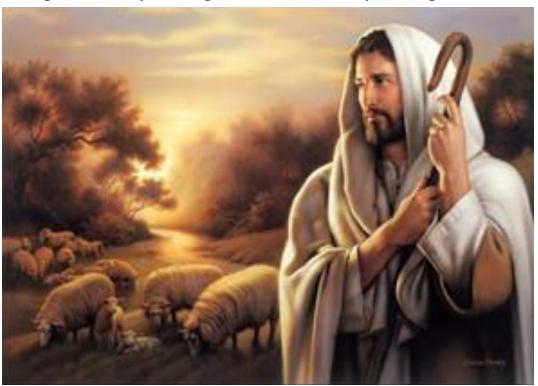
St. Stephen's Episcopal Church



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

PROPER 14 IN ORDINARY TIME 5pm Saturday, 10 August & 10 am Sunday, 11 August 2024



Welcome and Announcements

Rev Allison Cornell

Entrance Rites *The people stand as they are able.*

Opening Song: "Lord of All Hopefulness" #481

Opening Acclamation:

Presider: Blessed be the Holy Trinity (+) One God, who forgives all our

sins,

All: And whose mercy endures forever. Amen.

Presider: Let us together pray the Collect for Purity

All: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom 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.

Gloria—

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:

Presider: The Lord be with you All And also with you

Presider: Let us pray the Collect of the day *together*

All: Grant to us, Lord, we pray, the spirit to think and do always those things that are right, that we, who cannot exist without you, may by you be enabled to live according to your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Lessons: (Please be seated)

Lesson 1: A reading from 1 Samuel (17:1-7,12-16):

Now the Philistines gathered their encampments for war; they were gathered at Socoh, which is part of Judah and they encamped between Socoh and Azekah, in Ephes-dammim. And Saul and the Israelites were gathered and encamped in the valley of Elah and they organized ranks to engage the Philistines. Now the Philistines were standing on this hill and the men of Israel were standing on this other hill with a valley between them. And there went out from the camp of the Philistines a man apart [a champion], Goliath was his name, of Gath; his height was six cubits and a span [over nine feet tall]. A helmet of bronze was on his head and he was clothed in scale armor; the weight of the bronze armor was five thousand shekels [or one hundred twenty-five pounds]. And greaves of bronze were on his legs, and a javelin of bronze between his shoulders. The shaft of his spear was like a weaver's beam and the iron tip of his spear weighed six hundred shekels or fifteen pounds and his shield -bearer went before him.

Now David was the son of this Ephrathite man of Bethlehem in Judah, and his name was Jesse, and he had eight sons. And the man was, by the days of Saul, old and going as mortals do. Now the three eldest sons of Jesse set out and followed Saul to the battle; the names of his three sons who went to the battle were Eliab the firstborn, Abinadab his second, and the third, Shammah. David was the youngest; the three eldest followed Saul. David would come and go back from Saul to feed his father's sheep at Bethlehem. And the Philistine came forward morning and evening and took his stand for forty days.

And all the men of Israel in seeing the man, fled from his presence and were very afraid. The Israelites said, "Do you all see this man who is coming forward? He is coming forward to insult Israel. What will happen is, the man who smites him, the sovereign will make rich—great riches!—and he will give him his daughter and make his family free in Israel." David said to the men who were standing with him, "What shall be done for the man who smites this Philistine and takes away the reproach from Israel? For who is this uncircumcised philistine that he should defy the ranks of the living God?" The people answered him according to those spoken words, "Thus shall it be done for the man who smites him."

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

Psalm 10:1-14

- 1 Why, COMPASSIONATE ONE, do you stand afar?
 Why do you hide yourself in hard times?
- 2 In arrogance the wicked harass the poor; let them be caught in the schemes they have devised.
- 3 For the wicked praise their every inmost desire, extort gain and bless those who despise the CREATOR OF ALL.
- 4 The wicked turn up their nose and do not seek God;
 There is no God in all their thoughts.
- 5 Their ways prosper all the time; your judgments are on high, beyond them; all their foes scoff at them.
- 6 They say in their heart, "We shall not be shaken; nor see evil down through the generations."
- 7 Cursing fills their mouths along with deceit and oppression; under their tongues are trouble and iniquity.
- 8 They sit in ambush in the

- villages; in hiding places they murder the innocent.
- Their eyes surveil the vulnerable.
- 9 They lie-in-wait in secret like a lion in its den; they lie-in-wait that they may snatch the poor; they snatch the poor and drag them offin their net.
- 10 They stoop, they crouch, and the vulnerable fall prey through their might.
- 11 They say in their heart, "God has forgotten, she has hidden her face, she will never see it."
- 12 Rise up, FAITHFUL GOD; dear God, lift up your hand; forget not the oppressed.
- 13 Why do the wicked despise God, and say in their hearts you shall not find out?
- 14 You see, you regard trouble and grief,
 to take it into your hands.
 Upon you the vulnerable entrust themselves;
 to the orphan you have ever only been their helper.

Lesson 2: A Reading from Romans (8:31-39):

What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us? God who did not spare God's very Son, but rather handed him over for all of us, will not God with the Son also give us everything else? Who will bring accusation against God's elect? It is God who justifies. Who is to condemn? Christ Jesus who died, moreover, who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, is indeed the one who intercedes for us. Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will trouble, distress, persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? As it is written,

"For your sake we are being killed all day long; we are appraised as sheep to be slaughtered."

Rather, in all these things we are more than victorious through God who loves us. For I am persuaded that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor any other thing in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Savior.

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

The Gospel Lesson: (Please stand as you are able)

Deacon: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to

John (10:11-16):

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

"I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. The hired hand, who is not the shepherd to whom the sheep do not belong, sees the wolf coming and abandons the sheep and flees, and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. All because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, just as the Shepherd-Of-All knows me and I know the Shepherd-Of-All. And I lay down my life for the sheep. And I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold: I must bring them as well, and they will listen to my voice, thus there will be one flock, one shepherd.

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord. **People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Sermon

Nicene Creed: (ELCA 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 us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and was made truly human.

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, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped 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:

Leader: In the power of the Spirit and in union with Christ, let us pray: O God,

the creator and preserver of all, we pray for people in every kind of

need; make your ways known on earth

People: your saving health among all nations.

Leader: We pray for the good state of the universal Church, praying especially today for:

The Anglican Church of Korea in the Anglican cycle of prayer and for All Saints' Church & Day School, of Phoenix in the Diocesan cycle of

prayer; and for the first peoples of this land, especially the Tohono O'odom and Apache peoples who call this area home. Guide and govern us by your good Spirit:

People: that all who profess and call themselves Christians may be led into the way of truth, and hold the faith in unity of spirit, in the bond of peace and in righteousness of life.

Leader: We commend to your heavenly goodness all those who are in any ways afflicted or distressed, in mind, body or spirit; remembering _____ (pause as people add their petitions aloud or silently).

Comfort and relieve them in their need,

People: give them patience and endurance in their sufferings, and bring good out of all their afflictions.

Leader: We remember those who have gone before us in the peace of Christ, remembering _____(pause as people add names of those who have died), and we give you praise for all your faithful ones,

People: with whom we rejoice in the communion of saints.

Leader: All this we ask for Jesus Christ's sake.

All Amen.

The Confession:

Deacon: Let us confess our sins in the presence of God and of one another:

All: Gracious God, have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and have offended you in thought, word, and deed. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us and our hearts again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our savior and Lord. Amen.

Presider: By God's Grace you have been saved. In the name of Christ (+) your sins are forgiven. May Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may continue to live in your hearts through faith in his love. **Amen.**

The Peace:

Presider: The peace of Christ be with you always

All: and also with you.

Offertory

Presider: Ascribe to the Lord the honor due his name; bring offerings and come

into his courts.

Offertory Song: "This the hour of banquet and of song" #316

Doxology #380 Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow (vs. 3)

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise him all creatures here below; Praise him above you heavenly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

The Holy Communion

Evangelical Lutheran Church of America (ELCA), prayer IX

Presider: The Lord be with you All And also with you Lift up your hearts.

All We lift them to the Lord.

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

All It is right to give our thanks and praise.

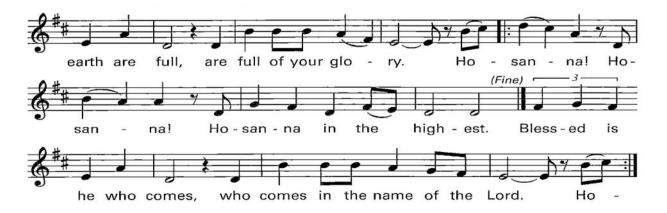
Presider continues:

It is indeed right, and our worship and our joy, at all times and in all places to give you thanks and praise, holy Father, heavenly King, almighty and eternal God, through Jesus Christ, your Son our Lord.

In fulfillment of your true promise, the Holy Spirit came down from heaven, lighting upon the disciples to teach them and to lead them into all truth: uniting peoples of many tongues in the confession of faith in Christ and giving to your church the power to serve you as a royal priesthood, and to preach the Gospel to all nations.

Therefore, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we proclaim your great and glorious name, forever praising you and singing/saying:





Holy God, you alone are holy, you alone are God. The universe declares your praise: beyond the stars; beneath the seas; within each cell; with every breath:

People: We praise you, O God.

Generations bless your faithfulness: through the water; by night and day; across the wilderness; out of exile; into the future:

We bless you, O God.

We give you thanks for your dear Son: at the heart of human life; near to those who suffer; beside the sinner; among the poor; with us now:

We thank you, O God.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, gave you thanks in prayer saying: "Blessed are You, Lord, God of all creation, for through your goodness we have received this bread we offer you: fruit of the earth, and work of human hands, it will become for us the Bread of Life."

Blessed be God forever.

Then Jesus broke the bread and gave it to his followers saying: "Take, eat. This is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

Again, after supper, Jesus took the cup, gave thanks to you saying: "Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation, for through your goodness we have received this wine that we offer You: fruit of the vine and work of human hands, it will become our spiritual drink."

Blessed be God forever.

Then he gave the cup for all to drink saying: "This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Remembering his love for us on the way, at the table, and to the end, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

We pray for the gift of your Spirit (+): in our gathering; within this meal; among your people; throughout the world.

Blessing, praise, and thanks to you, Holy God, through Jesus Christ, by your Spirit, in your church, world without end. Amen.

Presider: As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray: (Contemporary Version)

All:

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 (The priest breaks the consecrated bread in silence)
Fraction Anthem: Journey Songs #194 Lamb of God (insert below)



Presider We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

All Though we are many, we are one body, because we all share in the one bread.

[All are invited to come forward to receive the bread (gluten free) and wine, or if you are not ready to receive the bread and wine, you may come forward and cross your arms over your chest to receive a blessing instead.]

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Communion Music: "Shepherd of Souls"

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Birthdays, Anniversaries, Healing Prayer, Travelers & Gratitudes

Post Communion Prayer (Please stand as you are able)

Presider: Let us pray

All: God of abundance, we give you thanks that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life. In your mercy, strengthen us through the gift of faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Benediction:

Presider: May the peace of the Lord Christ go with you,

wherever He may send you.

May He guide you through the wilderness, and protect you through the storm.

May He bring you home rejoicing

at the wonders He has shown you.

And may He bring you home rejoicing once again into our doors.

+ In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen

Recessional Hymn: "O God our help in ages past" #680

Dismissal

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

People: We are called to love and serve!

Deacon: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia! Alleluia!

People: Thanks be to God, alleluia, alleluia!

Please join us for refreshments after the Sunday worship service.





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