

St. Stephen's

United Methodist Church

SUNDAY, JULY 4, 2021 • 6TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

The following is the link to St. Stephen's YouTube Channel and this live stream service at 11a.m.

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC0xij-ku-vi3om-vLE2dUJA>

*** Congregation should stand if you are able**

WELCOME

Pastor Forrest

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Bunny Monroe

One: Beloved, we are called to love one another, because love is from God.

All: God's love is poured in us from our birth.

One: We are called to extend the love of God to all people.

All: God's love is taught to us through the witness of God's faithful people.

One: We are called to proclaim God's love in all that we say and do.

All: In all creation, in all our relationships, may God's love be made known. Amen.

***OPENING PRAYER**

Loving, creative God, we praise and bless you for your mighty acts of creation. As we worship this day we hear your message of healing power and love through the gift of your Son, Jesus Christ. Enable us to receive that healing love and share the good news with all we meet, that you are love and in you there is no darkness or fear. Amen.

***OPENING SONG:**

All Who Are Thirsty

Source Band

CCLI# 2489542

All who are thirsty, all who are weak,
come to the fountain, dip your heart in the stream of life.
Let the pain and the sorrow be washed away
in the waves of his mercy,
As deep cries out to deep:

Come, Lord Jesus, come.
Come, Lord Jesus, come.

All who are thirsty, all who are weak,
come to the fountain, dip your heart in the stream of life.
Let the pain and the sorrow be washed away
in the waves of his mercy,
As deep cries out to deep:

Come, Lord Jesus, come.
Come, Lord Jesus, come.

Holy Spirit come
Holy Spirit come

As deep cries out to deep
As deep cries out to deep
As deep cries out to deep we sing

Come, Lord Jesus, come.
Come, Lord Jesus, come.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Pastor Jiyeon

OFFERTORY

I Will Rise
CCLI# 5183450

Source Band

There's a peace I've come to know,
though my heart and flesh may fail.
There's an anchor for my soul,
I can say it is well.

Jesus has overcome,
and the grave is overwhelmed.
The victory is won,
he is risen from the dead.

(And) I will rise when he calls my name,
no more sorrow, no more pain.
I will rise on eagle's wings,
before my God, fall on my knees
and rise. I will rise. (I will rise)

There's a day that's drawing near
when this darkness breaks to light,
and the shadows disappear,
and my faith shall be my eyes.

And I hear the voice of many angels sing,
worthy is the Lamb.
And I hear the cry of every longing heart,
worthy is the Lamb.

Worthy is the Lamb

SCRIPTURE LESSON

John 5:1-9a NRSV

MESSAGE

God's Secret Work

Pastor Jiyeon

CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION**INVITATION**

Pastor Jiyeon

Christ, our Lord, invites to his table all who love him, who earnestly repent of their sin and seek to live in peace with one another. Therefore, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart. We have failed to be an obedient church. We have not done your will; we have broken your law, we have rebelled against your love, we have not loved our neighbors, and we have not heard the cry of the needy. Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ASSURANCE

One: Hear the good news: Christ died for us while we were yet sinners;
that proves God's love toward us. In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

All: In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Glory to God. Amen.

***BENEDICTION**

Pastor Jiyeon

Flowers given by Nancy and Dick Collier in honor of Nancy's birthday and to the glory of God.

*Everyone is invited to come to St. Stephen's and drive-thru the parking lot
to receive the elements of bread and fruit of the vine between 12 and 12:30 pm.*

Regular and gluten-free elements are available.

All elements are pre-packaged by TrueVine.

Have a blessed week!

