

St. Stephanus Lutheran Church

Preaching the Gospel of Jesus Christ for 129 Years

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with Jesus Christ and Each Other

May 10, 2020

Fifth Sunday of Easter

He is Risen! Alleluia!

Happy Mother's Day!

Although we won't have weekly services at church for the foreseeable future, there will still be a stream of regular Sunday worship available on Sunday morning! Please visit our website www.saintstephanus.org for more details. Here is a direct link to the "Sermons & Worship" links: <http://www.saintstephanus.org/sermons-2020>

Pastor Thompson has started a **Tuesday Bible Study** at noon and 7pm, and a return to **Bible Study on Sunday morning** at 11am. Links to the Bible Study can be found on the website at www.saintstephanus.org/adult, along with worship services and other information. We are using Zoom, which is extremely easy to use. You don't need to be able to speak or have video, you can just come listen in. Let us Shelter in the Word together in this time.

George Frideric Handel (1685-1759) was a German-born composer who spent most of his career in London. In 1741, Handel, deep in debt after several musical failures, composed a work based on the life of Jesus Christ for a benefit performance to help free men from debtor's prison. The first performance of Messiah in Dublin on April 13, 1742 was a huge success, but the oratorio wasn't met with the same success in London as it was cancelled after just a handful of performances. Handel performed portions of the music at a concert in London in 1749, and this time it was so well received that the performance of the entire oratorio began an annual Eastertime tradition through the 1770s. One of the movements of this oratorio is based on Revelation 19:6, "Then I heard what sounded like a great multitude, like the roar of rushing waters and like loud peals of thunder, shouting: 'Hallelujah! For our Lord God Almighty reigns.'", Revelation 19:16, "On his robe and on his thigh he has this name written: King of kings and Lord of lords.", and Revelation 11:15, "The seventh angel sounded his trumpet, and there were loud voices in heaven, which said: 'The kingdom of the world has become the kingdom of our Lord and of his Messiah, and he will reign for ever and ever.'" A transcription for organ of this movement, the "Hallelujah Chorus", can be seen here: <https://youtu.be/OQRM9o4T6YQ>

~The Organ Bench~

The office will remain open at this time. Feel free to call or email with your questions, concerns, and prayer requests.

Portals of Prayer for April-June have arrived in the office. If you would like one mailed to you, please contact me at the church office.

You are welcome to mail in your contribution straight to the church—the church's address can be found on the next page. Reminder: there was an email sent out that included instructions on how to go to our website and get to the VAN-CO site to sign up for one time, weekly or monthly electronic giving.

On the third Sunday of each month, our church collects your pocket change for “mites for missions”. If you need a mite box please contact the church office and let me know how many boxes you would like. If your mite box is full and you would like to drop it off please contact the church office to arrange a time. These mites go towards mission projects as well as provide aid to those seeking a Lutheran High School education, assisting seminary students with food/clothing, or help expand outreach to ethnic women and families to name just a few ways that your mites help the LWML reach the world. Thank you for your support.



Happy
Mother's
Day!

Prayer Requests

Healing and Comfort

Blessings/Guidance

All Mother's

All students & teachers / online learning
Rich & Miriam Carter

Shut ins

Lisa Bisping

Week Ahead

SUNDAY, May 10

Online services at www.saintstephanus.org

MONDAY, May 11

TUESDAY, May 12

5:00 P.M.

Food Distribution

7:00 P.M.

P.P.C. meeting

WEDNESDAY, May 13

6:00 P.M.

Confirmation

THURSDAY, May 14

FRIDAY, May 15

SATURDAY, May 16

SUNDAY, May 17

Online services at www.saintstephanus.org



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OFFICE HOURS:
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Bulletin Deadline: 11 AM Wed

Bible readings are located at
www.saintstephanus.org under the
"WORSHIP" tab.

Worship Service Stream at
www.saintstephanus.org

4/27- 5/03 Contributions:

Current - \$3,522.00

Feeding Frogtown - \$1,000.00

Total - 4,522.00 (\$6,717.00 needed weekly)

Upcoming Birthdays, Feasts & Commemoration

May 10: Matt Caquelin

May 11: Jill Brown, Larry Clemmensen, *Cyril & Methodius, Missionaries to the Slavs*

May 12: Amy Fleischhacker

May 13:

May 14: Brody Dahlke

May 15: Collin Hanan

May 16:

May 17:



BLESSINGS
ON YOUR
BIRTHDAY

May contact person: Kathy Fox & Jan Uden

Bruce & Clarice Anderson, Jan & Ron Brubak,
Kathy & Harvey Fox, Yohannes Ghebru,
Marian Harmening, Bill Johnson, Karen &
Todd Mohrland, Eunice Swenson, Emmy
Treichel, Jan Uden

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.