



# SAINT STEPHEN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

## THE LITURGY OF THE PALMS

*The Liturgy of the Palms will take place on the terrace patio at 9 and 11:15 a.m.*

*At 7:45 a.m., it will take place in the Narthex*

## PALM SUNDAY

APRIL 2, 2023

7:45, 9:00, AND 11:15 A.M.

## WELCOME TO SAINT STEPHEN'S

We are delighted to have you worship with us today.

Whether online or in-person, we are eager to help you grow in your faith. We offer many ways to connect through prayer, serving, and learning through Christian formation. Please reach out to staff or clergy with questions and to get connected at Saint Stephen's.

In order for worship to be a space for focus and prayer, please silence your phones.

### *A Note about the Service*

When page numbers are preceded by BCP, this refers to the Book of Common Prayer, found in the pew rack. Service music is found in the red Hymnal 1982 or in the yellow Alleluia III songbook.

**PRELUDE** St. Anthony's Chorale  
by Brahms/Haydn

**Celebrant** Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord.  
**People** **Peace in heaven and glory in the highest.**  
**Celebrant** Let us pray.

Assist us mercifully with your help, O Lord God of our salvation, that we may enter with joy upon the contemplation of those mighty acts, whereby you have given us life and immortality; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**Celebrant** The Lord be with you.  
**People** **And also with you.**  
**Celebrant** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**People** **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

It is right to praise you, Almighty God, for the acts of love by which you have redeemed us through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. On this day he entered the holy city of Jerusalem in triumph, and was proclaimed as King of kings by those who spread their garments and branches of palm along his way. Let these branches be for us signs of his victory, and grant that we who bear them in his name may ever hail him as our King, and follow him in the way that leads to eternal life; who lives and reigns in glory with you and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **Amen.**

**Celebrant** Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
**People** **Hosanna in the highest.**  
**Celebrant** Let us go forth in peace.  
**People** **In the name of Christ. Amen.**

*During the procession, all may hold branches in their hands while the processional hymn is sung. You may follow the crucifer as we process into the church.*



**PROCESSIONAL HYMN**

**“All Glory, Laud, and Honor”**

The Hymnal 1982 #154

Text: Theodulph of Orleans, c. 820; tr. John M. Neale, 1851, alt.

Tune: *ST. THEODULPH*, Melchior Teschner, 1615; harm. Johann S. Bach, 1685-1750, alt. *Public Domain*

*Refrain:*

All glory, laud, and honor, to thee, Redeemer, King!  
to whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring.

Thou art the King of Israel, thou David’s royal Son,  
who in the Lord’s name comest, the King and Blessed One.

The company of angels is praising thee on high;  
and we with all creation in chorus make reply.

The people of the Hebrews with palms before thee went;  
our praise and prayers and anthems before thee we present.

To thee, before thy passion, they sang their hymns of praise;  
to thee, now high exalted, our melody we raise.

Thou didst accept their praises; accept the prayers we bring,  
who in all good delightest, thou good and gracious King.

*Refrain*

*Refrain*

*Refrain*

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*Refrain*



**OPENING ACCLAMATION**

BCP 351

**Celebrant** Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins

**People** His mercy endures for ever.

**SONG OF PRAISE** “We’re Marching to Zion”

Text: Isaac Watts Tune: *MARCHING TO ZION*, Robert Lowry (1867) *Public Domain*

Come, we that love the Lord, and let our joys be known.  
Join in a song with sweet accord, join in a song with sweet accord,  
and thus surround the throne, and thus surround the throne.

*Refrain:*

We’re marching to Zion, beautiful, beautiful Zion.  
We’re marching upward to Zion, the beautiful city of God.

The hill of Zion yields a thousand sacred sweets,  
before we reach the heav’nly fields, before we reach the heav’nly fields,  
or walk the golden streets, or walk the golden streets.

*Refrain*

Then let our songs abound, and ev’ry tear be dry.  
We’re marching thro’ Immanuel’s ground,  
we’re marching thro’ Immanuel’s ground,  
to fairer worlds on high, to fairer worlds on high.

*Refrain*

*At the 9:00 and 11:15 a.m. service, the children (4K to 4th grade) may follow the children’s crucifer to Children’s Chapel. They will return at the Peace.*

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

**People And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty and everliving God, in your tender love for the human race you sent your Son our Savior Jesus Christ to take upon him our nature, and to suffer death upon the cross, giving us the example of his great humility: Mercifully grant that we may walk in the way of his suffering, and also share in his resurrection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

## THE LESSONS

### A READING FROM THE PROPHET ISAIAH

43:16-21

Thus says the LORD,  
    who makes a way in the sea,  
    a path in the mighty waters,  
who brings out chariot and horse,  
    army and warrior;  
they lie down, they cannot rise,  
    they are extinguished, quenched like a wick:  
Do not remember the former things,  
    or consider the things of old.  
I am about to do a new thing;  
    now it springs forth, do you not perceive it?  
I will make a way in the wilderness  
    and rivers in the desert.  
The wild animals will honor me,  
    the jackals and the ostriches;  
for I give water in the wilderness,  
    rivers in the desert,  
to give drink to my chosen people,  
    the people whom I formed for myself  
so that they might declare my praise.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

**People Thanks be to God.**



**PSALM 118:1-2, 19-29**

The choir will introduce the Antiphon and then the congregation will join in singing it throughout the psalm.



from *St. Martin's Psalter* by Thomas Pavlechko © St. James Music Press, 2010

- 1 Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; \*  
his mercy endures for ever.
- 2 Let Israel now proclaim, \*  
"His mercy endures for ever."
- 19 Open for me the gates of righteousness; \*  
I will enter them;  
I will offer thanks to the LORD.
- 20 "This is the gate of the LORD; \*  
he who is righteous may enter." *Antiphon*
  
- 21 I will give thanks to you, for you answered me \*  
and have become my salvation.
- 22 The same stone which the builders rejected \*  
has become the chief cornerstone.
- 23 This is the LORD's doing, \*  
and it is marvelous in our eyes.
- 24 On this day the LORD has acted; \*  
we will rejoice and be glad in it. *Antiphon*
  
- 25 Hosanna, LORD, hosanna! \*  
LORD, send us now success.
- 26 Blessed is he who comes in the name of the LORD; \*  
we bless you from the house of the LORD.
- 27 God is the LORD; he has shined upon us; \*  
form a procession with branches up to the horns of the altar.
- 28 "You are my God, and I will thank you; \*  
you are my God, and I will exalt you."
- 29 Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; \*  
his mercy endures for ever. *Antiphon*



If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless.

Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

Reader        The Word of the Lord.

People        **Thanks be to God.**

#### SEQUENCE HYMN

"At the Name of Jesus"

Text: Caroline M. Noel (1870) Tune: *KINGS WESTON*, Ralph Vaughan Williams (1925) © 1925 by R. Vaughan Williams

The Hymnal 1982 #435

verses 1-3

#### THE HOLY GOSPEL OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST ACCORDING TO JOHN

12:1-8

People        **Glory to you, Lord Christ**

Six days before the Passover Jesus came to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. There they gave a dinner for him. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at the table with him. Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard, anointed Jesus' feet, and wiped them with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), said, "Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor?" (He said this not because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief; he kept the common purse and used to steal what was put into it.) Jesus said, "Leave her alone. She bought it so that she might keep it for the day of my burial. You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me."

The Gospel of the Lord.

People        **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

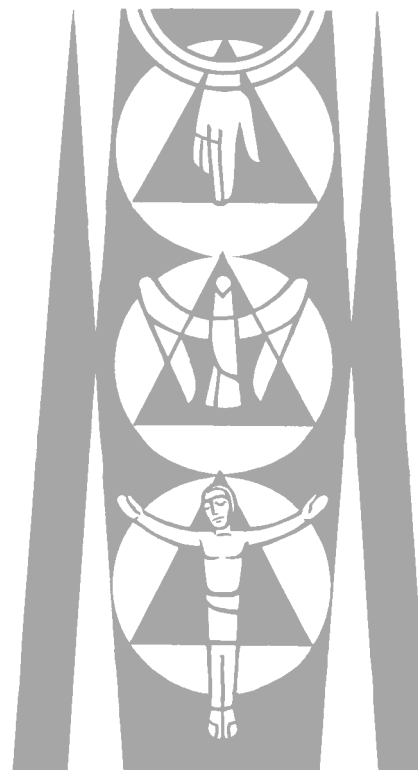
#### THE SERMON

The Rev. John Burruss

*Please stand.*

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:  
by the power of the Holy Spirit  
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,  
and was made man.  
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.  
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.  
He 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.

*The Intercessor begins*

In peace, let us pray to the Lord, saying, "Lord, have mercy"

For the holy Church of God, that it may be filled with truth and love, and be found without fault at the day of your coming, we pray to you, O Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For Michael, our Presiding Bishop, Glenda and Brian our own Bishops; for John, Becky, Katherine, CJ, and Ron, our clergy; our parish partners at Christ Church, Fairfield, and St. Luc, Thomassique; for all bishops and other ministers, and for all the holy people of God, we pray to you, O Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For all who fear God and believe in you, Lord Christ, that our divisions may cease, and that all may be one as you and the Father are one, we pray to you, O Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For the mission of the Church, that in faithful witness it may preach the Gospel to the ends of the earth, we pray to you, O Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For those who do not yet believe, and for those who have lost their faith, that they may receive the light of the Gospel, we pray to you, O Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For the peace of the world, that a spirit of respect and forbearance may grow among nations and peoples, we pray to you, O Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For those in positions of public trust, that they may serve justice, and promote the dignity and freedom of every person, we pray to you, O Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For a blessing upon all human labor, and for the right use of the riches of creation, that the world may be freed from poverty, famine, and disaster, we pray to you, O Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For the poor, the persecuted, the sick, and all who suffer; for refugees, prisoners, and all who are in danger; that they may be relieved and protected, we pray to you, O Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For all who have commended themselves to our prayers; for our families, friends, and neighbors; that being freed from anxiety, they may live in joy, peace, and health, we pray to you, O Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For all who have died in the communion of your Church, and those whose faith is known to you alone, that, with all the saints, they may have rest in that place where there is no pain or grief, but life eternal, we pray to you, O Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

Rejoicing in the fellowship of all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life to Christ our God. **To you, O Lord our God.**

*Silence*

*The Celebrant adds the following Doxology*

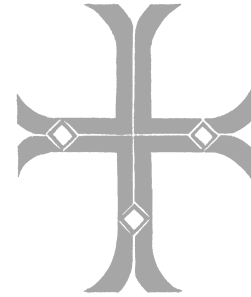
For yours is the majesty, O Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## THE CONFESSION OF SIN

BCP 360

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

**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.**



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.**

## THE PEACE

**Celebrant** The peace of Christ be always with you.  
**People** **And also with you.**

## THE OFFERTORY

*Thank you for your continued support of God's work through Saint Stephen's.*

*If you've come prepared to honor God with your giving today, you may place an offering in the offering plate, mail a check to the church, scan the code in the back of the bulletin, or visit [ssechurch.org/give](http://ssechurch.org/give).*

## OFFERTORY ANTHEM

### "Benedictus"

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Benedictus qui venit in nomine Domini. Hosanna in excelsis.

*Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.*

## PRESENTATION HYMN

### Doxology" verse 3

The Hymnal 1982 #380

Text: St. 3 -Thomas Ken (1674) Tune: *OLD HUNDREDTH*, attr. Louis Bourgeois (1551) *Public Domain*

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.



*Please stand as you are able.*

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.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. You bid your faithful people cleanse their hearts, and prepare with joy for the Paschal feast; that, fervent in prayer and in works of mercy, and renewed by your Word and Sacraments, they may come to the fullness of grace which you have prepared for those who love you.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

**SANCTUS**

The Hymnal 1982 #S130

Setting: from *Deutsche Messe*, Franz Schubert; arr. Richard Proulx; adapt. © 1985 GIA Publications

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

**Hosanna in the highest.**

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

**Hosanna in the highest.**

*Standing or kneeling.*

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

**Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy Name,  
thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those  
who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom,  
and the power, and the glory,  
for ever and ever. Amen.**



## **THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD**

BCP 364

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.*

**Celebrant** Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
**People** Therefore let us keep the feast.

## **FRACTION ANTHEM**

## **AGNUS DEI**

The Hymnal 1982 #S164

Setting: from *Deutsche Messe*, Franz Schubert; arr. Richard Proulx; adapt. © 1985 GIA Publications

Jesus, Lamb of God: have mercy on us.  
Jesus, bearer of our sins: have mercy on us.  
Jesus, redeemer, redeemer of the world:  
give us your peace, give us your peace.

## THE INVITATION

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

This is the table, not of the Church, but of the Lord. It is made ready for those who love him and for those who want to love him more. So, come, you who have much faith and you who have little, you who have been here often and you who have not been here long, you who have tried to follow and you who have failed. Come, because it is the Lord who invites you. It is his will that those who want him should meet him here.

*All who seek Christ are welcome at the Lord's Table.*

*Gluten free wafers are available at the altar rail by indicating need to one of the clergy.  
It is our custom at Saint Stephen's to remain kneeling or standing  
at the altar rail until all have taken communion.*

*If you need assistance, an usher can let the clergy know and they will bring Communion to you.*

## MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

### "God Himself Is with Us"

Solo

Text: Gerhardt Tersteegen (1729); tr. *Hymnal* 1940, alt; st. 3 tr. Henry Sloane Coffin, used by permission Tune: TYSK, Psalm und Choralbuch, 1719 *Public Domain*

### "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"

Text: Jennette Threlfall (1873) Tune: *ELLACOMBE*, Gesangbuch der Herzogl, Württemberg, 1784 *Public Domain*

1 Hosanna, loud hosanna the little children sang;  
through pillared court and temple the lovely anthem rang.  
To Jesus, who had blessed them, close folded to his breast,  
the children sang their praises, the simplest and the best.

2 From Olivet they followed mid an exultant crowd,  
the victory palm branch waving, and chanting clear and loud.  
The Lord of earth and heaven rode on in lowly state,  
nor scorned that little children should on his bidding wait.

3 "Hosanna in the highest!" That ancient song we sing,  
for Christ is our Redeemer, the Lord of heaven, our King.  
O may we ever praise him with heart and life and voice,  
and in his blissful presence eternally rejoice.

### "Hark! The Glad Sound"

The Hymnal 1982 #72

Text: Philip Doddridge (1735) Tune: *RICHMOND*, Thomas Haweis, 1792; adapt. Samuel Webbe (1808) *Public Domain*

### "Lift Up Your Heads"

The Hymnal 1982 #436

Text: Georg Weissel (1642); trans. Catherine Winkworth Tune: *TRURO*, melody from *Psalmody Evangelica, Part II*, T. Williams, 1789; harm. Lowell Mason *Public Domain*

## Blessing for Communion for the Homebound

*In the name of this congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.  
We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup. Amen.*

### POST COMMUNION PRAYER

BCP 365

Let us pray.

**All Eternal God, heavenly Father,  
you have graciously accepted us as living members  
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,  
and you have fed us with spiritual food  
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.  
Send us now into the world in peace,  
and grant us strength and courage  
to love and serve you  
with gladness and singleness of heart;  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

### THE BLESSING

**CLOSING HYMN**                      **Ride On! Ride On in Majesty!"**                      **The Hymnal 1982 #156**  
Text: Henry H. Milman (1791-1868), alt. Tune: WINCHESTER NEW, from *Musicalisches Handbuch*, Hamburg, 1690 Public Domain

### THE DISMISSAL

Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.  
**People Thanks be to God.**

**POSTLUDE** Psalm 19  
by Benedetto Marcello

#### Online Offertory

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#### Thank you to all who served in our services today!

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## Holy Week at Saint Stephen's Episcopal Church

### Sunday, April 2

#### **Palm Sunday - Nursery at 9 and 11:15 a.m. and 5 p.m.**

- 7:45 a.m. Meet in the Narthex for procession
- 9:00 a.m. Meet on patio for procession with donkey
- 10:15 a.m. Donuts with the Donkey on the patio
- 11:15 a.m. Meet on patio for procession with donkey
- 5:00 p.m. Celtic Eucharist in the Nave

### Wednesday, April 5

#### **Stations of the Cross**

- 5:30 p.m. Nursery opens
- 5:30-6:15 p.m. Dinner in the Parish Hall
- 6:30 p.m. Service in the Nave  
Children's Stations in Carpenter Hall

### Thursday, April 6

#### **Maundy Thursday**

Labyrinth available to walk in the Parish Hall  
noon Thursday to noon Friday

#### Evening Service

- 6:30 p.m. Service in the Nave  
Foot washing, Eucharist, stripping of the altar  
Nursery and Children's Chapel available

Overnight Prayer Vigil in the Nave  
8 p.m. Thursday to noon Friday

### Friday, April 7

#### **Good Friday**

- 12:15 p.m. Service in the Nave
- 6:30 p.m. Service in the Nave with nursery

### Saturday, April 8

#### **Easter Vigil**

6:30 p.m. Service in the Nave with nursery  
Light reception following in the Gathering Space.

### Sunday, April 9

#### **Easter Sunday - Nursery at all SSEC services**

*No 7:45 a.m. service at Saint Stephen's*

- 6:30 a.m. Community Sunrise Service at Mountain Brook High School  
with the Rev. John Burruss preaching
- 9:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite II in the Nave
- 11:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite II in the Nave
- 5:00 p.m. Celtic Eucharist in the Nave
- 6:00p.m. Community Supper in the Parish Hall



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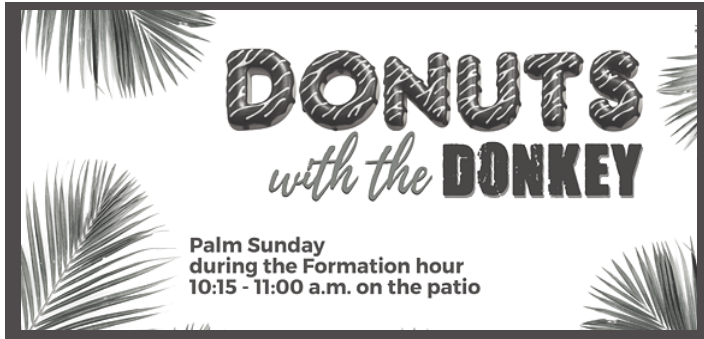
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# Upcoming Events at Saint Stephen's

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## TODAY - April 2 Palm Sunday

- **No Sunday Programming today**



Come enjoy snacks, fellowship, and photos with our furry friend, Crackerjack!

**Saint Stephen's Spring Art Show Opening Reception**  
Sunday, April 2  
12:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall

**Featured Photographers**  
Wynter Byrd  
Van Chaplin  
Irene Gardner  
Emily Hillhouse  
Mary Gray Hunter  
Michael Sheehan  
Anna Way

- **Simple Community Supper**  
6:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall

HERE'S WHAT'S COOKING THIS WEEK!

Scan the code to order.

Pick-up on Thursdays from the Saint Stephen's kitchen.

MEALS FOR MISSIONS

## Holy Week:

For all of Saint Stephen's Holy Week information, please visit [ssechurch.org/holy-week](https://ssechurch.org/holy-week)



- **Stations of the Cross**  
April 5 at 6:30 p.m.  
Nursery & Children's Stations  
Dinner in the Parish Hall 5:30-6:15
- **Maundy Thursday Service**  
April 6 at 6:30 p.m.
- **Good Friday Services**  
April 7 at 12:15 and 6:30 p.m.
- **Easter Vigil Service**  
April 8, 2023 at 6:30 p.m.



## EASTER Sunday

April 9, 2023

- 6:30 a.m.** - Community Service at Mountain Brook High School stadium
- 9:00 a.m.** - Holy Eucharist Rite II in the Nave Nursery and Children's Chapel
- 11:15 a.m.** - Holy Eucharist Rite II in the Nave Nursery and Children's Chapel
- 5:00 p.m.** - Celtic Service in the Nave Nursery available

## 50th Anniversary Events

**Saturday, May 13 - Rise Against Hunger Event**  
10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Parish Hall

**Friday, May 19 - 50th Celebration with Dinner, Dancing, and Entertainment**  
6:00 p.m. on the SSEC campus

**Sunday, May 21 - Outdoor Church Service and Parish Picnic, Games, & Music**  
10:15 a.m.

\* **More info coming soon!** \*

# THOSE WE HOLD IN OUR PRAYERS

*April 2, 2023*

## SAINT STEPHEN'S MEMBERS

Mary Wade  
Connie Hancock  
Kitty Robinson  
Kelly Love  
Carolyn Franklin  
Marie Knox  
Mary, Trey, Kinsley,  
& Marian Cummings  
Tim, Amy, Isabel,  
& Abigail Puthoff  
Hilary Amaro  
Clay Simmons  
Lottie, Andrea,  
& Tyson Pound  
Cindy Funderburk  
Henry Wilder  
Carol Hunt  
Betsy & Rob Elsner  
Beverly Kelley  
James Meredith  
Bradley Crow  
Cody Pugh  
Kathy Bergman  
Ricki Jill Treleaven

Chuck Osbun  
Margaret Anne Palmer  
Sally Sinclair  
Jill Coker  
Nancy Carper

## FAMILY AND FRIENDS

Loved ones of Cindy Williams  
The Rev. Billy Barnes  
Dennis Keeling  
Ginny Waller  
Stephanie  
Jessica Lee  
Anita Kelly  
Kim McAdams  
The Holt Family  
Loved ones of Andrea Pennington  
Carol St. Germain  
Amber Cain  
Pam Measel  
Loved ones of Mike Eskridge  
Loved ones of Emily Hughes  
Tim Dogget & Family  
Stephanie Barbee  
Tom Campbell  
Alba Beasley  
Nelson Cooper  
Loved ones of Mathew McLesky  
John Potter  
Katy Gaddis  
John Allen  
& Lottie Bankson

Anna Wall  
Emily Chaplin  
Melissa Lazenby  
Jane Watts  
Gwen  
Phyllis McAnally  
Gayle Byrne  
David Black  
Sophia &  
Fatima Delgado  
Peggy Jefferson  
Ben Johnson  
Bettye Pittman  
Laura Hill  
Regina Stewart  
Kathy Trickey  
Sylvia Frank

## BIRTHDAYS

*April 2nd - April 8th*

Conley Knott  
Emma Robertson  
Lara Screven  
Micah Coryell  
Jennifer Mancer  
Amy Presley  
Alexander Rumbley

Seth Cohen  
Stone Garlich  
Leah Hooker  
Devs Johnson  
Caroline Newman  
Paul Crane  
Patricia Pilon

Al Gibbs  
Jeremy Johnston  
Beverly Marson  
Blakley Glover  
Ted Haddin  
Davis McGovern  
Robert Rutherford, Jr.

Scott Shelley  
Haisley Smith  
Dicki Arn  
Sutton Dodd  
Catherine Poellnitz  
Hailey Smith  
RJ Williams, Jr.

## DEATHS

**Henry Downing Potter, Jr.**  
Father of Mary (Trey) Cummings  
Grandfather to Kinsley & Marian  
*March 11, 2023*



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### CLERGY

The Reverend John Burruss, Rector  
The Reverend Dr. Rebecca Bridges, Associate Rector for Formation and Outreach  
The Reverend Katherine Harper, Associate Rector for Pastoral Care and Liturgy  
The Reverend Ron DelBene, Priest Associate  
The Reverend CJ Van Slyke, Deacon Emerita

### LAY STAFF

Kristyn Bara, Minister for Communication  
Pat Bills, Minister for Stewardship and Development  
Zachary Brown, Parish Administrator  
Patrick Brock, Club 56 Intern  
Maria Elena Cruz, Housekeeper  
Micah Cummings, Facilities Manager  
Catherine Donald, Youth Ministries Assistant  
Leslie Dunlap, Preschool Director and Wedding Coordinator  
Ryas Esdale, Club 56 Intern  
Kathy Graham, Youth Formation Staff  
Diane Hightower, Director of Food Services  
Ann Day Hunt, Financial Manager  
Jennifer Jones, Director of Children's Ministries  
Taylor McLemore, Minister for Youth Formation  
Andy Meginniss, Folk Music Director  
Whitney Page, Music Director  
Amy Passey, Minister of Welcome and Evangelism  
Natalie Tally, Pianist  
Maggie Widman, Nursery Director

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**FORMATION FOR CHILDREN AND ADULTS - 10:15 TO 11:05 A.M. - resumes April 16**

Sunday Forum - Parish Hall; 4K to High School - Carpenter Hall; Young Adults - Room 228

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### SAINT STEPHEN'S SUNDAY SERVICE SCHEDULE

7:45 a.m.	Holy Eucharist, Rite II — Nave
9:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist, Rite II — Nave and via Livestream
10:15 a.m.	Formation for Adults & Children
11:15 a.m.	Holy Eucharist, Rite II — Nave
5:00 p.m.	Celtic Eucharist — Nave
6:00 p.m.	Simple Community Supper — Parish Hall

Nursery Available at 9:00 a.m., 11:15 a.m., and 5:00 p.m.

Children's Chapel (4 yrs - 4th grade) at 9:00 a.m. and 11:15 a.m. in Carpenter Hall