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

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.



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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.



The Bent Over Woman—Luke 13:10-17
—Pastor Dawn at <https://pastordawn.com/>

Summer Lite Service 2022 — 10:30 a.m.

As a caring community and following guidelines, **masks are strongly encouraged** for indoor settings at St. Stephen's. Seating (masked) in the choir loft is available for those who wish ample distance. Please maintain an appropriate distance between you/your residential cohort and others while in the church building. We ask that all who attend services be fully vaccinated. Please stay home if you are experiencing any COVID-19 symptoms.

Summer Lite Service

Prelude: Sicilian (*G. Goltermann*)

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: O Praise Ye The Lord (*CP#330*)

Opening Prayer

**God 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.**

Children's Moment

The Proclamation of the Word

Psalm 103:1-8

Bless God, O my soul, and all that is within me,
bless God's holy name.

**Bless God, O my soul,
and do not forget all God's benefits**

God forgives all your iniquity,
and heals all your diseases;
**God redeems your life from the Pit,
and crowns you with steadfast love and mercy,**

Summer Office Hours and Staff Vacation Schedule

Monday through Friday mornings, 9am-12pm. To contact the church, please send an email to administrator@ststephenscalgary.org or phone 403-244-4879. If you have a pastoral emergency, you may contact the Rev. Nicole Janelle at revjanelle@ststephenscalgary.org or 587-419-1977 (cell). Note that our deacon, the Rev. Charmaine Evans, is away on vacation until mid-September.

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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 to meet for a one on one meeting, email Nicole directly to find a convenient date and time.

Supporting the Ministry of Flowers

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@ststephenscalgary.org). Many thanks to a donor who recently provided seed fund for this ministry!

Coming Up

- *Blessing of the Backpacks and School Children*—August 28th during church
- *Children & Youth Spiritual Formation Meeting*— August 28th after church or join via Zoom (link in e-newsletter)
- *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!
- *Welcome Back Sunday*— Sunday, September 18th

Supporting St. Stephen’s

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

Blue Envelopes in August go to Community Outreach Projects.

God satisfies you with good as long as you live so that your youth is renewed like the eagle’s.

**You love justice, O God,
and you vindicate all who are oppressed.**

You made known your intentions to Moses,
and your deeds to the people of Israel.

**You are merciful and gracious,
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.**

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 13:10-17

Now Jesus was teaching in one of the synagogues on the Sabbath. Just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight. When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, "Woman, you are set free from your ailment." He laid his hands on her and immediately she stood up straight and began praising God.

But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the Sabbath, was saying to the crowd, "There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured, and not on the Sabbath day."

But Jesus answered him and said, "You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the Sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the trough, and lead it away to give it water? And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the Sabbath day?"

When Jesus said this, all his opponents were put to shame; and the entire crowd rejoiced at all the wonderful things he was doing.

Following the reading:

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the churches.

Thanks be to God.

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Homily

Interlude: I Need Thee Every Hour

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 their 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

Caring God,
we thank you for your gifts in creation:

for our world,

the heavens tell of your glory:

for our land, its beauty and its resources,

for the rich heritage we enjoy.

Announcements

Nametag Design as a part of the Ministry of Welcome at St. Stephen's

As a part of creating a welcoming atmosphere at St. Stephen's where all are called by name, we invite you to design your own nametag this morning in the narthex. First names only in BIG, BOLD LETTERS please! Get as creative as you would like with design. Nametags should be kept at St. Stephen's in between Sundays and worn during and after the service to help both our newish rector and one another to learn and remember names!

Restorative Yoga Class, Monday evenings 7-8pm, through August 29th

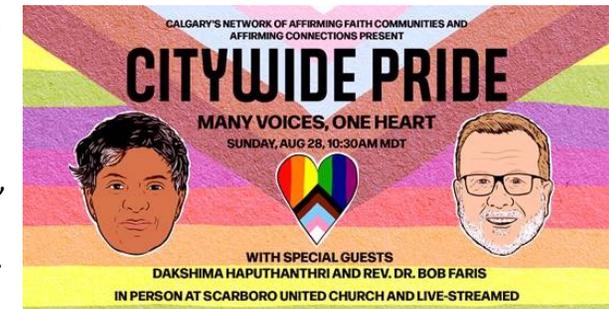
This is an in person four week pilot program taught by Susannah Horgan. The class is open to all levels of experience and provides participants with a quiet space in which to pause, breathe, stretch and connect. The class is free with donations accepted for the purchase of mats and other props for future classes. Come and join us!

Citywide Pride Service on

Sunday, August 28th,

10:30am. Service will be held at Scarboro United Church and live-streamed, with guests Dakshima Haputhanthri and Rev. Dr. Bob Faris. Presented by Calgary's Network of

Affirming Faith Communities and Affirming Connections. Masks are required and attendance is limited to 200. You are invited to attend as a representative of the community at St. Stephen's!



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. Boxes of fresh and locally grown vegetables are \$35 with the option of fruit/meat/egg add-ons. You can sign up at yycgrowers.com. YYC Growers volunteer Ester welcomes new CSA members in the Canterbury Room every week and would love to welcome you!

**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.

The celebrant and people then receive communion.

Post Communion Prayer

**Gracious God, your word and sacrament give 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 Jesus
the Christ. Amen**

Closing Hymn: The Church of Christ in Every Age (CP#584)

Dismissal

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

Postlude: When We All Get To Heaven (arr. C. Curry)

The children of St. Stephen's ring the church bells!

The flowers today are given to the Glory of God and in Thanksgiving.

*Donations to support the ministry and witness of
St. Stephen's Anglican Church may be left in the plate
at the back of the sanctuary.*

We pray:

for those who make decisions about the resources of the earth,
that we may use your gifts responsibly;
that those who work on the land and sea, in city and in industry,
**that all may enjoy the fruits of their labours
and marvel at your creation;**
for artists, scientists and visionaries,
that through their work we may see creation afresh.

*Sing: O Lord hear my prayer, O Lord hear my prayer, when I call
answer me. O Lord hear my prayer, O Lord hear my prayer,
come and listen to me.*

We thank you for giving us life;
for all who enrich our experience.

We pray:

for all who their own or other's action
are deprived of fullness of life,
**for prisoners, refugees, those who feel challenged, and all who
are sick;**
for those in politics, medical science, social and relief work,
and for your Church,
for all who seek to bring life to others.

Sing: Refrain.

We thank you that you have called us to celebrate your creation.
Give us reverence for life in your world.
We thank you for your redeeming love;
**may your word and sacrament
strengthen us to love you as you love us.**

Sing: Refrain.

God, Creator, bring us new life.
Jesus, Redeemer, renew us.
Holy Spirit strengthen and guide us.

Collect: God, you shape our dreams.
As we put our trust in you,
may your hopes and desires be ours,
and we your expectant people. **Amen.**

*Sing: The Lord is my song, the Lord is my praise: All my hope
comes from God. The Lord is my song, the Lord is my praise:
God, the wellspring of life.*

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.

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.

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

**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.**