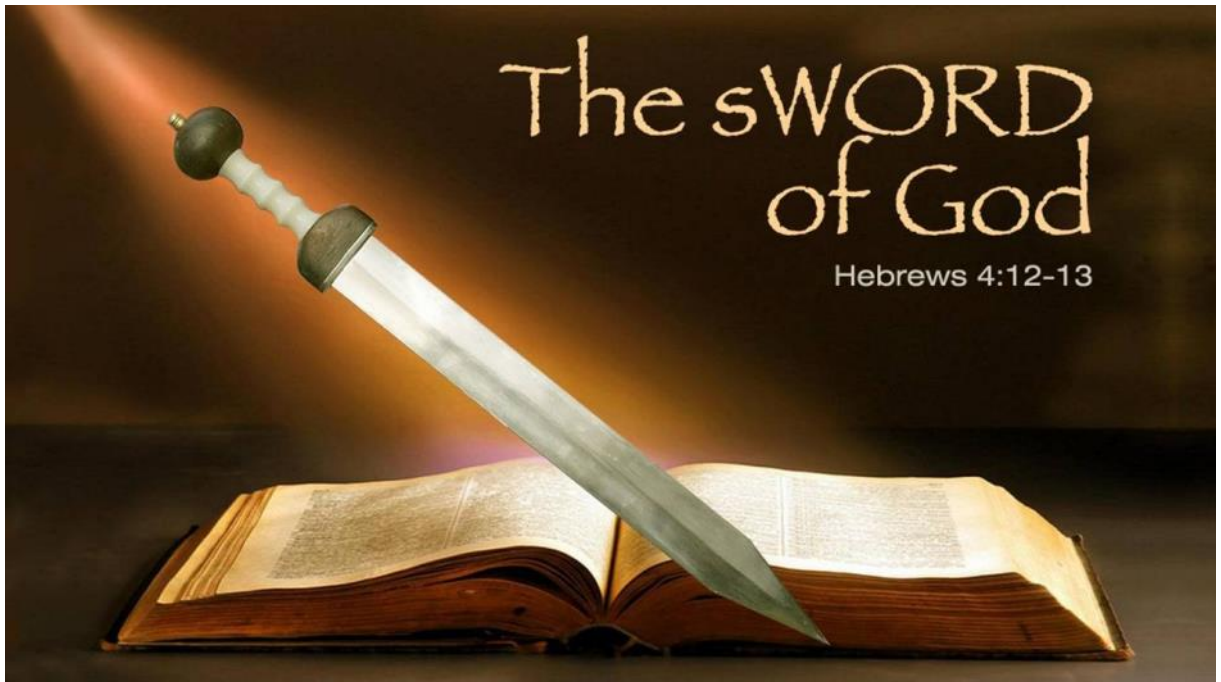




Saint Stephen's welcomes everyone who wishes to follow Christ, worship together, grow in faith and share God's love through service to others.

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

5pm Saturday, 12 October 2024 & 10 am Sunday, 13 October 2024



Prelude: "Tis the Gift to be simple", Joseph Brackett, arr Doreen Oberg

Welcome and Announcements

Rev Allison Cornell

Entrance Rites

The people stand as they are able.

{See insert on Back of announcements}

Opening Hymn: “Christ Before us”.

JS# 407

Opening Acclamation:

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

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

Gloria — H1982 # S-280 Glory to God

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.

Salutation:

Presider God be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray

The Collect:

All: Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, that we may continually be given to good works; 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 *(please be seated)*

First Lesson - A Reading from the book of Amos 5:6-7,10-15:

Seek the Lord and live,

**or he will break out against the
house of Joseph like fire,**

and it will devour Bethel, with no

one to quench it.

**Ah, you that turn justice to
wormwood,**

and bring righteousness to the

ground!

**They hate the one who reproveth in
the gate,
and they abhor the one who
speaks the truth.**

**Therefore, because you trample on
the poor
and take from them levies of
grain,**

**you have built houses of hewn stone,
but you shall not live in them;
you have planted pleasant
vineyards,
but you shall not drink their
wine.**

**For I know how many are your
transgressions,
and how great are your sins—**

**you who afflict the righteous, who
take a bribe,
and push aside the needy in the
gate.**

**Therefore the prudent will keep
silent in such a time;
for it is an evil time.**

**Seek good and not evil,
that you may live;
and so the Lord, the God of hosts,
will be with you,
just as you have said.**

**Hate evil and love good,
and establish justice in the gate;
it may be that the Lord, the God of
hosts,
will be gracious to the remnant of
Joseph.**

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

People: **Thanks be to God.**

The Psalm

Psalm 90:12-17

**12 So teach us to number our days *
that we may apply our hearts to wisdom.**

**13 Return, O Lord; how long will you tarry? *
be gracious to your servants.**

**14 Satisfy us by your loving-kindness in the morning; *
so shall we rejoice and be glad all the days of our life.**

**15 Make us glad by the measure of the days that you afflicted us *
and the years in which we suffered adversity.**

**16 Show your servants your works *
and your splendor to their children.**

**17 May the graciousness of the Lord our God be upon us; *
prosper the work of our hands;
prosper our handiwork.**

Second Lesson - A Reading from Paul's Letter the Hebrews 4:12-16:

The word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. And before him no creature is hidden, but all are naked and laid bare to the eyes of the one to whom we must render an account.

Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

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

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Lesson:

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

Mark (10: 17-31:)

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

As Jesus was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, "Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" Jesus said to him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: 'You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honor your father and mother.'" He said to him, "Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth." Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, "You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me." When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions.

Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, "How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!" And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, "Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God." They were greatly astounded and said to one another, "Then who can be saved?" Jesus looked at them and said, "For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible."

Peter began to say to him, “Look, we have left everything and followed you.” Jesus said, “Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news, who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age—houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life. But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first.”

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord
People: **Thanks be to you, Lord Christ**

Sermon

Nicene Creed *All say together (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 us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became 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, 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

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

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

Leader: In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer we pray for *Church of the Nativity, in Scottsdale*

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for *The Diocese of Belize – The Church in the Province of the West Indies*

We pray also for the first peoples of this land especially the Apache and the Tohono O’Odom peoples who call this area their home

People: The Lord bless and keep them.

Leader: During the current election cycle we also pray, O God, that you would grant your holy and life-giving spirit to so move every human heart and especially the hearts of the people of this land,

People: That barriers which divide us may crumble, suspicions disappear, and hatreds cease; that our divisions being healed, we may live in justice and peace.

Leader: We lift these prayers to you through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.

People: Amen.

Confession of Sin

Deacon: Let us confess our sins to God.

All: 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.

Absolution

Presider: 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. **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.

Presider: I appeal to you, friends, by the mercies of God, to present yourselves as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship.

Offertory Music : “Seek ye first”,

G#600

Doxology (Hymn #380 v. 3)

**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

EOW 3

Presider *The Lord be with you.*

People And also with you.

Presider *Lift up your hearts.*

People We lift them to the Lord.

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

People It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Presider: 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:

Presider and People: Sanctus Missa Pacem

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Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord God of
hosts. Heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the
high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the name, who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the
high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The musical score is written on a single staff in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 3/4 time signature. It begins with a four-measure rest, indicated by a '4' above the staff. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below the notes. The lyrics are: "Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord God of hosts. Heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the name, who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est." The score ends with a double bar line.

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!**

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*)

Fraction Anthem Agnus Dei—Lamb of God Missa Pacem

Cantor or choir: Lamb of God, *All:* you take a-way the sins of the world, have mer-cy on us. *Repeat as needed*

Last time *Cantor or choir:*

us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the

All:

world, have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you

take a - way the sins of the world, grant us peace.

Invitation to Communion:

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

{Everyone is welcome and invited to come forward and receive the bread and wine in this church. Our bread is gluten/nut free. It is real wine. To intinct/dip your bread into the wine, please go to the left altar rail. To eat the bread and then sip wine from the cup please go to the right altar rail. If you are not ready to take communion at this time, you may come forward and cross you arms over your chest to receive a blessing instead. }

Communion Music: "Prayer of Peace"

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Prayer for Birthdays, Anniversaries, Healing, Travel, Election & Gratitude

Post Communion Prayer

Presider: Let us pray:

All: Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue 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 devoted parent. Go in peace to follow the good road and may the blessing of God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit be among you and remain with you now and always. **Amen.**

Closing Hymn: "Will you come and follow me"

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Dismissal

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

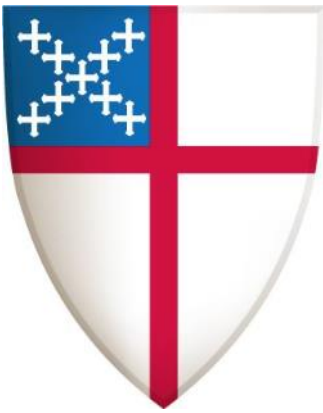
People: We are called to love and serve.

Deacon: Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in God's Spirit.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

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

Postlude: "*Be The Centre*", Michael Frye arr Garrett Parker

Please join us Sunday Morning for refreshments after the service in the Parish Hall.



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