

Worship Assistants

This Week

Assisting Minister Mary Beth Tolley
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Communion Asst. Sarah Lonsdorf
Kathy Robinson
Lector Mary Beth Tolley
Organist/Pianist Anna Belongia
Preaching/Presiding The Rev. Ken Hanson
Projection Shauna Robinson
Video Jeff Blomquist
Tony Wanta

Next Week

Kathy Robinson

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Kathy Robinson
Phil Giese
The Rev. Phil Bogen
Shauna Robinson
Jeff Blomquist
Tony Wanta

Staff

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Cleaning Custodian Michelle Pregont
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The Fifth Sunday of Easter

May 15, 2022

Welcome to worship in Jesus's name! We hope that you will hear a word of encouragement during this service which will convey the fullness of God's love for you.

The Prelude

Announcement of **MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES**

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

In the waters of baptism,
we have passed over from death to life with Jesus Christ,
and we are a new creation.
For this saving mystery, and for this water, let us bless God,
who was, who is, and who is to come.

We thank you, God, for your river of life,
flowing freely from your throne:
through the earth,
through the city,
through every living thing.

You rescued Noah and his family from the flood;
You opened wide the sea for the Israelites.
Now in these waters you flood us with mercy,
and our sin is drowned forever.
You open the gate of righteousness
and we pass safely through.

In Jesus Christ, you calm and trouble the waters.
You nourish us and enclose us in safety.
You call us forth and send us out.
In lush and barren places, you are with us.
You have become our salvation.

Now breathe upon this water
and awaken your church once more.
Claim us again as your beloved and holy people.
Quench our thirst; cleanse our hearts; wipe away every tear.

To you, our Beginning and our End,
our Shepherd and Lamb,
be honor, glory, praise, and thanksgiving,
now and forever.
Amen.

Please **STAND** for the **HYMN**

Hymn: *Awake, O Sleeper, Rise from Death*

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THIS WEEK AT ST. STEPHEN CHURCH

Sunday, May 15th	9:00 am 10:15 am 12:00 pm 7:00 pm	Worship Good Stewards Committee Mtg. Worship Telecast on Channel 980 AA
Monday, May 16th	3:00 pm 6:30 pm	Worship Telecast on Channel 980 Property Committee Mtg.
Tuesday, May 17th	10:00 am 10:30 pm	Worship Telecast on Channel 980 Worship Telecast on Channel 980
Thursday, May 19th	8:30 am 6:00 pm 6:00 pm	Quilting Al-Anon Special Olympics NEWSLETTER DEADLINE
Sunday, May 22nd	9:00 am 12:00 pm 7:00 pm	Worship Worship Telecast on Channel 980 AA

St. Stephen Weekly

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On Sunday, May 8th, 55 people attended our 9am worship service.

Part-time Sunday Custodian needed: Looking for an individual on alternate Sunday mornings to open up the doors, turn on the lights, and other light duty work, then turn lights off and ensure all doors are locked before leaving. Total hours per Sunday would be 3-4 hours with one hour before service and 1-2 hours after the service. Contact Jim Von Rueden, Property Elder at 715-409-6829 if you are interested. Thank you!

EMAIL SCAMS—Scammers are again hitting church related emails to try to trick people out of money. In the past it was the Pastor's email, recently it has seemed like Lloyd Zimmer is asking for people to help him provide assistance for a member. The email address is similar to a familiar one, but it is not legitimate. **ST. STEPHEN WILL NEVER ASK YOU TO FORWARD FUNDS OR BUY GIFTS CARDS ON OUR BEHALF.** These emails are scams. Please delete and ignore them.

The Call Committee will not be giving out any identifying information regarding potential pastoral candidates until a call has been offered and accepted.

If you are interested in hosting Coffee Hour (or just bringing in treats) there is a sign-up sheet is on the table in the lounge.

We are in need of the following supplies for Lutheran World Relief Quilting:

1. **Flat sheets** – Any size or color (preferably not white), clean, free of stains, and no holes
2. **Fabric** – Any size or color (big enough for our Quilters to cut 6" squares or larger)
3. **Mattress Pads, Blankets, etc.** – Any size or color, as long as they are clean/washed
4. **Thread & Yarn** – Any color

If you would like to donate to this cause, bring your items to church and place them in the Nursery (at the end of the hall; last door on left). You may continue placing quilting supplies in this location throughout the year. Thank you in advance for your help!

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.

KYRIE

HYMN OF PRAISE/This is the feast of victory for our God

Hymnal pg. 147

Hymnal pg. 149

PRAYER OF THE DAY

The congregation is SEATED

SPECIAL MUSIC

Combined Choir

FIRST LESSON (*Pew Bible pg. 895*)

Acts 11:1-18

PSALM (*read responsively*) (*Pew Bible pg. 508*)

Psalms 148

SECOND LESSON (*Pew Bible pg. 1007*)

Revelation 21:1-6

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (*please stand*)

Hymnal pg. 151

GOSPEL LESSON (*Pew Bible pg. 877*)

John 13:31-35

SERMON

The Rev. Ken Hanson

Please **STAND** for the **HYMN** of the **DAY**

Hymn of the Day: *Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen!*

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APOSTLES' CREED

We have been made God's people through our baptism into Christ. Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.
Amen.**

PRAYERS

The Assisting Minister ends each petition with, "God, in your mercy,"
the congregational response is, "**hear our prayer.**"

PEACE *is shared*

The peace of the Lord be with you always.
And also with you.

OFFERING

OFFERING PRAYER

GREAT THANKSGIVING

Hymnal pg. 152

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.

SANCTUS

Hymnal pg. 153

COMMUNION

LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

**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,
forever and ever. Amen.**

LAMB OF GOD

Hymnal pg. 154

Hymn during Communion: *How Great Thou Art*

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(Eucharistic Ministers may come forward for a communion kit at this time.)

BLESSING

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

BENEDICTION

Please **STAND** for the **HYMN**

Hymn: *Christ Is Alive! Let Christians Sing*

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DISMISSAL

Alleluia! Christ is risen.
Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!
Go in peace. Tell what God has done.
Thanks be to God.

The Postlude