



# Easter Sunday

March 31, 2024 at 10:00 a.m.

Welcome to people new to this church or faith, long time Lutherans, and Christians from every tradition. Welcome to all who have no church home, want to fol-

low Christ, have doubts, or do not believe. Welcome to new visitors and old friends. Welcome to people of every age and size, color and culture, sexual orientation and marital status, ability and challenge. Welcome to believers and questioners and questioning believers. This is a place where you are welcome to celebrate and sorrow, rejoice and recover. This is a place where lives are made new. Welcome on this day.

Please fill out the "Worship Slip" and place it in the offering plate.

( \* ) Asterisk means, "Please stand as you are able."

Prelude

Easter Fantasy on Ancient Hymn

French Medieval Carol — Marcel Dupre

Brass & Organ

Processional

\*Opening Hymn

"Jesus Christ Is Risen Today"

Red #365

Jesus Christ is ris'n today, Alleluia!
Our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!
Who did once upon the cross, Alleluia!
Suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!

Women only:

Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia! Unto Christ, our heav'nly king, Alleluia! Who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia! Sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!

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Men only:

But the pains which he endured, Alleluial Our salvation have procured; Alleluial Now above the sky he's king, Alleluial Where the angels ever sing. Alleluial

Sing we to our God above, Alleluial Praise eternal as his love; Alleluial Praise him, all you heav'nly host, Alleluial Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluial

### \*Greeting

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen

C: Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

P: The grace of our risen Savior, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you

### \*Prayer of the Day

Children's Message

Pastor Lapp

"He Shall Feed His Flock" by George Frederic Handel Lydia Abler—soloist

First Reading

Acts 10:34-43

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"New Horizons" by Jennifer Ekins — Julia Tracey, piano and

"La Folla" by Ride Vidal — Patrick Tracey, guitar

\*Gospel Reading

Matthew 28:1-10 Celebrate pg. 3

P: The Holy Gospel acc. to St. Matthew the 28th Chapter

C: Glory to you. O God.

(The Gospel is read)

P: This is the Gospel of our Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

<u>Message</u>

Rev. James Lapp

\*Hymn of the Day

"Christ Has Arisen, Alleluia"

Red #364

Christ has arisen, alleluia. Rejoice and praise him, alleluia. For our redeemer burst from the tomb, Even from death, dispelling its gloom.

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Let us sing praise to him with endless joy.
Death's fearful sting he has come to destroy.
Our sin forgiving, alleluia!
Jesus is living, alleluia!

For three long days the grave did its worst Until its strength by God was dispersed. He who gives life did death under go, And in its conquest his might did show.

REFRAIN

The angel said to them. "Do not fear. You look for Jesus who is not here. See for yourselves the tomb is all bare. Only the grave clothes are lying there."

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\*The Prayers of the Church

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# \* Passing of the Peace

P: May the peace of God be with you always.

C: And also with you.

Offering — We honor and worship God by returning some of the gifts with which we have been blessed.

Good News Singers "Christ is Risen Shout Hosanna!"

#### Offertory Prayer

P: Giver of life,

C: We bring to your table what we have, gifts from you, the one who makes all things new.

With these signs we bring ourselves, that we may carry to the world the love of your Son,

Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

# \*Lord's Prayer Sung

C: Our Father, in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us today, our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom,
the power and the glory are yours
Now and forever.
Amen

### \*Benediction

P: The God of life,
Who raised Jesus from the dead,
Who sends forth the Spirit to renew the face of the earth,
Be merciful to you and + bless you, now and forever.

C: Amen.

Music "Come Christians Join to Sing"

Choir & Brass (congregation joins)



Text: 66 66 I); Christian Henry Bateman, 1843, alt. Music: Spanish Hymn, source unknown.

#### \*Dismissal

P: Alleluia! Go in Peace. Share the Good News.

C: Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

# Handel's "Hallelujah Chorus" 1741 All That Brass



Meet outside for the Children's Egg Hunt

# Serving Today

Reader: Steven Hendrickson
Office Support: Sheila Buswell & Sherilyn Jager

# **Prayer Concerns**

SHORT TERM: Nate Barker, Monica & Family, Family & friends of Sqt. William Nelson, Jen, Robbin, Lurline Moore, Barry Hansen, Sandy P., Maria, Ila & Reina, Family of Richard Barker, Margot Wilson, Michael, Steven Kamlin, Keith, Noelle, Ensley, Tom Peyser, Bob Zeigle, Jan, Jessie V., Margaret, Bill Gile, Mike Homer, Randy M., Tim Oldfield, Sierra, Beth's mom, Julie R., Anne Rice, Cheryl Davis, Rosie, The Webber Family, Janet, Sue, Lindsay Rosenberg, Middle East Peace, Maria, Cody Turner, Jan, Jacque N. Diane Strong, Tom Dawson, James, Tina, Keith, Taiyo, Marissa, Isaac, James Boudreau, Alvarado family, Dustin, Eric Utto-Galarneau, Father Jack Davis, Sam, Atlas, Sandi Csik, Janica Paustian, Jesse, Joyce, James, John, Elida, Jeannie, Anetta, Jane, Barbara Allen, Kathy, Joel Hurttgam, Sandy, Levi & Alexandrea, Gary Toops, Donna Kemper, Lisa & Beau, Craig Dahl, Genell Csik, Paul Cunningham, Paul Paustian, Dawit & Family (Ethiopia), Gaye Cornell, Dorothy, Rachel B., Anne & Chloe Johnston, Nancy, Mateo & Lina, Don, Atlas, Anthony, Steve, Rose, Will, Aaron Johnson, Sal, Katarina, Stephanie Jager, Parents, Healthcare workers & teachers.

LONG TERM: Biergiel—Colclough family, April McCalmont, Marty Nehring, Miller Mouw, Kyle Lapp, Shelby Volpi, Ashley, Frank, Joe, Dom, Linda Johnson, Bailey Ingalls, Jan Shadle, Vi Olly, Bobbie Erickson, Joyce, Susan Anderson, Jan Wagner, Richard C., Brouse Family, Janet Baker, Sandy Godvine, Janelle Yung, Karin, Will, Chris, Pearl Runquist, Volpi & Robe Family, Cabel, Noah, Esdras, Immigrant families, The Homeless, People of Ukraine, Our Nation's leaders, Mt. Cross, St. Stephen's Child Development Ctr, Pastor Jim & Our Church Family, men & women of Armed Forces, and the Youth of today.

# All That Brass

Nathan Lapp, trumpet Rally Capone, trumpet Antonio Plaza, trombone Micha Lyons, tuba

# New Ways of Giving

Our Virtual Offering Plate has been enhanced. We are now able to receive donations made by: credit card, debit card, PayPal and Venmo.

There are three choices:

- 1) Vanco, our regular electronic giving provider;
- 2) PayPal/Venmo for single one-time gifts;
- 3) PayPal with the possibility of recurring donations and an option to cover the fees.

All are available at <a href="https://ststephenslutheran.org">https://ststephenslutheran.org</a> (click the **Donate Now** button) or by scanning this QR code.

Questions: Call Kent Madsen or Janet Slay





Many Thanks ~

To all the wonderful volunteers who donated their time and culinary skills to provide us with those fulfilling Soupers!



Zoom with Pastor Jim check email on Weds. for link

Wednesday from 11a -12noon and 7:30 pm — 8:30 pm

We will be looking at the upcoming scripture readings for Sunday, to enrich our worship experience and uncover some of the deeper truths of our faith. As we grow in our faith, we grow in community.

# **Upcoming Events:**

April Benevolence Offering - Habitat for Humanity

April 1-5 Preschool Closed April 3 & 10 Bible Study Resumes Weds. 11:00 am & 7:30 pm April 4 Mens beginner A.A. 7:00 pm April 5 A.A. 7:00 pm April 8 & 22 Women's Café Group 6:00 pm Mondays April 9 Church Council 6:30 pm April 9 Boy Scouts 7:00 pm April 9 Knitters Guild 6:15 pm April 10 Preschool Chapel 10:15 am April 11 MMRR Circle 11:00 am (Fireside) April 15 Embroiderers 7:00 pm April 18 Knitters Guild Board 10 am April 19 Newsletter Deadline 12:00 April 20 Property Work Day 9:00—11:00 am April 23 Provide Habitat Lunches 10:30 am

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Newsletter Collating 2:00 pm

April 29

# **Our Mission Statement**

St. Stephen's is a welcoming, healing community who worship God in Christ, nurture people growing in faith, serve others with acceptance and love, invite people to share the joy of the Spirit.

### Reconciling in Christ

"We welcome all who are seeking God's love and grace.
We welcome all because God welcomes all, regardless of race or culture, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, or relationship status.
We welcome all without regard to addictions, physical or mental health, imprisonment, socio-economic circumstances, or anything that too often divides us.

Our unity is in Christ."

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# **Easter Lily Donations**

Judi & Robert Alvarado In honor of friend Carolyn Tran

Shelly Barker Matthew & Ryan Barker

and Beverly Dalziel

Cheryl Bartee Jean & Richard Patterson

Robert Bartee Ernestine & John Bartee

Freda Bartee

Sheila Buswell In memory of Ron

Paul & Connie Cunningham To All our Family

For Ina Williams **Jeanette Dawson** 

Tom Dawson In honor of Sgt. William Nelson

Sandra & Charles Eldridge In honor of our brother,

Bill Eldridge

Tina Gates For Loved ones

Rose Guerrero In honor of loved ones

Lorie Juhl Thelma Haiden & Betty Kierlan

Kent Madson & In honor & Barb Rice memory of

loved ones

Gina Mendoza In memory of loving father,

grandpa &Tata, Tony Guerrero For loved ones who have passed

Susan Oldfield In honor of family

Tex & Dorothy Ronning Loved one's

Margaret & Bill Schraft Children & grandchildren

Janet Slay In memory of Al & Sylvia

Don Smawley Loved one's

Beth Stiles Diane Strong

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George Webber My wife Judy & family



THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING
THE MINISTRY OF ST. STEPHENS!