

St. Stephanus Lutheran Church

Preaching the Gospel of Jesus Christ for 130 Years

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with Jesus Christ and Each Other

September 27, 2020

Seventeenth Sunday After Pentecost

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>

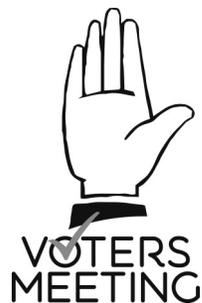
Edward Perronet (1726-1792), the son of an Anglican priest, worked closely with the brothers John and Charles Wesley for many years. Perronet was considered an able preacher, but hesitated to preach in front of John Wesley. One Sunday, Wesley, to Perronet's surprise, announced that Perronet would preach. Perronet entered the pulpit, announced that he would deliver the greatest sermon ever preached, and proceeded to read the "Sermon on the Mount", after which immediately sitting down. In November, 1779, a new hymn penned by Perronet, "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name", was printed in the *Gospel Magazine*, a publication from Augustus M. Toplady, the composer of "Rock of Ages". This hymn underwent many revisions in the following years prior to becoming the version printed in our hymnal today. Along with the text revisions, the hymn has also been commonly set to three different tunes. CORONATION, the tune found in our hymnal, was composed by Olver Holden (1765-1844), an American composer. DIADEM was written by James Ellor (1819-1899), a hat maker who also led the Wesleyan chapel choir. The third tune, MILES' LANE, the tune originally paired with the text, was composed by William Shrubsole (1760-1806), an English organist and composer. On a personal note, I well remember attending "hymn sings" while growing up, where the final hymn often was this hymn with the verses split between all three of the tunes, as were found in my church's hymnal.

A video setting of variations of this hymn, with the first parts being settings of the tune CORONATION, and the final setting incorporates all three tunes, can be seen here: <https://youtu.be/3Zuy2EzqcMA>

~The Organ Bench~

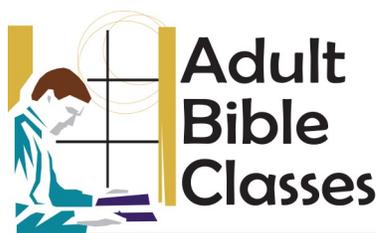
October Portal of Prayers books have arrived. Please let me know if you would like a Large Print or regular print book mailed to you. ~Clarice~

Thank you to all for your prayers, cards and well wishes that I'm receiving during the recovery from my accident. I am blessed! ~Lu Clemmensen~



Voter's Meeting– TODAY following the worship service. Here is the ZOOM link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86978525766?pwd=WEYyR2E2NTNDcHZyUFZlZkZka0VXdz09>



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.

Sunday School Kick-off | October 4th, 11am on Zoom!

2020 - a year of constant change, and digital everything. Sunday School will look different this year, but what hasn't changed is our desire to help your kids know and love God. Sunday school is online through Christmas (we'll evaluate for Spring semester in December). While we won't meet in person, that doesn't change the fact that we have a team of teachers who are excited to connect with your students over Zoom and guide them in their faith journey, and help them develop a personal relationship with God. Sunday School is available for Pre-K through 8th grade every Sunday at 11, starting on October 4th. Register and to learn more here: <https://www.saintstephanus.org/kidandfamily> Questions: Contact Megan Hoffman, DCE, at youth@saintstephanus.org .

Households of Faith Small Group | Kicks off on Monday, October 19th!

This is a new small group that'll launch next month and we'd love to have YOU be part of it. This small group is open to EVERYONE ages 18 and up. Households of 1, 2, 5, 10 all have value to God and to us. Our hope is that through this small group we would be able to have multigenerational and multicontextual conversations about what it means to have spiritually vibrant households. We'll be using materials from Lutheran Hour Ministries and the Barna Group to guide our conversation and time together. **This group will meet 5 times (every other Monday between 10/19 and 12/14 from 8-9pm)**. To sign-up or learn more please contact Megan Hoffman, DCE, at youth@saintstephanus.org . Not able to do Monday nights but interested in being part of this? Let's chat about some options!

Prayer Requests

Healing and Comfort

President Woodford
Reba Peterson

Blessings/Guidance

Paul & Kristen Humber

Shut-ins

Sharen Kappes

Week Ahead

SUNDAY, September 27

Online services at www.saintstephanus.org

Voter's meeting on Zoom

MONDAY, September 28

TUESDAY, September 29

WEDNESDAY, September 30

THURSDAY, October 1

FRIDAY, October 2

SATURDAY, October 3

SUNDAY, October 4

Online services at www.saintstephanus.org



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

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

Worship Service Stream at
www.saintstephanus.org

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September 14-20 Contributions

Total - (\$6,717.00 needed weekly)

Upcoming Birthdays, Feasts & Commemoration

Sept. 27: Savannah Caquelin

Sept. 28:

Sept. 29: *St. Michael & All Angels*

Sept. 30: *Jerome, Translator of Holy Scripture*

Oct. 1: Jonathan Culbert

Oct. 2: Stephanie Sagstetter

Oct. 3:

Oct. 4: Emma Pagel



October contact persons: Tarrie Culbert & Carol James

Alganesh Beyen, Lee & Lois Bruss, Kate & Lam Cao, Matt Culbert, Tarrie & Rich Culbert, Bob & Lois Holtz, Carol & Doug James, Annie & Josiah Overfors, Keith Rennerfeldt, Doug & Pam Zimmerman, Andrew Zimmerman

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.