

# Encouraging and strengthening faith in Jesus, and sharing the joy of God's love.

January 20, 2019

Second Sunday after Epiphany

10:15am

The Rev. Robert G. Schaefer, Pastor

# Holy Communion

# Gathering

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

# **INTRODUCTION**

The Sundays after Epiphany continue to celebrate the revelation of the glory of God to us as it was made known to the magi and to those on Jordan's banks at the baptism of Jesus—today using wedding imagery. Our God rejoices over God's people "as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride." By the power of the Spirit there are gifts galore for everyone. In Christ Jesus the best wine is saved for last. Taste and see.

# **CHOIR PRELUDE**

# WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

# **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

The assembly stands. All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presider begins.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, 🕂 one God, who creates us and forms us,

who redeems us and calls us, who unites us and sends us.

#### Amen.

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

Trusting in God's mercy and compassion, let us ask for the forgiveness of our sins.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

Lord Jesus, you came to reconcile us to one another and to the Father: Lord, have mercy on us. **Lord, have mercy on us.** 

Lord Jesus, you heal the wounds of pride and intolerance. Christ, have mercy on us. **Christ, have mercy on us.** 

Lord Jesus, you pardon the sinner and welcome the repentant. Lord, have mercy on us. Lord, have mercy on us.

May almighty God grant you pardon, forgiveness and peace, strengthen you in faith, and make you witnesses to Christ's love. **Amen.** 

#### **GATHERING SONG:**

Now the Feast and Celebration

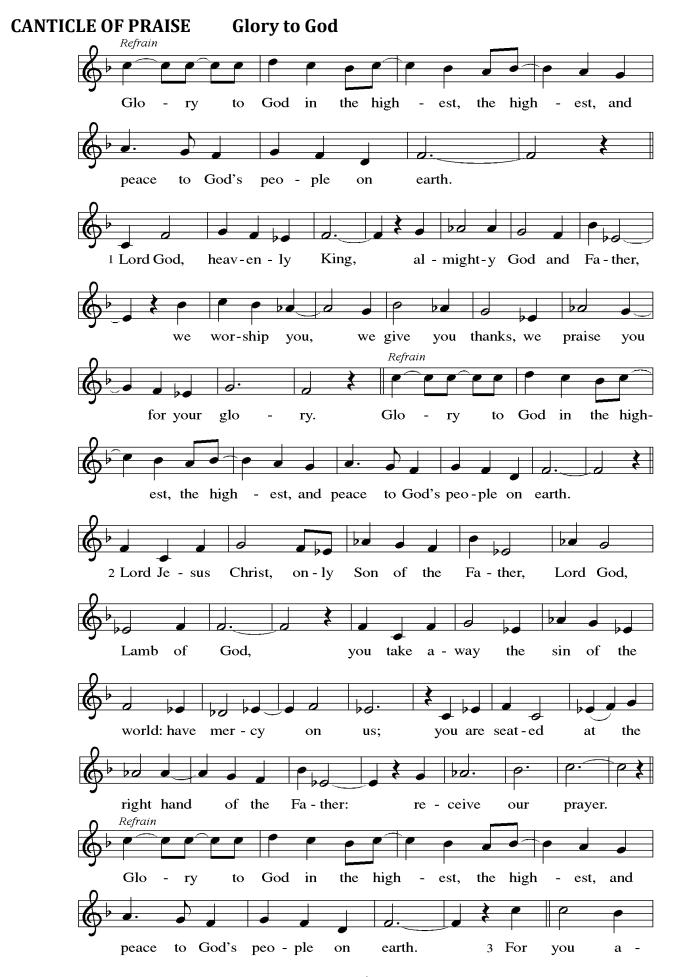
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# **APOSTOLIC GREETING**

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. C: And also with you.





# **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P: Let us pray.

A brief silence is kept, then the presiding minister leads the prayer.

P: Lord God, source of every blessing, you showed forth your glory and led many to faith by the works of your Son, who brought gladness and salvation to his people. Transform us by the Spirit of his love, that we may find our life together in him, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. C: **Amen.** 

The assembly sits.

**Word** God speaks to us in scripture reading and song.

# FIRST READING: Isaiah 62:1-5

A reading from Isaiah.

<sup>1</sup>For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, until her vindication shines out like the dawn, and her salvation like a burning torch.

<sup>2</sup>The nations shall see your vindication, and all the kings your glory; and you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the LORD will give. <sup>3</sup>You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the LORD, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God. <sup>4</sup>You shall no more be termed Forsaken, and your land shall no more be termed Desolate; but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her, and your land Married; for the LORD delights in you, and your land shall be married. <sup>5</sup>For as a young man marries a young woman, so shall your builder marry you, and as the bridegroom

rejoices over the bride, so shall your God rejoice over you.

L: The word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God.

# PSALM 36:5-10

<sup>5</sup>Your love, O LORD, reaches to the heavens, and your faithfulness to the clouds. <sup>6</sup>Your righteousness is like the strong mountains, your justice like the great deep;

•Your righteousness is like the strong mountains, your justice like the great deep you save humankind and animals, O Lord.

<sup>7</sup>How priceless is your love, O God! All people take refuge under the shadow of your wings. <sup>8</sup>They feast upon the abundance of your house;

**you give them drink from the river of your delights.** <sup>9</sup>For with you is the well of life, and in your light we see light. <sup>10</sup>**Continue your lovingkindness to those who know you**,

and your favor to those who are true of heart.

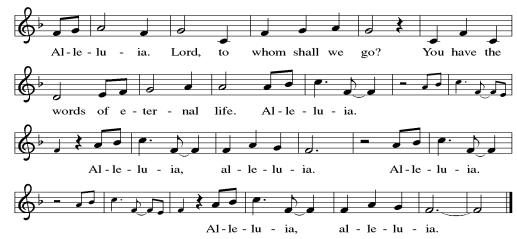
# SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 12:1-11

A reading from First Corinthians.

<sup>1</sup>Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed. <sup>2</sup>You know that when you were pagans, you were enticed and led astray to idols that could not speak. <sup>3</sup>Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says "Let Jesus be cursed!" and no one can say "Jesus is Lord" except by the Holy Spirit. <sup>4</sup>Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; <sup>5</sup>and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; <sup>6</sup>and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. <sup>7</sup>To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. <sup>8</sup>To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, <sup>9</sup>to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, <sup>10</sup>to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. <sup>11</sup>All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

L: The word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God.

After a brief silence, the assembly stands to welcome the gospel.



# **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

# GOSPEL: John 2:1-11

P: The Holy Gospel, according to John. **C: Glory to you, O Lord.** 

<sup>1</sup>On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. <sup>2</sup>Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. <sup>3</sup>When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." <sup>4</sup>And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come." <sup>5</sup>His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." <sup>6</sup>Now standing there were six stone water jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. <sup>7</sup>Jesus said to them, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. <sup>8</sup>He said to them, "Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward." So they took it. <sup>9</sup>When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom <sup>10</sup>and said to him, "Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now." <sup>11</sup>Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

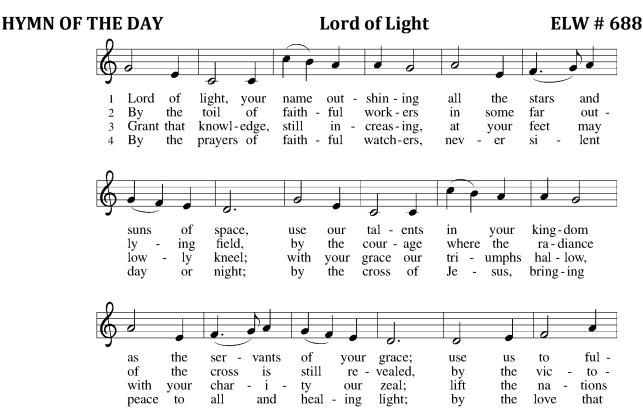
P: The Gospel of the Lord. C: Praise to you, O Christ.

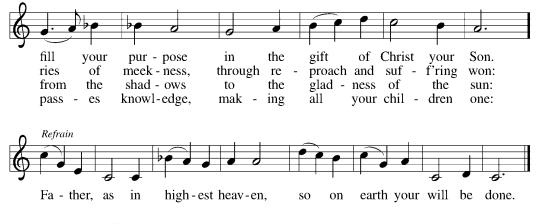
The assembly is seated.

# **Children and Youth Message**

# SERMON

The assembly stands to proclaim the word of God in song.





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#### **APOSTLE'S CREED**

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

#### **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

A: United as one body in Christ, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need. *A brief silence.* 

After each petition:

A: Lord, in your mercy. C: hear our prayer.

P: Receive our prayers and fill us with the radiance of your love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **C: Amen.** 

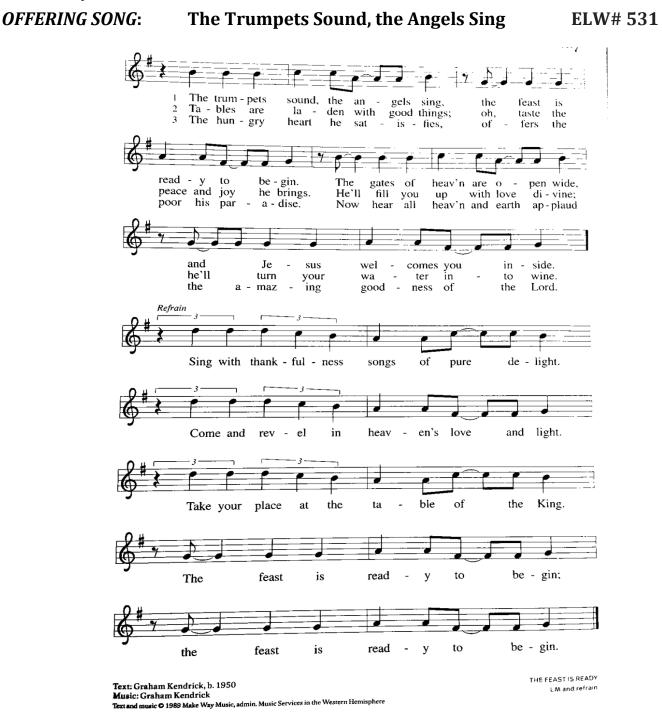
### **PEACE** P: The peace of Christ be with you always. **C: And also with you.**

The assembly is seated.

**MEAL** God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

#### **OFFERING**

The assembly stands.



# **OFFERING PRAYER**

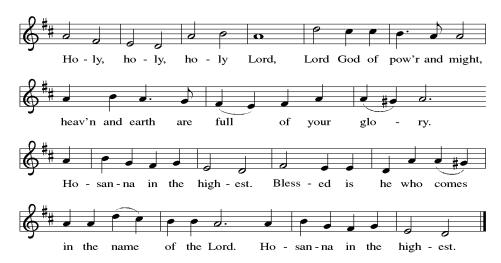
A: Let us pray.

God of all creation, all you have made is good, and your love endures forever. You bring forth bread from the earth and fruit from the vine. Nourish us with these gifts, that we might be for the world signs of your gracious presence in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **C: Amen.** 

# THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.** Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.** 

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



The presiding minister continues to give thanks:

We praise you, eternal God, through Christ your Word made flesh. ...

...with thanksgiving we lift this bread and cup before you and proclaim the mystery of faith. **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.** 

... all glory and honor are yours, almighty God, now and forever. **Amen.** 

P: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as the Savior taught us: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

# Communion

P: Behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. Come to the table. Feast on God's abundant life for you.

The bread is broken for the communion. The assembly is seated.

All baptized Christians are invited to participate in the celebration of holy communion. Those who are not baptized and children not yet communing may come forward for a blessing, please cross your arms on your chest if you desire a blessing.

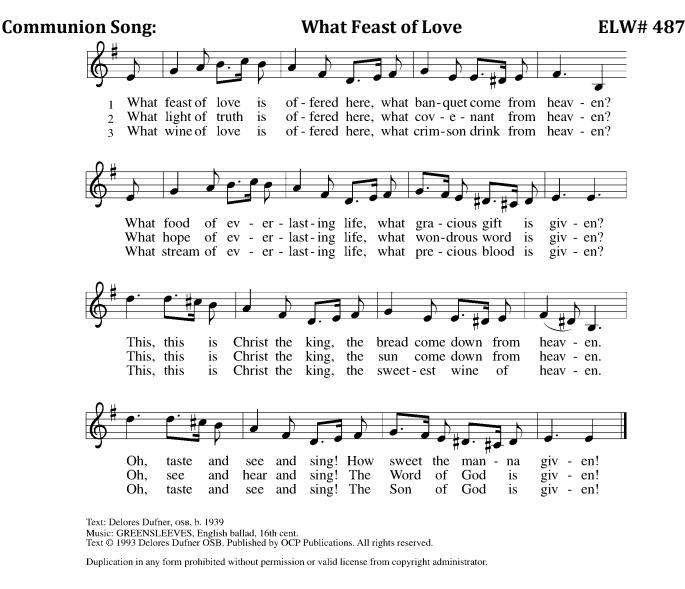
At St. Stephen we receive Holy Communion by receiving the bread and then either drinking directly from the cup or by intinction: That means that you may **receive the bread in your hand and then dip bread in the wine**.)

*Gluten free bread is available* on the right side. (please ask) *Alcohol free wine is available* on the right side. (please ask)

The body of Christ, given for you. *Response:* **Amen.** The blood of Christ, shed for you. *Response:* **Amen.** 

#### Lamb of God





# Additional Communion songs are sung as needed

# **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

A: Let us pray.

We thank you, O God, that you have fed us at your banqueting table with bread and wine beyond compare, the body and blood of our Lord: the very life of Christ for us. Send your Spirit with us now, that we may set the captive free, use your gifts to build one another up, and in everything reflect your glory revealed in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

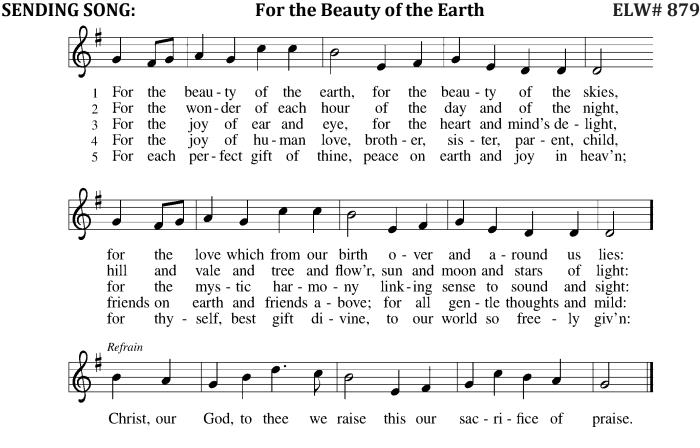
C: Amen.

# Sending God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

#### BLESSING

P: The God of glory dwell in you richly, name you beloved, and shine brightly on your path; and the blessing of almighty God, the Father, the + Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you always.

C: Amen.



Text: Folliott S. Pierpoint, 1835–1917, alt. Music: DIX, Conrad Kocher, 1786–1872

#### DISMISSAL

A: Go in peace. Christ is your light.

#### C: Thanks be to God.

#### IN OUR PRAYERS...

**In our prayers** today are these members of our homebound and others of our parish family in need of healing: Juliet Crawford, Carol Chemeleski, Jimmy Fennelli, Laurel Blake, Kathy Runk, Edith Reichenback, Audrey Shumway, Jim Loggins, Diane Adler, Roy and Barbara Kaptain, Bob & Jane Reinhold, and Shelley Amato.

#### Prayers for Friends of the Church: (Please renew your request every 3 weeks)

 ➡ Erick, Tonny, Carolyn, Deborah, Cynthia, Craig, Nettie, Cheryl, Robert, Chandler, Becky, Aiden, Braemen, Mary, Jerry, Carol, Nettie, and Peggy ➡ Carol, Mr. Driscoll, Pat, John, Diane, Joe, Dakota ➡ Adrean, Jeanette, Joe, Melissa, Jennifer, Diane, Juliet, Laurel, Carol, Mickie, Mikayla, world peace, wounded warriors and family.

#### In a facility or homebound:

Barbara Kaptain –	The Atrium Assistant Living at Boca Raton.
	1080 NW 15TH Room 215 Boca Raton, Fl. 33486
Jane Reinhold –	Platinum Loving Group, P. O. Box 410572, Melbourne, FL 32941
Evelyn Braun –	6152 Verde Trail Room 106 Boca Raton, Fl. 33433
Jim Loggins -	John Knox Village - Woodlands
	700 SW 4th St, Pompano Beach, FL 33060

10:15 AM	January 20	January 27
ASSISTING MINISTER	Natalie Prego	Sera Butz
ACOLYTE	Pat Belanger	Madison Kibler
LECTOR	Erika Flanigan	Tom Peterson
USHERS –Need 4 to Serve	Rosie Fennelli Jimmy Fennelli Harry Ambrose Patricia Engle	Marsha Kibler (w) Drew Kibler Darin Kibler Catherine Zippay
Head Usher	Rosie Fennelli	Rosie Fennelli
GREETERS – Need 2 to Serve	Carol Jacobson Pat Belanger	Kelly Jacobson Rose Jones
SOUND	Eric Castaneda	Dennis Magarrell
PROJECTION	Jake Vanzile	Larry Jones

### Assisting at Our Worship in January

(w) will give wine at communion. Thank you all for serving.



In response to the amazing love, mercy and grace of God, St. Stephen Lutheran Church is a community that openly welcomes all who are seeking God's divine love and grace. All are welcome in this place regardless of race or culture, sexual orientation or gender identity, economic situation or life situation, marital or

relationship status, or your doubts about faith and church. Our unity is in Christ. Your family, children, friends, spouses and partners are welcome. Your diversity and uniqueness enriches and expands our community. We are a Reconciling in Christ congregation.

# PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Welcome to worship!* We are thankful you are here! We especially welcome our guests and first time visitors today. Stop at the desk to pick up a **name tag** if you don't have one. Please take a moment to fill out the attendance cards in the worship folder with your name, number and email—especially if you are visiting so that we can welcome you. If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to contact Pr. Schaefer. Please join us for refreshments and conversation in the gathering area at the back of the church (Narthex) following the liturgy this morning. St. Stephen members: don't forget to put a little something in the jar on the table to help support this ministry! We thank **Linda Hanzlik** for her generous stewardship of this ministry of hospitality!

#### The new 2019 Flower Chart is up!

You will find it near the doors in the Narthex (gathering area). Why not choose a Sunday or Sundays to beautify our altar and honor a loved one by gifting the altar flowers? They are only \$35 for the week.

#### Bible Study Every Tuesday and Sunday: The Book of Acts

You are invited for this conversation in the Luther Room every Tuesday from 7—8pm. The class is repeated Sunday mornings at 9:15am in the Pastor's Office (Room 1—next to the church). Acts tells the story of the early church. It traces the growth of the church from a small group of Jewish believers in Jerusalem to a worldwide movement that included both Jews and Gentiles. This book still both gives the

church its marching orders and shows how the Holy Spirit will guide us in mission. Bring a bible and a friend and join us!

#### Snowbird members of the St. Stephen community—order a name badge today!

It's really important that we know each other by name and can warmly welcome guests to our community. If you do not have a plastic St. Stephen name badge and you worship with us—member or not—we would love you to have one. Simply stop by the table in the narthex (gathering area) where the badges are and print your name on the sheet of paper. It's as simple as that!

#### You are invited to a Dr. Martin Luther King Celebration Service sponsored by the Lutheran Churches of the Broward-Bahamas Conference today.

The service will be held this afternoon at 3:00pm at Redeemer Lutheran Church, 3500 W. Oakland Park Blvd in Lauderdale Lakes. It will feature the Redeemer Youth Band and Dance Troupe, songs and prayers of praise and hope, and young adults sharing their vision. It will all be capped off by a delicious Jamaican cultural feast. Join your Lutheran sisters and brothers from Broward County in worship, prayer and fellowship.

#### Unity in the Community—Family Fun Day

The 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Family Fun Day in Pompano will be next Saturday, January 26 from 11am to 4pm at the Community Park, 1801 NE 6<sup>th</sup> Street, Pompano Beach. This is a great event to be present in the community. Once again, St. Stephen will have a booth and we need your help! We are seeking volunteers to set up the table and tent starting by 9am. Then we need friendly people to represent our congregation at the booth from 11am—4pm. We also seek people to help break down the display at 4pm. Please see or call Carol Jacobson or Pastor today if you are willing to help ion this important ministry.

#### Change for Change: Thank you for your support!

In November and December, the St. Stephen community collected \$380 to support the work of **St. Lawrence Homeless Shelter** here in Pompano Beach. The money will be used to purchase additional new sleeping mats for their overnight guests. Thank you for your generous support! This month we celebrate the legacy of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and February is African-American History Month. Therefore, through February the money collected in the Change for Change Tower will be shared with **The Kappa League Foundation of Pompano, Florida**, a 501 (c) (3) not-for-profit organization that has established itself as a premier legacy organization bringing African-American males together in a social, cultural, and learning environment. They provide mentoring, leadership development and critical life skills for transformational leadership to the next generation. The focus is on 6th-12th graders. You can view the entire website, at: <u>www.kfpompano.org/</u>

#### Parish-wide Appreciation Breakfast, February 2.

We invite all members and friends of the St. Stephen community to come and celebrate an appreciation breakfast together. Our ministry is dependent on each and every one of you and together we are the body of Christ in this place. We want to say thank you for being part of this faith community and enjoy each other's fellowship. Sign up this morning and plan on coming together on Saturday, February 2 at 9:00am in the Fellowship Hall.

#### Save the date: Sunday, February 17—Annual Meeting

Don't miss the annual meeting of the congregation following the Liturgy on February 17. It is a time to review our mission and ministry, approve a 2019 spending plan and vision for the future.



#### **Sunday Schedule**

9:15 a.m. Adult Forum 10:15 a.m. Worship Holy Communion is celebrated weekly 11:45 a.m. Confirmation Ministry

#### **Church Staff**

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#### **Congregation Council**

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Sunday 20 9:15am Adult Forum—Acts Bible Study 10:15am Sunday Worship 11:45 - 12:45pm Confirmation Ministry Monday 21 9:30am-12:30pm Office Open **Tuesday 22** 9:30am-12:30pm Office Open 7:00pm Acts Bible Study (Luther Room) Wednesday 23 9:30am-12:30pm Office Open Thursday 24 9:30am-12:30pm Office Open 7:00pm Choir Rehearsal Friday 25 9:30am-12:30pm Office Open Saturday 26 Happy and Blessed Saturday! Sunday 27 9:15am Adult Forum 10:15am Sunday Worship 11:45 – 12:45pm Confirmation Ministry



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