



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.



March 1, 2026
Second Sunday in Lent

For Your Prayers –March 2-8, 2026

Lectionary readings for this week:

Mon – Mar 2: Numbers 21:4-9; Hebrews 3:1-6; Psalm 128

Tue – Mar 3: Isaiah 65:17-25; Romans 4:6-13; Psalm 128

Wed – Mar 4: Ezekiel 36:22-32; John 7:53—8:11; Psalm 128

Thu – Mar 5: Exodus 16:1-8; Colossians 1:15-23; Psalm 95

Fri – Mar 6: Exodus 16:9-21; Ephesians 2:11-22; Psalm 95

Sat – Mar 7: Exodus 16:27-35; John 4:1-6; Psalm 95

Next Sunday: Exodus 17:1-7 Psalm 95 (1) Romans 5:1-11 John 4:5-42

Join your prayers for healing with God's desires for **Kristin Carter, Ginny Cummings, Craig Eichfeld, Edith Haecker, Jim Ivey, Sharon Jacobs, Terri Larsen, and Jim Mayfield.**

Pray for those unable to come to worship: **Ailene Bartlett, Ed and Ingrid Brown, Pat Janot, Marilyn Johnson, Jon Lund, Carole Meyer, Jeanne Nelson, Darlene Simon, and Kay Wasaff.**

Pray for these loved ones of our congregation: Sam Areheart, Randy Altona, Phyllis Andrews, Lori Bardey and family, Kristin Carter, Charles Baugh, Donald and Carol Baum, Robi Bayard, Jeffrey Berry, Sr., Lila Bradley, June Brantley, Carol Bergh, Mary Bloom, Doug Bolick, Kay Braman, Bob Britcher, Raymond Bunn, Ruth Ann Coski, Amaree Cluff, Dru Dowdy, Judy Drezek, The family of Scott Hadly, Charee Hampton, Sue Hassan and family, Andy Havola, Nick Havola, Kim, Joan and Laurie Heintzelman, Lisa Hill, Doris Hillenbrand, Michelle Holdsworth, Jaxon Ireland, Don Johnson, Connie Kendrick, The Kennedy family, Pat Layton, Marnah Lund, Keara Mahony, Trish Macerelli, Laura Margolin, Barry and Mabel Martin, Ellen Martin, Mabel Mater, Jackie Mazzone, Tom Mifflin, Jimmy Mitchell, Liz Montalvo, Bob Myers, Jim Ogborn, Jeanette Osborn, Maricel Paulin, The Peterson family, Janet Popelas, Coral Pumley, Scott Radley, Kurt Recktenwald, Carol Sue Repass, Brian Ritter, Lou Schuster, Pamela Sharp, Kelsey Slay, Valerie Smith, Helen Soultoukis, Vasili Soultoukis, Kenneth & Laura Spencer, Chad Strausbaugh, Al Stern, Monika Stern, Janis Stevenson, Lara Templin, George and Jewel Thomas, Karli Wallace Thompson, Jenn Tyson, Matt Weilmuenster, Elaine Wrich, and Lynda Wright

Second Sunday in Lent

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

Welcome

Centering Music

Es Ist Das Heil Uns Kommen Her
(It is salvation that we come here)

Anonymous

Confession and Forgiveness

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin before God, who removes our guilt and blots out all offenses.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Gracious God, **have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.**

For seeking worldly delights that deceive us and dishonor you:

Gracious God, **have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.**

For desiring self-reliance instead of hungering for your word:

Gracious God, **have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.**

For failing to recognize your coming reign, and for hindering the work of the Spirit:

Gracious God, **have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.**

For drawing from the well of self-serving ambition, and for disdain the living water Christ offers: Gracious God, **have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.**

For disregarding voices from the margin, and for distrusting signs of your healing and hope in the world: Gracious God, **have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.**

For dwelling in tombs of self-pity and discontent, and for disregarding Christ's call to come forth to life: Gracious God, **have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.**

God's steadfast love, grace, and forgiveness abound. Through faith, the free gift of God, you have been clothed in the righteousness of Christ. In the name of † Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. The Spirit of the One who raised Christ from the dead dwells in you, pours God's love into your hearts, and gives you life and peace. **Amen.**

Gathering Hymn

We Are Baptized in Christ Jesus

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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**

Leader
In peace, in peace, let us pray to the Lord.

Assembly
Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have

For the reign of God, and for
mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

peace through - out the world, for the u - ni - ty of all, let us pray to the

Lord. For your
Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

peo - ple here who have come to give you praise, for the strength to live your

word, let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy. Lord, have

Help, save, and de - fend us, O God.
mer - cy. A - men.

Prayer of the Day

O God, our leader and guide, in the waters of baptism you bring us to new birth to live as your children. Strengthen our faith in your promises, that by your Spirit we may lift up your life to all the world through your Son, 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

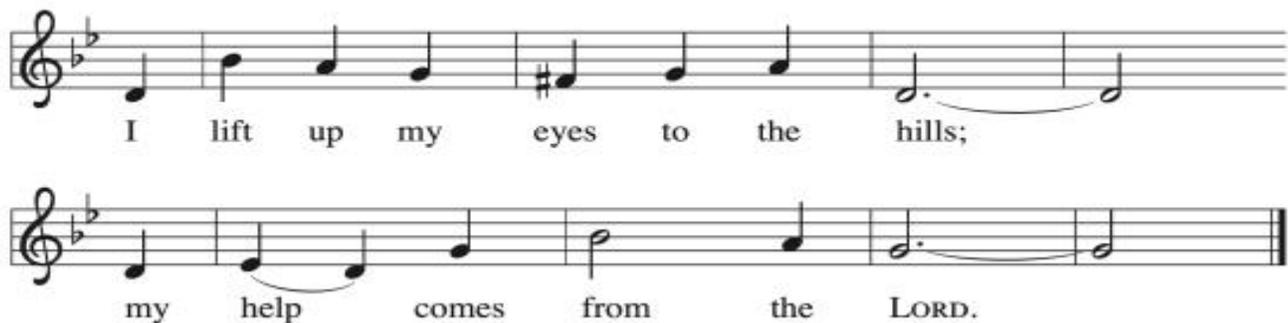
Genesis 12:1-4a

God's call of Abram and Sarai has a clear purpose—that through them all the families of the earth would gain a blessing. As they set out on their journey, they are accompanied by promises of land, nation, and a great reputation.

¹ The LORD said to Abram, “Go from your country and your kindred and your father’s house to the land that I will show you. ² I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. ³ I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse, and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.” ^{4a} So Abram went, as the LORD had told him, and Lot went with him.

Reader: “The Word of the Lord.” Response: “Thanks be to God.”

Psalm 121



- ¹ I lift up my eyes | to the hills;
from where is my | help to come?
- ² **My help comes | from the LORD,
the maker of heav- | en and earth.**
- ³ The LORD will not let your | foot be moved
nor will the one who watches over you | fall asleep.
- ⁴ **Behold, the keep- | er of Israel
will neither slum- | ber nor sleep; REFRAIN**
- ⁵ the LORD watches | over you;
the LORD is your shade at | your right hand;
- ⁶ **the sun will not strike | you by day,
nor the | moon by night.**
- ⁷ The LORD will preserve you | from all evil
and will | keep your life.
- ⁸ **The LORD will watch over your going out and your | coming in,
from this time forth for- | evermore. REFRAIN**

Second Reading

Romans 4:1-5, 13-17

In the person and example of Abraham we discover that a right relationship with God does not involve earning a reward from God but entails trusting God's promises. Abraham is the forebear and model for both Jews and Gentiles, because we too trust that ours is a God who gives life to the dead.

¹ What then are we to say was gained by Abraham, our ancestor according to the flesh? ² For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not before God. ³ For what does the scripture say? "Abraham believed God, and it was reckoned to him as righteousness." ⁴ Now to one who works, wages are not reckoned as a gift but as something due. ⁵ But to one who does not work but trusts him who justifies the ungodly, such faith is reckoned as righteousness. ¹³ For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. ¹⁴ For if it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. ¹⁵ For the law brings wrath, but where there is no law, neither is there transgression. ¹⁶ For this reason the promise depends on faith, in order that it may rest on grace, so that it may be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (who is the father of all of us, ¹⁷ as it is written, "I have made you the father of many nations"), in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist.

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

Lenten Acclamation

Let your steadfast love come to us, O Lord.

Save us as you promised; we will trust your word.

Gospel

John 3:1-17

A curious Pharisee visits Jesus by night to learn from the teacher his friends reject. Jesus speaks to him about life in the Spirit and the kingdom of God.

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

¹ Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. ² He came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God, for no one can do these signs that you do unless God is with that person." ³ Jesus answered him, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above." ⁴ Nicodemus said to him, "How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?" ⁵ Jesus answered, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. ⁶ What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. ⁷ Do not be astonished that I said to you, 'You must be born from above.' ⁸ The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit." ⁹ Nicodemus said to him, "How can these things be?" ¹⁰ Jesus answered him, "Are you the teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these

things? ¹¹ “Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen, yet you do not receive our testimony. ¹² If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? ¹³ No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. ¹⁴ And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, ¹⁵ that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. ¹⁶ “For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. ¹⁷ “Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world but in order that the world might be saved through him.

Response at the conclusion of the Gospel: “Praise to you, O Christ.”

Sermon: *Blessed Presence* Pastor Jon Nelson

Hymn of the Day *All Who Believe and Are Baptized* ELW 442
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Prayers

Each petition concludes: Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

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

Offering Invitation

Beloveds, in Christ we are set free from the burdens of proving ourselves to God or one another. Though we strive to grow in love and we hunger mightily for justice, we rest, too, in the grace of God. In a spirit of thanks for the Divine Embrace that reaches towards us always, let us bring our gifts and offerings together.

Offering of Music: **(8:30)** *God So Loved the World* Stephen Casurella
Matins choir

(11:00) *God so Loved the World* John Stainer
Chancel choir

Offertory Prayer

Faithful One, we do not always live as we hope to. Though we long to be a sanctuary where all the weary are welcome and the malnourished have plenty, our fears get in our way. We speak of bold love but resort to what we know. Keep nurturing your Kin-dom in us, O God, and receive these gifts we bring with hope. **Amen.**

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 ... 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. Bless - ed is he who comes in the
name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Eucharistic Blessing

Blessed are you, O God of the universe. Your mercy is everlasting and your...

...With this bread and cup we remember our Lord's passover from death to life as we proclaim the mystery of faith: **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

O God of resurrection and new life: Pour out your Holy Spirit on us and on these gifts of bread and wine. Bless this feast. Grace our table with your presence. **Come, Holy Spirit.**

Reveal yourself to us in the breaking of the bread. Raise us up as the body of Christ for the world. Breathe new life into us. Send us forth, burning with justice, peace, and love. **Come, Holy Spirit.**

With your holy ones of all times and places, with the earth and all its creatures, with sun and moon and stars, we praise you, O God, blessed and holy Trinity, now and forever. **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*

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.

alternative to bread. All are welcome to the Lord's Supper.

Communion Hymn

God Loved the World

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Table Blessing

Prayer after Communion

God of our salvation, we give you thanks for this meal that restores our souls, reconciles us to you, and strengthens us for the journey. Through the body and blood of your Son, may we become Christ's body in the world, bearing witness to your love for all creation, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

Leader
 Free to go in peace as you have prom - ised.

All
 Free to go in peace as you have prom - ised.

Leader or All

Now, Lord, you have set your ser - vant free, free to go in peace as you have

All

prom - ised. Free to go in peace as you have prom - ised.

Leader or All

For these eyes of mine have seen the Savior

whom you have prepared for all the world to see:

All

Free to go in peace as you have prom - ised.

Leader or All

a light to en - lighten the nations, and the glory of your peo - ple Is - ra - el.

All

Free to go in peace as you have prom - ised.

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

Blessing

Receive the blessing of the holy Trinity: God, who calls all things into existence, Jesus Christ, who redeems us, and the Holy Spirit, whose breath sustains creation, † bless you now and always. Amen.

Dismissal

Go in peace. Believe the good news. **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

Lift High the Cross

John Carter

Preparing for our Lenten Mid-Week Series: Walking Wet

Reflection Questions

- How do you define the word ‘neighbor’?
- Read John 13:21-30 and notice that the ‘he’ referred to in John 13:31 is Judas. How does the meaning of this passage change when you know that the words are spoken right after Judas leaves to betray Jesus to the authorities?
- What does it feel like to be loved by God?
- What does it look like to love others as Jesus loves us?

Spiritual Practice: Community Prayer Walk: A ministry called the Listening Church has developed a number of resources to help individuals listen to God, listen to each other, and listen to their community. Use this link to access the resource on taking a prayerful walk or drive through your community: <https://www.thelisteningchurch.com/walk>

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We Are Baptized in Christ Jesus



1 We are bap-tized in Christ Je - sus, we are bap - tized in his death;
2 In the wa - ter and the wit - ness, in the break - ing of the bread,
3 Glo - ry be to God the Fa - ther, glo - ry be to Christ the Son,



that as Christ is raised vic - to - rious, we might live a brand new life.
in the wait - ing arms of Je - sus who is ris - en from the dead,
glo - ry to the Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er three and ev - er one;



And if we have been u - nit - ed in a dread - ful death like his,
God has made a new be - gin - ning from the ash - es of our past;
as it was in the be - gin - ning, glo - ry now re - sounds a - gain



we will all be re - u - nit - ed, for he lives.
in the los - ing and the win - ning we hold fast.
in a song that has no end - ing. . . . A - men.

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Music: OUIMETTE, John C. Ylvisaker
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All Who Believe and Are Baptized

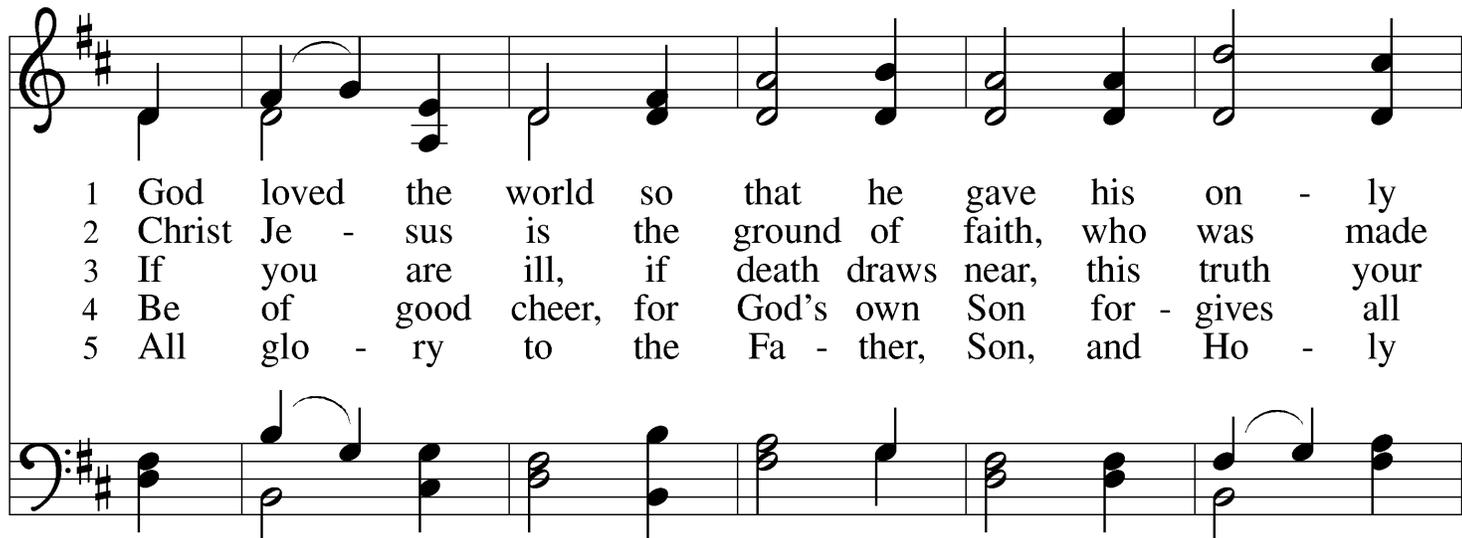
1 All who be - lieve and are bap - tized shall see the Lord's sal -
2 With one ac - cord, O God, we pray, grant us your Ho - ly

va - tion; bap - tized in - to the death of Christ, they are a
Spir - it; help us in our in - fir - mi - ty through Je - sus'

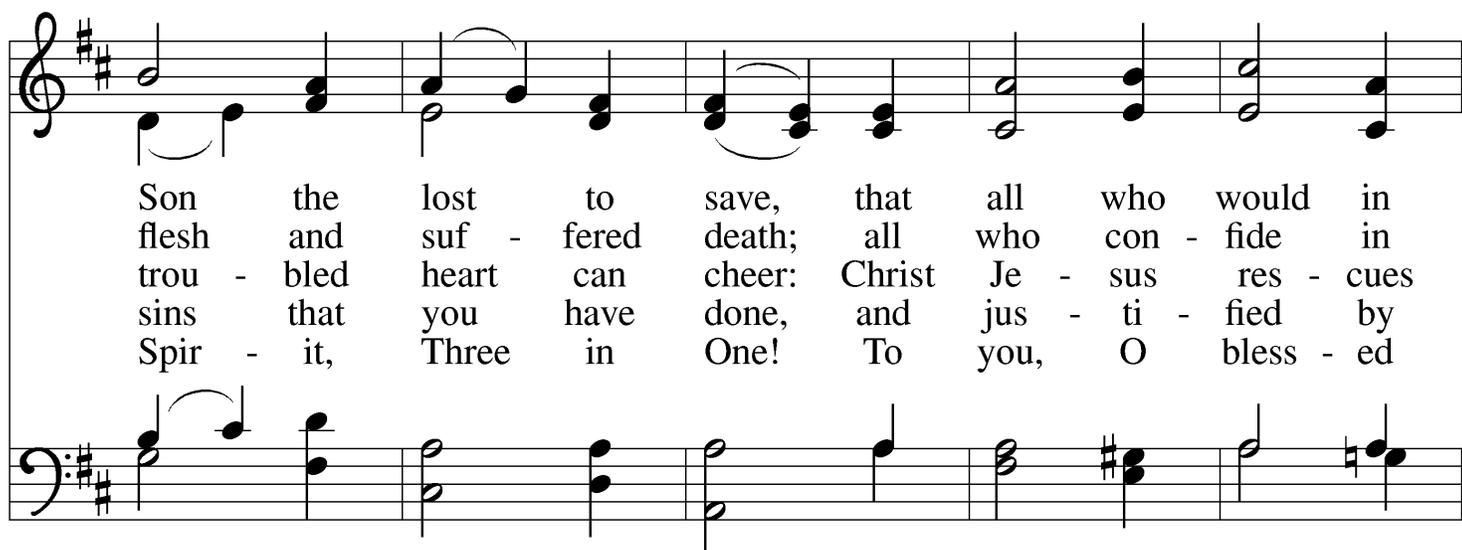
new cre - a - tion; through Christ's re - demp - tion they will stand a -
blood and mer - it; grant us to grow in grace each day by

mong the glo - rious heav'n - ly band of ev - 'ry tribe and na - tion.
ho - ly bap - tism, that we may e - ter - nal life in - her - it.

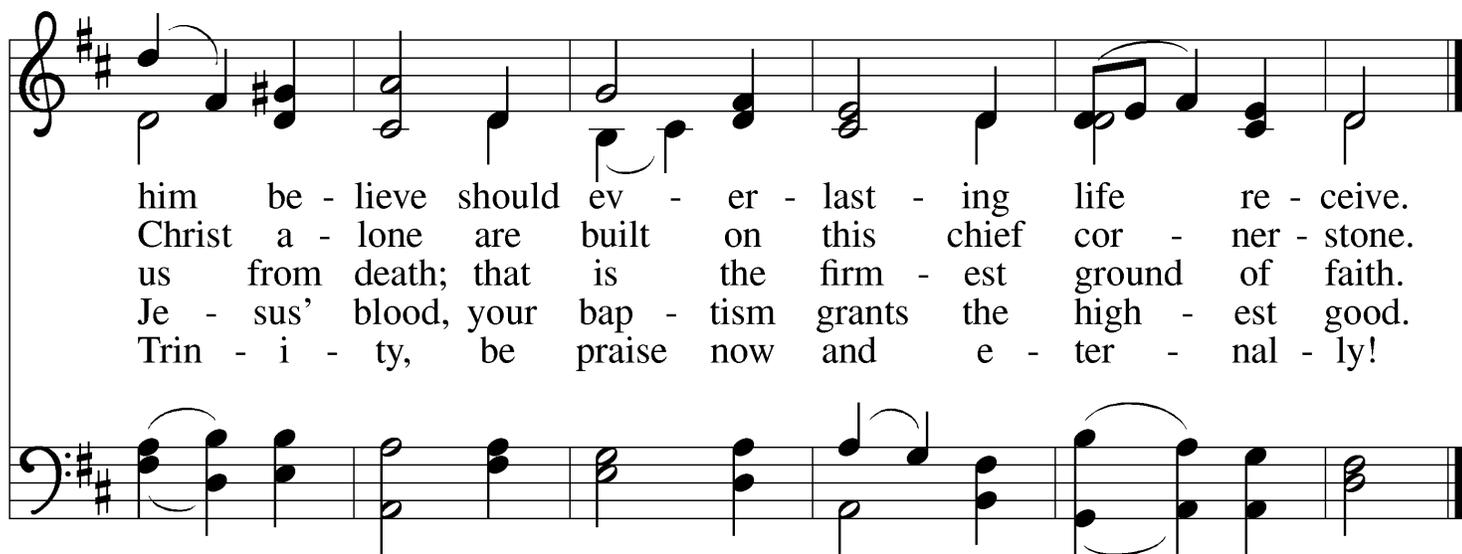
God Loved the World



1 God loved the world so that he gave his on - ly
2 Christ Je - sus is the ground of faith, who was made
3 If you are ill, if death draws near, this truth your
4 Be of good cheer, for God's own Son for - gives all
5 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly



Son the lost to save, that all who would in
flesh and suf - fered death; all who con - fide in
trou - bled heart can cheer: Christ Je - sus res - cues
sins that you have done, and jus - ti - fied by
Spir - it, Three in One! To you, O bless - ed



him be - lieve should ev - er - last - ing life re - ceive.
Christ a - lone are built on this chief cor - ner - stone.
us from death; that is the firm - est ground of faith.
Je - sus' blood, your bap - tism grants the high - est good.
Trin - i - ty, be praise now and e - ter - nal - ly!

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 "pryground") 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 by Bev Hoyer in honor of Dave's birthday!

LSA will meet with the congregation between services on Sunday March 1 to share their experiences and ways the community can be involved to support them

All Committee Fair & Meeting: On Sunday, March 1, following the 11:00 AM worship service, join us in the Fellowship Hall to learn about our various ministries or find a place to plug in. Pizza will be provided; you are welcome to bring a side or dessert to share!

Information & Upcoming

Wednesday evenings in Lent, March 4, 11,18 and 25th at St. Stephen:

- **5:30 PM** – Soup and Bread supper in the Fellowship Hall
 - **Sign up** to bring soup and/or bread on the poster in the Gathering Space!
 - **Sign up** on the insert sheet if you plan to attend

6:30 PM: Evening Prayer

Easter week Schedule

April 2, Maundy Thursday at St. Martin's Episcopal Church

April 3, Good Friday worship at St. Stephen

April 4, the Easter Vigil at St. Martin's Episcopal Church

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April 5, Easter Sunday St. Stephen

- **8:30 AM, 11:00 AM – Festival Easter worship**

Women's Retreat at the Beach: March 20-22

We have rented a large house (with an elevator) in Sandbridge, Virginia Beach, for our Spring 2026 Women's Retreat from Friday, March 20 - Sunday, March 22. Registration forms are available in the Gathering space. A \$50 for the weekend or \$20 for the day and completed registration form is due to the office no later than March 1st.

Soft Plastic Collection

We will no longer be collecting soft plastic for the Master Gardeners.

Faith Formation Help Needed! Our Faith Formation now meets three times a month on Thursdays for a meal and a lesson. Pastor Jon would welcome some help providing the meals! Are you available and willing to cook an evening meal for our families with young children?

Communal Life: LSA Sunday Dinners. Want to get to know our LSA members? Host a meal for them! Sign up to host a Sunday evening meal for LSA on the chart in the Gathering Space. If you haven't hosted before, instructions are available.

Seeking Volunteer(s) to Help St. Stephen Dining Small Groups

We are looking for a volunteer (or co-volunteers) to take over putting the St. Stephen dining small groups together, which involves a few steps three times a year: 1) asking Parish Administrator Hollie Jones to put sign-up notices in the Sunday bulletin every four months, 2) dividing up the names of those who sign up, and 3) emailing each group point person at the beginning of each four-month time period with instructions for getting the group together. Virtually all these steps are doable via email. If you appreciate the dining group experience and want to help keep it going, or just have an interest in a volunteer role you can do from home, please reach out to Alison Carney or Ina Berkey. Sample emails and instructions will be provided as needed!

On Sunday March 15 Grace Inside will be here between services to share about the prison ministry and how our community can provide support and care to this ministry.

Calling gardeners or anyone who enjoys getting in the dirt! This church has always relied on volunteers to keep our gardens looking beautiful. We are again looking for volunteers to take a week or more to weed, water and dead head the flowers. The heavy, pruning and mulching are done by a company we hire a couple times a year. Please indicate your willingness to help on the insert or contact Chris Punchard

Women's Study, Thursday, March 12

For our March Women's Study, we will focus on key themes of Lent, using Bible verses to guide our discussion. Please join us at 1:00 pm or 7:00 pm in the library on Thursday, March 12. Sandy Johnson will facilitate.

Monthly Breakfasts

Come to build and deepen relationships – at the Colonial Pancake House, on the corner of Page Street and Penniman Road. Gatherings take place at 8:00 AM.

Tuesday, March 3 - Women are invited to join together for breakfast

Thursday, March 5 - Men are invited to join together for breakfast

St. Stephen Calendar: March 1-March 8, 2026

SUNDAY, March 1~ Second Sunday in Lent

- 8:00 AM Matins Choir Warm-up (Worship Space)
8:30 AM Worship – Communion (*livestreamed on our YouTube channel*)
9:45 AM Matins Choir Rehearsal (Worship Space)
9:45 AM 6th Grade Class (Pastor’s Office) & AOB (Library/Conference room)
9:45 AM LSA meet and greet (Fellowship Hall)
10:30 AM Chancel Choir Warm-up (Worship Space)
11:00 AM Worship – Communion
12:15 PM All Committee Fair (Fellowship Hall)
6:00 PM LSA Dinner (College room)

MONDAY, March 2

- 12:15 PM Staff meeting (Pastor Jon office)
1:30 PM Bible Study (Library/Conference room)

TUESDAY, March 3

- 8:00 AM Women’s Breakfast (Colonial Pancake House)
6:00 PM-8:00 PM Stephen Minister Training (Fellowship Hall)

WEDNESDAY, March 4

- 5:00 PM Girl Scouts (Preschool Room)
5:30 PM Soup Supper (Fellowship Hall)
6:30 PM Lenten Midweek Service (Worship Space)
7:00 PM Chancel choir rehearsal (Worship space)
7:00 PM AA meeting (Fellowship Hall)

THURSDAY, March 5

- 8:00 AM Men’s Breakfast (Colonial Pancake House)
4:30 PM Handbell Rehearsal (Worship space)
5:15 PM Faith5 Meal (Fellowship Hall)

FRIDAY, March 6

SATURDAY, March 7

- 5:30 PM AA Meeting (Library/Conference room)
5:30 PM Al-Anon (Gathering Space)

SUNDAY, March 8~ Second Sunday in Lent

- 8:00 AM Matins Choir Warm-up (Worship Space)
8:30 AM Worship – Communion (*livestreamed on our YouTube channel*)
9:45 AM Matins Choir Rehearsal (Worship Space)
9:45 AM 6th Grade Class (Pastor’s Office) & AOB (Library/Conference room)
10:30 AM Chancel Choir Warm-up (Worship Space)
11:00 AM Worship – Communion
6:00 PM LSA Dinner (College room)

Leading our Worship and Hospitality Today

Acolyte/Crucifer.....(8:30) John McCurry
..... (11:00) Ben Berry
Altar Guild (8:30)
..... (11:00)
Audio-Visual Team..... (8:30) Tim Judy & Nancy Carter (11:00) Mike Morgan
Bread Baker..... Ursula Recktenwald
Cantors (8:30) Kimberlee Tozier (11:00) Brian Hesse
Communion Assistants (8:30) John & Diane McCurry
..... (11:00) Julie Meeks and Ben Berry
Flower DeliveryNelia Lamoureux
Greeters/Hosts (8:30) J.R & Diana Lyons (11:00) Diana Tiller-Dichtel
Lectors.....(8:30) Sandy Peterkin (11:00) Sandy Croushore
Pastor Pastor Jon Nelson
Tellers..... Jane Gingerich, Ursula Recktenwald and Russ White
Ushers..... (8:30) Jeff and Lisa Bushmire (11:00) George Bass and Jim Weilmuenster

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(St. Stephen Lutheran Church Vision Statement)

All of Us, Called Through Our Baptisms

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Hollie Jones – Parish Administrator (229-6688)

Jessica Kimball – Preschool Director (229-6688)

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