

St. Stephen's Episcopal Church

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Carl Laursen, Rector's Warden

Richard Smithson, Property Warden

Jack Brown, Laura Gural, Dottie Kaster, Tom Larson

Lillian Fink, Marge Pomykala, Peter Quigley

Pat Russo, Randy Walton

Jo Ann Smithson, Clerk

Mission Statement

To proclaim the faith that our years have engendered: to use the diversity of our Episcopal experience while working toward a common goal; to teach the young about Jesus and to reach out and affect the lives of those in the community.

"Wherefore by their fruits you shall know them." Matthew 7:20

Welcome to St. Stephen's Church!

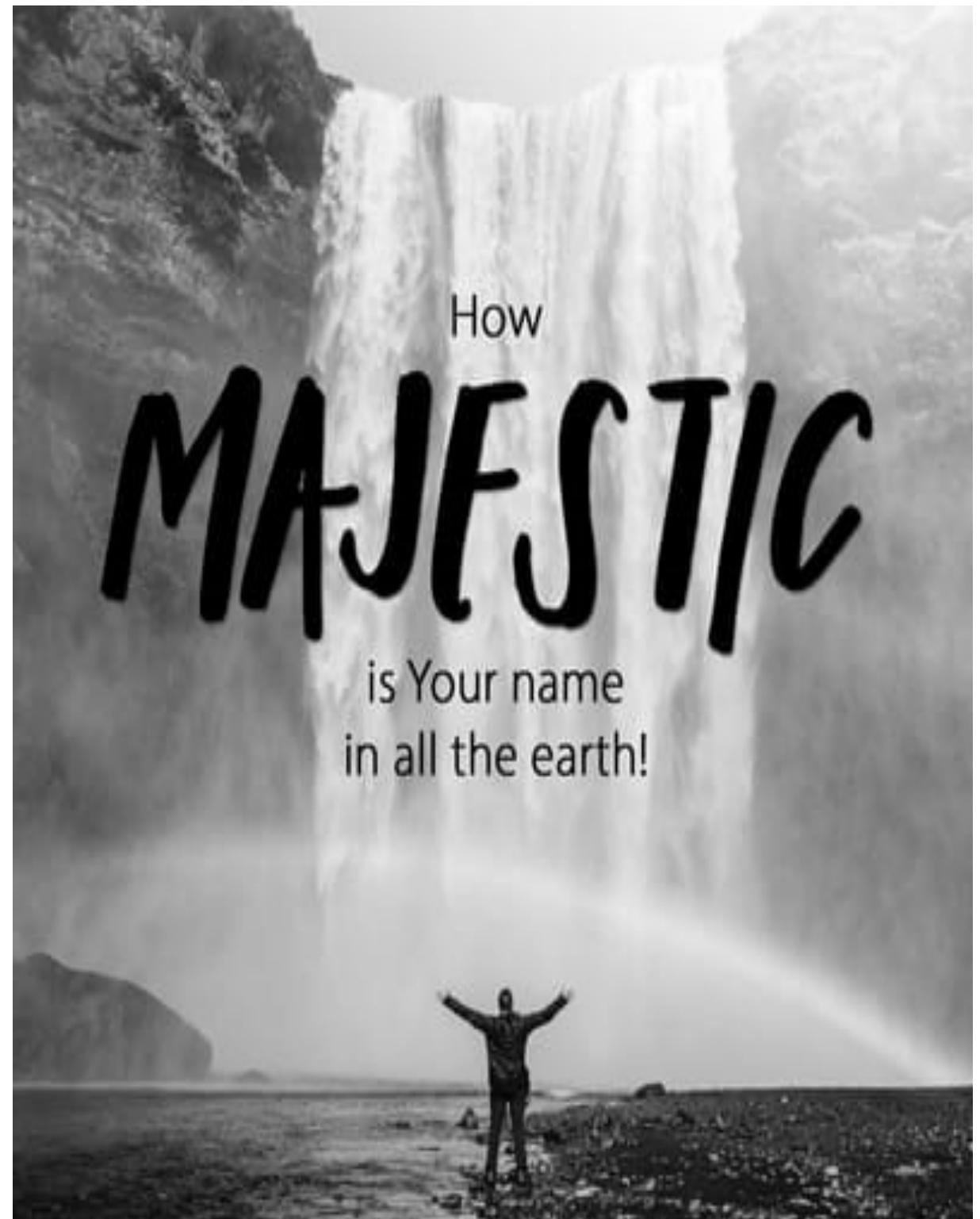
We thank you for joining us for worship today. Please stay for coffee hour, and sign our guest book at the podium in the Narthex. If you are looking for a church home, you have just found it. We would love to have you at St. Stephen's. Arrangements for weddings and baptisms can be made by speaking directly with the Rev. Paul A. Van Sant, Sr., Rector.

To Report Illness, Hospitalization, etc.

Greta Pearl for prayer requests: 732-350-7584

Please notify the church office 732/350-2121 of any illnesses or hospitalizations.

If it is an emergency you may also reach Carl Laursen, Rector's Warden at 732-350-1259 or Father Paul at his home 609-268-2864.



**TRINITY SUNDAY
HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II
Hymnal**

The Word of God

362 Processional Hymn: "Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty"
Patriotic Hymn: 717 V4
Easter Acclamation
S102 Trisagion
Collect of the Day
First Lesson: **Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31**
Psalm 8
Second Lesson: **Letter to the Romans 5:1-5**
Gradual: "Word of God, Speak"
Gospel: **John 16:12-15**
Sermon — The Rev. Paul A. Van Sant, Sr.
The Nicene Creed
Prayers of the People Form VI
Confession and Absolution
The Peace
Announcements
Offertory Anthem
Doxology: "All things come of thee O Lord"

HOLY COMMUNION

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer B 367
S120 Sursum Corda
S125 Sanctus
S136 Memorial Acclamation 368
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Breaking of the Bread
S152 Fraction Anthem
Communion Hymns:
366 "Holy God, we praise thy name"
379 "God is love, let heaven adore him"
324 Post Communion Hymn "Let all mortal flesh keep silence"
Post Communion Prayer 365
Blessing
371 Recessional: "Thou whose almighty word"
Dismissal

**JUNE 16, 2019
8 am & 10 am
BCP**

Trinity Sunday
Serving in the Liturgy today:

JUNE 16, 2019

Lector 8:00 AM	Peter Quigley
LEM 8:00 AM	Richard Smithson
Altar Guild 8:00 AM	Mary Storey, Betty Carino, Debbie Fisher
Ushers 8:00 AM	Mary Storey, Glenn Mortimer, Bill Bodine, Peter Quigley
Lector 10:00 AM	Lillian Fink
LEMs 10:00 AM	Bill Bodine, Susan Clarke
Altar Guild 10:00 AM	Carol Cavanaugh, Beverly Larsen
Ushers 10:00 AM	Al Thompson, Valerie Thompson

CALENDAR FOR WEEK OF

June 16, 2019– June 22, 2019

Today	Holy Eucharist	8:00 & 10:00 am
	AA Meeting	8:00 pm
Monday	Office Open	9:00 am—2:00 pm
Tuesday	AA Meeting	2:00 pm
Wednesday	Closed AA Meeting	3:00 pm
Thursday	Healing Service	10:00 am
	Choir Practice (resumes in the Fall)	2:00 pm
Friday	Pineland Symphonic Band	9:30 am
Saturday	AA Meeting	8:00 pm

Everyone is welcome to come to the coffee hour after worship.



All baptized Christians are invited to receive Holy Communion at our Lord's Table, regardless of your church affiliation. We encourage you to share with us in this sacrament.





*Saint Stephen's Episcopal Church
Annual Bluegrass & Blueberry Social*

Will be held on Saturday,

July 20th at 1 PM

*Tickets are 7.00 for adults—3.00 for children
under 12*

Happenings around our church....

**Parish Open Bowl is on Saturday, June 29th
from 5:30-7:30pm at Playdrome Lanes-Toms
River. Cost is \$10 pp including shoes. You
don't have to be a bowler to join us! On Sun-
day, June 30th, we'll have our monthly King of
the Hill Tournament at 6:30pm at the lanes!**



From the Stewardship committee...

Our next Stewardship meeting will be on
SUNDAY, July 14th following the 10 AM service.

We welcome all to join us!

We will be discussing exciting things coming up this
Fall.



Trinity Sunday

June 16, 2019

Collect of the Day

Almighty and everlasting God, you have given to us your servants grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity, and in the power of your divine Majesty to worship the Unity: Keep us steadfast in this faith and worship, and bring us at last to see you in your one and eternal glory, O Father; who with the Son and the Holy Spirit live and reign, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

First Reading

Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31

Does not wisdom call, does not understanding raise her voice? On the heights beside the way, in the paths she takes her stand; beside the gates in front of the town, at the entrance of the portals she cries aloud: "To you, O men, I call, and my cry is to the sons of men. The LORD created me at the beginning of his work, the first of his acts of old. Ages ago I was set up, at the first, before the beginning of the earth. When there were no depths I was brought forth, when there were no springs abounding with water. Before the mountains had been shaped, before the hills, I was brought forth; before he had made the earth with its fields, or the first of the dust of the world. When he established the heavens, I was there, when he drew a circle on the face of the deep, when he made firm the skies above, when he established the fountains of the deep, when he assigned to the sea its limit, so that the waters might not transgress his command, when he marked out the foundations of the earth, then I was beside him, like a master workman; and I was daily his delight, rejoicing before him always, rejoicing in his inhabited world and delighting in the sons of men.

Psalm 8

- 1 O LORD our Governor, *
how exalted is your Name in all the world!
- 2 Out of the mouths of infants and children *
your majesty is praised above the heavens.
- 3 You have set up a stronghold against your adversaries, *
to quell the enemy and the avenger.
- 4 When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, *
the moon and the stars you have set in their courses,
- 5 What is man that you should be mindful of him? *
the son of man that you should seek him out?
- 6 You have made him but little lower than the angels; *
you adorn him with glory and honor;
- 7 You give him mastery over the works of your hands; *
you put all things under his feet:
- 8 All sheep and oxen, *
even the wild beasts of the field,
- 9 The birds of the air, the fish of the sea, *
and whatsoever walks in the paths of the sea.
- 10 O LORD our Governor, *
how exalted is your Name in all the world!



MARK YOUR CALENDAR

HEALING SERVICE Thursday 10:00 am

CHOIR PRACTICE: Thursdays 2:00 pm

ORDER OF ST. LUKE: 2nd Thursday of each month
after Healing Service

PINELAND SYMPHONIC BAND: Fridays 9:30 am



CHAPEL CLOTHES LINE sells well to groups and meeting at our church. Now accepting **LADIES Spring/Summer** clothes **ONLY** in **TOP** condition, (clean, with no missing buttons, tears or stains). Also, continue to use the **FOUR BINS** in our parking lot for *out of season clothing, all men's wear*, and other items. We are very appreciative of your kind donations to, and purchases from, this fundraising project.

LAY EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS NEEDED There is an **URGENT** call out for Lay Eucharistic Ministers for our 10:00a.m. service. Two LEMs are needed at this service.



ST. STEPHEN'S PRAYER CHAIN is in need of additional members. The Prayer Chain is a dedicated group of parishioners who will pray for any who are in need. If you are interested or would like further information, please contact Greta Pearl at 732/350-7584 for details. Greta is the contact when placing, on the Prayer Chain, your name or the names of family, neighbors, or friends who would like prayers for healing, comfort, or any other purpose.



CARE GIVERS VOLUNTEERS JoAnn Smithson is the Congregational Coordinator for Care Givers Volunteers here at St. Stephen's. Please continue to use the mailbox in the Office to put in your hours. JoAnn's phone number is 609/268-0821.

HEALING PRAYERS The Order of St. Luke provides prayers of healing to anyone after Holy Communion on the last Sunday of the month at each service. Members are also available every Sunday after the services. Look for a member near the baptismal font if you would like a prayer of healing after any service.

YOUR PERSONAL ESTATE PLANNING Prayerfully consider making an endowment gift to St. Stephen's as part of your estate plan.

RECTOR'S DISCRETIONARY FUND Thank you to all who have donated. There are parishioners as well as other members in our community who benefit greatly from this valued fund. If you wish to contribute, please use the basket on the back table.

MEMORIALS



In Honor of:

George Frey
 Amely Patricia Elliott
 Joseph Nutry
 Joseph Nutry
 Joseph Nutry

Donor:

A. Fives
 Mary R. Potter
 Stephanie & Dan Loeper
 Galen Preble
 Mark & Kathleen McGovern

Way of Saint Paul

Submitted by Lillian Fink

An instrument in His hands

“And he called to him his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to heal every disease and every infirmity”

Matthew 10:1

1 Peter 4:10

STEWARDSHIP

“As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God’s varied grace ”



Second Reading

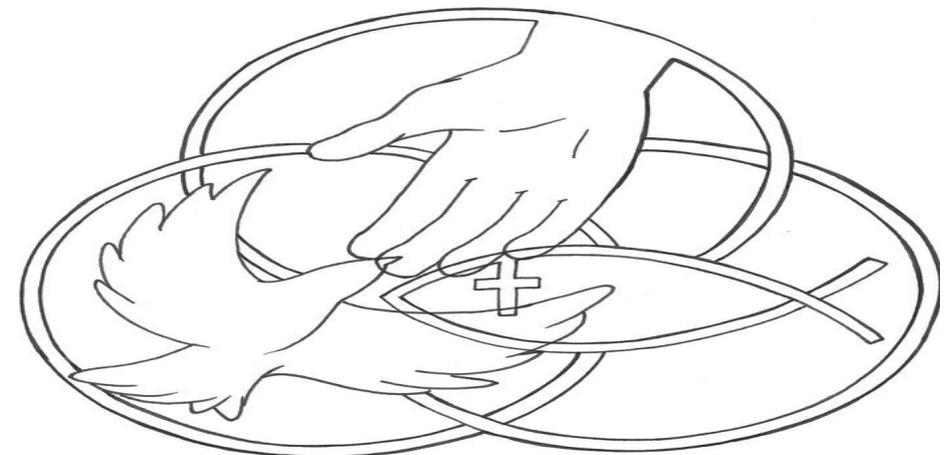
Letter to the Romans 5:1-5

Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. Through him we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in our hope of sharing the glory of God. More than that, we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit which has been given to us.

Holy Gospel

John 16:12-15

"I have yet many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own authority, but whatever he hears he will speak, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. He will glorify me, for he will take what is mine and declare it to you. All that the Father has is mine; therefore I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.



Welcome to St. Stephen's Episcopal Church

The first Sunday after Pentecost has been celebrated as a feast in honor of the Holy Trinity since the tenth century. Most festivals of the year celebrate a historical event, and although we celebrate a doctrine today, it is a doctrine based on historical events that revealed the nature of God as the Holy Trinity.

The first reading is from Proverbs. Here Wisdom speaks. She is the personification of God's mighty power. Wisdom describes herself as God's agent in creating the universe. Here we find an indication of the multi-personal God fully revealed as the Holy Trinity by Christ. In the reading from Romans, we find Paul articulating the growing discovery of the first Christians that we experience God's salvation as the work of the Father, of Jesus, and of the Holy Spirit.

In the Gospel reading from John, Jesus describes the work of the Father, the Spirit, and himself as the work of the one God. This is not a developed doctrine of the Trinity (one was not fully developed by the church until the fifth century), but in it God is described as a dynamic relationship into which we are incorporated through the Holy Spirit.

We come together to celebrate the Eucharist, and, called together by the Spirit, we encounter Christ in word and sacrament revealing the Father, and leading us into that eternal exchange of love which is at the heart of the Blessed Trinity.

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Announcements

June 16, 2019

Prayer to send out LEMs with the Sacrament:

Celebrant: N. we send you out to share Communion this week with those who have been entrusted to your care.

People: May you carry the prayers of all of us as you take this Sacrament of Christ's presence.

Celebrant: Continues with a closing prayer.

The Sanctuary Candle is given to the Glory of God

In Memory of Lutigardis Rotsaert

By her daughter Stefanie



The Altar Flowers are given to the glory of God

Sans memorial

ASSISTED LIVING COMMUNION SERVICES

The Pines	1st Sunday of each month at 9:30 am
Arista-Care	1st Monday of each month at 2:00 pm
The Arbors	2nd Monday of each month at 2:00 pm
The Pines	3rd Monday of each month at 2:00 pm