

## Worship Assistants

### This Week

**Assisting Minister** Vicki Romang  
**Coffee Hour** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Communion Asst.** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Lector** Sarah Lonsdorf  
**Organist/Pianist** Sharon Hopp  
**Preaching/Presiding** Lay Leader Kathy Robinson  
**Projection** Shauna Robinson  
**Special Music** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Usher** Lloyd Zimmer  
**Video** Elizabeth Lenoble

### Next Week

Mary Beth Tolley  
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Mary Beth Tolley  
Beth Lind  
Lay Leader Kathy Robinson  
Shauna Robinson  
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Verlyn Oelke  
Lydia Lenoble

### Staff

**Pastor** Karoline Schwantes  
**Administrative Assistant** Nancy Henke  
**Assistant Treasurer** Mary Beth Tolley  
**Worship Service Custodian** Dave Skola  
**Worship Service Custodian** Gail Wolfe  
**Maintenance Custodian** Cecil Wold

### Music Staff

**Director of Music** Delores Kessel  
**Director of Combined Adult Choir** Jim Lenselink  
**Director of Bell Choir** Darlene Johnson

### Executive Committee

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The Third Sunday after Pentecost

June 29, 2025

*Welcome to worship in Jesus' 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.*

*Hearing assistance (via our Loop system) is available for those with hearing aids. Headphones are located in the back of the church.*

*At St. Stephen, all are welcome at the Lord's Table! Ushers will lead you forward for communion at the rail. Grape juice is offered in the center ring of the tray at the rail, and gluten free wafers are also available at the rail if you desire that option.*

The Prelude

*The **RINGING** of the **BELLS***

**CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS**

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Baptized into Christ, let us confess our sin.

Merciful God, **you free us to love others, but we neglect our neighbors and follow our own way. You lead us by the Spirit of joy and peace, but we turn away from the abundant life you offer. You surround us with patience, kindness, and generosity, but we grow weary in doing what is right. In your mercy, forgive us. Do not give up on us. Heal us, break our bonds, and show us the path of life. Amen.**

You belong to Christ Jesus and you are God's children through faith. In the cross of Christ, and through the power of the Holy Spirit, your sins are forgiven. Clothed with Christ, you are a new creation. **Amen.**

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

Hymn: *O Master, Let Me Walk with You* **#818**

**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.**

**HYMN OF PRAISE/Glory be to God** **Hymnal pg. 204**

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

*The congregation is **SEATED***

**FIRST LESSON** (Pew Bible pg. 285) *1 Kings 19:15-16, 19-21*

**PSALM** (read responsively) (Pew Bible pg. 430) *Psalms 16*

**SECOND LESSON** (Pew Bible pg. 948) *Galatians 5:1, 13-25*

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** (please stand) **Hymnal pg. 205**

**GOSPEL LESSON** (Pew Bible pg. 843) *Luke 9:51-62*

**SERMON** *Lay Leader Kathy Robinson*

**A changing table has been installed** in the family restroom that is in the hallway closest to the church office.

**Our 2 family restrooms are located** in the hallway by the church office.

**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.

**THIS WEEK AT ST. STEPHEN CHURCH**

Sunday, June 29th	9:00 am 12:00 pm 12:00 pm 7:00 pm	Worship Worship Telecast on Spectrum Channel 980 Worship Telecast on TDS Channel 14 AA
Monday, June 30th	3:00 pm	Worship Telecast on Spectrum Channel 980
Tuesday, July 1st	10:00 am 10:30 pm	Worship Telecast on Spectrum Channel 980 Worship Telecast on Spectrum Channel 980
Thursday, July 3rd	6:00 pm	Al-Anon
Sunday, July 6th	9:00 am 12:00 pm 12:00 pm 7:00 pm	Worship Worship Telecast on Spectrum Channel 980 Worship Telecast on TDS Channel 14 AA

# St. Stephen Weekly

*The Third Sunday after Pentecost*

*June 29th, 2025*

**On Sunday, June 15th,** 53 people attended the 9am Worship Service.

**Our sincere sympathy to the family of Charlie Fromfeld** whose funeral service will be held on Monday, June 30th at St. Stephen Lutheran Church.

**The office will be closed the week of June 29th as Nancy Henke is on vacation.** If you have a pastoral emergency during this time, please call Pastor Will Ostrem at 715-571-2750 as Pastor Karoline is on vacation from Thursday, June 26th thru Sunday, July 13th.

**The July newsletter is now available to pick up** on the counter in the reception area for those of you who do not receive it via email.

**The First Presbyterian Food Pantry needs empty egg cartons.** There is a collection box under the coat rack across from the elevator. Thanks for your help!

**THANK YOU to those who have helped with donations** to the WMC Shelter thus far as well as volunteering there on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday (sign-up sheet outside church office on the board). This would not be possible without your assistance. The current needs of the shelter are cases of bottled water, lotion, men’s boxer underwear, women’s underwear, and disposable coffee cups as well as sugar and creamer for coffee. If you have any items that you would like to donate, please bring them to church. If you’d prefer to do a monetary donation please make a memo on your check or a note that states it’s for WMC supplies. If you have any questions please contact Shauna Robinson at 608-514-4504.

**The 3rd Sunday of every month we will have a NOISY OFFERING.** Please bring in your coins and let’s make some noise! The Noisy Offering will go towards the Community Outreach Fund.

**The Marty Bus is in need of a few items.** They are requesting assistance with: 5X and 6X men’s t-shirts, tank tops, shorts for men in size 38, 40, and 42, umbrellas, ponchos, sunglasses, bike lights, and sunscreen as well as a car battery for a 1986 Toyota Camry (if you can help with this please contact me before purchasing to verify it hasn’t already been received). There is a client at the Marty Bus (also at WMC) who is looking for a size 17 men’s tennis shoe and/or sandal. He has a pair of shoes that are like boots but they are getting too warm with it warming up outside. This is a size that most thrift stores don’t have. If you have any in your closet or would like to donate towards a pair please let Shauna know. These items can be new or gently used/clean. If you have any of these items please label them and drop them off at the church when you are able or at the Marty Bus on Wednesday and Friday from 11:30am to 1:30pm. Please contact Shauna Robinson with questions at 608-514-4504.

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

Hymn of the Day: *Be Thou My Vision*

#793

## **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 of grace,,”  
the congregational response is, “**hear our prayer.**”

## **PEACE is shared**

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

## **OFFERING/NOISY OFFERING (3rd Sunday of every month)**

## **VOLUNTARY**

## **OFFERTORY HYMN**

#885

## **OFFERING PRAYER**

## **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.

**BENEDICTION**

Announcement of **MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES**

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

Hymn: *Will You Come and Follow Me*

**DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Live by the Spirit.  
**Thanks be to God.**

The Postlude

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**In loving memory of Ruth Grell**  
Capital Campaign -- \$70

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In loving memory of Ruth Grell –  
Kelly Brown

In loving memory of Gerry, who sang so beautifully for our congregation –  
Kelly Brown

In loving memory of my Father, Merritt Gleason, whose Birthday Anniversary is June 6th –  
Deb Gleason

In loving memory of my Grandparents, Vern & Bernice Anderson, who were lifelong mem-  
bers of St. Stephen Lutheran Church –  
John Kronenwetter

In loving memory of Ruth Grell –  
Sarah Lonsdorf

In loving memory of Ruth Grell –  
Jane Seubert

In loving memory of my Brother-in-law, Merritt Gleason; Stepfather, Orville Lodholz; and  
Nephews, Brian Gleason and Andy Prieve –  
Mary Beth Tolley

In loving memory of Ruth Grell –  
Mary Beth Tolley

In loving memory of Ali Will –  
Jeff & Rhonda Will

**Seidel Meyer Pastoral Ministry Fund**

In loving memory of our Mothers, Sue Kratwell and Sadie Borth –  
Sandy & Ron Borth and Family

These are the memorials received through Monday, June 23rd. If you would like a memorial  
placed in the July bulletins and August newsletter, it needs to be to the office by Monday,  
July 21st. Thank you!