

## MORNING PRAYER

8:30 am

Morning Prayer begins at the bottom of p. 6. The psalms for today are Psalm 24, 25, and 26, beginning on p. 368. The canticles after the lessons are the *Benedictus es Dominus*, p. 10, and the *Benedictus*, p. 14.

## HOLY EUCHARIST

9:00 am

The service follows the order of the 1928 Book of Common Prayer (page 67 and following) with Minor Propers from the Anglican Missal.

11:00 am

Opening hymn, <i>St. Stephen</i> .....	<b>Hymnal 11</b>
Collect for Purity.....	BCP 67
Decalogue .....	BCP 68
Introit <i>Populus Sion. Isa. 30.</i> O people of Sion, behold, the Lord is nigh at hand to redeem the nations : and in the gladness of your heart the Lord shall cause his glorious voice to be heard. Hear, O thou Shepherd of Israel : thou that leadest Joseph like a sheep. Glory be.	
<i>Kyrie, eleison</i> , ninefold .....	<b>Hymnal 747</b>
Collect for Advent II.....	BCP 92
Collect for Advent Season.....	BCP 90
Commemoration of S. Sabas, Abt.	
Epistle, <i>Romans xv. 4</i> .....	BCP 92
Gradual and Alleluia OUT of Sion hath God appeared : in perfect beauty. Gather my saints together unto me : those that have made a covenant with me with sacrifice. <i>Alleluia, alleluia.</i> I was glad when they said unto me : we will go into the house of the Lord. <i>Alleluia.</i>	
Gospel, <i>St. Luke xxi. 25</i> .....	BCP 93
Nicene Creed .....	BCP 71
Sermon .....	Father Athanaelos
Offertory sentence WILT thou not turn again, O God, and quicken us, that thy people may rejoice in thee : shew us thy mercy, O Lord, and grant us thy salvation.	
Offertory hymn, <i>Rex Glorioso</i> .....	<b>Hymnal 8</b>
Presentation of Alms & Doxology (Hymnal Supplement 819)	
Prayer for the Whole State of Christ's Church .....	BCP 74
Bidding to Confession & General Confession.....	BCP 75
Absolution & Comfortable Words .....	BCP 76
<i>Sursum corda</i> .....	BCP 76
Preface of the Holy Trinity .....	BCP 79

<i>Sanctus &amp; Benedictus</i> .....	<b>Hymnal 799</b>
Prayer of Consecration (Canon of the Mass) .....	BCP 80
Our Father .....	BCP 82
Fracture, Pax, Embolism & <i>Agnus Dei</i> .....	<b>Hymnal 749</b>
Prayer of Humble Access .....	BCP 82
<i>Ecee, Agnus Dei &amp; Holy Communion</i> Communion hymn, <i>Conditor Alme</i> .....	<b>Hymnal 6</b>
Communion sentence ARISE, O Jerusalem, and stand high, and behold the joy that cometh unto thee from thy God.	
Thanksgiving.....	BCP 83
Postcommunion collects O LORD, who hast vouchsafed to satisfy us with heavenly sustenance : we humbly beseech thee ; that we, whom thou hast made partakers of thy holy mysteries, may learn therein to despise all things earthly, and to cleave steadfastly unto all things heavenly. Through.	
Dismissal: <i>Let us bless the Lord.</i> Response: <i>Thanks be to God.</i>	
Blessing (kneel) .....	BCP 84
Closing hymn, <i>Sleepers Wake</i> .....	<b>Hymnal 3</b>

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The **sanctuary lamp** this morning is given by Bettie Godfrey to the Glory of Almighty God and in honor of those in the parish who celebrate birthdays and anniversaries in December.

We welcome our visitors and guests this morning. We are glad you are with us today. Please **fill out one of the guest cards** (located in the pew) and drop it in the offering plate. There is information about St. Stephen's and the Anglican Catholic Church in the narthex. You are invited to join us for Sunday School after the 9 am liturgy or for coffee hour after the 11 am liturgy.

**Pastoral Care:** If you would like a visit from the clergy, or if you know of someone who is sick or shut in, or if you would like someone placed on the parish prayer list, please contact the Church Office at 706 543.8657.

**Sunday Schools** for all ages meet every Sunday at 10 am. The children's class meets in the lower level of the church.

The Archbishop's **Bible Study** will meet on Wednesday, December 8th, at 6 pm in his church office and will be preceded by Evening Prayer at 5:30 pm.



Please pray (BCP 597, For a Birthday) for those with known **birthdays** this week: Jaina Campbell and Robert Izlar (12/5), Mary Margaret Bruce (12/7), and Ron Carlson (12/10).

Please pray (BCP 303, Third Collect) also for those with known **wedding anniversaries** this week: Starr and Bill Helms (12/10).

*Prayers and best wishes to them from all their parish family.*

**Year's Mind:** Of your charity, pray (BCP 598, For an Anniversary of One Departed) for the blessed repose of the soul of Rebecca Ann Fowler, our late parishioner, on the anniversary of her death (December 10<sup>th</sup>).

*Rest eternal grant unto her, O Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon her. May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace. Amen.*

Please remember the following parishioners and friends of St. Stephen's in your **daily prayers**: Hildegard, Bill, Lena, Victoria, John, Mark, Henry, James, and Karen.



Dedications for **Christmas flowers** should be given to Susan by December 17<sup>th</sup> to be included in the Christmas bulletin. The cost is \$25 and checks can be made to St. Stephens with notation for "Christmas flowers."

Be on the lookout for **Clergy Christmas** information coming in the mail. Donations will be accepted through the end of the year. Help us show our appreciation for the exceptional clergy we have at St. Stephen's!

**Pledge forms were due last Friday**...please make sure to get yours in if you still have not submitted one. It is crucial in budgeting for 2022!

### Upcoming Events

Friday, Dec. 24, 8 pm	Christmas Eve Solemn High Mass
Saturday, Dec. 25, 10 am	Christmas Day Low Mass

Please silence your cell phones...thank you

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**The Second Sunday in Advent**  
December 5, 2021

*The Holy Eucharist this week will be celebrated on  
Tuesday at 12 noon, Wednesday at 12 noon,  
Thursday at 8 am, and Friday at 12 noon.*