



ST. STEPHEN'S EPISCOPAL
CATHEDRAL & SCHOOL
AUGUST 2, 2026, AT 10:15 A.M.
THE TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST —
PROPER 13

Welcome to your Cathedral! Rejoice that all of God's children have a home in The Episcopal Church and that our congregations are safe havens for our souls.

We gather today to celebrate the gifts, strength, and witness of our parishioners. Worship opens us to the wondrous reality of our loving God and our inclusivity as a reflection of God's love for our neighbor that draws others into our community.

St. Stephen's Mission Statement:

We are a diverse community of Christians welcoming all into the Episcopal tradition, seeking and sharing God's grace with our lips and in our lives.

Prelude

Opening Hymn

Hope of the world

Hymnal 472

Opening Acclamation

Presider: Blessed are you, Holy and Living One.

People: You come to your people and set them free.

Presider: There is one Body and one Spirit;

People: There is one hope in God's call to us;

Presider: One God, one Faith, one Baptism;

People: One God and Maker of all.

Gloria in Excelsis

Hymnal S-280

Collect of the Day

Presider: God be with you.

People: And also with you.

Presider: Let us pray.

Let your continual mercy, O Lord, cleanse and defend your Church; and, because it cannot continue in safety without your help, protect and govern it always by your goodness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Word of God

Reader: The **First Reading** is from the **Book of Isaiah** [55:1-5].

Thus says the Lord: "Ho, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and you that have no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price.

Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labor for that which does not satisfy? Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food. Incline your ear, and come to me; listen, so that you may live. I will make with you an everlasting covenant, my steadfast, sure love for David. See, I made him a witness to the peoples, a leader and commander for the peoples. See, you shall call nations that you

do not know, and nations that do not know you shall run to you, because of the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, for he has glorified you.”

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 145: 8-9, 15-22

Exaltabo te, Deus

8 The Lord is gracious and full of compassion, *
slow to anger and of great kindness.

9 The Lord is loving to everyone *
and his compassion is over all his works.

15 The Lord upholds all those who fall; *
he lifts up those who are bowed down.

16 The eyes of all wait upon you, O Lord, *
and you give them their food in due season.

17 You open wide your hand *
and satisfy the needs of every living creature.

18 The Lord is righteous in all his ways *
and loving in all his works.

19 The Lord is near to those who call upon him, *
to all who call upon him faithfully.

20 He fulfills the desire of those who fear him; *
he hears their cry and helps them.

21 The Lord preserves all those who love him, *
but he destroys all the wicked.

22 My mouth shall speak the praise of the Lord; *
let all flesh bless his holy Name for ever and ever.

Reader: The **Second Reading** is from the **Letter of Paul to the Romans** [9:1-5].

I am speaking the truth in Christ — I am not lying; my conscience confirms it by the Holy Spirit — I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. For I could wish that I myself were accursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my own people, my kindred according to the flesh. They are Israelites, and to them belong the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises; to them belong the patriarchs, and from them, according to the flesh, comes the Messiah, who is over all, God blessed forever. Amen.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.



1. All who hun - ger gath - er glad - ly; ho - ly man - na
 2. All who hun - ger, nev - er stran - gers, seek - er, be a
 3. All who hun - ger, sing to - geth - er, Je - sus Christ is



is our bread. Come from wil - der - ness and wan - d'ring.
 wel - come guest. Come from rest - less - ness and roam - ing.
 liv - ing bread. Come from lone - li - ness and long - ing.



Here in truth we will be fed. You that yearn for
 Here, in joy we keep the feast. We that once were
 Here, in peace, we have been fed. Blest are those who



days of full - ness, all a - round us is our food.
 lost and scat - tered in com - mun - ion's love have stood.
 from this ta - ble live their days in grat - i - tude.



Taste and see the grace e - ter - nal.
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Taste and see that God is good.
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Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to **Matthew** [14:13-21].

People: **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus withdrew in a boat to a deserted place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them and cured their sick. When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves." Jesus said to them, "They need not go away; you give them something to eat." They replied, "We have nothing here

but five loaves and two fish.” And he said, “Bring them here to me.” Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven, and blessed and broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. And all ate and were filled; and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full. And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon

The Very Rev. Robyn Szoke-Coolidge

Affirmation of Faith

Leader: Let us declare our faith in God.

All: We believe in God the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named. We believe in God the Son, 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; Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.

Prayers of the People

Leader: We give thanks for the witness of your Church, O Christ; for all who reflect your life-giving and liberating love, and for communities that proclaim your gospel of love and transformation. Strengthen your Church with power through your Spirit, especially where it has caused harm or withheld blessing. Teach us to walk in love, as Christ loved us, and to be faithful stewards of your reconciling grace. We pray especially for Sean, our Presiding Bishop; Audrey and Kevin, our Bishops; Robyn, our Interim Dean; Dee, our Interim Pastoral Assistant; and Joshua, our incoming Dean. God, in your mercy,

People: Hear our prayer.

Leader: We pray for our companions in ministry — in the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, the Church of the Province of Uganda; in the Diocese of the Susquehanna, St. Thomas (Morgantown) and St. Mark’s (Lewistown); and in the Diocese of Kajo Keji, Koiba Parish — and for the families of our own parish, especially Jessica Clemmer; Bailey and Trevor Adams and their sons, Carter and Rowan; Daniel Clemmer; and Dottie Wormser. God in your mercy,

People: Hear our prayer.

Leader: We pray for all who serve in public trust and give thanks for leaders who pursue justice with courage and humility. For lawmakers, advocates, and peacemakers who defend dignity and protect the vulnerable. Let your wisdom guide all in authority; may their hearts be turned to equity, compassion, and peace. We grieve the harm caused by unjust laws and unmitigated violence and cruelty, and we ask your Spirit to move mightily

wherever your people cry out for freedom. We pray for those serving our country: **Blythe, John, Tyler, and Kenny**. God, in your mercy,
People: Hear our prayer.

Leader: We rejoice in the beauty of creation and in the fierce care of those who tend it. For organizers, artists, healers, and neighbors who build beloved community from the ground up. Bless the land beneath our feet, the rivers and forests, the creatures with whom we share this earth. We pray for those who live without shelter or safety, for the displaced and the dispossessed, for those harmed by the climate crisis and systems of greed. Let justice roll down like waters, and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream. God, in your mercy,

People: Hear our prayer.

Leader: We remember those who suffer and those in any kind of trouble. We pray for those who have asked for our prayers: **Jayne, Anthony, Lois, Sharon, Robert, Barbara, Deborah, Tessa, Debora, Rick, Susan, Camille, Tony, the Conroy family, Corinna, Crawford, Marcia, Rose, Anastasia, Nate, Ed, Glenn, Erica, Freya, Rosanne, Gerry, Susan, Rob, Ann, Gwen, Tel, Jennifer, Lizzie, Jerry, Juan, Roy, Susanne, Barry, Claire, Fred, Charles, Kaitlin, Nelson, Chris, Sharyn, Rachel, Judith, Ray, Rich, Dolores, Lane, Mike, Cindy, Marty, Rosemary, and Dean**. For all who carry hidden wounds, who live with chronic pain, illness, addiction, or despair. For LGBTQ+ youth and elders, especially those cut off from family or care. Let your Spirit bring healing, courage, and companionship. We commend to you all who have died: those remembered and those forgotten, those claimed and those erased. Gather them into your light, where sorrow is no more, and joy never ends. God, in your mercy,

People: Hear our prayer.

Leader: We rejoice together for all the blessings of this life, especially those who have given to support our loving worship in this space. The Communion Elements are given to the Glory of God and in honor of the wedding anniversary of Dorothy and Warren Gillam by Mr. and Mrs. Warren Gillam; in thanksgiving for the 35th wedding anniversary of Pete and Becky Tartline; and in celebration of the 26th wedding anniversary of Kent and Debbie Messner by Margaret Messner. The Cathedral Flowers are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Walter Gutekunst by Barbara Gutekunst. God, in your mercy,

People: Hear our prayer.

Leader: Lamb of God, in your death you destroyed death and taught us the way to eternal life. Compel us to daily die to self and rest in your grace. May all who have died, [especially...], rest in peace and rise in glory. God, in your mercy,

People: Hear our prayer.

(Silence.)

Celebrant: Holy One, receive the prayers we offer aloud and those known only to you. Knit us together in your chosen family, bind us together in the love that bears all things, and raise us up in the resurrection of Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

Confession of Sin

Celebrant: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

(Silence may be kept.)

All: Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of our Savior Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Celebrant: Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. Amen.

The Peace *(All stand.)*

Celebrant: The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

Then the Ministers and People may greet one another.

Welcome and Announcements

The Holy Communion

Offertory

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

Offertory Hymn

O day of peace that dimly shines

Hymnal 597

Requested by Anne Yellott.

Doxology

Hymnal 380, v.3

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer 1

EOW

The people remain standing.

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

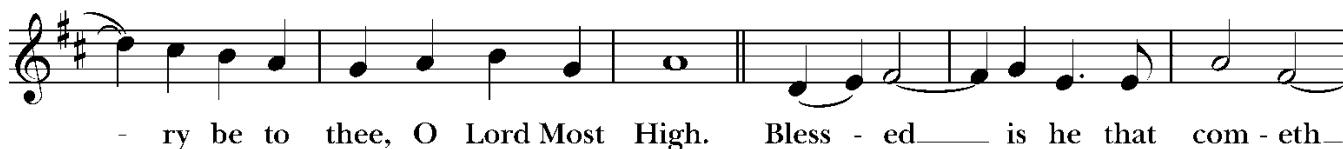
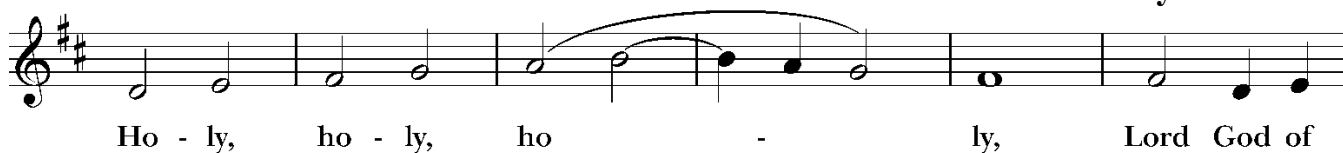
People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Celebrant: It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy.

You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body. Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of life. Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:

Sanctus

Hymnal S-114



Music: From *Missa de Sancta Maria Magdalena*, Healey Willan (1880-1968). By permission of Oxford University Press.

The people stand or kneel. Then the Celebrant continues:

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace. But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people. Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word,

made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it or lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

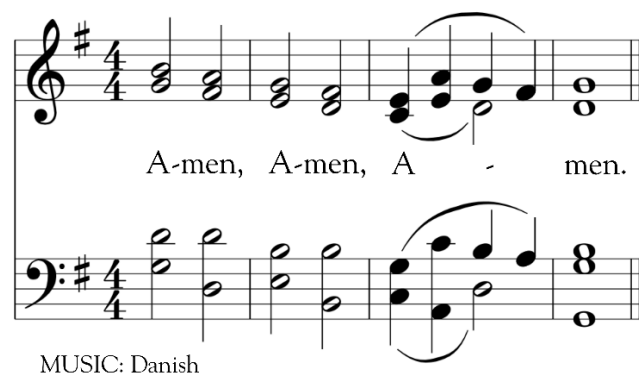
Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues:

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit, may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with St. Stephen, St. Marinos, and all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever. Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever.

The Great Amen



And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say:

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,
for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

Fraction Anthem

Hymnal S-156

The musical score for the Fraction Anthem is written in D major (two sharps) and 4/4 time. It consists of three systems of music. Each system has a vocal line (soprano) and a piano accompaniment (treble and bass clef). The lyrics are: "Christ our Pass - ov - er is sac - ri - ficed for us; there - fore let us keep the feast." The piano accompaniment features a steady eighth-note bass line and chords in the right hand. The vocal line is simple and melodic, with some phrases like "Christ our" and "Pass - ov - er" spanning across measures.

Setting: Gerald R. Near (b. 1942)

Celebrant: The Gifts of God for the People of God.

The ministers receive the Sacrament.

All persons, including children, are welcome to receive Holy Communion with us. Wait for an usher to call your pew to come forward. Then you will have the choice of wine from a common cup or a personal chalice. Once at the rail you will be handed a wafer by a priest (gluten-free wafers are available) and then offered wine by a lay server. Receiving the bread alone is a valid way to share in the Eucharist. Parents may decide if their children receive the bread and/or wine or consecrated apple juice. Anyone may instead signal their desire to be blessed by the priest by crossing their arms over their chest. The Bread and Cup are given to the communicants with these words:

The Body (Blood) of our Lord Jesus Christ keep you in everlasting life. Amen.

After Communion, the Celebrant says:

Let us pray.

Eternal Giver of love and life: you have nourished us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and with one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and earth. Now send us into the world with the power of your Spirit, to preach your redeeming love, to do your justice, and to act with courage, in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

Prayer

Spirit of Life and Love, Source of Pride and Well of Power, may we always find the places where we belong. In a world struggling to find hope, may each and every one of us be known. May we all be free. May we all be loved. In the name of all that is holy and life affirming, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Closing Words

As we go forth, I offer you this final blessing. May you receive and reflect love, everywhere you go, and know — in your deepest heart and in every day — you matter and you belong. May you hold on to hope and your inner sparkle even when discouragement and despair beckon. May the beauty that is you shine out, bright as the stars from which we came and to which we will return. Together, may we make this a place of welcome and healing, of connection and plurality. Together, may we practice compassion and courage, seeing and celebrating and supporting each other. Together, may we be the sparkling force of love that our world needs. Blessed by this community and by the divine, go forth and celebrate with pride!

Closing Hymn

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

LEVAS 189

Dismissal

Deacon: Let us go forth into the world rejoicing in the Spirit.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

Postlude

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Please remember in your prayers those who have requested our intercession: Jayne Abrams, Anthony Alexander, Lois Anderson, Sharon Arnold, Barbara, Deborah Blakistone, Tessa Blenman, Debora Braxton, Rick Breach, Susan Brubaker, Camille, Tony Campisi, the Conroy family, Corinna, Crawford, Rose Davis, Anastasia Dunaway, Nate Ebeling, Ed, Glenn Elliott, Erica, Freya, Rosanne Fritz, Gerry Fritz, Susan Garber, Rob Gardner, Ann Garst, Gwen Gilroy, Tel Gilroy, Eddie Grill, Jennifer Grill, Lizzie Gutekunst, Jerry, Juan, Kim Kenée, Roy Knupp, Susanne Knupp, Barry Konkle, Claire Miggins, Fred Miller, Charles Montgomery, Kaitlin Montgomery, Nelson, Chris Penny, Sharyn Peterson, Rachel, Judith Rauch, Ray, Rich, Dolores Rizzuto, Lane Schultz, Mike Shaffer, Cindy Shortall, Marty Shortall, Rosemary Snyder, and Dean Wanderer.
Please remember those who are serving our country: Blythe, John, Tyler, and Kenny.

IT'S HAPPENING AT ST. STEPHEN'S

EVERY WEEK:

Saturdays

5 p.m. — Holy Eucharist (Nave)

Sundays

8 a.m. — Holy Eucharist (Nave; no music)

9 a.m. — Newcomers Foundation Class (Bishop's Parlor)

10:15 a.m. — Holy Eucharist (Nave and live on Facebook)

11:15 a.m. — Coffee Hour

1 p.m. — Warming/Cooling Shelter (Undercroft)

Mondays-Saturdays

8:30 a.m. — Morning Prayer (live on Facebook)

Mondays-Fridays

9 p.m. — Compline (dial-in via Zoom)

Wednesdays

Noon — Noonday Prayer with Brother Clayton (Nave and live on Facebook)

12:30 p.m. — Lunch-or-Later Food Ministry (outside Cathedral)

Thursdays

12:10 p.m. — Eucharist with Healing (Nave)

- **Morning Prayer** can be accessed via our Facebook page.
- **Compline (Ancient Night Prayer)** can be accessed by calling (301) 715-8592, tapping in Meeting ID 473-817-2249, and pressing the pound (#) sign.

THIS WEEK:

Sunday, Aug. 2

9 a.m. — Newcomers Formation Class, Session One (Bishop's Parlor)

Wednesday, Aug. 5

7 p.m. — Cathedral Book Club Meeting (via Zoom)

Saturday, Aug. 8

8:45 a.m. — Men's Breakfast (Front Street Diner, Harrisburg)

5 p.m. — Celtic Eucharist

JOIN US FOR NEWCOMERS FORMATION CLASS: Whether you are new to the Cathedral, have been worshipping with us for some time, or are simply curious about the Episcopal tradition, we invite you to join us for a welcoming and engaging introduction to life at St. Stephen's at 9 a.m. on **Sundays in August**. Come to the Bishop's Parlor, where you will meet others, ask questions, deepen your faith, and discover meaningful ways to become part of our vibrant, inclusive community. Together, we will walk through the steps toward membership while creating space for conversation, questions, and discernment.

BOOK CLUB DISCUSSION HAPPENING WEDNESDAY: The Cathedral Book Club next meets on **Wednesday, Aug. 5**, at 7:30 p.m. via Zoom for discussion of "Run," by Ann Patchett. For more information, contact Bart Carpenter at a.bart.carpenter@gmail.com.

MEN'S BREAKFAST SET FOR NEXT WEEKEND: Calling all men of St. Stephen's! You're invited to attend breakfast at 8:45 a.m. on **Saturday, Aug. 8**, at the Front Street Diner, 4003 N. Front St., Harrisburg. Join us for food and fellowship! Contact Rick Breach at (717) 215-3148 for more info.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVING OTHERS THIS SUMMER: The Community Connections Committee has a number of ways for you to get involved this summer:

- **Neighborhood Fun Day (Saturday, Aug. 8)** — Help make snow cones for children during the community's festival at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Harrisburg. We need volunteers to serve two-hour shifts between 11 a.m. and 3 p.m.
- **Susquehanna Harbor Safe Haven (August; date TBD)** — Volunteers needed to host the center's male residents during a Saturday afternoon of bowling. You do not need to bowl, but just encourage the men to enjoy the outing.
- **Art Association of Harrisburg's Gallery Walk (Sunday, Sept. 13)** — Become a docent at Riverfront Gallery (in the Cloister hallway) by welcoming visitors along the walking tour's route. No expertise is needed.

For more information, contact Gerry Garber at (717) 798-1301 or phillies75@comcast.net.

ATTEND THE CONTEMPLATIVE ICON RETREAT: A three-day contemplative writing icon retreat focusing on St. Mary, Undoer of Knots, will be hosted by St. Stephen's from **Thursday, Aug. 13, through Saturday, Aug. 15**. All supplies and meals will be provided; cost is \$150 per person. Please register on the Diocese website. For more information, contact the Rev. Anjel Scarborough at rector@allsaints38.com or the Rev. Ginger Bennett at therevbennett@gmail.com.

'CHRISTMAS IN JULY' GIVING CONTINUES: We are inviting you to support the education missions of St. Stephen's Episcopal School and the Joshua Group on Allison Hill. Please pick an ornament (or two) from the Cloister tree and purchase that item to fulfill a need. Donations can be dropped off in the wagon under the tree or delivered to the school office **through the end of August**.

SUPPORT THE MARKET SQUARE FREE CLINIC: Last September, Seandor Szeles and Dr. Rahul Shenoy, members at St. Stephen's Episcopal Cathedral, began a health and wellness ministry for treating downtown's unhoused people. The Sunday-morning clinic provides free medical care on a biweekly basis. The ministry has created an Amazon Wish List for you to donate personal care items: https://www.amazon.com/registries/gl/guest-view/11J8S66ODPGZR?ref_=cm_sw_r_apann_ggr-subnav-share_YMZ7PNQ9D67TYXRWJXEP&language=en-US
For more information, contact Seandor at seandor.szeles@gmail.com.

KEEP OUR BLESSINGS BOX ANT-FREE: Leaving donations of packaged fruit snacks, crackers, and water bottles in our Cranberry Street Blessings Box are always appreciated. However, please do not leave cookies and sweets placed inside plastic baggies. Ants are attracted to sweets and they invade the box. Thanks for your help with this!

HELP WANTED AT SHELTER FOR WOMEN & NON-BINARY PEOPLE: Community Connections wants your help to welcome our unhoused neighbors into the Undercroft on Sunday afternoons. We provide them with a safe and restful place for a few hours off the city's streets. You will set up the snack/drink table, sign in visitors, and serve as a host; there is no cooking or food preparation involved. Volunteers reserve a two-hour shift (12:30 to 2:30 p.m. or 2:30 to 4:30 p.m.) each month. It is time well spent serving God's children. Contact Kathy Yorkievitz at kyorkievitz@gmail.com or Gerry Garber at phillies75@comcast.net for more details.

FEED IMMIGRANT NEIGHBORS: We continue the appeal for red and green lentil beans and rice for Church World Service Harrisburg's food pantry. Place donation items in the white basket located inside the Cloister door.

PLEASE USE PARKING GARAGE: We have an agreement with PHFA to use its parking garage, which has 180 spaces, for weekend worship. Our parking volunteers can assist you at the 10:15 a.m. service, and an usher can provide you with the code to use when leaving the garage.

ST. STEPHEN'S HAS BEEN BLESSED WITH VOLUNTEERS: Thank you to all who have so generously stepped forward to volunteer tutoring our students for the 2026-27 school year — Dawn Koons, Rita Rhoads, Rich Breach, Tom Long, and Anthony Alexander. This team will start their gift of helping in October once testing of students has been completed and needs determined. The school's mission is strengthened by this team, and we cannot thank them enough!

BICENTENNIAL: 1826-2026

DEEP ROOTS, STRONG FUTURE

REFLECTIONS ON ST. STEPHEN'S HISTORY

from Debbie Robelen, Cathedral Archivist & Bicentennial Committee Member

Beginning in 1959, the annual Seminar on Prayer and Healing was a ministry of healing organized by the St. Stephen's Cathedral Prayer Group. A daylong event in May, the free seminar offered presentations by guest speakers, including bishops, professors, deans, doctors, clergy from many denominations, nurses, and humanitarians from around the world. Small group discussions, a celebration of Holy Eucharist, songfests, and a reception and dinner were parts of the day's agenda. The seminar ended with an evening healing service with laying on of hands. The ministry of healing, "Body-Mind-Spirit," was offered as complementary to medicine, not as a substitute for medicine or surgery.

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