

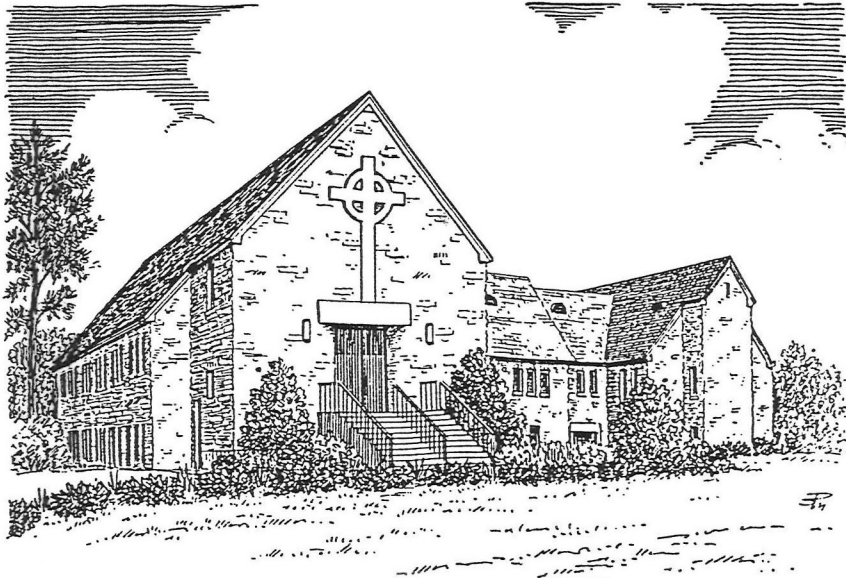


THE ELEVENTH SUNDAY  
AFTER PENTECOST  
HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II

*August 4, 2024 10:30 A.M*

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

Welcome



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# WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

## OPENING HYMN

## SHALL WE GATHER AT THE RIVER

LEVAS 141

1. Shall we gath - er at the riv - er, Where bright an - gel feet have trod; —  
2. On the mar - gin of the riv - er, Wash - ing up its sil - ver spray, —  
3. Ere we reach the shin - ing riv - er, Lay we ev - 'ry bur - den down; —  
4. Soon we'll reach the shin - ing riv - er, Soon our pil - grim - age will cease, —

1. With its crys - tal tide for - ev - er Flow - ing by the throne of God?  
2. We will walk and wor - ship ev - er, All the hap - py gold - en day.  
3. Grace our spir - its will de - liv - er, And pro - vide a robe and crown.  
4. Soon our hap - py hearts will quiv - er With the mel - o - dy of peace.

Yes, we'll gath - er at the riv - er, The beau - ti - ful, the beau - ti - ful riv - er;

Gath - er with the saints at the riv - er That flows by the throne of God.

# THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

## OPENING ACCLAMATION

*Presider* Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.  
*People* **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

## 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

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1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and  
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly  
King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we  
give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus  
Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you

take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy  
on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -  
ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,  
you a - lone are the Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most  
High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the  
glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

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*Presider* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Presider* Let us pray.

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Let your continual mercy, O Lord, cleanse and defend your Church; and, because it cannot continue in safety without your help, protect and govern it always by your goodness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

When the wife of Uriah heard that her husband was dead, she made lamentation for him. When the mourning was over, David sent and brought her to his house, and she became his wife, and bore him a son. But the thing that David had done displeased the Lord, and the Lord sent Nathan to David. He came to him, and said to him, "There were two men in a certain city, the one rich and the other poor. The rich man had very many flocks and herds; but the poor man had nothing but one little ewe lamb, which he had bought. He brought it up, and it grew up with him and with his children; it used to eat of his meager fare, and drink from his cup, and lie in his bosom, and it was like a daughter to him. Now there came a traveler to the rich man, and he was loath to take one of his own flock or herd to prepare for the wayfarer who had come to him, but he took the poor man's lamb, and prepared that for the guest who had come to him." Then David's anger was greatly kindled against the man. He said to Nathan, "As the Lord lives, the man who has done this deserves to die; he shall restore the lamb fourfold, because he did this thing, and because he had no pity." Nathan said to David, "You are the man! Thus says the Lord, the God of Israel: I anointed you king over Israel, and I rescued you from the hand of Saul; I gave you your master's house, and your master's wives into your bosom, and gave you the house of Israel and of Judah; and if that had been too little, I would have added as much more. Why have you despised the word of the Lord, to do what is evil in his sight? You have struck down Uriah the Hittite with the sword, and have taken his wife to be your wife, and have killed him with the sword of the Ammonites. Now therefore the sword shall never depart from your house, for you have despised me, and have taken the wife of Uriah the Hittite to be your wife. Thus says the Lord: I will raise up trouble against you from within your own house; and I will take your wives before your eyes, and give them to your neighbor, and he shall lie with your wives in the sight of this very sun. For you did it secretly; but I will do this thing before all Israel, and before the sun." David said to Nathan, "I have sinned against the Lord."

*Lector*            The Word of the Lord.  
*People*            **Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM 51:1-13 (Said in unison)**

1. Have mercy on me, O God, according to your loving-kindness; \*  
in your great compassion blot out my offenses.
2. Wash me through and through from my wickedness \* and cleanse me from my sin.
3. For I know my transgressions, \* and my sin is ever before me.
4. Against you only have I sinned \* and done what is evil in your sight.
5. And so you are justified when you speak \* and upright in your judgment.
6. Indeed, I have been wicked from my birth, \* a sinner from my mother's womb.
7. For behold, you look for truth deep within me, \*  
and will make me understand wisdom secretly.
8. Purge me from my sin, and I shall be pure; \* wash me, and I shall be clean indeed.
9. Make me hear of joy and gladness, \* that the body you have broken may rejoice.
10. Hide your face from my sins \* and blot out all my iniquities.
11. Create in me a clean heart, O God, \* and renew a right spirit within me.
12. Cast me not away from your presence \* and take not your holy Spirit from me.
13. Give me the joy of your saving help again \* and sustain me with your bountiful Spirit.

I therefore, the prisoner in the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all. But each of us was given grace according to the measure of Christ's gift. Therefore it is said, "When he ascended on high he made captivity itself a captive; he gave gifts to his people." (When it says, "He ascended," what does it mean but that he had also descended into the lower parts of the earth? He who descended is the same one who ascended far above all the heavens, so that he might fill all things.) The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ. We must no longer be children, tossed to and fro and blown about by every wind of doctrine, by people's trickery, by their craftiness in deceitful scheming. But speaking the truth in love, we must grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by every ligament with which it is equipped, as each part is working properly, promotes the body's growth in building itself up in love.

*Lector*            The Word of the Lord.  
*People*             **Thanks be to God.**





1 Let us break bread to - geth - er on our knees; \_\_\_\_\_  
 2 Let us drink wine to - geth - er on our knees; \_\_\_\_\_



let us break bread to - geth - er on our knees; \_\_\_\_\_  
 let us drink wine to - geth - er on our knees; \_\_\_\_\_

*Refrain*

when I fall on my knees, with my face to the ris - ing sun,



O Lord, have mer - cy on me. \_\_\_\_\_



3 Let us praise God to - geth - er on our knees; \_\_\_\_\_



let us praise God to - geth - er on our knees; \_\_\_\_\_

*Refrain*

when I fall on my knees, with my face to the ris - ing sun,



O Lord, have mer - cy on me. \_\_\_\_\_

*Gospeller*      The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.  
*People*          **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

The next day, when the people who remained after the feeding of the five thousand saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were there, they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum looking for Jesus.

When they found him on the other side of the sea, they said to him, “Rabbi, when did you come here?” Jesus answered them, “Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal.” Then they said to him, “What must we do to perform the works of God?” Jesus answered them, “This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent.” So they said to him, “What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing? Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, ‘He gave them bread from heaven to eat.’” Then Jesus said to them, “Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.” They said to him, “Sir, give us this bread always.”

Jesus said to them, “I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.”

*Gospeller*      The Gospel of the Lord.  
*People*          **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

THE NICENE CREED

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 III

*Intercessor* Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

*People* **That we all may be one.**

*Intercessor* Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

*People* **That your name may be glorified by all people.**

*Intercessor* We pray for Justin, the Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Sean, our Presiding Bishop-Elect; Brian, our Bishop and Jonathan, Bishop of our companion diocese of South Dakota; for Bailey and Steve, our clergy; Adam, our seminarian and for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

*People* **That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.**

*Intercessor* We pray for Joe, our President and Bill, our Governor, and for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

*People* **That there may be justice and peace on the earth.**

*Intercessor* Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

*People* **That our works may find favor in your sight.**

*Intercessor* Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

*People* **That they may be delivered from their distress.**

*Intercessor* Give to the departed eternal rest;

*People* **Let light perpetual shine upon them.**

*Intercessor* We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

*People* **May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.**

*Intercessor* Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

In the Diocese of East Tennessee, we pray for St Luke's, Knoxville.

In our companion Diocese of South Dakota, we pray for St. John's, Deadwood, our sister parish. We also pray for St. Mary, Promise, SD; St. Thomas Station, On The Tree, SD; Emmanuel, White Horse, SD.

We pray for the Diocese of Haiti, St. John the Evangelist Church and Medical Clinic.

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for The The Anglican Church of Kenya.

We pray for those in assisted living or rehab: Jo Ann Baker, Dianne Davis, Roger Derby, Allan Reiss, Mary Rhoades.

We pray for our parish members: Gay Marie Logsdon; Ann Long; Barbara Lopes; Beth Lutz.

We pray for the women and men who are currently serving in the armed forces at home and abroad, especially Thomas Bautz, Brian Bustle, Courtenay Clary, Reid Hartman, Seth Kosko, Alex Mol, Kyle Zirkel.

*The Presider adds a concluding Collect.*

## CONFESSION OF SIN

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence may be kept.*

**Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

## ABSOLUTION

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

## 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 HYMN

ALL WHO HUNGER GATHER GLADLY

WLP 761



1. All who hun - ger gath - er glad - ly; ho - ly man - na  
2. All who hun - ger, nev - er stran - gers, seek - er, be a  
3. All who hun - ger, sing to - geth - er, Je - sus Christ is



is our bread. Come from wil - der - ness and wan - d'ring.  
wel - come guest. Come from rest - less - ness and roam - ing.  
liv - ing bread. Come from lone - li - ness and long - ing.



Here in truth we will be fed. You that yearn for  
Here, in joy we keep the feast. We that once were  
Here, in peace, we have been fed. Blest are those who



days of full - ness, all a - round us is our food.  
lost and scat - tered in com - mun - ion's love have stood.  
from this ta - ble live their days in grat - i - tude.



Taste and see the grace e - ter - nal.  
Taste and see the grace e - ter - nal.  
Taste and see the grace e - ter - nal.



Taste and see that God is good.  
Taste and see that God is good.  
Taste and see that God is good.

DOXOLOGY

HYMNAL 380 (v. 3)

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below.  
Praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: EUCHARISTIC PRAYER A

*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 proceeds*

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

*The Proper Preface is said*

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 129

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and  
might, hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who  
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.\_\_\_\_\_

*The people stand or kneel, as they are able. Then 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.

*At the following words concerning the bread, the Presider is to hold it, or to lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.*

On the night before he died for us, 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.**

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,



## THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 ANTHEM

HYMNAL S 161

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world:  
have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
sins of the world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God,  
you take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

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*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.

Taste and see. Taste and see the good - ness

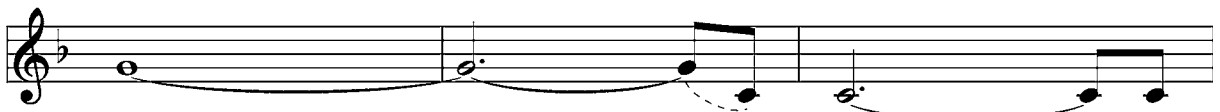
of the Lord. O taste and see. Taste and

see the good - ness of the Lord, of the Lord.

**Fine**

1. I will bless the Lord at all times.  
 2. Glo - ri - fy the Lord with me.  
 3. Wor - ship the Lord all you peo - ple.

- His praise shall al - ways be on my  
 - To - geth - er let us all praise his  
 - You'll want for noth - ing if you



lips; \_\_\_\_\_ my soul shall  
 name. \_\_\_\_\_ I called the  
 ask. \_\_\_\_\_ Taste and



glo - ry in the Lord; \_\_\_\_\_ for  
 Lord and he an - swered me; \_\_\_\_\_ from  
 see that God is good; \_\_\_\_\_ in



he has been so good to me. \_\_\_\_\_  
 all my trou - bles he set me free. \_\_\_\_\_  
 him we need put all our trust. \_\_\_\_\_

### POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. *Amen.*

### SENDING FORTH THE EUCHARISTIC VISITOR

*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

1 Joy - ful, joy - ful, we a - dore thee, God of glo - ry, Lord of love;  
 2 All thy works with joy sur-round thee, earth and heaven re - flect thy rays,  
 3 Thou art giv - ing and for - giv - ing, ev - er bless - ing, ev - er blest,

hearts un - fold like flowers be - fore thee, prais-ing thee, their sun a - bove.  
 stars and an - gels sing a-round thee, cen - ter of un - bro-ken praise.  
 well - spring of the joy of liv - ing, o - cean-depth of hap - py rest!

Melt the clouds of sin and sad - ness; drive the dark of doubt a - way;  
 Field and for - est, vale and moun-tain, bloom-ing mea-dow, flash - ing sea,  
 Thou our Fa - ther, Christ our Bro - ther: all who live in love are thine;

giv - er of im - mor - tal glad-ness, fill us with the light of day.  
 chant - ing bird and flow-ing foun-tain, call us to re - joice in thee.  
 teach— us how to love each o - ther, lift us to the joy di - vine.

## DISMISSAL

*Presider*      Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
*People*        **Thanks be to God.**

*The Altar Flowers by Jim Ball to the glory of God and with thanks for  
God's many blessings and in memory of Jacqueline.*

*The Ambry Candle is given to the glory of God by Roni Boyd  
in celebration of the birthday of her grandson, Mason Kreh.*

## THOSE WHO SERVE TODAY - AUG 4, 2024

**7:45 A.M.**

**10:00 A.M.**

CRUCIFER

Ben Shassere

ACOLYTES

Jack Lee

LECTORS

Roni Boyd

Leah Bailey

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Jack Lee

Roger Johnson, Goldie Kennedy

USHERS

John Cox, Jim Rousey

Craig Brent, Stacy Cox

GREETERS

Mary Nell Campbell

Heather Hartman, Ed Johnson

COUNTERS

Roni Boyd, Wes Delaney

EUCCHARISTIC VISITOR

Carol King

ALTAR GUILD

Roni Boyd, Mary Jeanne French, Vicky White

AV TECH

Matthew Doane

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS - SUNDAY, AUGUST 4, 2024

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Please send any bulletin, e-news or calendar announcements by Wednesday August 7. Fully edited pertinent information, including dates, times, location(s) should be sent to editor@ststephensor.org. This email goes to both the Parish Office, and Rob Steele III, our E-News editor. Final content is at the discretion of clergy and staff.

### **LOOSE PLATE OFFERINGS**

**TODAY**

The loose plate offering for today will go to the Clergy Discretionary Fund.

### **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 toothbrushes, toothpaste, bathroom tissue. Items can be placed in the little red wagon in the narthex.

### **BIBLE STUDY**

**TUESDAYS AT 10:00 A.M.**

The Tuesday Bible Study continues in the Pollard Room on Tuesdays at 10:00 a.m. All are welcome to attend.

### **CHRISTIAN EDUCATION**

**BEGINS ON SEPTEMBER 8**

Christian Education will begin the Sunday after Labor Day between our worship services. Join us from 9:30 a.m. to 10:15 a.m.

### **WALK OVER WEDNESDAY**

**WEDNESDAY AUGUST 7**

Our Walk Over Wednesday (WOW) lunch ministry for the ORHS juniors and seniors starts again on August 7th and continues throughout the school year. If you are interested in volunteering your time preparing and/or serving lunch one Wednesday a month, please reach out to one of our weekly coordinators: Jim Anderson, Leah Bailey, Judith Delaney or John Murphy

### **THE EPISCOPAL CHURCHMEN OF TENNESSEE CONFERENCE**

**AUGUST 9-11**

The 78th annual conference of the Episcopal Churchmen of Tennessee will take place August 9 through August 11 at St. Mary's Conference Center, Sewanne. You can register online or get more information on this conference at <http://tnchurchmen.org>.

### **BLESSING OF BACKPACKS & TEACHERS**

**AUGUST 11**

While Oak Ridge Schools have been back at school for a few weeks, schools in our surrounding area are just now getting started. Next Sunday, we want to encourage all of our children and youth as well as all of our educators to bring their tote bags, backpacks, or briefcases to either service for a blessing. There will also be a blessing for teachers.

**ST. STEPHEN'S FINANCIAL STATUS UPDATE****AS OF JULY 28, 2024**

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



Last Week's Offering	\$7,112
2024 YTD offering	\$363,943
2024 YTD budgeted expenses	\$351,771
over/(under)	\$12,171

**CLEARFORK**

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Clearfork Camp went very well this year. Many thanks to all who volunteered at the camp helping with activities and supervision and to all who contributed snacks, plastic bottles, books, and prayers. We couldn't have done it without you. Read the August Evangel for a full report.

**DOROTHY'S BOX**

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Located in the downstairs hallway at the foot of the stairs, you will see a large "box" where any good clothing donations can be placed. These items are taken (by Eph Klots) to local organizations that in turn distribute them to those in need. Dorothy's Box is named for Dorothy Gullett, a longtime parishioner, who personally took gently used clothing items to areas of Appalachia where the need was always great. Please help us continue this tradition with your donations.

**CELTIC SERVICE****AUGUST 11**

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Contemplative Prayer and Eucharist will be held next Sunday, August 11, at 5:00 p.m. at First United Methodist Church. Please plan on joining us.

## WEEKLY SCHEDULE HIGHLIGHTS - AUG 5 - AUGUST 10

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

DATE	TIME	EVENT
Monday, Aug 5	9:00 a.m.	Staff Meeting
	11:00 a.m.	Wardens' Meeting
Tuesday, Aug 6	10:00 a.m.	Bible Study
	11:30 a.m.	Healing Service
Wednesday, Aug 7	8:30 a.m.	Men's Group
	9:00 a.m.	Walk Over Wednesday
	2:30 p.m.	Grief Support Group
Thursday, Aug 8	4:00 p.m.	Contemplative Prayer (Zoom)
Friday, Aug 9		Office Closed
Saturday, Aug 10	10:00 a.m.	Judy Kidd funeral

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SENIOR WARDEN - COURTNEY MANROD (2025)  
JUNIOR WARDEN - LEAH BAILEY (2025)  
BETSY ELLIS - SECRETARY  
ALAN LIBY - TREASURER (2026)

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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