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Summer office hours: Monday & Friday 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

Be Real, Belong, Believe It.

St. Stephen's is a welcoming and affirming Anglican parish which upholds that God's unconditional and inclusive love extends to all members of our human family equally and without reservation.

Yes. Everyone. We Mean It!



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St. Stephen's Anglican Church Calgary



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As an outward expression of the Creator's love and in the spirit of reconciliation, St. Stephen's acknowledges that we gather on traditional Indigenous territory: Treaty 7 Region of Southern Alberta and Métis Nation, Region 3. Through our worship and outreach St. Stephen's moves forward seeking a new, honourable, and respectful relationship with the Original Peoples of this land.



Transfiguration by Alexandr Ivanov, 1824

**Summer Services 2022—August 7
10:30 a.m.**

We wish to remind you that at this time **masking remains mandatory** throughout all of our buildings during services. Please show your care for others by **keeping a distance of 2 metres** between you/your residential cohort and others at all times. We ask that all who attend in-person services and are vaccine eligible to be fully vaccinated.

Summer Lite Service—August 7, 2022

Prelude: Voluntary in G (J. Stanley)

The Gathering of the People

Welcome & Opening Announcements

Greeting

Blessed be God: Creator, Redeemer and Giver of Life.
And blessed be God’s realm, on earth as in heaven.

Hymn: Lord, You Give the Great Commission (CP#433 vs. 1-3)

Opening Prayer

**Lord of my heart,
Be thou my wisdom.
Be at the beginning of all I speak
Of all that I begin.
Be thou my true word.**

The Proclamation of the Word

Psalm 99

Our God reigns:
let the people tremble!
**Our God is enthroned upon the cherubim:
let the earth quake!**

Our God is great in Zion,
high above all peoples.
**Let them confess God’s name,
which is great and awesome
—our God, the Holy One!**

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O mighty ruler, lover of justice,
you have established equity;
you have acted with justice and fairness in Jacob.

**Proclaim the greatness of our God
and fall down before God's footstool
—our God, the Holy One!**

Moses and Aaron are among God's priests,
and Samuel is among those who call upon God's Name;
for they called upon God, who answered them.

**God spoke to them out of a pillar of cloud;
they kept God's testimonies
and the decrees God gave them.**

O God, you answered them indeed;
you were a God who forgave them,
yet punished them for their evil deeds.

**We exalt you, O God,
and worship you upon your holy mountain
—our God, the Holy One!**

Gradual: Come and Pray In Us (*Taize*)

Come and pray in us, Holy Spirit,
Come and pray in us, come and visit us,
Holy Spirit, Spirit, come, Spirit come.

A Reading from the Gospel of Luke 9:28-36

Before the reading:

Listen to the words and deeds of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

About eight days after Peter had acknowledged Jesus as the Christ, Jesus took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. While he was praying, the

appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, speaking with him. They appeared in glory and spoke of his departure, and of the prophecy he was about to fulfill in Jerusalem.

Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep; but since they had stayed awake, they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. Just as the two were leaving, Peter said to Jesus, "Master, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah"—not knowing what he said.

But as Peter was speaking, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. Then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my Own, my Chosen One. Listen to him!" When the voice had spoken, they found no one there but Jesus, standing alone.

And they kept quiet in those days, and told no one of the things they had seen.

Following the reading:

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the churches.

Thanks be to God.

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Homily

Interlude: Beautiful Things

St. Stephen's Parish Finances

Monthly Income and Expense for month of June 2022

Pledged Income	\$ 23,726.00
Identifiable Income	\$ 20,412.00
Total Income	\$ 34,720.00
Total Expenses	-\$ 50,613.00
Deficit	-\$ 15,893.00

Year to date figures January to June 2022

Identifiable income	\$ 140,434.58
Total Income	\$ 199,219.00
Total Expenses	-\$ 265,810.16
Deficit	-\$ 66,590.18

Blue Envelopes givings for June \$ 2,100

*At our AGM in February, we passed our budget in which there was a line item 'Parish Fundraising.' **The amount required is \$75,000.00** which will support clergy/staff salaries and operating expenses. It is clear that we must challenge ourselves as a parish to fulfill this need. We prayerfully ask you to consider increasing your giving to help us close this gap in our budget.*



Many thanks to a donor who has proved seed money to support a **Ministry of Flowers**. Flowers will be placed at the altar on Sundays and following the morning services will be distributed to members of our parish in need of support and comfort, or to celebrate a special event in their lives. Please consider donating flowers or plants for Sunday worship in memory of a loved one, in celebration of something special in your life, or in thanksgiving and to the glory of God. You may put your name down on the calendar on the board outside the Canterbury Room or contact Suzan Pedersen, Administrator, at administrator@ststephenscalgary.org

Affirmation of Faith (*standing*)

We believe in God the Father and Mother, from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named.

We believe in God the Son and Daughter, who lives in our hearts through faith, and fills us with his love.

We believe in God the Holy Spirit, who strengthens us with power from on high.

We believe in one God: Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer. Amen.

Prayers of the People

O God, who loves us all:
Fill our hearts with your peace, and by the power of the Holy Spirit, give us hope and strength as we pray for our church and world.

For the health of Mother Earth,
May we nurture and tend Her with a loving, grateful heart.
May the food She births nourish our bodies, hearts and minds.
We Pray to God,

O Lord hear our prayer (sung)

For the callings of the people in this place,
Both as individuals and as a community,
Though we may falter or lose our way,
Never abandon us, draw us back to you,
Raise us up, instill our souls with hope,
Continually commission us to be channels of love, healing, welcome and justice.

We Pray to God,

O Lord hear our prayer (sung)

Let your spirit come upon all leaders, secular and religious.
Let your peace come upon those who claim power,
and wisdom upon those who claim authority.
Catch them by surprise.

Fill their hearts with longing for equality and justice,
We Pray to God,

O Lord hear our prayer (sung)

For what else would we like to pray today?

*(This is a time for you to pray aloud or in your heart for others and
the world around us.)*

The Peace

God's peace be always with you.

And also with you.

The Great Thanksgiving

God dwells in you.

And also in you.

Come to the table with thankful hearts.

We open our hearts to God and to one another.

We lift our praise to you, Gardener of Creation.

On the first day, your Light split the shadows of chaos,
and all goodness flowed forth.

Gently and tenderly,

you gathered up the soil of the earth
and shaped us into your image.

God, you made us, and the world and everything in it.

All the good we see comes from you.

You have always loved us

but people have not always loved you.

You sent Jesus to show us how to live
and to bring us back to you again.

Get to Know You with Rev. Nicole

Nicole continues to schedule “meet and greets” with St. Stephen’s community members through the summer. If you haven’t yet had the opportunity for a one on one meeting, email Nicole directly to find a convenient date and time to meet.

Coming Up

- Children & Youth Spiritual Formation Meeting— August 28th after church
- Parish Council— Sunday, August 28th at 1pm via Zoom
- Pride Sunday and Communion on the Street — Sunday, September 4th, exact meeting location TBD. Please note that there will be one service offered at St. Stephen’s this Sunday at 8am. Communion will be available from our clergy at the Pride Parade. We invite all to come out to support the local LGBTQ+ community and celebrate Calgary Pride in the streets!

Notices

Summer Office Hours and Staff Vacation Schedule

During August there will be someone in the office on Monday and Friday mornings from 9 to 12. If you need to contact us please send an email to administrator@ststephenscalgary.org or phone the church at 403-244-4879.

If you have a pastoral emergency you may contact Rev. Nicole Janelle, revjanelle@ststephenscalgary.org or 587-419-1977 (cell).

Please note that The Rev. Charmaine is away on a well deserved vacation until mid-September.

Restorative Yoga Class, Monday evenings, August 8 to 29

This is an in person four week pilot program taught by Susannah Horgan. The class is open to all levels of experience and will provide participants with a quiet space in which to pause, breathe, stretch and connect. **Monday in the Sanctuary, August 8 to 29, 7:00 to 8:00 p.m.** The class is free with donations accepted for the purchase of mats and other props for future classes. Come and join us this week for our opening class!

Community Supported Agriculture at St. Stephen's

St. Stephen's is a new pick up location for the Community Supported Agriculture program of YYC Growers. Pick ups are on Wednesdays from 4 to 7pm. If you'd like to drop by the church mid week to receive a box of fresh and locally grown vegetables (~\$35) plus fruit/meat/egg add ons, you can sign up at yycgrowers.com. YYC Grower volunteer Esther welcomes new CSA members in the Canterbury Room every week!

We are here because on the night before he died
Jesus shared a meal with his friends.
There he took some bread
and gave thanks to you, God.
He broke it into pieces, and gave it to them.
'This is my body,' he said,
'Do this, and know that I am with you.'
Later, he took a cup of wine and gave thanks to you.
He shared it with them, and said
'This is my blood, which brings new life.
Do this, and know that I am with you.'

And so, remembering Jesus, who died,
was raised to new life by you,
and is alive forever,
we are glad to share that life and live in him.
Together let us say:

**Send your Holy Spirit so that this bread and wine
can be for us the body and blood of Jesus,
and through this food give us strength to live as your people.
Help us to care for your world, its people,
and all of creation, in the way that Jesus showed us.
Until he comes again, with all your people
in every time and every land
we worship you in songs of everlasting praise.**

Blessing, honor and glory be yours,
here and everywhere,
now and forever. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

As our Saviour taught us, let us pray,
**Our God in heaven,
hallowed be your name,**

**your kin-dom come, your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.
For the kin-dom, the power, and the glory are yours,
now and for ever. Amen.**

Presider: The gifts of God for the People of God.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

The celebrant and people then receive communion.

Closing Prayer

**Gracious God, your word and sacrament gives us food and life.
May we who have been healed through your powerful love
bring healing to your world; for we ask it in the name of your
Son Jesus Christ. Amen**

Closing Hymn: Lord, You Give the Great Commission (CP#433 vs. 4-6)

Dismissal

Let us go in peace, to love and serve our God!
Thanks be to God!

Postlude: Postlude in D Minor (*J. S. Bach*)

Donations may be left in the plate at the back of the sanctuary. If you wish to receive a tax receipt please be sure to include your name and address and/or envelope number.

We encourage parishioners to use pre-authorized donation or online donation (or PayPal). Direct e-transfers may be sent to deacon@ststephencalgary.org or contact the office for information on pre-authorized payments at administrator@ststephenscalgary.org

For parishioners who use an envelope for their offering, please consider mailing it to the church.

***Blue Envelopes in August go to Community Outreach Projects—
Reaching out to the community with projects designed to meet local needs.***