna in the highest.**

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

**Hosanna in the highest.**

*Glory and honor are yours, Creator of all, your Word has never been silent; you called a people to yourself, as a light to the nations, you delivered them from bondage and led them to a land of promise.*

*Of your grace, you gave Jesus to be human, to share our life, to proclaim the coming of your holy reign and give himself for us, a fragrant offering. Through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, you have freed us from sin, brought us into your life, reconciled us to you, and restored us to the glory you intend for us.*

*We thank you that on the night before he died for us Jesus took bread, and*



*when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, gave it to his friends and said:  
“Take, eat, this is my Body, broken for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.”*

*After supper Jesus took the cup of wine, said the blessing, gave it to his friends and said: “Drink this, all of you: this cup is the new Covenant in my Blood, poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.”*

*And so, remembering all that was done for us: the cross, the tomb, the resurrection and ascension, longing for Christ’s coming in glory, and presenting to you these gifts your earth has formed and human hands have made, we acclaim you, O Christ:*

**Dying, you destroyed our death.  
Rising, you restored our life.  
Christ Jesus, come in glory!**

*The Presider continues:*

*Send your Holy Spirit upon us (+) and upon these gifts of bread and wine that they may be to us the Body and Blood of your Christ.*

*Grant that we, burning with your Spirit’s power, may be a people of hope, justice and love. Giver of Life, draw us together in the Body of Christ, and in the fullness of time gather us with all your people into the joy of our true eternal home.*

*Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, we worship you our God and Creator in voices of unending praise.*

**Blessed are you now and for ever. AMEN.**

*And now as Jesus taught us, we pray: (Contemporary 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.**

## **The Breaking of the Bread:**

*(Presider breaks the consecrated bread)*

Presider: *God of promise, you have prepared a banquet for us.*

People: **Happy are those who are called to the Supper of the Lamb.**

## **Invitation to Communion:**

Presider: *These are the gifts of God for the People of God.*

People: **Christ invites us all to be known and fed here.**

## **Prayers for Birthdays, Anniversaries, Healing, Travelers, and Gratitude**

## **Post Communion Prayer**

Presider: *Let us pray:*

**God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth.**

**Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

## **Benediction:**

Presider: *Live without fear: your Creator has made you holy, has always protected you, and loves you as a mother. Go in peace to follow the good road and may God's blessing: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be with you always. Amen.*

## Dismissal

Presider: People of St. Stephen's, what does God call us to do?

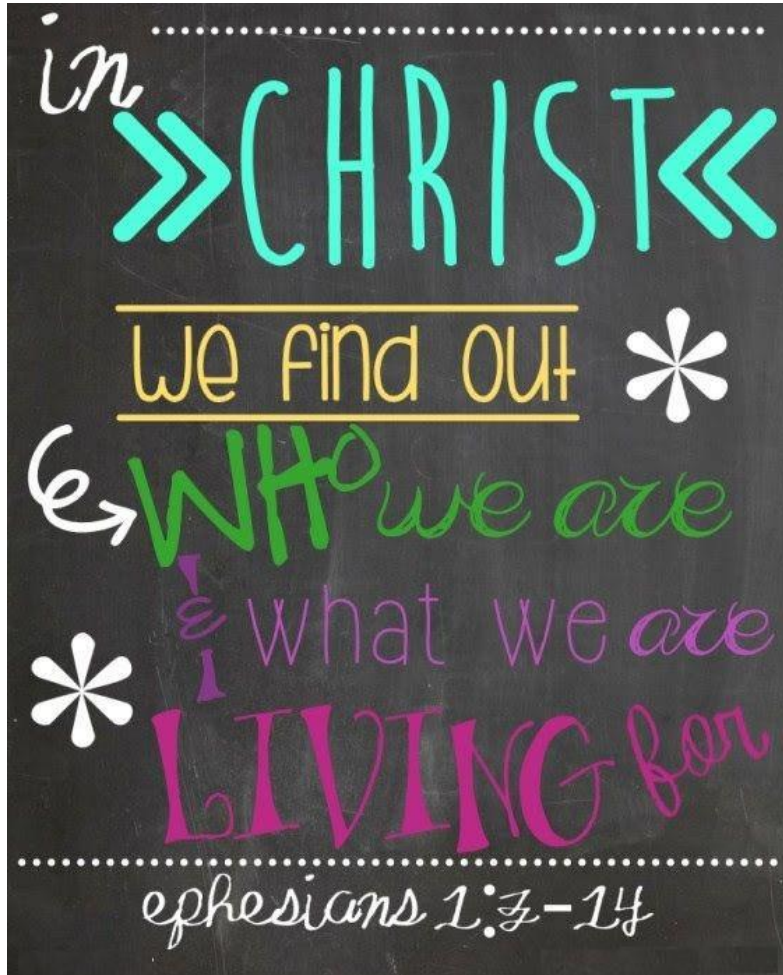
People: **We are called to love and serve.**

Presider: Let us go forth, rejoicing in God's Spirit, alleluia, alleluia!

People: **Thanks be to God,! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

Closing Hymn: (*Halleluyah we sing your praises*)

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# ST. STEPHEN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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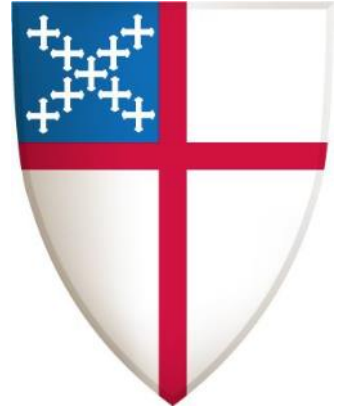
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