

ST. STEPHEN'S NEWS

Sunday, December 7, 2025

The Second Sunday of Advent

The Rt. Rev. Franklin Brookhart, visiting

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



As of December 5th, the Pledge Drive currently is 75% of our \$425,000 goal.

Thank you to everyone who has submitted their pledge!

Please prayerfully consider completing your pledge ASAP.



You can use the QR Code or drop your pledge card in the plate or return your pledge card by mail. Pledge cards are available in the Narthex, in Spurling Hall or online in the Giving tab.



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.



SAINT STEPHEN'S
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

BLUE CHRISTMAS

12.14.24 at 5:00PM

The bright lights of the holiday season don't always offer comfort. Join us for a reflective service of hope and remembrance as we hold the bittersweet and complex emotions this season can bring to us.

Find links & service bulletins at st-stephens.org
Come as you are!

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SUNDAY, Dec. 7! Holiday Gifts & Ornaments

Visit St. Stephen's Bookstore to find an array of new **handcrafted ornaments, Episcopal Rosaries, wooden crosses with our church logo, wonderful gift ideas & much more!** Open after both worship services
Donations go directly to St. Stephen's Episcopal Church.



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.



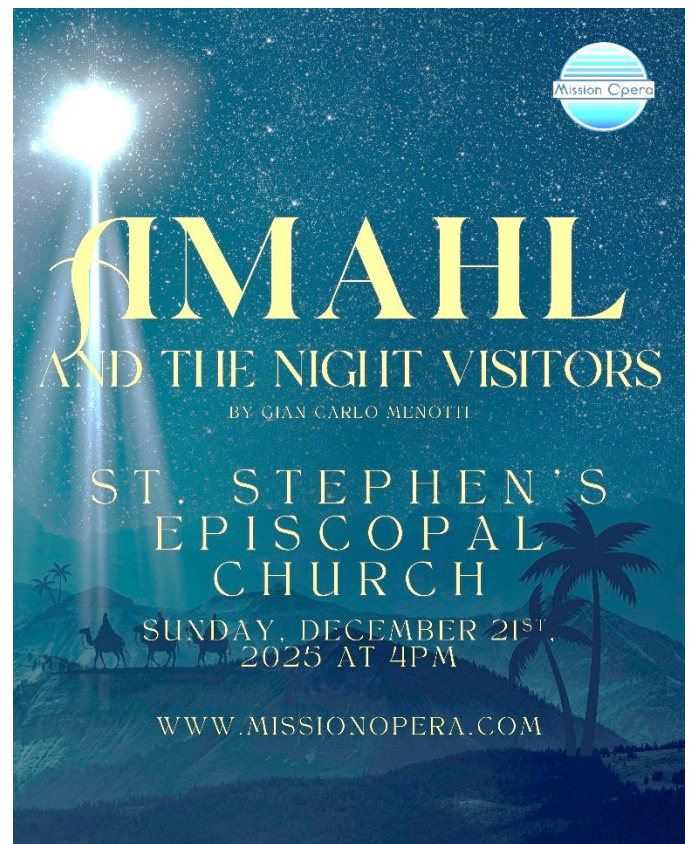
Do you love to send and receive Christmas cards? Has the cost of postage made it prohibitive? Well, the St. Stephen's Christmas Card exchange is back for its second year.



CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

Making a donation towards the flowers, which will adorn the Church for Christmas, is a very nice way to remember special occurrences in your life. Donations may be made as Memorial for family or friends

who have died or as a Thanksgiving for any of God's abundant blessings. To make a dedication please fill out a form you will find in the Narthex. Forms must be handed in **no later than Sunday, December 21st**. You can also fill out the form and pay online at <https://tinyurl.com/5vdt3bfn>



Mission Opera presents Menotti's *Amahl and the Night Visitors* — a heartwarming holiday opera for all ages!

Join us for this timeless story of faith, generosity, and miracles On Sunday, **December 21st at 4:00PM**. Tickets available now:

<https://tinyurl.com/y76m67ku>

Adults: approx. \$37.00 each

Students/Seniors: approx. \$32.00 each

Children under 12: approx. \$21.00 each



Sign up for Christmas Day breakfast potluck by using the following link
<https://tinyurl.com/mt67b46c>.

St. Stephen's Prayer List

Current Needs: Joanne, Vickie, Innocent Victims of global and domestic conflicts and wars, Jim and Judy, Laura, Trudy, Gayle, Lisa and Lou, Lella, Eliza, Janet, Gail, Peggy, Summer, Bill, John and the Nelson family, Daniel, Nick, Marie, Biagio, Kristen, Lilly, Rebecca, Brad, Nevelle, J.J., Raph and Jess, Laura, Lindsay, Rev. Steve, Patrick, Dave, Amy, Malcolm, Doloras and family, Steve, Matt, Norma, Maria, Jim, Fred, Moses, Dot, Patricia, Dianne, Dave, Cyn and family

Rest in Peace: Kim Bailey, Bishop Chester Talton, Dan McLaughlin, Gary Jones, Pat Schwark, Michael Leeper

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

St. Stephen's Week		December 7, 2025 to December 14, 2025	
TODAY'S SERVICE		9:00 AM	
SUNDAY 12/7		VPOD: Leslie Smith	
9:00am	Bishop's Visit	Holy Eucharist (also livestreamed via Facebook live)	
9:00am		Sunday School / Spurling Hall	
10:30am		Daughters of the King Nativity Display / Spurling Hall	
10:30am		Reception in Spurling hall	
MONDAY 12/8			
6:45pm		Troop 2019 / Spurling Hall	
TUESDAY 12/9			
6:30pm		Preschool Board meeting / Spurling Hall	
WED. 12/10			
7:00am		Holy Eucharist	
7:30am		Breakfast at Lily's Café / Newhall	
9:30am		Circle of Gratitude / Zoom	
6:00pm		EfM / Room 8	
THURS. 12/11			
7:30pm		Parish Choir rehearsal / Church	
FRIDAY 12/12			
SAT. 12/13			
NEXT SUNDAY 12/14		VPOD: Nick Vestuto	
7:45am		Holy Eucharist	
10:30am		Holy Eucharist (also livestreamed via Facebook live)	
10:30am		Sunday School / Spurling Hall	
12:00pm		YESS / Youth Room	
5:00pm		Blue Christmas Service	