



Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's People  
**Thanks be to God**

**Psalms 116: 1, 10-17**

*(sung by all)*

*Dilexi, quoniam*



- 1 I love the Lord, because he has heard the voice of my supplication, \*  
because he has inclined his ear to me whenever I called upon him.
- 10 How shall I repay the Lord \*  
for all the good things he has done for me?
- 11 I will lift up the cup of salvation \*  
and call upon the Name of the Lord.
- 12 I will fulfill my vows to the Lord \*  
in the presence of all his people.
- 13 Precious in the sight of the Lord \*  
is the death of his servants.
- 14 O Lord, I am your servant; \*  
I am your servant and the child of your handmaid;  
you have freed me from my bonds.
- 15 I will offer you the sacrifice of thanksgiving \*  
and call upon the Name of the Lord.
- 16 I will fulfill my vows to the Lord \*  
in the presence of all his people,
- \*17 In the courts of the Lord's house, \*  
in the midst of you, O Jerusalem;  
Hallelujah!

**Second Lesson** Romans 5: 1-8

Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us. For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person-- though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Churches

**Thanks be to God**

**The Gospel** Matthew 9: 35-10: 8-23

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew

**Glory to you, Lord Christ**

Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and curing every disease and every sickness. When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, “The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest.”

Then Jesus summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to cure every disease and every sickness. These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon, also known as Peter, and his brother Andrew; James son of Zebedee, and his brother John; Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; Simon the Cananaean, and Judas Iscariot, the one who betrayed him.

These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions: “Go nowhere among the Gentiles, and enter no town of the Samaritans, but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. As you go, proclaim the good news, ‘The kingdom of heaven has come near.’ Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out demons. You received without payment; give without payment. Take no gold, or silver, or copper in your belts, no bag for your journey, or two tunics, or sandals, or a staff; for laborers deserve their food. Whatever town or village you enter, find out who in it is worthy, and stay there until you leave. As you enter the house, greet it. If the house is worthy, let your peace come upon it; but if it is not worthy, let your peace return to you. If anyone will not welcome you or listen to your words, shake off the dust from your feet as you leave that house or town. Truly I tell you, it will be more tolerable for the land of Sodom and Gomorrah on the day of judgment than for that town.

“See, I am sending you out like sheep into the midst of wolves; so be wise as serpents and innocent as doves. Beware of them, for they will hand you over to councils and flog you in their synagogues; and you will be dragged before governors and kings because of me, as a testimony to them and the Gentiles. When they hand you over, do not worry about how you are to speak or what you are to say; for what you are to say will be given to you at that time; for it is not you who speak, but the Spirit of your Father speaking through you. Brother will betray brother to death, and a father his child, and children will rise against parents and have them put to death; and you will be hated by all

because of my name. But the one who endures to the end will be saved. When they persecute you in one town, flee to the next; for truly I tell you, you will not have gone through all the towns of Israel before the Son of Man comes.”

The Gospel of the Lord  
**Praise to you, Lord Christ**

**Sermon**

Mr. Craig Reynolds

**Affirmation of Faith**      *(page 15 in the booklet)*

**The Prayers of the People**      *(page 16 in the booklet)*

*We also pray for: Ken, Keith, Marcus, Drew, Robertine, Paul, Glen, Ted, Charley, Bill; Natasha; Sue; Mike; Don; Pat; Heather; Mary; Caleb; Aloha; Sharon; Angelo; Linda; members of the Frazier, Kalnins and Smith families; just peace for Ukraine; those affected by the violence in the Middle East and Sudan.*

*Those who have died: Jason Frazier, Barbara Kalnins, Thomas Smith.*

**Confession**      *(page 18 in the booklet)*

**Peace**      *(page 18 in the booklet)*  
*(Collection Plates are located at each Entrance)*

**Offertory Anthem**      “God so loved the world”      John Stainer

God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son,  
that whoso believeth in Him shall not perish,  
but have everlasting life.

God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world,  
but that the world through Him might be saved.

*John 3: 16-17*

**The Great Thanksgiving**      *(page 19 in booklet)*

**Sanctus**      *(Sung by all)*

**Fraction Anthem II**      *(Sung by all)*

**Communion Anthem**      “King of glory, King of peace”      Harold Friedell

King of glory, King of peace, I will love Thee;  
And that love may never cease, I will move Thee.  
Thou hast granted my request, Thou hast heard me;  
Thou didst note my working breast, Thou hast spared me.



In addition to the table times, we need 2 or 3 people to help move our supplies from the church to the common and get things set up. That will happen around 9-10 a.m. It's not a lot. Just one of our long tables, a canopy tent and the table supplies. On the other end, we need a few people to bring everything back to the church between 4-4:30 p.m. The sign-up sheet also includes set up and clean up spaces. It takes a parish!

We are hoping to have all of the areas covered by the end of Sunday the 14<sup>th</sup> so we can plan accordingly. Thank you for your support of our parish and our ministries and especially for this joyous event.

**JULY ADULT EDUCATION OFFERING** in conjunction with Christ the King Epiphany Church, Wilbraham. 7 PM Monday evening Zoom book study: *Love Without Limits*, Jacqueline A. Bussey. See the website for full details.



**GIVING TO ST. STEPHEN'S IS EASY** – Scan the QR code to find our giving form or text “giveststephens\$youramount” to 73256 (example:giveststephens\$25 will donate \$25.) Google Pay accepted. Message and data rates apply. Message frequency varies. Text HELP to 73256 for help. Text STOP to 73256 to cancel.

Bottles/Cans Toter -Chris Plankey                      Cardboard – Breakdown - Don Phipps

**MINISTERS OF THE CELEBRATION**

CELEBRANT 5 p.m. & 10 a.m.	The Rev. Dr. Nina R. Pooley
PREACHER 5 p.m. & 10 a.m.	Craig Reynolds
LECTOR 5 p.m.	Dan Moon
LAY MINISTER 5 p.m.	Dan Moon
LECTORS 10 a.m.	Jim Cawse, Susan LeBourdais
LAY MINISTERS 10 a.m.	Andrea Stasiowski, Josie Ellis
ALTAR GUILD	Joan Evans, Sandy Soule
GREETERS	Jennifer Townsend, Nancy Lamoureux
VESTRY GREETER	Anne Williams
CRUCIFER	Melissa Patnode
COFFEE HOUR	Josie Ellis

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**THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE**

*Office Hours:* Tuesday – Thursday; 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

*Worship:* Compline: Wednesday June 17, 6:30 p.m. Zoom  
 Sunday June 21, 10 a.m.

*St. Stephen's Table:* Thursday & Friday, Grab and Go, 4:30 p.m.

*Meetings:* AA: Friday at 6:30 p.m.; Saturday at 10:00 a.m. NA: Saturday, 6:30 p.m. Dining Room

## THIS WEEK'S PRAYER LIST

### *In our Parish prayers, we pray for:*

Ken, Keith, Marcus, Drew, Robertine, Paul, Glen, Ted, Charley, Bill; Sue; Natasha; Mike; Don; Pat; Heather; Mary; Caleb; Aloha; Sharon; Angelo; Linda; the Frazier, Kalnins and Smith families; just peace for Ukraine; those affected by the violence in the Middle East and Sudan.

### *We pray for those serving in the armed forces and their families:*

MAJ Andrew B., CPT Nichols P., 1LT Curran J.D., Lance CPL Chad L., SPC Amanda D., Pvt. Corey F.D., Army Ranger Sean J., Micah H.

### *We pray for our community*

Habitat for Humanity in Pittsfield  
Department of Mental Health  
Government of the United States

### *In Our Diocesan cycle of prayer we pray for:*

St. John's, Northampton;  
Trustees for the Diocese  
Covenant of Friendship with Diocese of Asante-Mampong, Ghana

### *In our Anglican cycle of prayer we pray for:*

Sunday: Church of the Province of South East Asia  
Monday Diocese of Ahoada (Nigeria)  
Tuesday Diocese of Aipo Rongo (Papua New Guinea)  
Wednesday Diocese of Ajayi Crowther (Nigeria)  
Thursday: Diocese of Akobo (South Sudan)  
Friday: Diocese of Akoko (Nigeria)  
Saturday: Diocese of Akoko Edo (Nigeria)

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## Welcome to Worship at St. Stephen's

We are delighted to have you with us today as we worship together. St. Stephen's Episcopal Church is an inclusive parish welcoming all people - regardless of ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, or creed. God loves you, and so do we!

### **All Are Welcome to Receive from God's Table.**

Each week we share the bread and the wine: the gifts of God, given for the people of God. We invite you to receive communion, but, if you'd rather receive a blessing, please come forward and indicate that by crossing your arms across your chest.

### ***Receiving Communion:***

The bread - When you come forward hold your hands out together, palm up. The clergy person will place a wafer in your hands, and say, "The body of Christ." Your response: "Amen." (Please let the clergy know if you'd prefer a gluten free wafer.)

The wine - is offered by chalice bearers on either side of the aisle in front of the altar area. Those sitting on the right should choose the right side chalice, those sitting on the left, choose the left side chalice. The chalice bearer will offer the wine, saying, "The Blood of Christ." Your response: "Amen." You may receive the wine by taking a small sip from the chalice, or by dipping your wafer in the wine, taking care not to touch the wine with your fingers. You may also choose to hear the words and respond without choosing to partake of the wine.

### **Children are always welcome at worship!!**

Families are welcome to sit wherever they wish. There are child-friendly books in a bookshelf near a coloring station in the back, on the right side of the sanctuary. There's a second coloring station on the front left, where there is also our **Kids' Own Space activity area**. There's a Nursery Nook in the Guild Room for caregivers of infants and toddlers who need to take a break during worship. Caregivers, please come and go as your child needs to - for their safety, **we ask that children be accompanied at all times**. Sunday school is offered on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month, September through May.

**Collection Plates** are located at each entrance. All gifts gratefully accepted.

**Restrooms are located in our Parish House:** Exit the sanctuary via the doors on either side of the altar, follow the signs.