

ST. STEPHEN'S NEWS

Sunday, September 27, 2026

The Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

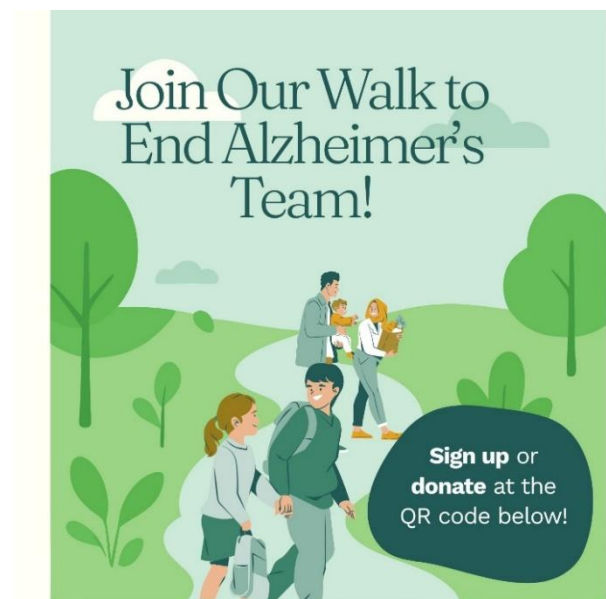
WELCOME!

If you are worshipping at St. Stephen's for the first time today, you are welcome to share in the Holy Communion. Please fill out a "Visitor" card at one of the Greeters tables and/or the guest book on the podium before you leave and get a welcome packet.

COMMUNION

If you are in need of a gluten free wafer during Communion, please let an usher know before the offertory or let one of the persons serving the host know. If you have a mobility problem, please let an usher know before the service begins and communion will be brought to you.

LOOKING FORWARD



Saturday, October 3rd

Walk Site Opens 8:00am
Ceremony Begins 9:00am
Walk Begins 9:30am

Bridgeport Park



You are invited to join St. Stephen's Church & Preschool's Walk to End Alzheimer's team! Information can be found at the QR code above. Before the walk, our team will gather near the Promise Garden. Team tee shirts are available for purchase in the Spurling Hall book store on Sunday mornings. Please send any questions you may have about this event to Sarah Simmons: [618-292-7407](tel:618-292-7407).



Come join us for a the Welcome Table on Tuesday, October 6, 2026 at 7PM in the Church. The Welcome Table is an experience crafted by and for the LGBTQ+ community. Gather with us as we eat, pray, discuss, share communion, celebrate diversity and explore our faith in community as our true, authentic selves. Come as you are, this place is for you. Dinner is potluck style. You can sign up for your contribution here:

<https://tinyurl.com/yy7csfe5>





GOURMET BURGERS AND BREWS

Join us at Red Robin on Thursday, October 1st for a fundraiser for the Walk to End Alzheimer's. Red Robin will donate 20% of the food sales to the Walk. 27063 McBean Parkway
Mention the fundraiser or show the flyer that is in the weekly email to have your sale counted.
If ordering online, in the menu choose "fundraiser (to-go only)"



laundry love.

Wednesday, October 7th from 5:30-7:30pm

Coin & Drop Off Laundry

24725 Railroad Ave. in Newhall



Treasurer Needed

Duties Include:

- Generating and analyzing the finances for the church and preschool
- Presenting reports monthly to both the Finance Com. Vestry

Basic background of finance preferred.
Strong organizational skills.

Volunteer position

If interested please contact
Nick Vestuto at seniorwarden@st-stephens.org or
John Alexopoulos at juniorwarden@st-stephens.org



In God's house there is always room for more: more ideas, more people, more ways to share, more stories to tell. And in the world that God created, there is more needed: more love, more connection, more peace, more creativity. Plenty Good Room



reminds us that there is always room n God's house; we just need to make ourselves at home and invite others to join us. The ways we steward our relationships, resources, and responses to grow ministry and serve our neighbors are the ways we connect our gratitude to our generosity.

There's Plenty Good Room in God's House, which means there's Plenty Good Room at St. Stephen's. This Fall we'll be talking about inviting others to experience St. Stephen's on our campus and out in the world and share in the Plenty Good we have to offer.





We will have games & activities as well as food trucks! <https://tinyurl.com/nuuatv9j>



If you wish to have your birthday or anniversary prayed for during Sunday services or if you would like a white rose to signify a death in your family or a red rose to signify a birth in your family, please email Tracy in the Church office at office@st-stephens.org no later than 5:00pm on Thursdays with all of the relevant details.



🔗 Sign up: <https://givebutter.com/HalloweenBash>
\$5.00 early bird ticket — must have ticket to enter



St. Stephen's Prayer List

Current Needs: Joanne, Innocent victims of lobar and domestic conflicts and wars, especially involving the U.S. involvement in the Middle East, Bill, John and the Nelson family, , Lilly and husband, Patrick, Maria, Moses, Jerome, Debbie, Jose Manuel, Sandy H., Peggy, Kevin, Keith, Mehar, Marionette, B.J., Rae, Susan, Claudia, Bob, Susan, Phyllis and Stu, Linda and Charlie, Maria, Greg, Neville, Tom and Desiree, Jim and Donna, Greg and Cathy, Gia, Caroline, Carolyn, Karen, Angeline, Judy, Laurie, Stephen, Cathy, Berta, Sue, Stacy, Lily, K. C., the Barlow Family, Brendan, Rebecca, Raye, Collette, Nicole, Judith, Vince and Fran, Nadine, Vickie, Rebecca, Dennis and Joy, Mike, Daniel, Pastor Ron's family, Diane, Jake, Brad, Carole and Hal, Walton Family, Madelyn, Claire, the Burkly Family, Rosario, Brad, Julie, Patty, Juan, Jim and family, Ann Marie, Jeff, Patti, Debbie, Michelle, Linda, **Trish**

Rest in Peace:: Jeff Barlow, John Domeniccuci, James Finn, Helen Walton, Nancy Burkly, Christina, Kay Daniels,

If you would like prayers for yourself or someone else, please email Peggy Stabile at pstable@pegasus2.net or call the church at 661.259.7307. Please be aware that your prayer request will be shared with the prayer chain. If you wish to hold your prayer request in confidence, please clarify that in your submission. Prayer requests remain for 4 weeks and must be renewed through Peggy or the office.



GIVING TO ST. STEPHEN'S

If you are able to continue supporting the mission and ministry of St. Stephen's, you can pay your pledge or make a new or recurring donation online here st-stephens.org/giving. You can also text your donation by texting the word GIVE to 661.228.8909 and following the prompts. Click here for an easy [How To Use Text Giving guide](#). We are deeply grateful for your commitment and support.

St. Stephen's Week		September 27, 2026 to October 4, 2026	
TODAY'S SERVICE		9:00 AM	
SUNDAY 9/27	VPOD: Jared Simmons		
9:00am	Holy Eucharist (also livestreamed via Facebook live)		
9:00am	Sunday School / Spurling Hall		
10:30pm	Ministry Fair / Spurling Hall		
MONDAY 9/28			
6:45pm	Troop 2019 / Spurling Hall		
TUESDAY 9/29			
WED. 9/30			
7:00am	Holy Eucharist followed by breakfast		
9:30am	Circle of Gratitude / Zoom		
6:00pm	EFM / Room 8		
THURS. 10/1			
9:30am	Book Study Group / Sacristy		
All Day	Red Robin Fundraiser — proceeds go to Walk to End Alzheimer's		
7:30pm	Parish Choir rehearsal		
FRIDAY 10/2			
SAT. 10/3			
8:00am	Men's Group Breakfast — Dink's Deli		
9:00am	Walk to End Alzheimer's / Bridgeport Park		
9:00-11:00am	Food & Recycling Collection / Parking Lot		
NEXT SUNDAY 10/4		VPOD: Cheryl Sena	
7:45am	Holy Eucharist		
10:30am	Holy Eucharist (also livestreamed via Facebook live)		
10:30am	Sunday School / Spurling Hall		
12:00pm	Daughters of the King / Lounge		
12:00pm	Y.E.S.S. / Youth Room		
4:00pm	Blessing of the Animals / Courtyard		