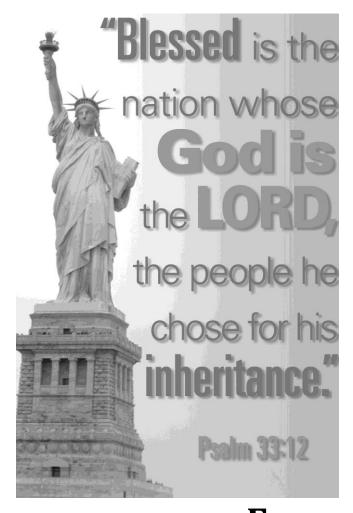


St Stephen

Lutheran Church, ELCA



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

July 1, 2018

6th Sunday after Pentecost

10:15am

Rev. Dr. Sidney Nelson

—WE GATHER—

INTRODUCTION

A woman finds healing by touching Jesus' cloak, and a girl is restored to life when he takes her by the hand. In both cases a boundary is crossed: in Jesus' time the hemorrhaging woman was considered ritually unclean, polluting others by her touch, and anyone who touched a corpse also became unclean. In Mark's gospel Jesus breaks down barriers, from his first meal at a tax collector's house to his last breath on the cross as the temple curtain is torn in two. We dare to touch Jesus in our "uncleanness" and to live as a community that defines no one as an outsider.

CHOIR PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, full of compassion and mercy, abounding in steadfast love. Amen.

P: Trusting God's promise of forgiveness, let us confess our sin against God and one another.

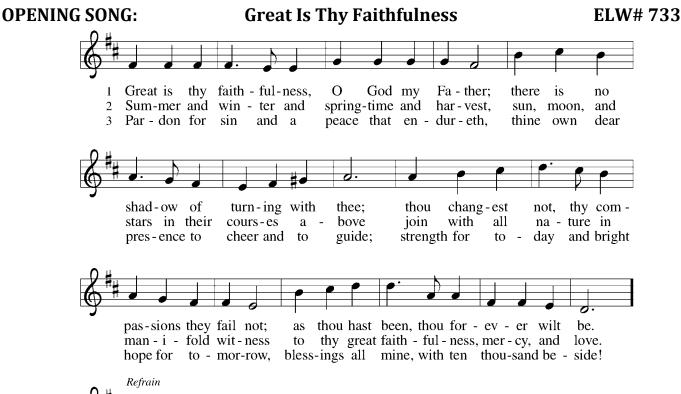
Silence is kept for reflection.

P: Eternal God our creator:

C: In you we live and move and have our being.
Look upon us, your children,
the work of your hands.
Forgive us all our offenses,
and cleanse us from proud thoughts and empty desires.
By your grace draw us near to you,
our refuge and our strength;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

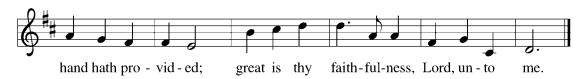
P: Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit given to us. In the mercy of almighty God, Christ died for us while we still were sinners; and for his sake, God + forgives you all your sins.

C: AMEN.









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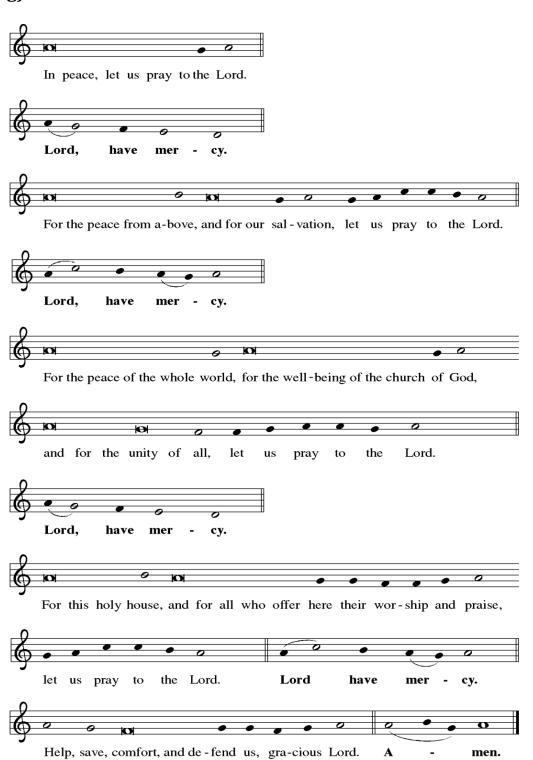
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THE GREETING

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.

KYRIE (Sung)



HYMN OF PRAISE "This is the feast"



PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray together:

C: Almighty and merciful God, we implore you to hear the prayers of your people. Be our strong defense against all harm and danger, that we may live and grow in faith and hope, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. AMEN.

Youth and Children message

—WE HEAR GOD'S WORD—

FIRST READING: Lamentations 3:22-33

²²The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases, his mercies never come to an end; ²³they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness. ²⁴"The LORD is my portion," says my soul, "therefore I will hope in him." ²⁵The LORD is good to those who wait for him, to the soul that seeks him. ²⁶It is good that one should wait quietly for the salvation of the LORD.

²⁷It is good for one to bear the yoke in youth, ²⁸to sit alone in silence when the Lord has imposed it, ²⁹to put one's mouth to the dust (there may yet be hope), ³⁰to give one's cheek to the smiter, and be filled with insults. ³¹For the Lord will not reject forever. ³²Although he causes grief, he will have compassion according to the abundance of his steadfast love; ³³for he does not willingly afflict or grieve anyone.

L: This is the word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 30

¹I will exalt you, O LORD, because you have lifted me up and have not let my enemies triumph over me.

²O LORD my God, I cried out to you, and you restored me to health.

³You brought me up, O LORD, from the dead; you restored my life as I was going down to the grave.

⁴Sing praise to the LORD, all you faithful; give thanks in holy remembrance.

⁵God's wrath is short; God's favor lasts a lifetime.

Weeping spends the night, but joy comes in the morning.

⁶While I felt secure, I said, "I shall never be disturbed.

⁷You, LORD, with your favor, made me as strong as the mountains."

Then you hid your face, and I was filled with fear.

8I cried to you, O LORD; I pleaded with my Lord, saying,

9"What profit is there in my blood, if I go down to the pit? Will the dust praise you or declare your faithfulness?

 $^{10}\mbox{Hear}$, O LORD, and have mercy upon me; O LORD, be my helper."

¹¹You have turned my wailing into dancing; you have put off my sackcloth and clothed me with joy.

¹²Therefore my heart sings to you without ceasing; O LORD my God, I will give you thanks forever.

SECOND READING: 2 Corinthians 8:7-15

⁷Now as you excel in everything—in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in utmost eagerness, and in our love for you—so we want you to excel also in this generous undertaking.

⁸I do not say this as a command, but I am testing the genuineness of your love against the earnestness of others. ⁹For you know the generous act of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, so that by his poverty you might become rich. ¹⁰And in this matter I am giving my advice: it is appropriate for you who began last year not only to do something but even to desire to do something—¹¹now finish doing it, so that your eagerness may be matched by completing it according to your means.

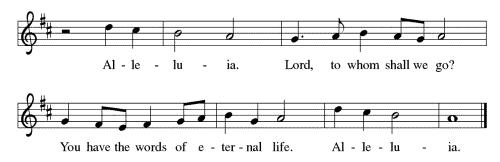
¹²For if the eagerness is there, the gift is acceptable according to what one has—not according to what one does not have. ¹³I do not mean that there should be relief for others and pressure on you, but it is a question of a fair balance between ¹⁴your present abundance and their need, so that their abundance may be for your need, in order that there may be a fair balance. ¹⁵As it is written, "The one who had much did not have too much, and the one who had little did not have too little."

L: This is the word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

P: Please Rise for the Gospel Acclamation.

THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION "Alleluia"



P: The Holy Gospel, according to St. Mark, the 5th chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord!

GOSPEL: Mark 5:21-43

²¹When Jesus had crossed again in the boat to the other side, a great crowd gathered around him; and he was by the sea. ²²Then one of the leaders of the synagogue named Jairus came and, when he saw him, fell at his feet ²³and begged him repeatedly, "My little daughter is at the point of death. Come and lay your hands on her, so that she may be made well, and live." ²⁴So he went with him.

And a large crowd followed him and pressed in on him. ²⁵Now there was a woman who had been suffering from hemorrhages for twelve years. ²⁶She had endured much under many physicians, and had spent all that she had; and she was no better, but rather grew worse. ²⁷She had heard about Jesus, and came up behind him in the crowd and touched his cloak, ²⁸for she said, "If I but touch his clothes, I will be made well." ²⁹Immediately her hemorrhage stopped; and she felt in her body that she was healed of her disease. ³⁰Immediately aware that power had gone forth from him, Jesus turned about in the crowd and said, "Who touched my clothes?" ³¹And his disciples said to him, "You see the crowd pressing in on you; how can you say, 'Who touched me?'" ³²He looked all around to see who had done it. ³³But the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came in fear and trembling, fell down before him, and told him the whole truth. ³⁴He said to her, "Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace, and be healed of your disease."

³⁵While he was still speaking, some people came from the leader's house to say, "Your daughter is dead. Why trouble the teacher any further?" ³⁶But overhearing what they said, Jesus said to the leader of the synagogue, "Do not fear, only believe." ³⁷He allowed no one to follow him except Peter, James, and John, the brother of James. ³⁸When they came to the house of the

leader of the synagogue, he saw a commotion, people weeping and wailing loudly. ³⁹When he had entered, he said to them, "Why do you make a commotion and weep? The child is not dead but sleeping." ⁴⁰And they laughed at him. Then he put them all outside, and took the child's father and mother and those who were with him, and went in where the child was. ⁴¹He took her by the hand and said to her, "Talitha cum," which means, "Little girl, get up!" ⁴²And immediately the girl got up and began to walk about (she was twelve years of age). At this they were overcome with amazement. ⁴³He strictly ordered them that no one should know this, and told them to give her something to eat.

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

SERMON

Rev. Dr. Sidney Nelson

—WE RESPOND—

(Please stand as you are able for the Sermon Song.)



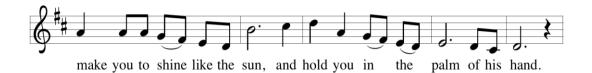


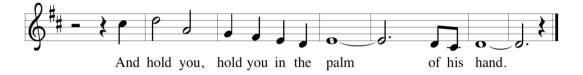






And he will raise you up on ea-gle's wings, bear you on the breath of dawn,





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APOSTLES' 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.

THE PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

A: Growing in faith and discipleship, we give thanks for God's merciful compassion as we pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

After each petition of the prayer is said:

A: Lord, in your mercy.

C: Hear our prayer.

A/P: Gracious God, we lift to you these prayers and the prayers of our hearts, trusting in your everlasting love and mercy, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

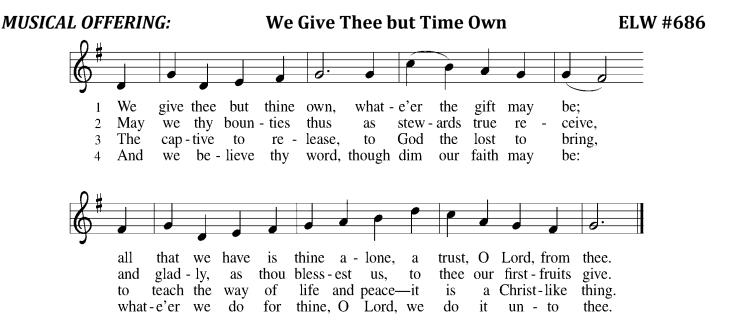
P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us share with one another the peace of the Lord.

~WELCOME TO THE LORD'S TABLE~

OFFERING



Text: William W. How, 1823–1897, alt.

Music: HEATH, L. Mason and G. Webb, Cantica Lauda, 1850

OFFERING PRAYER

A: Merciful God, you open wide your hand and satisfy the need of every living thing. You have set this feast before us. Open our hands to receive it. Open our hearts to embrace it. Open our lives to live it. We pray this through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Dialogue

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

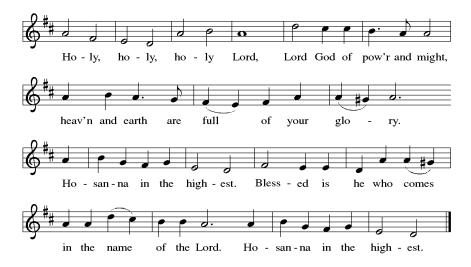
Lift up your hearts.

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, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory.

Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food, the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord; to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever.

C: Amen... 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.

Invitation of Communion

(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).

P: Welcome to the Lord's table.

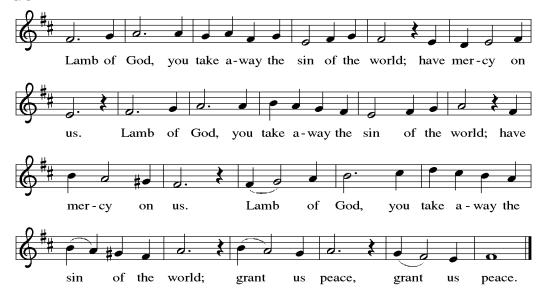
Holy Communion (Our communion is by intinction: Receive the bread and dip bread in the wine.) Gluten free bread is available on the right side. (please ask)

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

P: The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you.

C: Amen.

"LAMB OF GOD"





Healer of Our Every III

ELW #612



Text: Marty Haugen, b. 1950
Music: HEALER OF OUR EVERY ILL, Marty Haugen
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Instrumental Music

Cesar Vidaud

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A: Jesus Christ, host of this meal, you have given us not only this bread and cup, but your very self, that we may feast on your great love.

Filled again by these signs of your grace, may we hunger for your reign of justice, may we thirst for your way of peace, for you are Lord forevermore. **Amen.**

CALLED CONGREGATION MEETING

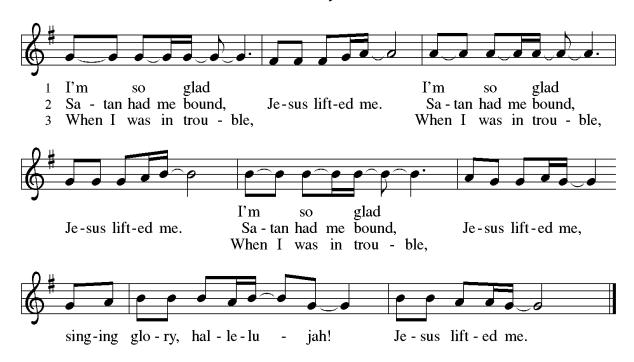
The congregational meeting will now be called to order to vote to call the Reverend Robert G. Schaefer to serve as pastor of Saint Stephen Lutheran Church in Pompano Beach, Florida. Only members of Saint Stephen Lutheran church are allowed to vote on this matter.

Associate members are not allowed to vote on this call. Associate members are only allowed to vote in their home congregations.

~WE ARE SENT FORTH~

Benediction

P: The Lord bless you, and keep you. The Lord make his face shine upon you, and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up his countenance upon you, and give you peace. In the Name of the Father, + and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**



Text: African American spiritual Music: JESUS LIFTED ME, African American spiritual

DISMISSAL

A: Go in peace. Share the joy of God's love.

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: Edith Reichenback, Audrey Shumway, Laurel Blake, Jim Loggins, Diane Adler, Katie, Roy and Barbara Kaptain, Bob & Jane Reinhold, and Shelley Amato.

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

♥ Dustin Magarrell ♥ Craig, Chandler, Aiden, Braemen, Tony Hilshoff, Eric Hecker, David, Lynn, Vanessa, Tammy McKenzie, David Naylor, Lynne Steele, and Patrick Meyers & Marjorie, Aurea Soto, Vera DeBolt, Cheryl, Robert, Jerry, Mary, Becky, Nettie, and Norman & Lisa Sage.

In a facility or homebound:

Edith Reichenback -John Knox Village - Woodlands

651 SW 6th St. Pompano Beach, FL 33060

Audrey Shumway -Stratford Court of Boca Raton Room #233A

6343 Via De Sonrisa Del Sur, Boca Raton, FL 33433

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1080 NW 15TH Room 215 Boca Raton, Fl. 33486

Platinum Loving Group, P. O. Box 410572, Melbourne, FL 32941 Jane Reinhold -

Evelvn Braun -6152 Verde Trail Room 106 Boca Raton, Fl. 33433

Jim Loggins -John Knox Village - Woodlands

651 SW 6th St, Pompano Beach, FL 33060

Service Assistants for July

10:15 AM	July 1	July 8	July 15	July 22	July 29
ASSISTING	Pat Belanger	Natalie Prego	Carol Jacobson	Carol Jacobson	Pat Belanger
MINISTER					
ACOLYTE	Carol Jacobson	Carol Jacobson	Natalie Prego	Katie Paff	Madison Kibler
LECTOR	Erika Flanigan	Tom Peterson	Pat Belanger	Tom Peterson	Catherine Zippay
USHERS -Need	Suzanne Loggins	Lisa Castaneda (w)	Harry Ambrose	Harry Ambrose	Darin Kibler
4 to Serve	Patricia Engle	Rosie Fennelli	Patricia Engle	Erika Flanigan	Marsha Kibler (w)
	Terry Shumway	Linda Hanzlik	Terry Shumway	Lynda Smith	Drew Kibler
	Lisa Castaneda (w)	Suzanne Loggins	Linda Hanzlik	Zachary Smith (w)	Linda Hanzlik
Head Usher	Rosie Fennelli	Rosie Fennelli	Rosie Fennelli	Rosie Fennelli	Rosie Fenneli
GREETERS -	Kelly Jacobson	Kelly Jacobson	Caroline Smith	Caroline Smith	Caroline Smith
Need 2 to	Rose Jones	Rose Jones	Ruth Wagle	Ruth Wagle	Ruth Wagle
Serve					
SOUND	Dennis Magarrell	Terry Shumway	Eric Castaneda	Terry Shumway	Dennis Magarrell
PROJECTION	Eric Castaneda	Eric Castaneda	Larry Jones	Dennis Magarrell	Katie Paff

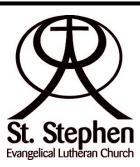
(w) will give wine at communion. Thank you all for serving.

Email Prayer Chain

Dear members and friends,

We are beginning an email prayer chain. This was approved by the church council and it is for the purpose of drawing the members in prayer for those who are sick or in special need of prayer. On Monday morning, we will send out the names of those who were added to the attendance cards on Sunday. If we have special requests during the week, those will be sent out Friday morning. Emails will go out only from the administrative assistant or the pastor. If you have prayer request, call the church office during the week. Occasionally, emergencies may arrive and a request will go out mid-week.

Let us put prayer cover our sisters and brothers as they experience difficult times. Pastor Nelson



Sunday Schedule

10:15 a.m. Worship Holy Communion is celebrated weekly

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Activity Calendar

Sunday 1

10:15am Sunday Worship 11:15am Congregational meeting to

vote on Pastor candidate appointment

Monday 2

9:30am-12:30pm Office Open

Tuesday 3

9:30am-12:30pm Office Open

Wednesday 4

Happy 4th Of July!

8:00am Quilting

9:30am-12:30pm Office Open

Thursday 5

9:30am-12:30pm Office Open

7:30pm Choir rehearsal

Friday 6

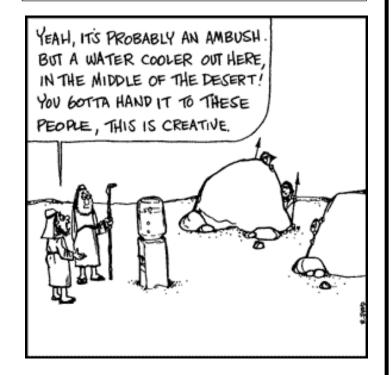
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Saturday 7

Happy and blessed Saturday!

Sunday 8

10:15am Sunday Worship



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