



Fourth Sunday of Easter

April 22, 2018 at 8 & 10 a.m

WELCOME TO ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH! Eastertide is the most festive season in the Church Year. For 50 days we celebrate Jesus' Resurrection and his many appearances to his friends, until his Ascension into heaven. Glorious flowers, the liturgical colors of white and gold, numerous "Alleluias!" and joyful music - all mark the victory of Christ over death, breaking its hold over everyone and freeing us to be people of Good News.

HOLY COMMUNION is offered to all Christians, regardless of age. This is the Lord's Table and not ours, and no one who comes to the altar seeking Christ will be turned away. Both the consecrated bread and wine are offered to all; and gluten-free wafers are available. You may also come to the altar rail for a blessing. Communion can be brought to anyone who finds steps difficult – please alert an usher.

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The Right Reverend Wendell N. Gibbs, Bishop

The Reverend Susan Anslow Williams, Rector

Suzanne Gore, Director of Music

QUIET EUCHARIST at 8:00 A.M.

THE WORD OF GOD

Greeting and Opening Acclamation *BCP p. 355*

Alleluia, Christ is risen! R: *The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!*

Collect for Purity

Gloria in Excelsis, *said by all*

BCP p. 356

Collect of the Day: The Lord be with you. R. *And also with you.*

lesson insert

First Reading Acts 4:5-12

sit, see insert

Gradual Psalm 23

see insert

Second Reading 1 John 3:16-24

see insert

Holy Gospel John 10:11-18

stand, see insert

Response before the Gospel: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Response after the Gospel: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon *The Rev. Susan Anslow Williams, Rector*

sit

Nicene Creed

stand, BCP p. 358

Prayers of the People for Easter

stand; bulletin, p. 6

The Peace *Let us greet one another in the name of our risen Lord!*

Welcome and Announcements

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer B

BCP p. 367

Sanctus, *said by all*

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might:

Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

In Easter the congregation is encouraged to remain standing after the Sanctus.

Memorial Acclamation *said during the Eucharistic Prayer:*

We remember his death. We proclaim his resurrection. We await his coming in glory.

The Lord's Prayer

BCP p. 364

Breaking of the Bread, *silence is first observed.*

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

The Communion: *All are welcome to the Lord's Table*

Post-Communion Prayer

kneel or stand, BCP p. 365

Easter Blessing

Dismissal R: **Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

HOLY EUCHARIST with HYMNS at 10:00 A.M.

Prelude: “*Tranquille*”

L. Beethoven

Introit: “*Psalm 23*”

T. Conry

THE WORD OF GOD

Opening Hymn **208**, “Alleluia! The strife is o’er” vs 1,2,4,5

stand

Greeting and Opening Acclamation

*Priest: Alleluia, Christ is risen! Response: **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!***

Collect for Purity

Song of Praise: “Christ has arisen, Alleluia!” *sung by all*

H. Olson/Tanzanian

1. Christ has arisen, alleluia. Rejoice and praise him, alleluia.

For our redeemer burst from the tomb, even from death, dispelling its gloom.

Let us sing praise to him with endless joy.

Death’s fearful sting he has come to destroy.

Our sin forgiving, alleluia! Jesus is living, alleluia!

Collect of the Day: The Lord be with you. R. *And also with you.*

lesson insert

Please be seated for the lessons.

First Reading Acts 4:5-12

sit, see insert

Gradual Psalm 23

see insert

Second Reading 1 John 3:6-24

see insert

Sequence Hymn **708**, “Savior, like a Shepherd lead us”

stand

Holy Gospel John 10:11-18

*Response before the Gospel: **Glory to you, Lord Christ.***

*Response after the Gospel: **Praise to you, Lord Christ***

Sermon *The Rev. Susan Anslow Williams, Rector*

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Offertory: “*Not My Will, But Thine*”

R. Schram

Presentation of Offering & Doxology with Alleluias

stand

Praise God from whom all blessings flow: praise him, all creatures here below. Alleluia, Alleluia! Praise him above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Alleluia, Alleluia. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer B

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Celebrant *People*
The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Celebrant *People*
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant *People*
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give him thanks and praise.

The celebrant continues with the Preface for Easter and Prayer "B"

Sanctus, *sung by all*

Music is at Hymn S-129

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

In Easter the congregation is encouraged to remain standing rather than kneeling, as able.

The Priest continues the Eucharistic Prayer.

BCP p. 362

Memorial Acclamation *said during the Eucharistic Prayer:*

We remember his death. We proclaim his resurrection. We await his coming in glory.

The Lord's Prayer *(traditional)*

BCP p. 364

Breaking of the Bread, *silence is first observed*

Celebrant
Al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;

Response
There - fore let us keep the feast. Al - le - lu - ia.

The Communion

Holy Communion is administered at the rail and all are welcome. Please follow the guidance of the ushers. If mobility is difficult, Communion can be brought to you in the pew.

Gluten-free wafers are available, please ask the priest.

Music during Communion:

Hymn **645**, “The King of love my Shepherd is” vss 1-4

Anthem: “*Beneath the Cross of Jesus*”

F. C. Maker

Post-Communion Prayer

kneel or stand, BCP p. 365

Easter Blessing

Closing Hymn **478**, “Jesus, our mighty Lord”

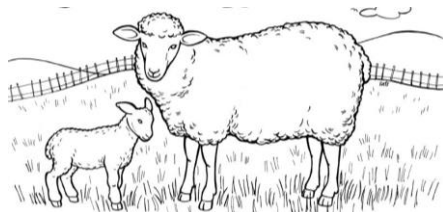
stand

Dismissal R: *Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!*

Postlude: “*Sing to the Lord a Song of Rejoicing*”

L. Smith

Please join us for refreshments after the service, in the Parish Hall



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***Email Messages for Mother Susan can be sent to: Rector@ststephenstroy.org
Email Messages for the entire Vestry can be sent to: Vestry@ststephenstroy.org***

St. Stephen’s Vestry, 2018

Katy Allen (2019)

Rob Redmer (2019)

Scott Armstrong (2020)

Karol Sprague (2020)

David Eldon (2021)

Jackie Ingersoll (2021)

Richard Kenefic (2019)

Roy Waters (2019)

Alan Giles (2020)

Justin Wojas (2020)

Corinne Fragnoli (2021)

Patrick Wojas (2021)

Vestry Meetings are held the 2nd Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m.
and are open to anyone who would like to attend.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE FOR EASTER

Leader: Let us pray for the peoples and nations of the world, that all may know the peace that Jesus shared with his disciples on that first Easter Day.

We pray for the Church and Christians everywhere who are celebrating Jesus' Resurrection; especially remembering Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury; our Presiding Bishop Michael, and our diocesan Bishop, Wendell; and on the **Diocesan Cycle of Prayer...** (*silence*)

Lord Jesus, we are your disciples: **Give us your peace.**

We pray for our parish family, especially those on our **Parish Cycle of Prayer...**, And we give thanks for our Confirmation Class, most of whom were confirmed by Bishop Gibbs yesterday: those preparing for Confirmation: Katy Allen, Adrian Brokenshire, Peter Burean, Gillian Grubb, Mackenzie Hardy, Greyson Ingersoll, Norah O'Neill and Tom West; that the light of Christ will shine brightly in their lives, and in ours. (*silence*)

Lord Jesus, we are your disciples: **Give us your peace.**

Let us pray for those who are in any need or trouble, especially those with **Immediate Prayer Concerns...** We also lift up those who continue to need healing, with **Long Term Prayer Concerns,** and those we would like to name aloud. (*silence*)

Lord Jesus, we are your disciples: **Give us your peace.**

We pray for the reconciliation of nations and neighbors, that Jesus' commandment to love one another would be reflected in our society. We pray for first responders in our community, and for those we love who are serving in the **Military...**, who risk their own safety to bring peace to others: (*silence*)

Lord Jesus, we are your disciples: **Give us your peace.**

We pray for the **Departed...**, that they may rejoice with you and your saints in heaven. Nothing can separate us from the love of God in Christ. (*silence*)

Lord Jesus, we are your disciples: **Give us your peace.**

Let us also pray for the forgiveness of our sins, which we have committed by our own fault out of selfishness, indifference or malice. We strive to keep your commandment to love one another, even as we rely on your mercy. (*silence*)

Lord Jesus, we are your disciples: **Give us your peace.**

A Collect and exchanging the Peace follow the prayers.

IN OUR PRAYERS TODAY

<u>Military Prayer List</u>	Kyle Rogowski, Kyle Church, Brendon Church, Nathan Cremeans, Ian L'Hommedieu, Stephen L'Hommedieu, Stephanie Herderich, Jim Sands
<u>Diocesan Cycle of Prayer</u>	St. Andrew's, Waterford; St. Mary-Full of Grace, Mao, DR; Grace Church, Boca Chica, DR. We pray also for Justin Welby, Archbishop of Canterbury, and the world-wide Anglican Communion of Churches.
<u>Parish Cycle of Prayer</u>	Steve, Margaret and Bobby Brandon Mike, Erin, Meghan, Adrian, Audrey and Kate Brokenshire
<u>Immediate Prayer Concerns</u>	Rick Lowery, Robin McClear, Thankom Thomas, Vickie Saylor, Paula Vance, Joyce Vance, Thelma Depew, Jeralyn Burrell, Richard Cremeans, Colin Davis
<u>Long Term Prayer Concerns</u>	Linda Lou Jarvis, Judy Ford, Zoey Rose, Edith Richardson, Jim Sherman, Ron Gural, Betty Feighner, Michelle L'Hommedieu, Kelly Damphousse, Joe Simler, Kyle Merian, Sally Granger, Jane Young, Suzanne Ross, Jim Whitaker, Janet Satyanathan, Sonia Nihem, Harold Ford, Jackie Jakubowski, Stacey Wesley, Tim Stanley, Mary Bandsuch, John Thunder, Tim Simon, Annabelle Grace Georges, Kate Georges, Jamie Georges, Charles Saylor, Mary Boldt, Linda Dolan, Jenny Dolan, Charmel Maki, Susie Kowalski, Rhonda French, Dave Hack, Alice Brandon
<u>Altar Flowers</u>	Are given by Val Thompson in loving memory of her husband, John Alan Thompson.

MINISTERS of the LITURGY

Saturday 4:30 p.m.	Brent Fragnoli
Sunday 8:00 a.m.	Paula Somerville
Sunday 10 a.m.	Lori Podsiadlik (LC), Kathryn Hassel (PC)
Youth Lector	David Burean
Acolytes	Kassidy O'Neill (C), Garret Fragnoli (1 st), Anais Ndione (2 nd)

UPCOMING Events

The Rector is away Mon-Wed at a conference. The office will be closed on Monday.

The Future is Now! May 5th is in the future. Mark it so you won't miss the fun at the 2018 Auction to support our kids' trips and programs. **Now** is when we need you to begin figuring out what you might wish to donate for the silent or live auctions. Got Questions? Want to help? See Jackie or Don Ingersoll, call 248-879-0948 or email don@doningersoll.com

Spring Clean Up: Saturday, May 5th from 9:00 -12:00. Please come help spruce up your church grounds and spend some time with your church family.

WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK, APRIL 22 – APRIL 29

For the most up to date and accurate information go to www.ststephenstroy.org, and select “Calendar” listed near the top of the home page.

Sunday **April 22**

Quiet Eucharist	8:00 a.m.
Holy Eucharist, with music	10:00 a.m.
Nursery Available	10:00 a.m.
Sunday School for Pre-K to 4 th Graders	10:00 a.m.
Sunday School for Youth in Grade 5 and Older	11:00 a.m.
Persian School Classes, (<i>private</i>)	2:00 p.m.

Monday **April 23**

Men's Breakfast Bible Study (<i>Leo's on Opdyke</i>)	7:00 a.m.
Outreach Meeting	7:00 p.m.

Tuesday **April 24**

Wednesday **April 25**

Bible Study – <i>All are Welcome!</i>	10:00 a.m.
Choir Rehearsal	7:30 p.m.

Thursday **April 26**

Tiny Tunes (<i>private</i>)	9:00 a.m.
AA	8:30 p.m.

Friday **April 27**

Tiny Tunes (<i>private</i>)	9:00 a.m.
Youth Lock In/Flock In	6:00 p.m.

Saturday **April 28**

Altar Guild prep	9:30 a.m.
Crafting Kindness Craft Day	10:00 a.m.
Informal Eucharist	4:30 p.m.

Sunday **April 29**

Quiet Eucharist	8:00 a.m.
Holy Eucharist, with music	10:00 a.m.
Nursery Available	10:00 a.m.
Sunday School for Pre-K to 4 th Graders	10:00 a.m.
Sunday School for Youth in Grade 5 and Older	11:00 a.m.
Persian School Classes, (<i>private</i>)	2:00 p.m.
VSO Quartet	3:00 p.m.