



# St. Stephen Lutheran Church

Love God, Love People, Form Faith.

One of 13,000 Stephen Ministry Congregations Around the World

We believe that community is *beautiful* and *messy* and *fulfilling* and *conflicted* and...the POINT. God calls us together into community for the sake of one another, our neighbors, and creation. We don't always get it right, but we trust that when we center the love and grace that Jesus taught, we will get it right more often than not. ***You are welcome here!***

We don't expect perfect, put-together people; we don't want you to conform to us and our ways; we want you to show up as who you are and to experience the love and grace of God as we have experienced it. And we hope that once you do, you will join us in sharing it with others too.

***Christ the King***

***Nov 24, 2024***

## For Your Prayers –Nov 25- Dec 1, 2024

### Lectionary readings for this week:

**Monday:** Daniel 7:19-27 Revelation 11:1-14 Psalm 76

**Tuesday:** Ezekiel 29:1-12 Revelation 11:15-19 Psalm 76

**Wednesday:** Ezekiel 30:20-26 John 16:25-33 Psalm 76

**Thursday:** Nehemiah 9:6-15 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11 Psalm 25:1-10

**Friday:** Nehemiah 9:16-25 1 Thessalonians 5:12-22 Psalm 25:1-10

**Saturday:** Nehemiah 9:26-31 Luke 21:20-24 Psalm 25:1-10

**Next Sunday's Lessons:** Jeremiah 33:14-16 Psalm 25:1-10 (1) 1 Thessalonians 3:9-13  
Luke 21:25-36

**Join your prayers for healing** with God's desires for **Karen Arledge, Ed Brown, Kristin Carter, Marcie Clark, Bob Cummings, Pat Fretz, Jack Harris, Sharon Jacobs, Donna Kittelson, Paul Kristiansen, Jim Mayfield, Carole Meyer, and George Vonderheide.**

**Pray for those unable to come to worship:** **Martin Bleck, Ed Brown, Birdie Burton, York Doerr, Bob and Angie Groom, Pat Janot, Marilyn Johnson, Jeanne Nelson, Darlene Simon, and Kay Wasaff.**

**Pray for these loved ones of our congregation:** Susan, Alyssa Atkinson and family, Charles Baugh, Donald and Carol Baum, , Eleftheria Beck, Tom Beck, Sally Blackburn, June Brantley, Sharon Brown, Linda Bonfiglio, Mary Bloom, Amy Carl, Karin Cavanaugh, Chris Clarke, Amaree Cluff, Ruth Ann Coski, Judy Craun, Judy Drezek, Becky Drury, Darrin and Rosemary Dunn, Time Ebel, David Gade, Joel Gillespie, Greg Gildner, Joan and John Goodhart, Sue Hassan and family, Andy Havola, Nick Havola, Bradley Kim Joan and Laurie Heintzelman, Lisa Hill, Jaxon Ireland, Claudia Jacobik, Brian Johnson, Don Johnson, Connie Kendrick, The Kennedy family, Marnah Lund, Trish and Sara and Matthew Macerelli, Keara Mahony, Laura Margolin, Jack Mayfield, Doug MacKenzie, The Keith Meins family, Liz Montalvo, Ed Moninger, Mya Moore, Kim Morris, Bob Myers, Coral Pumley, Kurt Recktenwald, , Lou Schuster, Inge Seiter, Pamela Sharp, Monika Stern, Chad Strausbaugh, Michael Sweeney and family, Charley Underdahl, Brenda Webster, Caleb Winig, Elaine Wrich and Warren Wright.

# *Christ the King*

## **I. Gathering: *The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God***

Welcome

**Centering Music**

*The King of Glory*  
St. Stephen Ringers

Michael Helman

**Confession and Forgiveness** (*written by the Rev. Mindi and posted on the Rev-o-lution blog.*)

Sovereign God, **we confess we have given idols power over us,  
the idols of power and wealth, fame and security.**

We confess we have fallen into the ways of this world  
**and have forgotten our kindred in Christ.**

We have lost sight of the reign of God here on earth,  
**and instead have allowed the idols of the world to rule over us.**

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Forgive us. Call us into Your reign,  
**to declare You the One who has power over us because Your power is love.**

Call us to love our neighbors as ourselves,  
**and to work for justice, show mercy, and love one another  
in the name of Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.**

Jesus came to us not to reign as a king over us, but to serve us,  
**and to show us the way of God is the way of love.**

Jesus said the first would be last and the last would be first.  
**Jesus called us to become humble and serve one another,  
and that the most important commandment  
was to love God and to love our neighbor as ourselves.**

This is the way of our Sovereign.

Go, knowing you are forgiven,  
and love and serve one another,  
especially our neighbors in need,  
as Christ serves us. **Amen.**

**Gathering Hymn**

*Lo! He Comes with Clouds Descending*

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**Greeting:** The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

Glo - ry to God in the high -  
est, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.  
Lord God, heav - en - ly King, al - might - y God and  
Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we  
praise you for your glo - ry. Lord Je - sus  
Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther,  
Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the  
world: have mer - cy on us; you are seat - ed at the  
right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.  
For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a -  
lone are the Lord, you a - lone are the Most High,

Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it, in the glo-ry of  
 God the Fa-ther. A-men.  
 Glo-ry to God in the high-  
 est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.

**Prayer of the Day**

Almighty and ever-living God, you anointed your beloved Son to be priest and sovereign forever. Grant that all the people of the earth, now divided by the power of sin, may be united by the glorious and gentle rule of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

**II. Word: *God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song***

**First Reading**

**Daniel 12:1-3**

*To the community for whom this passage was written, it seemed as though the oppression they were experiencing would never end. Daniel's message is: It shall end. The Ancient One, who is judge, will call all nations to account and will give dominion to "one like a human being," the Messiah.*

<sup>9</sup> As I watched, thrones were set in place, and an Ancient One took his throne, his clothing was white as snow, and the hair of his head like pure wool; his throne was fiery flames, and its wheels were burning fire. <sup>10</sup> A stream of fire issued and flowed out from his presence. A thousand thousands served him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood attending him. The court sat in judgment, and the books were opened. <sup>13</sup> As I watched in the night visions, I saw one like a human being coming with the clouds of heaven. And he came to the Ancient One and was presented before him. <sup>14</sup> To him was given dominion and glory and kingship, that all peoples, nations, and languages should serve him. His dominion is an everlasting dominion that shall not pass away, and his kingship is one that shall never be destroyed.

*Reader: "The Word of the Lord." Response: "Thanks be to God."*



<sup>1</sup> The LORD is king, robed in majesty; the LORD is robed in majesty and <sup>1</sup> armed with strength.

The LORD has made the world so sure that it can- <sup>1</sup> not be moved.

<sup>2</sup> **Ever since the world began, your throne has <sup>1</sup> been established; you are from <sup>1</sup> everlasting. *Refrain***

<sup>3</sup> The waters have lifted up, O LORD, the waters have lifted <sup>1</sup> up their voice; the waters have lifted up their <sup>1</sup> pounding waves.

<sup>4</sup> **Mightier than the sound of many waters, mightier than the breakers <sup>1</sup> of the sea, mightier is the LORD who <sup>1</sup> dwells on high.**

<sup>5</sup> Your testimonies are <sup>1</sup> very sure, and holiness befits your house, O LORD, forever and for- <sup>1</sup> evermore. *Refrain*

## Second Reading

## Revelation 1:4b-8

*The book of Revelation begins by celebrating the Almighty God, who spans all of time. Similarly, Jesus is celebrated as the firstborn from the dead who rules over the world's rulers. He is the one whose return we eagerly await.*

<sup>4b</sup> Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, <sup>5</sup> and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth.

To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, <sup>6</sup> and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

<sup>7</sup> Look! He is coming with the clouds;  
every eye will see him,  
even those who pierced him;  
and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail.

So it is to be. Amen.

<sup>8</sup> "I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

*Reader: "The Word of the Lord." Response: "Thanks be to God."*

## Gospel Acclamation

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,  
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.  
*Repeat alleluia*

Blessed is the one who comes in the name | of the Lord.\* Blessed is the coming kingdom of our an- | cestor David. (Mark 11:9)

## Gospel

**John 18:33-37**

*In John's gospel, the story of Jesus and Pilate presents two different ways of exercising power: through force or with love.*

*Response after announcement of the Gospel: "Glory to you, O Lord."*

<sup>33</sup> Pilate entered the headquarters again, summoned Jesus, and asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" <sup>34</sup> Jesus answered, "Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?" <sup>35</sup> Pilate replied, "I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me. What have you done?" <sup>36</sup> Jesus answered, "My kingdom is not from this world. If my kingdom were from this world, my followers would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here." <sup>37</sup> Pilate asked him, "So you are a king?" Jesus answered, "You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice."

*Response at the conclusion of the Gospel: "Praise to you, O Christ."*

## Sermon

*Jesus is Lord*

Pastor Jon Nelson

*Silence for prayer and reflection.*

## Hymn of the Day

*Before the Ancient One, Christ Stands*

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## Prayers

*Each petition concludes, "Merciful God," Response: "receive our prayer."*

### **III. Meal: God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ**

## Offering

*Offerings are gathered for the mission of the church: preaching and teaching the good news of our salvation through the death and resurrection of Christ, and caring for the poor. During the offering, the table is set for the Lord's Supper.*

**Offertory Prayer****The Great Thanksgiving**

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of  
 pow-er and might, heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -  
 san - na in the high-est. Blessed is he who comes in the  
 name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

**Eucharistic Prayer**

We bless you, O God, Sovereign of all things, Might of the ages...

We praise your majestic power saying: Blessing and glory to you, O God:

**Blessing and glory to you, O God.**

O Christ Jesus, Ruler and Guide, you call us to follow your path...

We laud your supreme mercy, saying: Wisdom and thanks to you, O God:

**Wisdom and thanks to you, O God.**



On the night...

We acclaim the reign of Christ our king, saying: Honor to you, O God:

**Honor to you, O God.**

O Spirit, our supreme Defender, transform this meal into the banquet of life...

We plead for your surpassing grace, saying: Power and might to you, O God:

**Power and might to you, O God.**

O God the Father, you uphold the universe that you create...

We praise you today, tomorrow, and forever. Amen. **Amen.**

Once more: **Amen.** And once more: **Amen.**

### The 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.**

### **Holy Communion**

*When receiving Communion, either stand or kneel at the Rail. Pastor will distribute the bread and a Communion Assistant will come with a tray of pre-filled cups of wine and grape juice. The juice will be in the middle of the tray. Gluten-free wafers are available as an alternative to bread. St. Stephen is a congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, so all are welcome to receive Christ's body and blood in the Lord's Supper.*



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have



mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the



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



way the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

**Communion Music**     *Beautiful Savior*  
Marie Nelson, Cello

Wilbur Held

*The King Shall Come*  
St. Stephen Ringers

John A. Behnke

## **Table Blessing**

### **Prayer after Communion**

Faithful God, you have spread before us a feast of rich food and drink in the body and blood of your Son. Now send us out to labor with you, in service to the world you have made, and among the people you have made your home, in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

### **IV. Sending: *God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world***

**Sending Hymn**

*The King Shall Come*

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### **Blessing**

**The Ancient One, enthroned,  
the Crucified One, now risen,  
the Indwelling One, poured out,  
✠ bless you now and forever.  
Amen.**

### **Dismissal**

Go in peace. Encourage one another in Christ. **Thanks be to God.**

**Postlude**

*King Jesus Is A-Listenin'*  
Marie Nelson, Cello

Duane Funderburk

# Lo! He Comes with Clouds Descending

1 Lo! he comes with clouds de - scend - ing,  
2 Now re - demp - tion, long - ex - pect - ed,  
3 Yea, a - men, let all a - dore thee,

once for our sal - va - tion slain;  
comes in sol - emn splen - dor near;  
high on thine e - ter - nal throne;

thou - sand thou - sand saints at - tend - ing  
all the saints this world re - ject - ed  
Sav - ior, take the pow'r and glo - ry,

join to sing the glad re - frain:  
 thrill the trum - pet sound to hear:  
 claim the king - dom as thine own.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le -  
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le -  
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le -

lu - ia! Christ the Lord re - turns to reign.  
 lu - ia! See the day of God ap - pear!  
 lu - ia! Thou shalt reign, and thou a - lone!

Text: Charles Wesley, 1707–1788, alt.  
 Music: HELMSLEY, Thomas Olivers, 1725–1799

# Before the Ancient One, Christ Stands



1 Be - fore the An - cient One, Christ stands, en - robed in cloud and  
 2 Who was, who is, and is to come as ser - vant lived in  
 3 Now in the lat - ter days you call, O Christ, and plead the



bright as snow, five wounds im - print his side, feet, hands, and  
 hu - man sphere; com - pas - sion was his di - a - dem; his  
 prem - ise clear, that pow - er grasped is none at all, and



thorns, the gar - land on his brow. Yet thrones and  
 glo - ry was the gen - tle tear; hu - mil - i -  
 serv - ing shows your Spir - it near. As na - tions



pow'rs fall to the knee and weave a song of maj - es - ty,  
 ty, his pur - ple garb; the heal - ing hand, his roy - al orb.  
 clash and wis - dom wanes, as glo - ries tempt and greed sus - tains,



for what the world ad - mires as gain is not the es - sence  
 Such love drew ire and ire drew death, but God has proved the  
 you bid us choose in ev - 'ry hour the pow'r of love, the



of Christ's reign, and strength is his, and name and  
 tru - er strength, and through all space the host pro -  
 great - est pow'r, that love may her - ald God's do -



might, be - cause he pit - ied hu - mans' plight.  
 claims the name a - bove all oth - er names.  
 main, and you, at last, may come to reign.

Text: Susan Palo Cherwien, b. 1953  
 Music: CHRIST CHURCH, MINNEAPOLIS, Robert Buckley Farlee, b. 1950  
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# The King Shall Come



- 1 The King shall come when morn-ing dawns and light tri - um-phant breaks,
- 2 Not as of old a lit - tle child, to bear and fight and die,
- 3 Oh, bright - er than the ris - ing morn when Christ, vic - to - rious, rose
- 4 Oh, bright - er than that glo - rious morn shall dawn up - on our race
- 5 The King shall come when morn-ing dawns and light and beau - ty brings.



when beau - ty gilds the east - ern hills and life to joy a - wakes.  
but crowned with glo - ry like the sun that lights the morn-ing sky.  
and left the lone - some place of death, de - spite the rage of foes.  
the day when Christ in splen - dor comes, and we shall see his face.  
Hail, Christ the Lord! Your peo - ple pray: come quick - ly, King of kings.



Text: John Brownlie, 1859-1925

Music: CONSOLATION, A. Davissou, *Kentucky Harmony*, 1816; arr. Theodore A. Beck, 1929-2003

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## As We Gather

### Restrooms & First Aid

- ❖ A gender-neutral, family restroom and a Women's restroom can be found in the hallway behind our Worship Space.
- ❖ Additional Men's and Women's restrooms can be found on the lower level of the church building.
- ❖ A first aid kit and an A.E.D. can be found hanging on the wall in the hallway behind our Worship Space.

### Live-streaming

- ❖ We regularly live-stream our services and cannot guarantee that you will not appear on our YouTube channel. Sitting in the East Wing or the NE section of the Worship Space will minimize your chances of being on screen. We can also bring communion to you if you inform an usher of that desire.

### Parents! Thanks for bringing your children to worship.

- ❖ Did you know that intergenerational worship is the single most important activity encouraging children's faith formation? (See vibrantfaith.org)
- ❖ When parents and children need to take a break for a few minutes, there's a play area (aka "playground") with toys and books in the East wing of the Worship Space.
- ❖ Age-appropriate activity bags are available in the Gathering Space – ask an usher for assistance.

### Assistance is Available for You:

- ❖ **An induction loop** is provided for the benefit of hearing aid users. To use, please switch your hearing aid to "T."
- ❖ **Large print** worship materials are available – ask an usher.

**Health Update:** We always encourage you to monitor yourself for symptoms of illness and to worship from home if you are experiencing any. We have masks and hand sanitizer available for use in our building should you require.

## What's Happening Today

**Flowers this morning** are given today by Nelia Lamoureux in the spirit of giving thanks to God.

**HART Multifaith Thanksgiving Service** is today **Sunday November 24<sup>th</sup>** at Walsingham Academy at **7pm**. All are welcome

**Poinsettias and Jean Kuhn Memorial Fund.** Please let the Office know if you want to order poinsettias for Christmas Eve (\$21.00 each) and/or contribute to the Jean Kuhn Memorial Fund for Christmas. This fund helps with those ministries needing assistance during the year for which we have not budgeted. **Deadline for poinsettias is TOMORROW Monday, November 25.**

## Upcoming

**New Women's Group Beginning in January.** We are kicking off a new monthly Women's Group in January! Momentum from our fall St. Stephen Women's Retreat inspired this path forward. The group's emphasis is to nurture one another on our faith journeys, continuing to explore and learn through spiritual development, study, discussion, and growth. Facilitated by St. Stephen member Sandy Johnson and using a shared leadership model, the **group sessions will be on the second Thursday of each month.** To best accommodate as many interested folks as possible, we will offer both an afternoon and an evening session. **First Session: Thursday, January 9, 2025;**  
**Location: St. Stephen library; Choice of Times: 12:30-2:00 PM or 7:00-8:30 PM**  
**No registration required. Just come and bring a friend!** If you want to join the new group but foresee a barrier to accessibility keeping you from doing so, please let us know and we will do our best to support your participation. Questions? Reach out to Ina Berkey.

**Church Office & Preschool Closed.** Both the Church Office and Preschool will be closed **Nov. 27-29** in observance of Thanksgiving.

**Committee chairs, Council officers and staff: Annual Reports for 2024** are due to the church office no later than **Monday, December 23.** Please send your annual reports electronically to Parish Administrator Hollie Jones

### **2024 TOY / GIFT DRIVE FOR GREATER WILLIAMSBURG**

**AREA CHILDREN** Buy a gift, It can be of your own choosing, any gift, safe, new, and not gift wrapped. It should be age-appropriate, including toys and small electronics (no gift cards). Bring the toys to St. Stephen and leave them in the gathering space or in the box outside the office. If you wish to donate money please make checks payable to St. Stephen Lutheran Church and in the memo put WHOM toy drive. Cash donations should be in an envelope with the same designation in the offering plate or the locked mail box outside the church. Deadline is Dec 1<sup>st</sup>. Any questions please reach out to Jim Ivey.



**Christmas Baking Traditions.** Join us in the Fellowship Hall on Sunday, December 8th from 3-4PM to share in one another's Christmas treat traditions. Bring your dough or batter and any special tools and share your traditions with others! The church ovens will also be available for baking. Not a baker? Come for conversation and to try some treats! Rides available, contact Pastor Jon.



**St. Stephen Calendar -Nov 17-24 , 2024**

*Our worship service is available on our website [www.saintstephenlutheran.net](http://www.saintstephenlutheran.net), click on “Worship with Us” and “Services.”*

**SUNDAY, Nov 24 – Christ The King**

- 8:30 AM**    **Worship – Holy Communion (live-streamed on our YouTube channel)**  
9:45 AM    Matins Choir Rehearsal (Worship Space)  
9:50 AM    Adult Ed: Coffee & Conversation (Fellowship Hall)  
9:50 AM    AOB/HS: Fun! (College Room)  
9:50 AM    Faith Formation: Music (Worship Space)  
**11:00 AM**   **Worship – Holy Communion**  
1:30 PM    Music Recital (Worship Space)  
3:00 PM    Music Recital (Worship Space)

**MONDAY, Nov 25**

- 10:00 AM   Staff Meeting (Pastor’s Office)  
1:30 PM    Bible Study (Library/Conference Room)  
7:00 PM    Pub and Grub (Billsburg Brewery)

**TUESDAY, Nov 26**

**WEDNESDAY, Nov 27**

- Church office and preschool closed**  
7:00 PM    AA Meeting (Fellowship Hall)

**THURSDAY, Nov 28**

**Church office and preschool closed**

**FRIDAY, Nov 29**

**Church office and preschool closed**

**SATURDAY, Nov 30**

- 5:30 PM    AA Meeting (Library/Conference Room)  
5:30 PM    Al-ANON Family Meeting (Gathering space)

**SUNDAY, Dec 1 – First Sunday of Advent**

- 8:30 AM**    **Worship – Holy Communion (live-streamed on our YouTube channel)**  
9:45 AM    Matins Choir Rehearsal (Worship Space)  
9:50 AM    Adult Ed: Coffee & Conversation (Fellowship Hall)  
9:50 AM    AOB/HS: Fun! (College Room)  
9:50 AM    Faith Formation: Music (Worship Space)  
**11:00 AM**   **Worship – Holy Communion**  
6:00 PM    LSA Dinner (College Room)

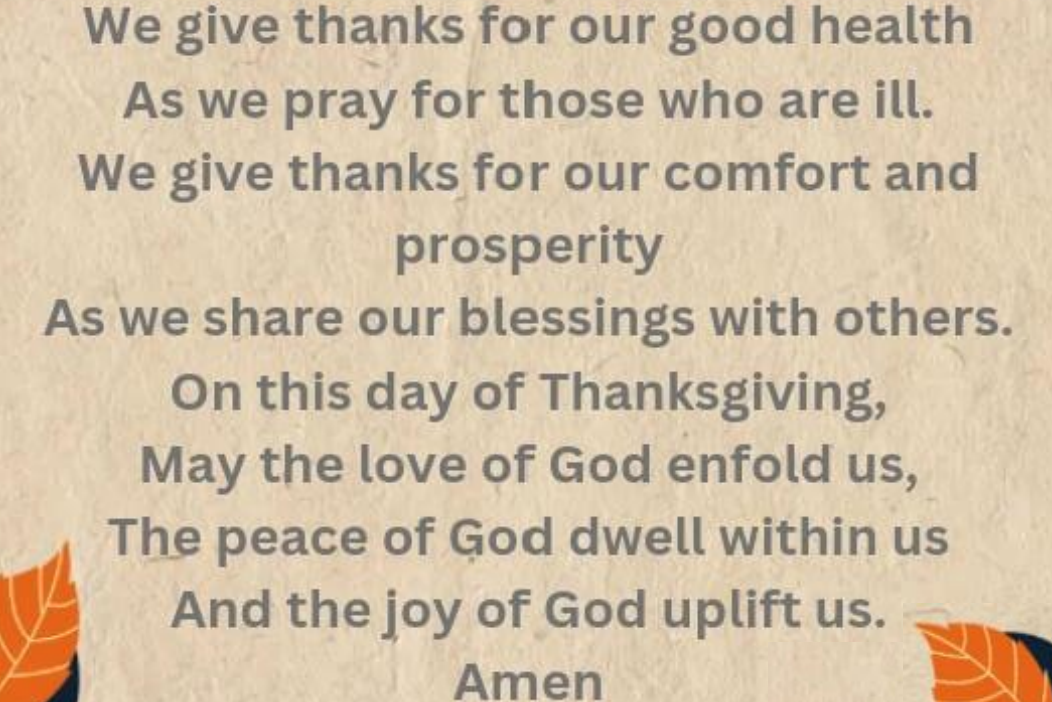
### **Leading our Worship and Hospitality Today**

Acolyte/Crucifer..... (8:30) Theo Bergh  
.....(11:00) Alina Dabel  
Altar Guild..... (8:30) Rita Kristiansen  
..... (11:00)  
Audio-Visual Team ..... (8:30) JR & Diana Lyons (11:00) David Nelson  
Bread Baker..... Paula Agor  
Cantors ..... (8:30) Karen Shoberg (11:00)Sandy Croshore  
Communion Assistants..... (8:30) Chris & Randy Punchard  
.....(11:00) Heidi Flatin and Emily Rossiter  
Flower Delivery..... Diane McCurry  
Greeters/Hosts ..... (8:30) Paul & Rita Kristiansen (11:00) Alison Carney  
Lectors..... (8:30)Ursula Recktenwald (11:00) Jane deSolms  
Preacher..... Pastor Jon Nelson  
Tellers..... Tom Peterkin, Sandy Peterkin, Sandy Croushore



# Thanksgiving Prayer

Dear Lord,  
Today we give thanks  
For our many blessings,  
As we pray for those in need,  
We give thanks  
For our family and friends  
As we pray for those who are lonely.  
We give thanks for our freedoms  
As we pray for those who are oppressed.  
We give thanks for our good health  
As we pray for those who are ill.  
We give thanks for our comfort and  
prosperity  
As we share our blessings with others.  
On this day of Thanksgiving,  
May the love of God enfold us,  
The peace of God dwell within us  
And the joy of God uplift us.  
Amen



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*(St. Stephen Lutheran Church Vision Statement)*

## **All of Us, Called Through Our Baptisms**

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***Welcome to St. Stephen Lutheran Church!***  
***Please fill this out and drop it in the offering plate***  
***or give it to an usher.***

***Nov 24, 2024***

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**For guests and members with changes:**

Address (Home) \_\_\_\_\_

City/State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone # \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

**Guests Only:**

I belong to \_\_\_\_\_

Church Address \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Please check as many as pertain:

\_\_\_\_ Member

\_\_\_\_ First time guest

\_\_\_\_ Regular guest

\_\_\_\_ Guest (out of town)

\_\_\_\_ Student at William & Mary

\_\_\_\_ Looking for a church home

\_\_\_\_ Desire to speak with pastor

\_\_\_\_ Would like more information about Stephen Ministry

\_\_\_\_ Would like a Stephen Minister to contact me

Any comments? Please be sure your name is above, so we may respond, if necessary.



# Prayer Requests

Please **add** to the prayer list in this month's bulletin and next month's *Quill*:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Please **remove** from prayer concerns:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_ I/We need a name tag: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_ I/We wish to order #\_\_\_ Poinsettias to decorate St. Stephen (\$21.00 each).  
Deadline for ordering poinsettias is **Monday, November 25.**

In Memory of: \_\_\_\_\_

In Honor of: \_\_\_\_\_

In Thanks for: \_\_\_\_\_

No Dedication \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_ I/We wish to support the Jean Kuhn Memorial Fund - to help fund  
unbudgeted social ministries.

In Memory of: \_\_\_\_\_

In Honor of: \_\_\_\_\_

In thanks for: \_\_\_\_\_

