

St. Stephanus Lutheran Church

Preaching the Gospel of Jesus Christ for 130 Years

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with Jesus Christ and Each Other

July 19, 2020

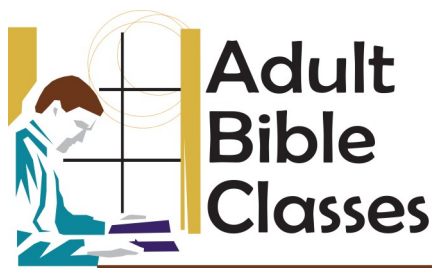
Sixth Sunday After Trinity

Thomas Obadiah Chisholm was born in a humble log cabin in Franklin, Kentucky on July 29, 1866. Without the benefit of high school or advanced training, he began his career as a school teacher at the age of sixteen in the same country school house where he had received his elementary training. When he was twenty-one, he became the associate editor of his hometown weekly newspaper. Shortly thereafter a revival meeting led Chisholm to Christ. Over 1200 poems are attributed to Chisholm, a number of which have become hymn texts. Chisholm suffered from ill health for much of his life, but still lived to the age of 94.

In 1923, Thomas sent several of his poems to the Rev. W.M. Runyan, a musician associated with the Moody Bible Institute, who notably set to music one of Chisholm's poems based on Lamentations 3:22-23, "Because of the Lord's great love we are not consumed, for his compassions never fail. They are new every morning; great is your faithfulness." This hymn, "Great Is Thy Faithfulness", was sung by George Beverly Shea, an unknown singer at the time who was invited to sing hymns on the Moody Bible Institute's radio station. Billy Graham, then a student at Wheaton College, heard the song leading to Graham inviting Shea to become part of his ministry. Today's hymns will include this hymn, and a setting of the tune will serve as the prelude.

This week's video is a movement from one of Bach's more glorious pieces, the Toccata, Adagio and Fugue in C Major (BWV 564), and the center movement, "Adagio" can be seen here: <https://youtu.be/3Bz1G9TEsOI> ~The Organ Bench~

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 **Bible Study on Sunday morning** at 11am. A link to 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 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.

Live from Hong Kong with the Carters

Plan to join the video conference on **Thursday, July 30th, at 7:30 P.M.** to hear Rich and Miriam Carter talk about their work in Hong Kong. As part of our new faith sharing series, they will also speak on where they see God at work around them and how they see God is at work within them. Details with the link to the video conference will be posted at a later date. Contact sheilaschlechte@yahoo.com with any questions or to let her know you want the link sent directly to you.



Prayers for Worship

As we've been gathering together for Worship we've been collecting prayers through our YouTube comments to use in worship. We recognize that not everyone is logged in or likes to have the comment section up during worship. If there are prayers you'd like us to include that week we invite you to submit them using this form:

<https://forms.gle/JLDCstJFWRbu25PT7>



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 or if you need a new mite box mailed to you please contact the church office to arrange a time.** These mites are important and 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.

Prayer Requests

Healing and Comfort

Elaine Zeller (Dianne Warnest mother)

Blessings/Guidance

Paul & Kristen Humber

Shut ins

Sharen Kappes

Week Ahead

SUNDAY, July 19

Online services at www.saintstephanus.org

MONDAY, July 20

TUESDAY, July 21

WEDNESDAY, July 22

THURSDAY, July 23

FRIDAY, July 24

SATURDAY, July 25

SUNDAY, July 26

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OFFICE HOURS:
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Bulletin Deadline: 11 AM Wed

Bible readings are located at
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"WORSHIP" tab.

Worship Service Stream at
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Online Giving:



07/06 – 07/12 Contributions:

Current - \$ 3,813.94

Total - \$3,813.94 (\$6,717.00 needed weekly)

Upcoming Birthdays, Feasts & Commemoration

July 19:

July 20:

July 21: *Ezekiel*

July 22: *St. Mary Magdalene*

July 23: Jeff Johnson

July 24: Eunice Swenson, Lois Bruss

July 25: Steve Sohn,

St. James the Elder, Apostle

July 26:



July contact persons: Gayle Schonebaum

Terianne Bender, B.J. Brown & Jill Brown,
Ernie & Joan Brown, Amy Fleischhacker,
Jill Katzenmaier, Philip & Jackie Preuss,
John & Gayle Schonebaum, Andrew Wussler,
Jeff & Jodi Wussler

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.