

# St. Stephanus Lutheran Church

Preaching the Gospel of Jesus Christ for 131 Years

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with Jesus Christ and Each Other

May 30, 2021  
Trinity

**Reminder: No in person church service for May 30. The service will be pre-recorded. No Bible Study**

From the  
**ORGANIST**



**Today we honor the Holy Trinity** - the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. One of the hymns in our service is "All Glory Be to God on High". This hymn was written somewhere between late 1522 and early 1523, making it one of the earliest Reformation hymns. The author was a monk, Nicolaus Decius (1485- after 1546), who while serving as preacher in Stettin, in what is now northern Poland, is said to have died from poisoning. Decius was a superb musician who was known for his ability to play the harp, and also wrote the tune that accompanies this hymn. "Lamb of God, Pure and Holy"

is another of Decius's works found in our hymnal.

"All Glory Be to God on High" was written by Decius to serve as a German version of the Latin "Gloria in Excelsis" - it is thought that Decius's original version only had three verses, since the third verse ends with a Kyrie ("Lord, have mercy") and amen, and that the fourth verse addressing the Holy Spirit was added at a later date, probably for its first publication in a hymnal in 1525.

The tune, with its musical rhythm and form, follow the pattern of a *cantio*, a song form from the late Middle Ages and early Renaissance, often with a dancelike triple meter. *Cantiones* were often written for Christmas and Easter festivals - another example is IN DULCI JUBILO ("Now Sing We Now Rejoice"). A fugue based on Decius's tune by J.S. Bach will serve as our prelude today, and a video can be seen here: <https://youtu.be/O1zHQ9BXxo0> I also wish to thank John Schonebaum and Jim Radtke for giving of their time and talents to meet weekly to record hymns for the past 14+ months, and Dan Savard for his skills in both recording and making the music sound good, and I look forward to live music coming soon!

**Other music in the service:**

Fuga super "Allein Gott in der Höh sei Ehr" - BWV 716 - J.S. Bach

Festival Piece on "Nicaea" - Jerry Westenkuehler

~The Organ Bench~

## **June 6-Sept. 5 Return to live service for the Summer.**

- Doors will open 15 minutes prior to the start of service
- There will not be any furniture in the lobby
- People will be asked to leave the church immediately after the service and socialize outside if desired.
- Communion will be celebrated only on the first and third Sunday of the month
- We will NOT have acolytes or Greeters
- We will not “pass the offering plates” but there will be an offering plate on the table on as you leave
- All elements of the liturgy will be live
- All music will be live—NO hymnals will be available
- Bible study will continue to meet on ZOOM. Once Pastor completes the study of Mathew, Bible study will take a break and not meet until fall

**MASKS:** Although the state has dropped the mask mandate, there is still a mandate in effect for St. Paul. For right now, masks will be required when in the church building.

**LWML Bible Study is back:** My Sisters in Christ of St. Stephanus, and my LWML sisters: We will resume offering a monthly Bible Study the first Monday morning each month at 10 am, beginning June 7. We plan to return to meeting at the Central Park Arboretum 2525 Dale St. N. Roseville. Bring a Bible and a folding chair. If transportation is needed call Connie 651-487-2747. LWML Quarterlies will be provided. New friends are always welcomed.

### **Summer Plans**

Produce will be distributed from the parking lot again on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month starting on June 8th. The 1st and 3rd Wednesdays there will be a distribution at St. Paul Fellowship. We are also working on partnering with the Dept of Health to offer Vaccines at one of the distributions at each location. Details coming soon about that. Volunteer signups will be coming towards the end of May.

**Amy Gundermann is stepping down** as the leader of worship music after many years in that position here at St. Stephanus. I am deeply humbled and grateful for the work that she has done for us, and I invite you to share a note of thanksgiving with her in appreciation of the ways Jesus has been shared with us through her work over these years.

Amy Gundermann  
1308 Hague Ave.  
St. Paul, MN 55104



### **Rick Kuhlman Retirement Open House at CA on June 9!**

You're invited to celebrate with Rick Kuhlman in honor of his retirement after 49 years as a math teacher at Concordia Academy. Join Rick on the front plaza at CA on Wednesday, June 9, from 5:00-8:00 pm for desserts, beverages, and sharing of memories. To get more information or share a video or written message for Mr. Kuhlman, go to

[www.concordiaacademy.com/kuhlman](http://www.concordiaacademy.com/kuhlman).

### **Register for Concordia Academy Camps**

This summer, Concordia Academy offers over 30 sports, arts, and STEM summer camps for elementary, middle, and high school students. New offerings such as Coding, Cardboard Creations, and Stop Motion Animation join old favorites such as Basketball, Youth Worship Team, and CSI! Go to [www.concordiaacademy.com/camps](http://www.concordiaacademy.com/camps) to get details and register.

### Summer Communications Intern!

Do you know a college student or high school junior or senior interested in communications, social media, and/or web design? We are looking for a summer intern to help with our digital communications. Know someone who might be interested? Have them contact Megan Hoffman at [youth@saintstephanus.org](mailto:youth@saintstephanus.org) to learn more!

### Current Volunteer Opportunities:

Are you looking for a new way to get connected, and serve at SSLC? Check out the list below and see if there are any spaces where your gifts and passions align with a need. Many of these opportunities are important pieces in helping us continue to safely offer hybrid worship, and be a place of blessing in our community. Email the person listed with each opportunity for more information and to get your questions answered.

#### Worship Volunteers:

**Online Worship Host** | Remote (rotating schedule), YouTube greeter, and prayer gatherer, Sundays during worship. Megan Hoffman [youth@saintstephanus.org](mailto:youth@saintstephanus.org)

**Sanctuary Sanitizing** | In Person, Sundays after worship Pastor Thompson - [athompson@saintstephanus.org](mailto:athompson@saintstephanus.org)

**Caretaker, Communion Assistants, Lector and Usher** | In Person (rotating schedule), Sundays during worship. Dan Savard [danielsavard@mac.com](mailto:danielsavard@mac.com)

**Summer Food Distribution** - Volunteer Sign-ups coming later in May. Distributions **begin June 8th.**

**Little Pantry Filling** (from donations already given) | Once time or repeat (rotating schedule), [Cherie Fleischacker - [ckflei@yahoo.com](mailto:ckflei@yahoo.com)

#### Building/Grounds Volunteers:

**Volunteering in Simon's Garden** | On-going need throughout the summer, Tuesdays and Thursdays 10-12pm (or contact for other times) [Dale Trapp, [dtrapp@csp.edu](mailto:dtrapp@csp.edu)

**Parking Lot Planter** | One time need - donating and planting plants in the large circular planter on the Blair side of the parking lot. [Megan Hoffman - [youth@saintstephanus.org](mailto:youth@saintstephanus.org)

**CHANGE OF ADDRESS** ▼



Bob & Lois Holtz      new address beginning June 1  
Lake Johanna Blvd  
Apt. #305  
Arden Hills, MN 55112

## Prayer Requests

### Healing and Comfort

Temme family  
Roger Binning  
Joanne Borocki  
Bev Piepkorn  
Corine Goodrich

### Blessings/Guidance

Rich & Miriam Carter  
Concordia University  
Lois Bruss

## Week Ahead

SUNDAY, May 30

9:30 AM

Pre-recorded Worship ONLY

MONDAY, May 31

Memorial Day/ Office closed

TUESDAY, June 1

WEDNESDAY, June 2

THURSDAY, June 3

FRIDAY, June 4

SATURDAY, June 5

SUNDAY, June 6

9:30 AM ✚

Worship w/Communion

✚ Communion Service



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

## May 9-16 Contributions

General - \$10,685.11

Missions - \$200.00

Technology - \$700.00

**Total - \$11,585.11 (\$7,250.00/week - \$31,400/month)**

## Upcoming Birthdays, Feasts & Commemoration

May 30: Ron Hoelscher

May 31: David Sura, *The Visitation*

June 1: *Justine, Martyr*

June 2: Jim Radtke

June 3: Shelly Novotny

June 4: Grace Connolly, Joanne Borocki

June 5: *Boniface of Mainz, Missionary to the Germans*

June 6: Matt Hanan, Meaza Ogbazghi



Happy Birthday!

June monthly group contact persons:

Joyce Boterman & Corine Goodrich

Fred & Joyce Boterman, Scott & Corine Goodrich, Tom & Amy Gundermann, Eva Gundermann, Kayla Gundermann, Noah Gundermann, Jeff Johnson, Rich Johnson, Bruce & Peggy Karger, LaVonne Karger, Lennea Lopez, Akbar & Shirori Muhammad, Meaza Ogbazghi, Dan & Sharon Savard, Lois Thur

**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](http://www.saintstephanus.org) under the  
"WORSHIP" tab.

Worship Service Stream at  
[www.saintstephanus.org](http://www.saintstephanus.org)

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