

MORNING PRAYER

8:30 am

Morning Prayer begins at the bottom of p. 6. The psalm for today is Psalm 107, beginning on p. 476. The canticles after the lessons are the *Te Deum laudamus*, 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>Winchester New</i>	Hymnal 10
Collect for Purity	BCP 67
Summary of the Law	BCP 69
Introit <i>Rorate coeli. Isa. 45. (Choir)</i> 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.	
<i>Kyrie, eleison</i> , ninefold,	Hymnal 747
Collect for Advent IV	BCP 95
Collect for Advent Season.....	BCP 90
Epistle, <i>Philippians in. 4</i>	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. <i>Alleluia,</i> <i>alleluia.</i> Come, O Lord, and tarry not : forgive the misdeeds of thy people. <i>Alleluia.</i>	
Gospel, <i>St. John i. 19</i>	BCP 95
Nicene Creed	BCP 71
Sermon	Archbishop Haverland
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, <i>Merton</i>	Hymnal 9
Presentation of Alms & Doxology	
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 & Benedictus</i>	Hymnal 799
Prayer of Consecration (Canon of the Mass)	BCP 80
Our Father	BCP 82
Fracture, Pax, Embolism & <i>Agnus Dei</i>	Hymnal 749

Prayer of Humble Access	BCP 82
<i>Ecee, Agnus Dei & Holy Communion</i> Communion hymn, <i>The Truth from Above</i>	Insert
Communion sentence (<i>Choir</i>) 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: <i>Let us bless the Lord.</i> Response: <i>Thanks be to God.</i>	
Blessing (kneel)	BCP 84
Closing hymn, <i>Helmsley</i>	Hymnal 5

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The **sanctuary lamp** this morning is given by Sean and Sarah Arledge to the Glory and Honor of Almighty God and in memory of Doug Jenkins and Charles Atkins.

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 coffee hour after the 9 am liturgy or 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.

Sunday Schools for all ages meet most Sundays at 10 am. The adult/teen class meets in Lewis Hall. 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). Penni Newell Hamilton (12/25), and Jacob Doffmeyer (12/28).

Please pray (BCP 303, Third Collect) also for those with known **wedding anniversaries** this week: Veryl Lynn and Blaine Cox (12/26) and Tina and Jeff Fair (12/28).

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 souls of Bill Darwin (12/24) and Anne Jane Kelley (12/25) on the anniversary of their death.

*Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon them.
May their souls 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:** Lena, Victoria, Jim, Chris, Alan, Melissa, Beverly, Freddie, Jeff, Bruce, Brad, and Kristy.

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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 2025**, 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 2024 pledge must be received in the church office by noon on Monday, December 30th!

Upcoming Events

Tuesday, December 24, 7:30pm	Christmas Music/Carols
December 24, 8pm	Christmas Eve Solemn High Mass
Wednesday, December 25, 10am (only)	Christmas Day Low Mass
Thursday, Dec. 26, 6pm	Feast of St. Stephen
Friday, December 27, 10am	Feast of St. John
Saturday, December 28, 10am	Holy Innocents Mass
Wednesday, January 1, 10am	Circumcision of Christ Mass
Sunday, January 12, 12:30pm	Vestry Meeting
Sunday, January 26	Annual Meeting

Please silence your cell phones...thank you

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The Fourth Sunday in Advent December 22, 2024

*The Holy Eucharist will be celebrated this week on
Monday at 12 noon, Tuesday at 8 pm,
Wednesday at 10 am, Thursday at 6 pm,
Friday at 12 noon, and Saturday at 10 am.*