

Prayer Requests

Healing and Comfort

Vera Schwagel
Jaz Muhammad
Shirley Nuechterlein

Blessings/Guidance

Paul & Kirstin Humber

The Week Ahead

SUNDAY, Sept. 30

8:00 A.M. Traditional Worship w/ Communion
9:15 A.M. Education Hour
10:30 A.M. Contemporary Worship w/ Communion
8:00 P.M. St. Stephanus Softball Pioneer 4

MONDAY, October 1

TUESDAY, October 2

7:00 P.M. Lay Ministry

WEDNESDAY, October 3

6:00 P.M. Confirmation

THURSDAY, October 4

FRIDAY, October 5

3:00 P.M. Feeding Frogtown @ St. Paul City School

SATURDAY, October 6

SUNDAY, October 7

8:00 A.M. Traditional Worship w/ Communion
9:15 A.M. Education hour
10:30 A.M. Contemporary Worship w/ Communion
6:00 P.M. St. Stephanus Softball Pioneer 3

Upcoming Birthdays, Feasts & Commemoration

September 30:

October 1:

October 2:

October 3:

October 4: Emma Pagel, Noah Gundermann

October 5: Senait Berhe

October 6: Thomas Connolly

CELEBRATING



October contact persons: Carol James & Tarrie Culbert

Lynne Billing, Tarrie & Richard Culbert, Matt Culbert, Doug & Carol James, Suzanne Johnston, Lennea Lopez, Mildred Lopez, Stephanie Sagstetter, Jay & Sheila Schlechte, James & Karen Siegel, Martha Sohn

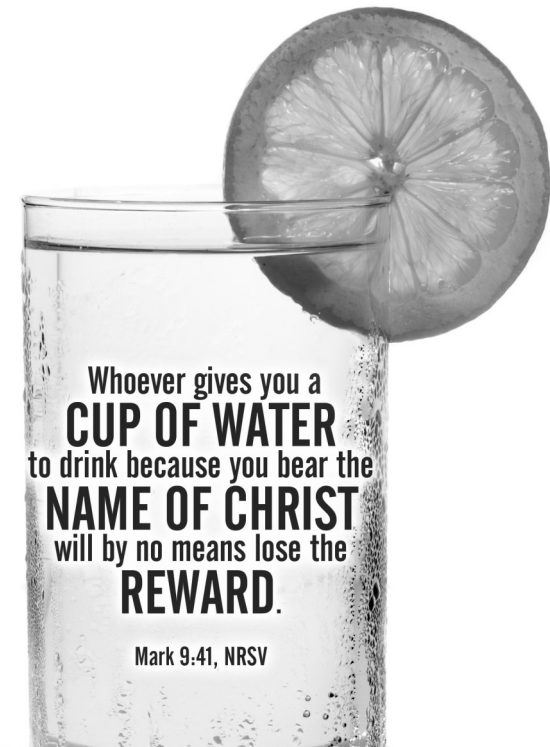
St. Stephanus Lutheran Church
Preaching the Gospel of Jesus Christ for 125 Years

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with Jesus Christ and Each Other

September 30, 2018
19th Sunday after Pentecost



Welcome Visitors

Please sign the attendance register. If you desire a call from the pastor or are interested in membership, please note that on the attendance register.

Our Mission Statement:

To proclaim the gospel through word and sacrament to our membership, our communities and our world.

Our Vision:

Connecting people with Jesus Christ and each other through worship, learning and service.

About Communion:

Non-alcoholic wine is offered in the center of the communion trays. It is distinctly lighter than the surrounding wine. Children who have not received instruction are invited to the rail to receive a blessing. Visitors are welcomed to the rail if you join us in confessing that the Lord gives not only bread and wine, but His very Body and Blood to eat and drink for the forgiveness of our sins and to strengthen our union with Him and one another. Our Lord invites to this table those who (1) trust his words, (2) repent of all sins and (3) set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He has forgiven and loves us.

Prayers:

You are invited to fill out a prayer card located in the pew. Pastor will gather these cards before the prayers of the church. Please print your prayer requests.

Sunday Services:

Traditional Worship 8:00 A.M.
Education Hour 9:15 AM
Contemporary Worship 10:30 A.M.
Holy Communion at both services on the 1st, 3rd and 5th Sunday of each month.
Eritrean Service 12 Noon



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OFFICE HOURS:
Monday to Friday 9 AM to 1 PM
Bulletin Deadline: 11 AM Wed.

September 30 Worship Assistants

Preacher: Rev. Andrew Thompson

Acolytes: (8:00) Oliver Bauch & Ana Thompson
(10:30) Savannah & Sebastian Caquelin

Caretaker: (8:00) Russ Van Dassar **(10:30)** Judy Brinkman

Video Ministry: Jeff Johnson

Communion Assistants: (8:00) Matt Hanan, Tricia Schmidt, Leah Van Dassar
(10:30) Jane Sell, Dale Trapp, Jeremiah Willard

Elder: (8:00) Matt Hanan **(10:30)** Dan Savard

Greeters: (8:00) B.J. Brown & Candy Pagel **(10:30)** Jackie & Jerry Spiess

Lector: (8:00) Dan Baker **(10:30)** Sharon Savard

Music: (8:00) Organist: Bruce Anderson **(10:30)** Worship Band

Soundboard: (8:00) Scott Goodrich **(10:30)** Leonard Miller

Ushers: (8:00) Roger Binning, Collin Hanan, Richard Johnson, Tesfaya Maskalo
(10:30) Emmet Heck, Steve Sohn, Noah Miller, Jeff Wussler



Today's Altar flowers are given by:

Judy Brinkman

Last Week's Contributions:

Sept 23 8:00 (64) 10:30 (87)

Current - \$7,542.75

Missions - \$10.00

Gifts for Staff - \$25.00

CLS-Restricted - \$25.00

20 x 5 - \$5.00

Special Thanks - \$100.00

Sunday School - \$4.16

Total - \$7,706.91 **(\$7,000 needed weekly)**

October 7 Worship Assistants

Preacher: Rev. Andrew Thompson

Acolytes: (8:00) Calvin Hanan & Jingyan Schlechte **(10:30)** Eva Gundermann & Lexi Miller

Caretaker: (8:00) Dan Baker **(10:30)** Ron Brubak

Video Ministry: Jeff Johnson

Communion Assistants: (8:00) Jane Sell, Leah & Russ Van Dassar
(10:30) Erica Moore, Akbar Muhammad, Jeremiah Willard

Elder: (8:00) Matt Hanan **(10:30)** Gene Heuton

Greeters: (8:00) Marie Benson & Sheila Schlechte **(10:30)** Dale Trapp & Wayne Warnest

Lector: (8:00) Lois Thur **(10:30)** Katie Miller

Music: (8:00) Organist: Bruce Anderson **(10:30)** Worship Band

Soundboard: (8:00) Dan Savard **(10:30)** Leonard Miller

Ushers: (8:00) B.J. Brown, Collin Hanan, Reba & Walt Peterson
(10:30) Steve Sohn, Noah Miller, Jan & Ron Brubak

Volunteers Needed!

We are in need of workers and contributions for our "coffee hour" after first service!

All members of St. Stephanus are listed to participate for one month during the year for various activities. (listed on the back page of the church bulletin)

We are asking that you make a commitment by choosing one Sunday during the month that you are scheduled to serve. Please sign up on the sheet located on the treat table.

A HUGE THANK YOU to Joan Baker and Lynn Thompson for their loyalty in giving of their time on Sunday mornings in the past. They will be available to help make the transition. The caretakers have graciously consented to making the coffee.

If you are not able to work, please consider purchasing treats and ask one of the people listed on the month to fill in for you. Financial donations are needed to purchase coffee, cups and paper products.

~Women's Ministry-Lois Holtz~

Volunteers Needed to Serve at The Ronald McDonald House - We are looking for 3-4 volunteers to assist in setting up and serving meals at The Ronald McDonald House in St. Paul. Our next dates are:

Thursday dinner October 18th (4:30-7:30 pm), Saturday brunch November 10th (9:30 am -12:30), and Saturday brunch December 8 (9:30 am -12:30). If you are interested in helping and one of these dates works for you please contact Emmy Treichel or Lynne Heuton. This is an opportunity to provide a home-away-from-home cooked meal to the families and friends of patients at the Gillette Children's Hospital.



game vs. Humboldt at 7 PM. Admission is free for all children, as well as CA alumni. Admission for other adults is \$6. Join in this great celebration of CA's 125 years "In The Light!"

CA Craft Fair on Nov. 10

Concordia Academy's annual Holiday Craft Fair takes place November 10, 9 AM - 3 PM. If you are a vendor who would like to participate, sign up now before spaces are gone! Go to www.concordiaacademy.com/craftfair.

CA Homecoming on Oct. 5

You're invited to Concordia Academy's Homecoming on Friday, October 5. A carnival with plenty of fun kids' games starts at 5:30 PM, followed by the football

Bible Study: How do I write, speak, communicate a significant Spiritual event, place, activity, presence of God in my life to others? Sunday, 9/16, we started looking at crafting and communicating a Spiritual Autobiography during our Education Hour. It is my hope that it opens us up as a community to share the work of God in our lives so that we may be better able to speak to the work of God in the lives of others. After the 8:00 service grab a treat and coffee and join us in the Fireside Room.

During the 16th century, the Ten Commandments were commonly used in German churches at the confessional, for the instruction of children, and in later times on pilgrimages and as an introduction to the Litany during Passiontide. Martin Luther (1483-1546) wrote the hymn "Dies sind die heil'gen zehn Gebot" (tr: These are the holy Ten Commandments) in approximately 1524 as a setting of 12 stanzas of 4 lines, each stanza ending with the "Kyrieleis" (Kyrie Eleison). Hymn 581 in our hymnal is our English translation of the Luther hymn, using the very similar tune IN GOTTES NAMEN FAHREN WIR. Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750) published his first organ music, the Clavier-Übung III in 1739. The title translates to "keyboard practice", however this volume is often referred to as the "German Organ Mass" because of the chorale's references to Luther's Catechisms. Bach's setting of "Dis sind die heil'gen zehn Gebot" includes a pastorel-like theme throughout with the tune joining in canon. This method of featuring the theme is fitting, since the word "canon" means "rule" or "law". This piece will serve as the prelude this morning (8:00).

"Gott der Vater wohn' uns bei" ("God, our Father, dwell within") is another Luther hymn, this one is found in our hymnal as "Triune God, Be Thou Our Stay", and is the prescribed Hymn of the Day for the Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost. A chorale by Samuel Scheidt based upon this hymn will be played as the voluntary during the offering (8:00).

The Fugue in C Major, also known as the "Fanfare Fugue", has been attributed to J.S. Bach, having been included in a publication of Bach's "complete works" in 1860. Since then its authorship has been also attributed to Carl Philipp Emmanuel Bach (1714-1788) a son of J.S. Bach, as well as Johann Philipp Kirnberger (1721-1783), a student of J.S. Bach. Regardless of its authorship, this fun piece will be played for today's postlude (8:00). ~From the organ bench~



*****Special Voter's meeting October 7 (after the late service) to discuss the sale of 775 Lexington (Central Lutheran School property) *****

Join us next Sunday (Oct. 7) at the 10:30 service in celebrating the baptism of Harriett Pearl Overfors.



Sheltering Hope Breakfast

You're invited! Join us for an hour of stories, celebration, and HOPE as we reflect on our first year providing safe, stable housing to asylum seekers in the Twin Cities and share what's next for Jonathan House.

This is a free breakfast event and there is no financial commitment in attending. Attendees will have an opportunity to become a Friend of Jonathan House and donate toward our second site in partnership with St. Stephanus, scheduled to open Fall 2018.

Come and learn how Jonathan House is making a difference in individuals' lives and how you can shelter hope for some of the 3,000 asylum seekers living in Minnesota.

If you plan to attend, **please contact Lynn Thompson by October 2.**

Unable to attend but still wish to donate?

1. Write a check to:

“International Association for Refugees”

2. Write “Jonathan House” in the Memo
3. Drop the check at St. Stephanus church office in an envelope marked for Lynn Thompson.

Donate Online:

1. Go to www.iafr.org
2. Click Donate
3. Select Project: Jonathan House

Reuse your grocery bags!!

St. Stephanus is partnering with Second Harvest Heartland and the Frogtown Neighborhood Association to continue bringing food into the Frogtown Community. On Tuesdays (**2 more** Tuesdays in Oct.) we have a Frogtown Farmer's Market produce distribution. Plastic and paper grocery bags are needed for the weekly distributions. Bags for reuse can be dropped into the box located in the Fireside room.

Jonathan House Ministry:

Recovery from forced displacement requires a supportive community, life-giving faith and emotional well-being along with the ability to navigate and contribute to society. Jonathan House provides supportive housing to asylum-seeking refugees in the Twin Cities.

Save the Date:

Please join volunteers and staff members of Jonathan House for the First Annual Jonathan House Sheltering Hope Breakfast at St. Stephanus on Tuesday, October 9th, 8-9 A.M. Please register by Oct. 2. To register and for more information go to <https://mailchi.mp/d0902c6865eb/youre-invited-jonathan-house-sheltering-hope-breakfast?e=841390273f>

Volunteer:

Volunteers will be needed for set-up before and clean-up after the fundraiser event. Please contact Cherie Fleischhacker ckfle1@yahoo.com or 651-348-9051

Donations needed:

Jonathan House Blair Residence is set to open here at St. Stephanus this Fall. Supplies are now being collected to stock the house. Donated items may be placed in a collection container that will be located in the Fireside Room below the Jonathan House Bulletin Board where this list is posted

Supplies needed include: toilet paper, paper towels, napkins, Kleenex(full box size), liquid dish soap (24 oz), toilet bowl cleaner (24 oz), glass cleaner(24 oz spray bottle), all purpose cleaner (32 oz spray bottle), laundry detergent (100 oz) 13-gallon trash bags (box of 40)4-gallon trash bags (box of 30), printer paper.

Prayer:

We continue to meet at St. Stephanus on the 4th Wednesday of every month at 7P.M. for a brief update on Jonathan House and for prayer for the ministry, asylum seekers, refugees, etc. Please join us this week on Wednesday, September 26th at 7P.M.

To stay up to date on everything that is happening with this ministry you can: check the website at <http://iafr.org>, like them on Facebook Jonathan House IAFR, or email with any questions at jonathanhouse@iafr.org.