



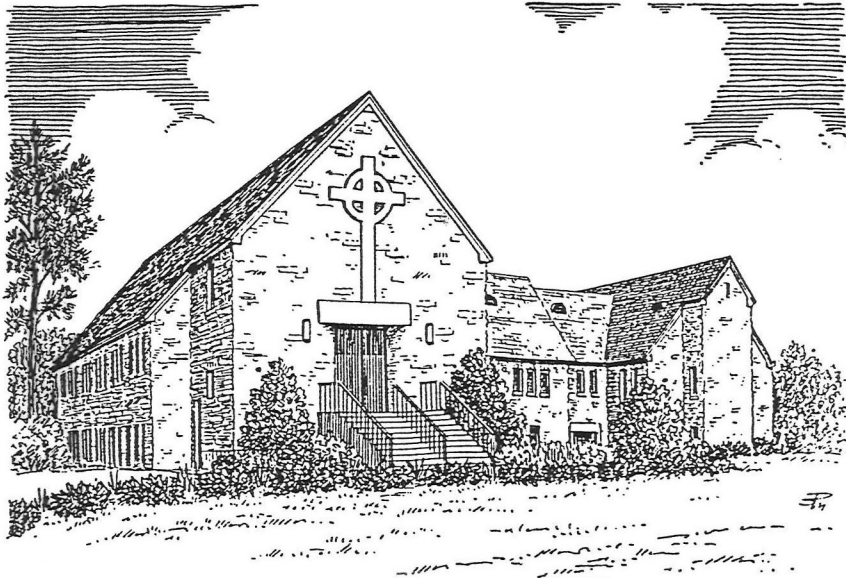
THE FIFTEENTH SUNDAY
AFTER PENTECOST

HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II

September 1, 2024 10:30 A.M

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

Welcome



St. Stephen's Episcopal Church Oak Ridge, Tennessee

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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.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

PRAISE TO THE LIVING GOD

HYMNAL 372

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

OPENING ACCLAMATION

BCP 355

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

S 280

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, readings and psalm(s) can be found in your bulletin insert.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray.

A READING FROM THE SONG OF SOLOMON

SONG OF SOLOMON 2:8-13

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

PSALM 45 1-2, 7-10 (Said in unison)

INSERT OR BCP 647-648

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

During the singing of the Sequence Hymn, the children may follow the cross to Children's Chapel.

SEQUENCE HYMN

TAKE MY LIFE AND LET IT BE

HYMNAL 707

Gospeller The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.
People **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

THE GOSPEL

MARK 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

Gospeller The Gospel of the Lord.
People **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

THE SERMON

FR. BAILEY NORMAN

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

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.

Lord, have mercy.

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.

Lord, have mercy.

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 the clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

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.

Lord, have mercy.

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

Lord, have mercy.

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

Lord, have mercy.

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

Lord, have mercy.

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

Lord, have mercy.

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

Lord, have mercy.

In the Diocese of East Tennessee, we pray For Labor Day (BCP p261). *Almighty God, you have so linked our lives one with another that all we do affects, for good or ill, all other lives: So guide us in the work we do, that we may do it not for self alone, but for the common good; and, as we seek a proper return for our own labor, make us mindful of the rightful aspirations of other workers, and arouse our concern for those who are out of work; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.*

We also pray for the Unemployed (BCP p 824). *Heavenly Father, we remember before you those who suffer want and anxiety from lack of work. Guide the people of this land so to use our public and private wealth that all may find suitable and fulfilling employment, and receive just payment for their labor; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen*

In our companion Diocese of South Dakota, we pray for St. John's, Deadwood, our sister parish. 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 Anglican Church of Mozambique and Angola. Let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For those in assisted living and rehab: Jo Ann Baker, Dianne Davis, Roger Derby, Allan Reiss, Mary Rhoades. Let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For our parish members: Eric and Miranda Miller, Briley, Haydin; Ross and Carole Mol; Bill Molony. Let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For those 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. Let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

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.

Lord, have mercy.

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

Lord, have mercy.

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

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

Lord, have mercy.

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

Lord, have mercy.

In the communion of the ever-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.

To thee, O Lord our God.

The Presider adds a concluding collect.

CONFESSION OF SIN

BCP 360

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

WHEN MORNING GILDS THE SKIES

PARISH CHOIR

ARRANGED BY RACHEL AARONS

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 B

BCP 367

The people remain standing. The Presider 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 S129

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. Then the Presider continues

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

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, according to his command, O Father,

Presider and People

**We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;**

The Presider continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with the Blessed Virgin Mary, St. Stephen, St. Alban and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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

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 ANTHEM

HYMNAL S 161

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: grant us peace.**

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

COME AWAY TO THE SKIES

HYMNAL 213

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 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

RECESSIONAL HYMN

WE ARE ALL ONE IN MISSION

WLP 778

Presider Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

VOLUNTARY

HORNPIPE FROM HANDEL'S WATER MUSIC

SIMON BALLINTOY

*The Altar Flowers are given to the glory of God.
The Ambry Candle is given to the glory of God.*

THOSE WHO SERVE TODAY - SEPTEMBER 1, 2024

	8:00 A.M.	10:30 A.M.
CRUCIFER		Teddy Dantzler
ACOLYTES	Jack Lee	
LECTORS	Jamey Kennedy	Jim Anderson
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	Jack Lee	Goldie Kennedy, Courtney Manrod
USHERS	Jack & Mary Nell Campbell	Stacy Cox, Craig Brent
GREETERS	Mary Nell Campbell	Mary Cooper, Ashley Hillis
COUNTERS		Roger Johnson, Roni Boyd
EUCCHARISTIC VISITOR		Carol King
ALTAR GUILD	Barbara Steele, Nancy Anderson, Linda Felton, Susan Meredith	
AV TECH	Brent Sigmon	
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WEEKLY SCHEDULE HIGHLIGHTS - SEPTEMBER 2 - SEPTEMBER 8

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

DATE	TIME	EVENT
Monday, September 2		Office closed for Labor Day
Tuesday, September 3	10:00 a.m.	Bible Study
	11:30 a.m.	Healing Service
Wednesday, September 4	8:30 a.m.	Men's Group
	9:00 a.m.	Walk Over Wednesday
	6:45 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal
Thursday, September 5	4:00 p.m.	Contemplative Prayer (Zoom)
Friday, September 6		Office Closed
Sunday, September 8	5:00 p.m.	Celtic Service

ST. STEPHEN'S FINANCIAL STATUS UPDATE

AS OF AUGUST 25, 2024

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



Last Week's Offering	\$7,612
2024 YTD offering	\$421,224
2024 YTD budgeted expenses	\$374,898
over/(under)	\$46,325

ANNOUNCEMENTS - SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 2024

Please send any bulletin, e-news or calendar announcements by Wednesday, September 4. 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 OFFERING

SEPTEMBER

The loose plate offering for the first Sunday of September goes to the Rector's 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 canned fruit, fruit cups, jelly. 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.

CELTIC SERVICE

SEPTEMBER 8

Contemplative Prayer and Eucharist will be held next Sunday, September 8 at 5:00 p.m. Please join us once again for the monthly Celtic Contemplative Eucharist. This month St. Stephen's will be hosting with Fr. Bailey as our celebrant and preacher.

ICE CREAM TRUCK

SEPTEMBER 15

Lolli and Bobo's Ice Cream Parlor will be returning to the Grove at St. Stephen's on the last Sunday of Summer following the 10:30 service. The first scoop will be free--those who want additional scoops will pay for those! Non-dairy options will also be available.

PARISH DIRECTORIES

AVAILABLE NOW

Updated parish directories are now available. If you would like an electronic copy emailed to you (as a pdf) please contact the parish office to request one. Paper copies can be collected from the hospitality volunteer desk during office hours.

All are invited on Tuesday, September 17, at 6:30 pm at Church of the Good Shepherd, Knoxville, as *The Philadelphia Eleven* is screened for our Episcopal community in Knoxville.

In this feature-length documentary film, we meet the women who challenge the very essence of patriarchy within Christendom and succeed in building a movement that transforms an age-old institution.

This event is presented free of charge courtesy of the Diocese of East Tennessee and with gracious hosting by Church of the Good Shepherd, Knoxville.

ACOLYTE MINISTRY

The acolyte ministry is one of the most visible ministries in the St Stephen's worship service! It includes youth as young as nine years through adults. They serve in the processional as torchbearers, crucifers, and thurifers, and assist the priests and other servers with the gospel, offertory, and communion. Acolyte Masters Sandi Robertson and Teddy Dantzler are always in need of new acolytes, so contact the parish office if you're interested in joining this exciting and very important ministry at our service! Beautiful robes, crosses, candles, and fire are also involved.

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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)

THE RT. REV. BRIAN COLE, BISHOP
THE DIOCESE OF EAST TENNESSEE

