

## MORNING PRAYER

8:30 am

Morning Prayer begins at the bottom of p. 6. The psalms for today are Psalm 95, 96, and 97, beginning on p. 459. The canticles after the lessons are the *Benedictus es Domine*, p. 11, 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, *Winchester New* ..... **Hymnal 10**  
Collect for Purity ..... BCP 67  
Summary of the Law ..... BCP 69  
Introit *Rorate coeli. Isa. 45. (Choir)*  
DROP down, ye heavens, from above, and let the skies pour down righteousness : let the earth open and bring forth a Saviour. The heavens declare the glory of God : and the firmament sheweth his handy-work. Glory be.  
*Kyrie, eleison*, ninefold, ..... **Hymnal 747**  
Collect for Advent IV ..... BCP 95  
Collect for Advent Season ..... BCP 90  
Epistle, *Philippians iv. 4* ..... BCP 95  
Gradual and Alleluia (Choir)  
THE Lord is nigh unto all them that call upon him : yea, all such as call upon him faithfully. My mouth shall speak the praise of the Lord : and let all flesh give thanks unto his holy Name. *Alleluia, alleluia.* Come, O Lord, and tarry not : forgive the misdeeds of thy people. *Alleluia.*  
Gospel, *St. John i. 19* ..... BCP 95  
Nicene Creed ..... BCP 71  
Sermon ..... Father Athanaelos  
Offertory sentence (Choir)  
HAIL Mary, full of grace : the Lord is with thee : blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb.  
Offertory hymn, *Merton* ..... **Hymnal 9**  
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  
*Sursum corda* ..... BCP 76  
Preface of the Holy Trinity ..... BCP 79  
*Sanctus & Benedictus* ..... **Hymnal 799**  
Prayer of Consecration (Canon of the Mass) ..... BCP 80

Our Father ..... BCP 82  
Fracture, Pax, Embolism & *Agnus Dei* ..... **Hymnal 749**  
Prayer of Humble Access ..... BCP 82  
*Ecee, Agnus Dei & Holy Communion*  
Communion hymn, *The Truth from Above* ..... **Insert**  
Communion sentence (*Choir*)  
BEHOLD, a Virgin shall conceive and bear a Son : and his Name shall be called Emmanuel.  
Thanksgiving ..... BCP 83  
Postcommunion collects  
O LORD, who hast here vouchsafed unto us to be partakers of thy bounty : grant, we beseech thee, that we may so continue to draw near unto the same ; that growing more and more in grace, we may attain in the end to everlasting life. Through.  
Dismissal: *Let us bless the Lord.* Response: *Thanks be to God.*  
Blessing (kneel) ..... BCP 84  
Closing hymn, *Helmsley* ..... **Hymnal 5**

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The **sanctuary lamp** this morning is given by the members of the church to the Glory of Almighty God and in thanksgiving for His many blessings.

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 put on the parish prayer list, please contact the Church office.

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**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** is currently in recess.

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Please pray (BCP 597, For a Birthday) for those with known **birthdays** this week: Tony LePain (12/24) and Penni Hamilton (12/25)

*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 Anne Jane Kelley (12/25) on the anniversary of her death.

*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, Cam, and Kenny.

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

If you still have not sent in your **pledge form for 2022**, you may still do so before the end of the year. This information is crucial to our budgeting process for next year. If you did not receive or have misplaced your form, there are additional ones in the narthex.

**Any monies to be credited towards a 2021 pledge must be received in the church office by December 28th!**

The **church business office will be closed** on December 24th and 27th.

### Upcoming Events

Friday, December 24, 7:30pm	Christmas Music/Carols
Friday, December 24, 8pm	Christmas Eve Solemn High Mass
Saturday, December 25, 10am ( <b>only</b> )	Christmas Day Low Mass

**Please silence your cell phones...thank you**

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**The Fourth Sunday in Advent  
December 19, 2021**

*The Holy Eucharist will be celebrated this week on  
Tuesday at 12 noon,  
Wednesday at 12 noon, Thursday at 8 am,  
Friday at 8 pm, and Saturday at 10 am.*