

# St. Helena's Episcopal Church and School

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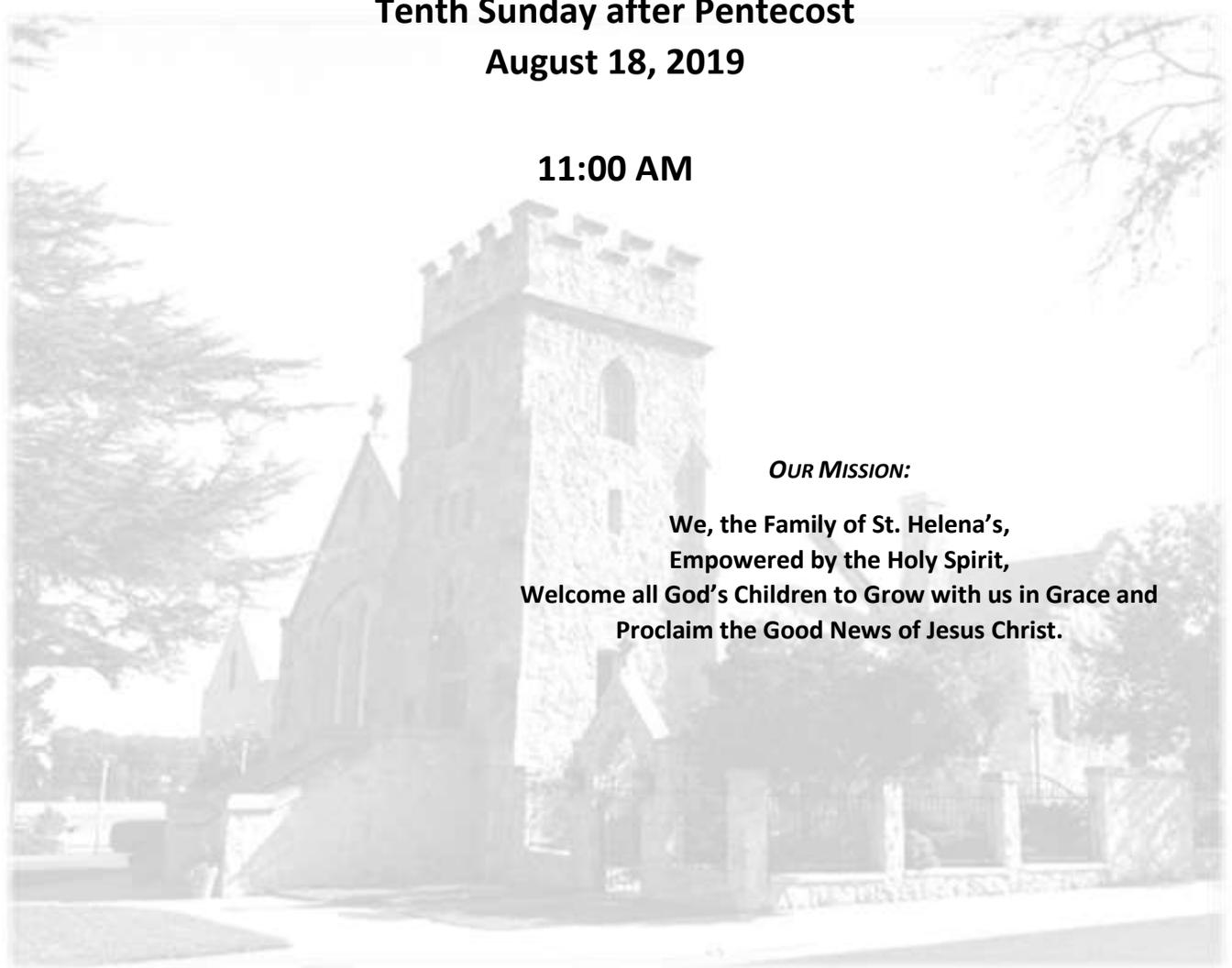
**Tenth Sunday after Pentecost**

**August 18, 2019**

**11:00 AM**

***OUR MISSION:***

**We, the Family of St. Helena's,  
Empowered by the Holy Spirit,  
Welcome all God's Children to Grow with us in Grace and  
Proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ.**



# Welcome to St. Helena's Episcopal Church & School

Thank you for joining us for worship this morning. If you are a visitor with us, we warmly welcome you to this worship service and to the vibrant life of St. Helena's community. We invite you to fill out a Guest Card found in the pew bookrack and drop it in the offering plate when it comes by. We want you to know that all baptized Christians - regardless of your denomination, tradition, age, or background - are invited and welcome to receive Holy Communion during worship. Also, pick up a blue bag as you leave today. It contains our latest newsletter and other information about St. Helena's.

## CHILD CARE

Children of all ages are always welcome in our worship services. Children's sermons are part of our worship during 9:00am and 11:00am worship services. Should you desire it, child care for children ages infants through 4 years is available during all worship services and most parish activities. The parish nurseries are located downstairs in the Parish Hall Wing. (Signs are posted)

## QUESTIONS?

For more information regarding St. Helena's Early Enrichment Program, Children & Youth Ministries, music, Bible Studies, senior ministries, baptisms, weddings, and more, please feel free to contact our clergy or staff members. More information may be found on our website at [www.sthelenas.net](http://www.sthelenas.net).

## WORSHIP SCHEDULE

### Sunday

7:45 A.M. Holy Eucharist Rite I  
 9:00 A.M. Holy Eucharist Rite II  
 11:00 A.M. Holy Eucharist Rite II  
 10:10 A.M. Sunday School for all ages:  
 Preschool - 2<sup>nd</sup> - Room C Wendler Hall  
 3<sup>rd</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> - The Rock Room  
 Middle and High School - Youth House

### Wednesday

10:00 A.M. Service of Public Healing  
 and Holy Eucharist

# Holy Eucharist

## Prelude

## Welcome

## Hymn

*Judge eternal, throned in splendor*

Hymnal 596

1 Judge e - ter - nal, throned in splen - dor, Lord of lords and  
 2 Still the wea - ry folk are pin - ing for the hour that  
 3 Crown, O God, thine own en - deav - or; cleave our dark - ness

King of kings, with thy liv - ing fire of judg - ment  
 brings re - lease, and the ci - ty's crowd - ed clang - or  
 with thy sword; feed all those who do not know thee

purge this land of bit - ter things; sol - ace all its  
 cries a - loud for sin to cease; and the home - steads  
 with the rich - ness of thy word; cleanse the bo - dy

wide do - min - ion with the heal - ing of thy wings.  
 and the wood-lands plead in si - lence for their peace.  
 of this na - tion through the glo - ry of the Lord.

Tune: Komm, o komm, du Geist des Leben

*All standing, the Celebrant says*

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

*People*

**And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever.**

**Amen.**

*The Celebrant says*

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you 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 Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*The following is sung, all standing*

### **Collect of the Day**

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have given your only Son to be for us a sacrifice for sin, and also an example of godly life: Give us grace to receive thankfully the fruits of his redeeming work, and to follow daily in the blessed steps of his most holy life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

### **First Reading**

Isaiah 5:1-7

*All sit.*

A Reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

Let me sing for my beloved my love-song concerning his vineyard: My beloved had a vineyard on a very fertile hill. He dug it and cleared it of stones, and planted it with choice vines; he built a watchtower in the midst of it, and hewed out a wine vat in it; he expected it to yield grapes, but it yielded wild grapes. And now, inhabitants of Jerusalem and people of Judah, judge between me and my vineyard. What more was

there to do for my vineyard that I have not done in it? When I expected it to yield grapes, why did it yield wild grapes? And now I will tell you what I will do to my vineyard. I will remove its hedge, and it shall be devoured; I will break down its wall, and it shall be trampled down. I will make it a waste; it shall not be pruned or hoed, and it shall be overgrown with briars and thorns; I will also command the clouds that they rain no rain upon it. For the vineyard of the Lord of hosts is the house of Israel, and the people of Judah are his pleasant planting; he expected justice, but saw bloodshed; righteousness, but heard a cry!

*Reader*                The Word of the Lord.  
*People*                **Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 80:1-2,8-18**

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*Qui regis Israel*

- 1 Hear, O Shepherd of Israel, leading Joseph like a flock; \*  
shine forth, you that are enthroned upon the cherubim.
- 2 In the presence of Ephraim, Benjamin, and Manasseh, \*  
stir up your strength and come to help us.
- 8 You have brought a vine out of Egypt; \*  
you cast out the nations and planted it.
- 9 You prepared the ground for it; \*  
it took root and filled the land.
- 10 The mountains were covered by its shadow \*  
and the towering cedar trees by its boughs.
- 11 You stretched out its tendrils to the Sea \*  
and its branches to the River.
- 12 Why have you broken down its wall, \*  
so that all who pass by pluck off its grapes?
- 13 The wild boar of the forest has ravaged it, \*  
and the beasts of the field have grazed upon it.
- 14 Turn now, O God of hosts, look down from heaven;  
behold and tend this vine; \*  
preserve what your right hand has planted.
- 15 They burn it with fire like rubbish; \*  
at the rebuke of your countenance let them perish.
- 16 Let your hand be upon the man of your right hand, \*  
the son of man you have made so strong for yourself.
- 17 And so will we never turn away from you; \*  
give us life, that we may call upon your Name.

18 Restore us, O Lord God of hosts; \*  
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.

## Second Reading

Hebrews 11:29—12:2

A Reading from the letter to the Hebrews.

By faith the people passed through the Red Sea as if it were dry land, but when the Egyptians attempted to do so they were drowned. By faith the walls of Jericho fell after they had been encircled for seven days. By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those who were disobedient, because she had received the spies in peace. And what more should I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets—who through faith conquered kingdoms, administered justice, obtained promises, shut the mouths of lions, quenched raging fire, escaped the edge of the sword, won strength out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. Women received their dead by resurrection. Others were tortured, refusing to accept release, in order to obtain a better resurrection. Others suffered mocking and flogging, and even chains and imprisonment. They were stoned to death, they were sawn in two, they were killed by the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, persecuted, tormented—of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains, and in caves and holes in the ground. Yet all these, though they were commended for their faith, did not receive what was promised, since God had provided something better so that they would not, apart from us, be made perfect. Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God.

*Reader*           The Word of the Lord.

*People*           **Thanks be to God.**

## Sequence

*All stand.*

*They cast their nets in Galilee*

Hymnal 661

Tune: Georgetown

## Holy Gospel

Luke 12:49-56

*All remain standing*

*Priest*           The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

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

Jesus said, "I came to bring fire to the earth, and how I wish it were already kindled! I have a baptism with which to be baptized, and what stress I am under until it is completed! Do you think that I have come to bring peace to the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division! From now on five in one household will be

divided, three against two and two against three; they will be divided: father against son and son against father, mother against daughter and daughter against mother, mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law.” He also said to the crowds, “When you see a cloud rising in the west, you immediately say, ‘It is going to rain’; and so it happens. And when you see the south wind blowing, you say, ‘There will be scorching heat’; and it happens. You hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of earth and sky, but why do you not know how to interpret the present time?”

*Priest*                    The Gospel of the Lord.  
*People*                    **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

## **Children's Sermon**

Stefanie Nitschke

## **Sermon**

The Rev. David G. Read

## **Nicene Creed**

*All stand.*

**We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father.  
Through him all things were made.  
For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven:  
by the power of the Holy Spirit  
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,  
and was made man.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.  
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.  
He has spoken through the Prophets.**

**We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.  
 We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
 We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
 and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

### **Prayers of the People**

*All kneel or stand*

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

*Silence*

For all people in their daily life and work;  
***For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.***

For this community, the nation, and the world;  
***For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.***

For the just and proper use of your creation;  
***For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.***

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;  
***For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.***

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;  
***For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.***

For Michael our Presiding Bishop, David and Jennifer our Bishops, David our priest and for all bishops and other ministers;  
***For all who serve God in his Church.***

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

*Silence*

*The People may add their own petitions*

Hear us, Lord;  
***For your mercy is great.***

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

*Silence*

*The People may add their own thanksgivings*

We will exalt you, O God our King;  
***And praise your Name for ever and ever.***

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

*Silence*

*The People may add their own petitions*

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;  
**Who put their trust in you.**

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

*Silence may be kept.*

*Leader and People*

**Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;  
 in your compassion forgive us our sins,  
 known and unknown,  
 things done and left undone;  
 and so uphold us by your Spirit  
 that we may live and serve you in newness of life,  
 to the honor and glory of your Name;  
 through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*Silence*

*The Priest concludes with an absolution*

**Peace**

*All stand.*

*Celebrant*           The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
*People*               **And also with you.**

*Then the Ministers and the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

**Announcements**

**Holy Communion**

**Offertory Sentence**

**Organ Offertory**

*Representatives of the congregation bring the people's offerings of bread and wine, and money or other gifts, to the deacon or celebrant. The people stand while the offerings are presented and placed on the Altar.*

**Doxology**

Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise Him, all crea-tures here be - low; praise  
Him a - bove, ye heaven - ly host; praise Fa-ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

**Great Thanksgiving**

*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 him thanks and praise.**

*The Celebrant proceeds*

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

For you are the source of light and life; you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

*The people stand or kneel.*

*The Celebrant continues*

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he 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 shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*Celebrant and People*

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

*The Celebrant continues*

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN**

*The Celebrant then continues*

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

*People and Celebrant*

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.

### Breaking of the Bread

*A period of silence is kept.*

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
***Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.***

*The Celebrant says*

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

*All baptized persons are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Gluten free wafers are available. Please inform the priest as you come forward.*

*Prayer ministers are positioned in the transept to the left after communion for your personal prayers needs.*

### Communion Hymn

*Let all mortal flesh keep silence*

Hymnal 324



1	Let	all	mo - rtal	flesh	keep	si - lence,	and	with	fear	and
2	King	of	kings,	yet	born	of	Ma - ry,	as	of	old
3	Rank	on	rank	the	host	of	hea - ven	spreads	its	van - guard
4	At	his	feet	the	six - winged	ser - aph;	cher - u - bim	with		

trem - bling stand; pon - der noth - ing earth - ly -  
earth he stood, Lord of lords in hu - man  
on the way, as the Light of Light de -  
sleep - less eye veil their fac - es to the

mind - ed, for with bless - ing in his hand  
ves - ture, in the Bo - dy and the Blood  
scend - eth from the realms of end - less day,  
Pres - ence, as with cease - less voice they cry,

Christ our God to earth de - scend - eth,  
he will give to all the faith - ful  
that the powers of hell may va - nish  
"Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!"

our full hom - age to de - mand.  
his own self for heaven - ly food.  
as the dark - ness clears a way.  
Al - le - lu - ia, Lord Most High!"

Tune: Picardy

*After Communion, the Celebrant says*

Let us pray.

*Celebrant and People*

**Eternal God, heavenly Father,  
you have graciously accepted us as living members  
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,  
and you have fed us with spiritual food  
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.  
Send us now into the world in peace,  
and grant us strength and courage  
to love and serve you  
with gladness and singleness of heart;  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**Blessing**

**Processional Hymn**

*Holy God, we praise thy Name (verses 1-4)*

Hymnal 366

Tune: Grosser Gott

**Dismissal**

*Celebrant* Alleluia, alleluia. Let us go forth in the name of Christ.  
*People* **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**

**Postlude**

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Prayers for our Members

Please pray for our family as you journey through this week.

Joe	Abby	Shane	Edwina
Dorla	Mark	Dawn	David
Gail	Tom	Barbara	Gray

**What You Want to Know**

**It's Pie Day!** Here is the formula:  
You bring a pie;  
I bring a pie;  
We all eat the pies!  
Sunday, August 18th, on the Patio  
There will be ice cream, whipped cream and drinks for our breakfast of PIES!!!!!!

**Will you Boo-hoo or Woo-hoo?!** All parents of elementary /pre-school aged children: After dropping off the children at school, join St. Helena's School (S.H.E.E.P.) for a breakfast on Tuesday, August 20th in the Parish Hall at 8:45AM. Let's celebrate the start to this new school year with a special time of fellowship and prayer! Coffee, juice and breakfast goodies will be served. Tears or cheers will be shared by all! Contact Stefanie if you have questions at [stefanie@sthelenas.net](mailto:stefanie@sthelenas.net).

**The August meeting of the St. Helena's Men's Fellowship** will be held Thursday Night, August 22nd at 6:30 PM. We'll be at the home of Bob and Carla Elswick, 30206 Fairway Run, Fair Oaks Ranch, TX 78015. They will be preparing Red Beans and Rice and Seafood Gumbo for us. As is normal bring your beverage of choice. Hector Mejia will be telling us about building rock water fountains and water falls and the art of mixing concrete and mortar tailored to the application. Questions? Contact Ron at [men@sthelenas.net](mailto:men@sthelenas.net)

**The Gathering; Sunday, September 8th we gather together as a family.**

- 10AM Worship in the Great Room of Wendler Hall
- Mortgage Burning
- Ministries' Fair
- Fajitas and sides on the Patio
- Door Prizes
- Music
- Bouncy House and Games
- Snow cones
- *and all of us!!!*

**A reminder: The Women of Joy Conference is September 6-8** at the Henry B Gonzalez Convention Center. The Episcopal Church Women will pay for 10 tickets but, we will need a copy of your receipt so that we may reimburse you. If you want to attend and take advantage of this opportunity, please let me know. It will be an amazing experience. Please contact Margarita if you have questions.

**Party Notice** Our wonderful Organist, Dr. Susan Matteson, will begin to exercise her talents closer to home after August 25<sup>th</sup>, when she will leave the St. Helena's staff. We will celebrate her ministry at St. Helena's with a party after the 11AM service on August 25th, which is Susan's last Sunday while on Staff. She has served as our Organist, flautist, pianist and accompanist to our St. Helena's Chancel Choir, St. Helena's Singers (*Children's choir*) and our St. Helena's Bells and we will so miss her sweet and spicy spirit. Make plans to stop by the party and to send Susan off with your best wishes.

Donate at your convenience. Our "Donate" button is found on our website at [www.sthelenas.net](http://www.sthelenas.net) All manner of donations, pledge payments, tithes, and gifts of all types, may be conducted there. Check it out under "Giving".

**Altar Flowers**

Given by Eric and Julie Vickery

### Summer's Weekly Calendar

Sundays:      Worship Services: 7:45, 9:00, and 11:00 a.m., 3:00 p.m. Narcotics A,  
8:00 p.m. AA

Mondays:      7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts

Tuesdays:    10:00 a.m. Lectionary Readings Study, 6:30 p.m. Worship Band,

5:00 p.m. Women's AA Big Book, 6:30 p.m. Women's AA,  
8:00 p.m. Narcotics A

Wednesdays: 10:00 a.m. Healing Service, 6:30 p.m. Yahweh Sisters' Bible Study,

Thursdays: 7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study,  
6:30 p.m. Women's AA, 8:00 p.m. Narcotics A

Fridays: 9:30 a.m. AA Big Book

Saturdays: 10:00 a.m. Women's AA

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