



THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II

*April 14, 2024 10:00 A.M.*

## 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.

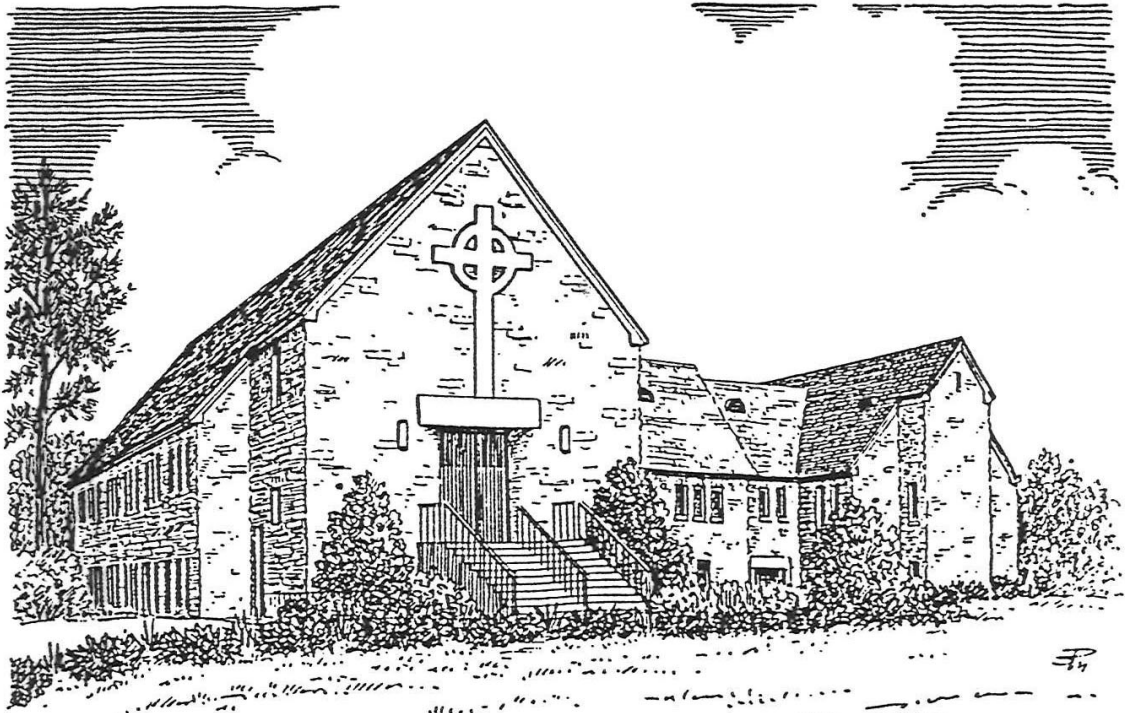
A nursery is available for children birth through 3-years of age. The children will be brought to their parents in time to receive communion and/or a blessing.

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.



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St. Stephen's Episcopal Church

Oak Ridge, Tennessee

## PRELUDE

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

AWAKE ARISE, LIFT UP YOUR VOICE

HYMNAL 212

# THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

## OPENING ACCLAMATION

BCP 355

*Presider* Alleluia. Christ is risen.

*People* The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

## COLLECT FOR PURITY

Almighty God, unto 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, New Testament, Psalm, Epistle, and Gospel readings can be found in the insert.*

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

## NEW TESTAMENT READING

ACTS 3:12-19

*Lector* The Word of the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God.



Al - le - lu - ia.      al - le - lu - ia.      al - le - lu - ia.

1. Answer me when I call, O God, defender of my cause; \*  
you set me free when I am hard-pressed; have mercy on me and hear my prayer.

2. “You mortals, how long will you dishonor my glory; \*  
how long will you worship dumb idols and run after false gods?”

*Antiphon*

3. Know that the Lord does wonders for the faithful; \*  
when I call upon the Lord, he will hear me.

4. Tremble, then, and do not sin; \*  
speak to your heart in silence upon your bed.

*Antiphon*

5. Offer the appointed sacrifices \*  
and put your trust in the Lord.

6. Many are saying, “Oh, that we might see better times!” \*  
Lift up the light of your countenance upon us, O Lord.

*Antiphon*

7. You have put gladness in my heart, \*  
more than when grain and wine and oil increase.

8. I lie down in peace; at once I fall asleep; \*  
for only you, Lord, make me dwell in safety.

*Antiphon*

**EPISTLE**

**1 JOHN 3:1-7**

*Lector*            The Word of the Lord.

*People*            Thanks be to God.

*At the Sequence hymn, all children are invited to follow the cross to Children’s Chapel.*

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

**THE GOSPEL**

**LUKE 24:36b-48**

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

**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.

**THE 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, Brian, our Bishop, and Jonathan, Bishop of our companion diocese of South Dakota; for Bailey, Ashton and Steve, our clergy, and Adam, our seminarian, and for all the clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For Joe, our President, and 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 St. John's, Johnson City, TN.

In our companion Diocese of South Dakota, we pray for St. John's, Deadwood, our sister parish and Christ, Yankton, 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 Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia.

We pray for those in assisted living: Mary Rhoades, Roger Derby, Jo Ann Baker, Dianne Davis and Pat Swinney.

We pray for our parish members: Mary Fell; Lew, Linda, and David Felton; Nicole Fisher, Michael, Lilley, Matthew; Serge and Joy Fournier.

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,

For these and all other intentions of this congregation, 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.**

For the absolution and remission of our sins and offenses, 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 Blessed Virgin Mary, St. Stephen, St. Alban, and all thy saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God.

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

## **BLESSINGS FOR BIRTHDAYS AND WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES**

### **THE PEACE**

**BCP 360**

*Presider*      The peace of the Lord be always with you

*People*        And also with you.



# THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

UBI CARITAS  
OLA GJEILO

PARISH CHOIR

DOXOLOGY

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below: Alleluia, alleluia! Praise him above ye heav'nly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost: O praise him, O praise him, alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: EUCHARISTIC PRAYER B

BCP 367

*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.

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

*A Proper Preface is said*

*Presider* 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

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. 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.**

And now, 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**

**HYMNAL S 155**

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

*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      GOOD CHRISTIANS ALL REJOICE AND SING**

**HYMNAL 205**

*After Communion, the Presider says*

Let us pray.

**POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

**BCP 366**

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 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

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. *Amen*

## RECESSIONAL HYMN

## LIFT HIGH THE CROSS

HYMNAL 473

*Presider* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, Alleluia.

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

## VOLUNTARY

**NUN DANKETT ALLE GOTT  
SIGFRID KARG-ELERT**

**SIMON BALLINTOY**

*The Altar flowers are given to the glory of God in celebration and appreciation  
of the ministry of the Rev. Lynn Bailey Norman.*

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

# ANNOUNCEMENTS - SUNDAY, APRIL 14, 2024

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## LOOSE PLATE OFFERINGS

APRIL

Today the loose plate offering will go to support the summer Clearfork Learning Camp.

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## WHAT IS CLEARFORK LEARNING CAMP?

APRIL

Clearfork Learning Camp is a week-long summer program that provides educational and recreational opportunities for children and youth in Clairfork, Tennessee. This Appalachian community faces many challenges, such as poverty, unemployment, and a lack of resources. St Stephen's Church organizes the camp in partnership with the local Clearfork Community Institute, which aims to empower the residents of Clairfork through education, advocacy, and community development. The camp offers arts and crafts, music, and sports activities.

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## ADULT EDUCATION-FINDING GOD IN THE GARDEN

APRIL 14-MAY 5

This adult formation class will gather to share a devotion and gardening wisdom. A plant exchange table will be set up each week to allow participants who wish to share potted plant divisions and seedlings from their garden.

We will meet in the St. Francis Garden behind the St. Stephen's Labyrinth, weather permitting. In case of rain, we will meet in the Parish Hall and the plant exchange table will be set up there.

The class will meet at 11:30 on the following dates:

April 14- Perennials

April 21- Neglected Beds

April 28- Companion Planting

May 5- The Soils

Devotional material will be taken from the text, *Devotions from the Garden* by Miriam Drennan. Purchase of the book is not required.

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## CELTIC SERVICE

APRIL 14

This afternoon at 5 p.m. St. Stephen's will be joining members of First United Methodist Church for a Celtic service at FUMC. Please come and be part of this ecumenical offering.

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## 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 **laundry soap, dishwashing soap, deodorant, shampoo, conditioner, toilet paper, toothpaste.**

**SUPPER & INQUIRER'S CLASS****APRIL 17**

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Inquirer's class will meet this Wednesday evening with supper served at 5:30 p.m. and the inquirer's class starting at 6 p.m.

**TUESDAY BIBLE STUDY****APRIL 16**

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What prompted Jesus to go through Samaria when the disciples wanted to go around. Who or what did he find at the well? Did the well really have magic water? Join us for the Tuesday Bible Study, 10 a.m. in the Pollard library.

**ST. STEPHEN'S FINANCIAL STATUS UPDATE****AS OF APRIL 7, 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	\$9,812
2024 YTD offering	\$231,532
2024 YTD budgeted expenses	\$183,231
over/(under)	\$48,301

## THOSE WHO SERVE TODAY — APRIL 14, 2024

	7:45 A.M.	10:00 A.M.
CRUCIFER		Tyler Walker
ACOLYTES	Jack Lee	Tatum Tipton, Tate Cavender
LECTORS	Jamey Kennedy	Beth Reed
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	Jack Lee	Cyril Meredith, Jr., Courtney Manrod
USHERS	Jack & Mary Nell Campbell	Craig Brent, Lew Felton
GREETERS	Mary Nell Campbell	Barbara Neill, Carol Ann Lane
COUNTERS		Roger Johnson, Carol Skyberg
EUCCHARISTIC VISITORS		Katherine & Gary Grubb
ALTAR GUILD	Roni Boyd, Mary Jeanne French, Marcia Todkill, Vicky White	
AV TECH	Matthew Doane	
SOURCE MATERIAL	The source material for this service is the Book of Common Prayer, Year B and The Book of Occasional Services.	

## WEEKLY SCHEDULE — APRIL 15 - APRIL 19, 2024

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

DATE	TIME	EVENT
Monday, April 15	9:00 a.m.	Staff meeting
	11:00 a.m.	Wardens' meeting
	7:00 p.m.	Liturgics meeting (Zoom)
Tuesday, April 16	10:00 a.m.	Tuesday Bible Study
	11:30 a.m.	Holy Eucharist + Healing Service
	5:00 p.m.	Outreach Meeting
	6:30 p.m.	Vestry Meeting
Wednesday, April 17	8:30 a.m.	Men's Group
	9:00 a.m.	WOW
	5:30 p.m.	Parish Supper
	6:00 p.m.	Inquirer's Class
	6:45 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal
Thursday, April 18	4:00 p.m.	Contemplative Prayer (Zoom)
Friday, April 19		Office closed

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SENIOR WARDEN - COURTNEY MANROD (2025)  
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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