



PENTECOST SUNDAY

HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II

May 19, 2024 10:00 A.M.



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WHERE GOD IS SEEN, LOVE IS FELT, LIVES ARE CHANGED.

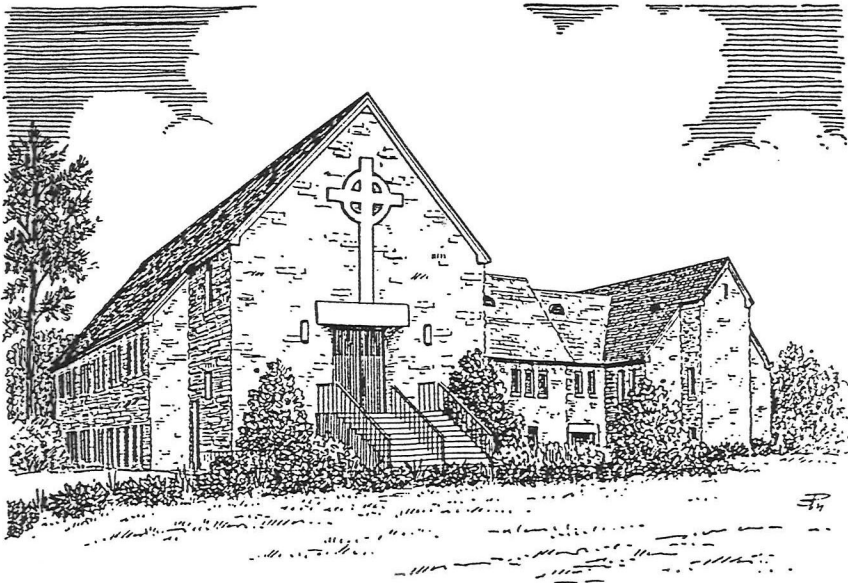
Welcome

Welcome to St. Stephen's Episcopal Church. We are delighted you chose to attend our service this morning. The order of liturgy is found in your bulletin and in the Book of Common Prayer (red book). Hymns are found in the blue hymnal or *Wonder, Love, and Praise* (green book). These can be found in the pew racks.

Hearing devices are available from an usher. Restrooms are located at the end of the hallway by the elevator.

A nursery is available for children birth through 3-years of age. The children will be brought to their parents in time to receive communion and/or a blessing.

Children are invited to participate in Children's Chapel, which takes place during the sermon. The focus will be on the Gospel for the day. Those who want to participate should follow the cross during the sequence hymn. Children will return for the Peace.



St. Stephen's Episcopal Church

Oak Ridge, Tennessee

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

COME DOWN, O LOVE DIVINE

HYMNAL 516

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Presider Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

COLLECT FOR PURITY

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

GLORIA

WLP 900

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. *Amen.*

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray.

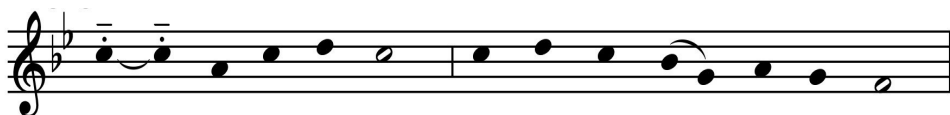
Almighty God, on this day you opened the way of eternal life to every race and nation by the promised gift of your Holy Spirit: Shed abroad this gift throughout the world by the preaching of the Gospel, that it may reach to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 104:25-35, 37 (*chanted*)

BCP 736-737



Come, Ho - ly Spir - it, re - new the face of the earth!

25. O Lord, how manifold are your works! * in wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.
26. Yonder is the great and wide sea with its living things too many to number, * creatures both small and great.
27. There move the ships, and there is that Leviathan, * which you have made for the sport of it.
28. All of them look to you * to give them their food in due season.

Antiphon

29. You give it to them; they gather it; * you open your hand, and they are filled with good things.
30. You hide your face, and they are terrified; * you take away their breath, and they die and return to their dust.
31. You send forth your Spirit, and they are created; * and so you renew the face of the earth.
32. May the glory of the Lord endure for ever; * may the Lord rejoice in all his works.

Antiphon

33. He looks at the earth and it trembles; * he touches the mountains and they smoke.
34. I will sing to the Lord as long as I live; * I will praise my God while I have my being.
35. May these words of mine please him; * I will rejoice in the Lord.
37. Bless the Lord, O my soul. * Hallelujah!

Antiphon

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

SEQUENCE HYMN

BREATHE ON ME, BREATH OF GOD

HYMNAL 508

Gospeller The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

THE GOSPEL

JOHN 15:26-27; 16:4b-15

Gospeller The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

SERMON

THE REV. ASHTON SIMS

THE NICENE CREED

BCP 358

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:**

**by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven**

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. *Amen.***

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE - FORM I

BCP 383

Intercessor With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying “Lord, have mercy.”

For the peace from above, for the loving-kindness of God, and for the salvation of our souls, let us pray to the Lord.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the Holy Church of God, and for the unity of all peoples, let us pray to the Lord.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor For Justin, the Archbishop of Canterbury, Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Brian, our Bishop; Jonathan, Bishop of our companion diocese of South Dakota; Bailey, Ashton, and Steve, our clergy; Adam, our seminarian; and for all the clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor In the Diocese of Tennessee, we pray for the Human Family (BCP page 815);

O God, you made us in your own image and redeemed us through Jesus your Son: Look with compassion on the wholehuman family; take away the arrogance and hatred which infect our hearts; break down the walls that separate us; unite us in bonds of love; and work through our struggle and confusion to accomplish your purposes on earth; that, in your good time, all nations and races may serve you in harmony around your heavenly throne; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Let us pray to the Lord.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor We also pray for the Care of Children (BCP page 829);

Almighty God, heavenly Father, you have blessed us with the joy and care of children: Give us calm strength and patient wisdom as we bring them up, that we may teach them to love whatever is just and true and good, following the example of our Savior Jesus Christ. Let us pray to the Lord.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor In our companion Diocese of South Dakota, we pray for St. John's, Deadwood, our sister parish; for the Diocese of Haiti, St. John the Evangelist Church and Medical Clinic. Let us pray to the Lord.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for the Anglican Church of Canada. Let us pray to the Lord.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor For Joe, our President; for Bill, our Governor; for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority, let us pray to the Lord.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor For this city of Oak Ridge, for every city and community, and for those who live in them, let us pray to the Lord.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor For seasonable weather, and for an abundance of the fruits of the earth, let us pray to the Lord.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor For the good earth which God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve it, let us pray to the Lord.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor For those who travel on land, on water, or in the air, or through outer space, let us pray to the Lord.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering, especially Mike Bautz, let us pray to the Lord.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor For those in assisted living or rehab: Mary Rhoades, Roger Derby, Jo Ann Baker, Dianne Davis; for parish members: Jane Heischman; Jonathan Heischman; Mary Hensley, Wil and Brianna Henderson, Harleigh, Amylin, Liam, Arlo; Audrey Henry; Mark Henry.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor For those serving in our armed forces at home and abroad, especially Thomas Bautz, Brian Bustle, Courtenay Clary, Reid Hartman, Seth Kosko, Alex Mol, Kyle Zirkel.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and captives, and for all who remember and care for them, let us pray to the Lord.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, and for all the departed, let us pray to the Lord.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor For deliverance from all danger, violence, oppression, and degradation, let us pray to the Lord.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor That we may end our lives in faith and hope, without suffering and without reproach, let us pray to the Lord.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor Defend us, deliver us, and in thy compassion protect us, O Lord, by thy grace.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor In the communion of the Blessed Virgin Mary, St. Stephen, St. Alban, and all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God.

People **To thee, O Lord our God.**

Silence

The Presider adds a concluding Collect

BLESSINGS FOR BIRTHDAYS AND WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

THE PEACE

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you

People **And also with you.**

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY ANTHEM GOD'S GONNA SET THIS WORLD ON FIRE

MOSES HOGAN

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THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: EUCHARISTIC PRAYER A

BCP 361

The people remain standing. The priest then says

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

The Presider continues

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord. In fulfillment of his true promise, the Holy Spirit came down on this day from heaven, lighting upon the disciples, to teach them and to lead them into all truth; uniting peoples of many tongues in the confession of one true faith, and giving to your Church the power to serve you as a royal priesthood, and to preach the Gospel to all nations.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

SANCTUS

HYMNAL S 128

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

The people stand or kneel, as they are able. The presider continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Presider and People

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

The Presider continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

AMEN.

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

THE LORD'S PRAYER

BCP 364

**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,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Presider breaks the consecrated Bread, and maintains a moment of silence.

FRACTION

HYMNAL S 164

Facing the people, the Presider says the following Invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

COMMUNION HYMN: THERE'S A SWEET, SWEET SPIRIT IN THIS PLACE

WLP 752

After Communion, the Presider says

Let us pray.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

BCP 365

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

SENDING FORTH THE EUCHARISTIC VISITORS

Presider In the name of this congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go, may share with us in the communion of Christ's Body and Blood.

People **Though we are many, we are one, because we share one bread and one cup.**

THE BLESSING

May Almighty God, who enlightened the minds of the disciples by pouring out upon them the Holy Spirit, make you rich with his blessing, that you may abound more and more in that Spirit for ever. *Amen.*

May God, who sent the Holy Spirit as a flame of fire that rested upon the heads of the disciples, burn out all evil from your hearts, and make them shine with the pure light of his presence. *Amen.*

May God, who by the Holy Spirit caused those of many tongues to proclaim Jesus as Lord, strengthen your faith and send you out to bear witness to him in word and deed. *Amen.*

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. *Amen.*

RECESSIONAL HYMN

O FOR THOUSAND TONGUES TO SING

HYMNAL 493

DISMISSAL

Presider Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!**

POSTLUDE

SCHERZO

ALAN RIDOUT

THOSE WHO SERVE TODAY — MAY 19, 2024

	7:45 A.M.	10:00 A.M.
CRUCIFER		Tyler Walker
ACOLYTES	Jamey Kennedy	Arwen Welch, Teddy Dantzler
LECTORS	Jack Lee	Bill Petersen
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	Jamey Kennedy	Deborah Clary, Lou Volk
USHERS	Jim Rousey, John Cox	Alan Liby, James Welch
GREETERS	Mary Shepard	Judith Delaney, Michael Trank
COUNTERS		Roni Boyd, Carol Skyberg
EUCCHARISTIC VISITOR		Carol Gardner
ALTAR GUILD	Barbara Steele, Susan Meredith, Nancy Anderson, Linda Felton	
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WEEKLY SCHEDULE HIGHLIGHTS - MAY 20 - MAY 25, 2024

Parish Office Hours: 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Monday - Thursday.

DATE	TIME	EVENT
Monday, May 20	9:00 a.m.	Staff meeting
	11:00 a.m.	Wardens' meeting
Tuesday, May 21	10:00 a.m.	Tuesday Bible Study
	11:30 a.m.	Holy Eucharist + Healing Service
	5:00 p.m.	Outreach Committee Meeting
	6:30 p.m.	Vestry Meeting
Wednesday, May 22	8:30 a.m.	Men's Group
Thursday, May 23	4:00 p.m.	Contemplative Prayer (Zoom)
Friday, May 24		Office closed

*The Altar Flowers are given by James and Philip Pack to the glory of God
and in memory of Elizabeth Pack's birthday.*

The Ambry Candle is given to the glory of God.

ANNOUNCEMENTS - SUNDAY, MAY 19, 2024

LOOSE PLATE OFFERINGS

THIS MONTH

Today the loose plate offering will go to support the Blessing Box

BLESSING BOX IN ACTION!

ITEMS NEEDED THIS WEEK

Thank you to everyone who is supporting the Blessing Box! Please remember the Blessing Box when you shop. This week, we are requesting donations of **individual toothbrushes, toothpaste and bar soap**. Items can be placed in the little red wagon in the narthex.

ST. THERESE FLOWER GUILD

The members of St. Therese Flower Ministry want to invite you to take one or more of the flower vases (filled with altar flowers) in the ramp room for someone who is celebrating a special occasion, needs cheering up (including yourself) or that you just want to let know they are being thought of. These are available any time after Monday afternoon.

HOLY GHOST WEENIE ROAST

TODAY

Join us after today's service for the "Holy Ghost Weenie Roast", sponsored by Parish Life. It's a great way to join together to celebrate Pentecost. The Men's Group has agreed to "man" the grills that day as we serve up burgers with all the fixins', and – of course -hot dogs! Please plan on bringing a 'cook-out appropriate' side dish to share.

MASS IN THE GRASS / MONTHLY POT LUCK

TRINITY SUNDAY, MAY 26

Trinity Sunday celebrates the doctrine of the Trinity, the three Persons of God: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

After Mass in the Grass, we will have our first parish potluck in the Parish Hall with a picnic theme. Please bring food to share that you would typically bring on a picnic... buckets of chicken, sub sandwiches, potato or pasta salad, deviled eggs, slaw, chips, rolls, brownies, fruit, etc. Paper goods, silverware, and drinks will be provided.

Please join us as we begin a new tradition. Come and share a meal with your St. Stephen's family. Our monthly parish potluck will not be centered around a Parish Life event, nor will it be set on a specific Sunday.

SMOKIES GAME

JUNE 4TH

Tickets will be available to purchase on May 19th between the 7:45 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. services in the parish hall, and in the Grove (weather permitting) after the 10:00 service on May 26 and June 2nd. Tickets are \$21 a person. Additional information is in the E-News.

These numbers reflect the change to track our actual giving vs budgeted expenses. Scan the QR code for online pledging!



Last Week's Offering	\$13,427
2024 YTD offering	\$279,070
2024 YTD budgeted expenses	\$248,670
over/(under)	\$30,400

TUESDAY BIBLE STUDY**MAY 21, 2024**

Perhaps Paul was the most prolific writer of letters to churches he helped to establish. On Tuesday we will continue looking at his three missions to Asia Minor and Europe to grasp the audiences for those letters. We'll see how his words of advice can apply to our lives as Christians living in a pagan world; perhaps, I should have said a material world. Come join us... Tuesday mornings, 10:00 a.m. in the Pollard Library. We'll adjourn prior to the healing service at 11:30 a.m.

SAFE CHURCH IN-PERSON TRAINING

Emily Kirk, the diocesan Safe Church coordinator, will offer an in-person Safe Church/Safe Communities training on June 9, 2024 at St. Stephen's following the 10:00 church service. In-person training takes about 4 hours. A light lunch will be provided. In order for there to be enough food, there will be sign-up sheets in the Hospitality Area, the Narthex, and the Parish Hall. We don't want anyone to be hungry.

If your last training was 2021, you are due for a refresher course. If you have a key to the building or work with our youth in any capacity, you are required to have this training. You can also access the training on your computer.

If you are unsure of your current status or need the log-in information for the computer version of training, please contact Judith Delaney at delaneyj01@bellsouth.net.

HONORING OF GRADUATES

We congratulate the following parishioners on their achievements!

Melissa Womble, Roane State; Vivian Cooper, L&M STEM Academy; Eli Mauk-Olson, ETSU; Britton Petersen, Bearden High School.

Please send fully edited articles with all pertinent information, including dates, times, location(s), and contact information, to editor@ststephensor.org by NOON on Wednesday. Announcements for the bulletin and the E-news are determined in consultation with clergy and staff

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ADAM CAVENDER, TOM CLARY, EMILY DOANE, BETH REED (2024)
CLEON HARTMAN, ASHLEY HILLIS (2025)
CRAIG BRENT, BEN SHASSERE, TYLER WALKER (2026)

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