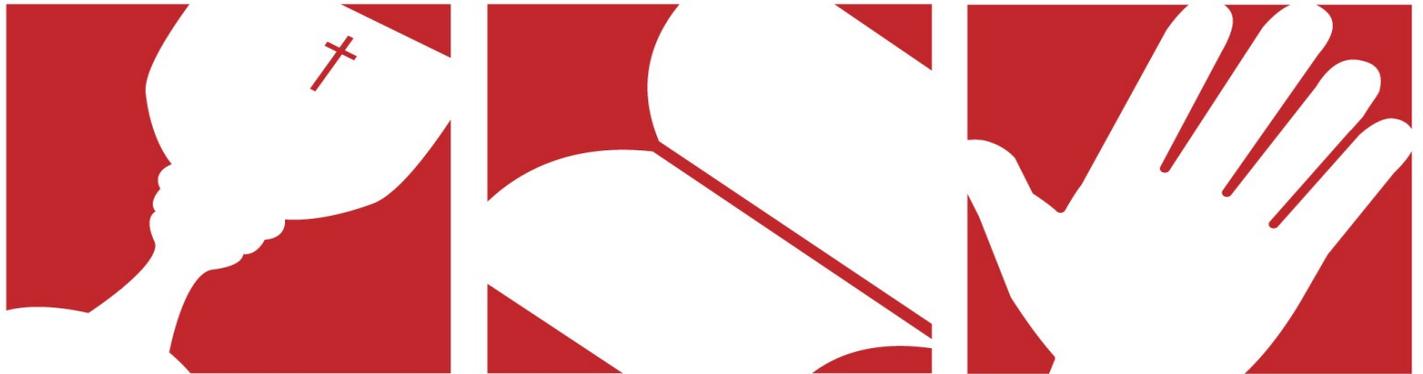


St. Stephanus Lutheran Church

Preaching the Gospel of Jesus Christ for 130 Years

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with Jesus Christ and Each Other

November 8, 2020

Twenty-Third 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>

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750) composed the cantata "Wachet auf, ruft uns die Stimme" (Awake, calls the voice to us) for the 27th Sunday after Trinity, and the cantata was first performed on November 25, 1731 at the Nikolaikirche in Leipzig. This Sunday only occurs when Easter is celebrated early in the year. Based on the Philipp Nicolai hymn we sing in our service today, it tells the parable of the Ten Virgins, as told in the Gospel of Matthew, with the original melody having been composed by Jakob Praetorius in about 1604. The message of the parable is a warning to be prepared for the Day of Judgement, which is the focus of our readings these past few weeks as we close the church year. Bach's organ chorale of this hymn can be heard here: <https://youtu.be/iUDfxHx6Fz8>



Celebration of The Lord's Supper | Sunday 11.08.20 | New communicants

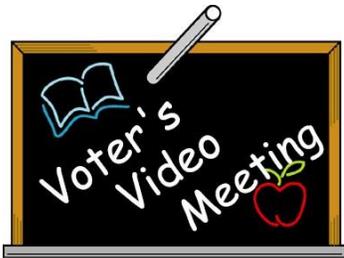
As part of our celebration of the Rite of Confirmation, we will be celebrating the Lord's Supper in the Sanctuary with the families of the new communicants. We wanted to make sure that as we celebrate this that you are invited to come celebrate as well. At the end of the service, from approximately 10:45-11:30, we will be distributing Communion to those who **drive up to the front door** of the church. There is no need to get out, just roll down your windows and we will bring it to you. Please be on Lafond (facing Grotto) so that we don't have to cross the street to do it. The good news of Christ for us is a gift in this Sacrament, and we invite you to join us.



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.

Subscribe to our “YouTube” channel!

Did you know when you subscribe to our “YouTube” channel you can get a notification each time we post a video? Subscribing is easy - all you need is a **Gmail account** to log-in! Once you're logged in you're also able to join us in the comments on Sunday morning, sharing the peace with others, requesting prayers, and being in fellowship. Need help? Contact Megan Hoffman or Dan Savard.



Voters Meeting November 22, 2020 after service

There will be a Voters Meeting after service on **November 22, 2020**. The meeting will be a Zoom meeting and the link is below. **The Agenda will include the 2021 Budget and the 2020 Annual Report. Also on the agenda will be:**

- Election of a pastor and lay person to attend Circuit Forum as congregation representatives
- Nominations of candidates for circuit visitor for the 2021-2024 triennium
- Participation in the triennial process for determining the District’s priorities
- Election of Convention delegates (one pastoral, one lay, and one alternate lay, with an additional advisory lay delegate for multi-parish congregations)

Join Zoom Meeting <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82127899085?pwd=K3ZFaG54Zmo3UzJmQVQ4K0FjdFg2UT09>

Food News

The Future

Many, many conversations have been had about what our future in food and food distribution are. Most of those conversations have held at their core the sacrificial question of "How do we continue to use what we have to bless and serve our neighbors?" I (Pastor) anticipate being able to present one path to you all at the November Voter's meeting for your consideration and support. In the meantime, thank you all for supporting so strongly this opportunity to bless and serve. So many people have worked many hours to lovingly care for their neighbor in this small way, and I am humbled by that sacrifice every time we work. Praise God for using us to be part of His way of giving daily bread.

Prayer Requests

Healing and Comfort

Carol Hirt

Blessings/Guidance

Concordia Academy
Rich & Miriam Carter
First Communion Students:

Shut-ins

Lisa Bisping

Week Ahead

SUNDAY, November 8

Online services at www.saintstephanus.org

MONDAY, November 9

TUESDAY, November 10

WEDNESDAY, November 11

THURSDAY, November 12

FRIDAY, November 13

SATURDAY, November 14

SUNDAY, November 15

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Bulletin Deadline: 11 AM Wed

Oct. 26-Nov. 1 Contributions

General - \$6,860.00 Twin Cities Relief - \$2,780.00
Total - \$9,640.00 (**\$6,717.00 needed weekly**)

Upcoming Birthdays, Feasts & Commemoration

Nov. 8: Andrew Wussler,

Johannes von Staupitz, Luther's Father Confessor

Nov. 9: John Heck,

Martin Chemnitz (birth), Pasto & Confessor

Nov. 10: Lexi Miller

Nov. 11: Diana Betts, Doug Zimmerman,

Karen Mohrland,

Martin of Tours, Pastor

Nov. 12:

Nov. 13:

Nov. 14: *Emperor Justinian,*

Christian Ruler & Confessor of Christ

Nov. 15: Kate Cao, Kaye Nuechterlein,

Owen Schonebaum



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

November contact person: Judy Brinkman

Bill & Joan Baker, Joanne Borocki, Redazgi Habtezgi & Mana Goytom, Marc & Melissa Karger, Leonard & Katie Miller, Candace & Todd Pagel, Bev Piepkorn, Stephanie Sagstetter, Jim & Karen Siegel

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.

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

Worship Service Stream at www.saintstephanus.org

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