ST. STEPHEN Lutheran Church

290 W. Gloucester St. Gladstone, OR 97027

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September



Want to help with worship but don't know where to start? All are welcome—and we'll train you!

- Prayer Ministers
- Ushers

Tellers

- Greeters
- **Bread Bakers**
- Readers Altar Guild
- **Assisting Ministers** Communion Assistants
- AV & Sound System
- Vocal opportunities at both 9am & 11:15am



Worship With UsI

Traditional Worship at 9am Music Minister: Jamie Webster **Contemporary Worship at 11:15am** Music Minister: Kathleen Hollingsworth

- Lorraine Zeller
- Andre (Pastor's Grandson)
- Gerald Puppe
- Hal Pfingston
- Aiden Corr Anna Corr
- Kathie McNett
- Alyce Waverly
- All military personnel & first responders & their families, especially those in harm's way

If someone needs to be put on the prayer chain, please contact: Carolyn Hauck: 503-656-6544, Lois Smith: 503-473-1876 Helen Holden: 503-650-3094



Meet Up & Eat Up

Silver Saints: Sept. 19th, 11:30am Pot-Luck @ SSLC (Hosted by: C&D Berreth, Chicken Provided) Men's Breakfast: Sept. 15th, 8:30am @ TBD

Women's Breakfast: Sept. 22nd, 8:30am, @ Bob's Red

Mill Whole Grain Store



ST. STEPHEN LUTHERAN CHURCH

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A MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF THE CONGREGATION OF ST. STEPHEN LUTHERAN CHURCH

FROM YOUR PASTOR

Dear People of God:

"It's in Your Hands"! At our congregational meeting in 2017 we voted to change the budget to follow the program year—a budget that goes from Oct 1 to Sept. 30. This fall we implement that change. Our annual congregational meeting to adopt a budget will be Sunday, Oct. 7. We'll have one worship service at 10am (Pet Blessing at 9am—it's our observance of the Festival of S. Francis of Assisi). After the service will be the congregational meeting—at approximately 11:15am. After the meeting will be another "Oktoberfest" Brunch (remember last year's Oktoberfest—it was delicious!)

But before all that we need to make our pledges for giving to support the program year at St. Stephen. Those pledges will determine the program & it's budget. "It's In Your Hands"! We had many great suggestions about how to grow the Church & how to generate income for ministry at our Round Table Discussions about St. Stephen's future. Interestingly (or sadly) most of these suggestions, are all at odds with the suggestions made to cut the budget if necessary. So which will it be: go forward & grow the Church or cut the budget & take a step back? "It's in Your Hands"!

I've made multiple references in recent sermons & my last Quill article to tithing giving 10% of one's gross income to the church for God's work. That's the biblical answer to the question of going forward or cutting back. If everyone tithed we'd actually be increasing the budget! No one mentioned tithing in The Round Table Discussions. (although at least one person told me that tithing was mentioned at their table but it never got discussed or recorded). As I've said, I've tithed (actually I give more than a tithe— 10% is not a ceiling or a limit!)—for 36 years. I've never waivered in that commitmentalthough I confess I've been tempted—but resisted the temptation because I've always felt like I'm in God's hands, in the grip of grace. God provides & I am free to give. I can't outgive God & neither can you. The whole world is in God's hands and we can step out in trust and faith. "It's in Your Hands": because we & the future of this church are in God's hands!

With hands uplifted in love & praise, **Pastor Scott**



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October 21

4pm - 7pm

Fun for the Kids!

Games Prizes Cotton Candy Snow Cones Popcorn

Costume Contest!

Most Original, Scariest &, Funniest 6pm

Chili Cook Off Enter by 10/10



September 9th

9am - Traditional Service 10:15am - Kidz Clubz 10:15am Adult Bible Study 11:15am - Contemporary Service 4pm - Youth BBQ @ Jim & Tessa's

It is Grandparent's Day! Bring them with you to church for a special blessing!



Congregational Meeting

October 7, after worship One Service at 10am



Following the congregational meeting on October 7 Sign-up will be on the Clipboard



Music Ministry

Dear Singers of the church, the shower, and the great heavenly choir!

It's time to bring our voices together in song again to praise God and pray about all that God has created in the world and all we experience in our lives. St. Stephen choir resumes on Thursday, September 6 at 6:45pm in the sanctuary, and we will prepare to sing anthems for Sundays beginning September 9 – Rally Sunday! If there are solos and small ensemble pieces that you didn't get to this summer, it's not too late! Just let me know, and we will find a great spot for your special musical offering at an upcoming service. The Chautaugua Community Chorus resumes on Thursday, September 13 at 7:30pm, preparing for our Christmas Concerts, "O Come, Emmanuel – ancient carols of light and love", including a sumptuous blend of old texts with new melodies and old melodies in glorious new settings. You know all those beloved carols you've asked if we could do some time? If they weren't already on last year's program as we celebrated carols in the German tradition for the 500th anniversary of the Reformation, they're probably on this upcoming program! Invite your friends to join us in singing, and/or invite them to share in our concerts December 1 & 2.

This month we also welcome back our guest singers, Abigail Graves and Jacob Lundgren, and begin preparations for a number of special musical events sponsored by the Robert Wunderlich memorial music fund. Members of the Early Music Guild of Oregon will set the scene for our Reformation celebration again this year, favorite trumpeters Cody Simmons and Alex Lowe join us for All Saints, and the Scandinavian band Fossegrimen will delight again with carols from the Nordic countries on "Little Christmas Eve" (December 23). Stay tuned for more information about these noteworthy music events hosted by St. Stephen!

From the Office

The September Quill will be the final Quill snail-mailed to all of our members.

The Quill is viewable & downloadable through:

website: sslc@sslcgladstone.org

Facebook: facebook.com/sslcgladstone

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A limited numbers of paper copies of the Quill will be available in the church narthex & fellowship cafe for those of you who do not have access to a computer,

social-media or email.

St. Stephen's Got Talent Join us for an evening of fun, food & friends!

Dinner & Talent Show! Nov. 4th 5-7pm

Parta with Partor

Contact Tessa Dailey

if you wish to buy tickets or showcase your talent!

\$10 Adult \$5 Student \$0 Kids Under 5

St. Edwards Catholic Parish in Keizer, Our Lady of the Lake Catholic Parish of Lake Oswego, and Tri-City Church

of Christ in Myrtle Creek for the amazing Shipwrecked VBS supplies & props were passed on to St. Stephen for our use. This saves us well over a \$1000 not to mention the time commitment to create & build the props. For about \$200 in gas & \$100 donation to Tri-City for the very large items they gave us - we got a great deal! What a blessing as we share Christ's amazing love for all of God's children thru VBS.

Leadership Board

August 14, 2018 Leadership Board meeting summary * Devotional discussion about change and watching for change as Christians

- * reviewed & discussed the staff reports
- * discussed reviewing the copier contracts and resolving any issues with the contracts.
- * Board members recognized Tessa and Jim along with other volunteers under their leadership who have gone above and beyond this year to get all of the props and materials used in VBS from other churches, This extra effort has saved us well over \$1000 and is providing the kids with a great Christian experience. Heartfelt thanks!
- * Nominating Committee will be starting up to consider individuals for three open positions on the Leadership Board. We are asking everyone to please prayerfully consider joining the board as we embark on a new year. Serving on the Leadership Board involves once a month meetings to consider policies to guide St. Stephen in keeping with its mission. The Leadership Board members also help coordinate and serve a few events throughout the year.
- * The round table discussions were a success and produced much discussion among the Leadership Board members and the congregation. The ideas generated will be used to guide us in the future.
- * The Congregational meeting is coming up the on the first Sunday in October and it is time to prepare the budget for the next year. We discussed how to design the budget proposals for the rest of the meeting.



Preschool News

It's back to school time and we are ready to go! Preschool classes will begin on Monday, September 10.

This year, St. Stephen Preschool has two morning clas-

ses. Our Monday/Wednesday/Friday Pre-kindergarten

class is taught by Mrs. Julie Snook with her assistant, Mrs. Robin Barnhart and newly hired classroom aide, Mrs. Erin Campbell. Many of the children attending this class are returning students from last year and we are looking forward to getting them ready for kindergarten. Our Tuesday/Thursday 3-year-old class is also taught by Mrs. Snook and Mrs. Barnhart. The children in this class will be busy learning how to share, cooperate and play with their peers while working on colors, shapes and the ABC's. Many of the students in this class are younger siblings of former students and we are excited to see how they've grown. Both of our preschool classes are full

All of the children will soon be learning new songs and prayers, creating artwork for the bulletin boards and playing in the playground. Thank you, St. Stephen community, for all the support, love and encouragement you show each and every year!!

Lori Funk

SHARING OUR SPIRITUAL JOURNEYS IN SERVICE AND CELEBRATION

Preschool Director





Soul Food!

Lets gather around food & fellowship, & intentionally go a little deeper to share our spiritual journeys with each other. We'll share pot luck food, sing



songs, have an inspirational talk by a lay person, table discussions, & prayer. Lets feed both our bodies

& our souls! Join us:

September 12 • 6:00pm-7:30pm



COME. AND HAVE YOUR PETS BLESSED! JOIN US

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 7TH @ 9AM WE WILL HAVE COFFEE. DONUTS & DOGGIE TREATS AVAILABLE WHILE WE BLESS YOUR LOVING PETS!



Who's Who

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Parish Nurses' Tips

The lifesaving technique cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) is often useful when someone's breathing or heartbeat has stopped. Here are steps you can take to help save a life:

Call for help — Call 911 or emergency medical help before beginning CPR, or have someone else call. The dispatcher can instruct you until help arrives.

Don't attempt rescue breaths — In most cases it's unnecessary to do mouth-to-mouth breaths. Chest compression alone is just as effective. Traditional CPR with rescue breaths is recommended only for infants, children, anyone experiencing a drowning, a drug overdose or a collapse due to breathing problems.

Begin chest compressions — Place the person face up on a firm surface. Kneeling next to the person's neck and shoulders, place the heel of one hand over the center of the person's chest with your other hand over it. Use your upper body weight as you compress the chest between 2 and 2.5 inches. Press hard and fast at a rate of about 100 to 120 compressions a minute.

Follow a strong beat— Perform compressions to the beat of an up-tempo song such as "Stayin' Alive" by the Bee Gees or "I Walk the Line" by Johnny Cash.

Use a defibrillator — An automated external defibrillator (AED) provides an electric shock that can restore heart rhythm. If available, follow the prompts to deliver one shock, then resume CPR until help arrives or the person regains consciousness.



10th Annual

St. Stephen Youth Group BBQ



September 9, 2018 4-5:30pm

Jim & Tessa Dailey's House 1630 Manor Dr. Gladstone

- Please bring a side dish to share
- Let's kick off the new program year with some

friends, fun & food

• Want to Swim or splash around? Bring a suit!

Please RSVP by 9-5-18



We said goodbye & prayed Godspeed for Brian Yapko & Jerry Groner on Aug. 12, as they moved to New Mexico. Brian shared these words & sang this song – and they are worth repeating!

Brian's said:

I first sang "Everything Possible" at St. Stephen three years ago for Pride month. It was written by a Unitarian Minister when a lesbian couple asked "why aren't there any lullabies for families that look like ours?"

Four years ago I was convinced that there was no church for a family that looked like mine: basically two middleaged gay men who had been raised Jewish but who wanted to bring Christ into their lives.

Then Jerry found St. Stephen Lutheran Church. He found it on-line. On the church's webpage he found a welcoming statement that said it would "welcome all regardless of racial or culture or sexual orientation, or a host of other factors that often divide us". It said that "Our unity is in Christ."

And you actually meant it!

You have no idea how much that meant to us! It meant that there was a church for us. And a church family. And in the four years since we came here, you've given us acceptance and friendship and love. You've helped to show that God's love is real. You've helped to show that "Everything is Possible."

After sharing, Brian sang:

EVERYTHING POSSIBLE by Fred Small

We've cleared off the table, leftovers saved, Washed the dishes and put them away I've told you a story and tucked you in tight At the end of your knockabout day As the moon sets its sails to carry you to sleep Over the midnight sea I will sing you a song no one sang to me May it keep you good company.

You can be anybody you want to be, You can love whomever you will You can travel any country where your heart leads And know I will love you still

You can live by yourself, you can gather friends around, You can choose one special one And the only measure of your words and your deeds

Will be the love you leave behind when you're done.

There are girls who grow up strong and bold There are boys quiet and kind

Some race on ahead, some follow behind Some go in their own way and time

They will give the same back to you.

Some women love women, some men love men Some raise children, some never do You can dream all the day never reaching the end Of everything possible for you. Don't be rattled by names, by taunts, by games But seek out spirits true If you give your friends the best part of yourself

You can be anybody you want to be, You can love whomever you will You can travel any country where your heart leads And know I will love you still

You can live by yourself, you can gather friends around, You can choose one special one And the only measure of your words and your deeds Will be the love you leave behind when you're gone.

The only measure of your words and your deeds Will be the love you leave behind when you're gone.

If you would like to stay in contact with Brian & Jerry: 12 Prairie Crest Drive

Santa Fe, New Mexico 87508 Brian: 503-593-5955 Jerry: 503-593-5783



Resuming in September

HANDBELL CHOIR

Resumes: Wednesday Sept. 12th at 7:30 Weekly Rehearsals: Wednesdays at 7 pm Emily Boleyn, Director

PRAISE PALS / YOUTH WORSHIP TEAM

Practice Resumes: Monday Sept. 17 at 4-5pm Children's Choirs & Praise Pals (ages 4-4th gr.) Youth Worship Team (5th gr. & up)

Led by Audrey Weintz, Wendy Collins & Lynn Buchanan. Please contact Audrey 503-957-7537 if interested.

CHAUTAUQUA COMMUNITY CHORUS

Practice Resumes: Thursday Sept. 13 at 7:30pm

HOME BIBLE STUDY: STUDING THE BOOK OF MARK

Resumes: Wednesday's at 8:15am (every 2 weeks)

Sept. 19: Diane Berreth's home Oct. 3: Carlene Nienstadt's home Oct 17: Eileen Johnsen's home

GLADSTONE CHILDREN'S CLOTHING CLOSET

Resumes: Sept. 6 - June 15

Thursdays 3pm - 5pm & Saturdays 10am - 12pm

		Wor	ship Assistants for the I	Month of September 20	18				
Ministers, tha	ank you for		_	d, it would be appreciat	ed if you could find a re	placement and let the			
		September 2	September 9	September 16	September 23	September 30			
Sermon Topic		Setting 10	Setting 3	Setting 10	Setting 3	Setting 10			
Flowers		Pastor Sciott - In memory of Janet on her birthday							
Greeters	9:00 am								
	11:15 am	Coralie Van Gorder	Bill & Eileen Johnsen	Sally & Clinton Lindergren	Sue Robinson	Linda O'Neil			
Ushers	9:00 am								
		Tom O'Neil	Jere Applebee	Steve Domine	Don Cox	Steve Domine			
	11:15 am	Steve Domine	DJ Becker	Polly Domine	Sandie Cox	Polly Domine			
Readers	9:00 am	Rob Kugler	Emily Boleyn	Barb Carter	Marie Reitz	Bill Peck			
	11:15 am	Don Cox	Bill Johnsen	Emily Bleyn	Cheryl Ridlon	Audrey Weintz			
Cantor	9:00 am	n/a	Barb Groelz	Abigail Graves	Jacob Lundgren	Carey Salisbury			
Assistant	9:00 am	Barb Carter	Emily Boleyn	Judy Wunderlich	Judy Wunderlich	Judy Wunderlich			
Ministers	11:15 am	LaRae Applebee	Don Cox	Doug Boleyn	Bill Johnsen	Don Cox			
Communion . Assistants	9:00 am	Judy Wunderlich & Barb Groelz	Doug Boleyn & Rob Kugler	Barb Carter & Barb Groelz	Rob Kugler & Bill Peck	Barb Groelz & Doug Boleyn			
	11:15 am	Jill Messecar & Audry Weintz	Polly Domine & Tessa Dailey	Sue Robinson & Emily Boleyn	Connie Cook & Cheryl Ridlon	Audrey Weintz & Cheryl Ridlon			
Communion Music	9:00 am	OPEN	,	OPEN		OPEN			
Offering	9:00 am	OPEN	Choir	Choir	Choir	Choir			
Sound	9:00 am	Sid Toll	Sid Toll	Sid Toll	Sid Toll	Sid Toll			
Sound	11:15 am	Sid Toll	Tessa Dailey	Tessa Dailey	Tessa Dailey	Andrea Domine			
Audio-Visual	9:00 am	Errol Rivers	Abigail Graves	Jacob Lundgren	Abigail Graves	Abigail Graves			
	11:15 am	Angela Gifford		Tessa Dailey	Andrea Domine	Angela Gifford			
Prayer Minister	9:00 am	Linda Schmuck	Carolyn Hauck	Linda Schmuck	Bonnie Beisell	Chris Duncan			
	11:15 am	Sally Lindgren	Bill Johnsen	Eileen Johnsen	Bill Johnsen	Sally Lindgren			
Fellowship Café	Snacks	Kathie Todd	Madison Berreth	Chris Duncan	Julie Harguth				
	Set-up	Bonnie Beisell	Cheryl Ridlon	Bonnie Beisell	Cheryl Ridlon	Bonnie Beisell			
	Host	Kathie Todd	Kathie Todd	Kathie Todd	Cheryl Ridlon	Kathie Todd			
	Clean-up				Kathie Todd & Bonnie Beisell				
Bread Baker		Christie Smith	Nadine Hermann	Del Smith	Kathie Todd	Wendy May			
Wine	month	Kari Martinez & Marlys Weiss & Romelle Reid							
Altar Guild	month	Polly Domine & Sally Lindgren							
Tellers		Jill and Audrey	Polly and Nadine		Coralie and Polly	Sue and Cheryl			

8am - Traditional Service (8) 10:15am - Kidz Klub 11:15am - Contemporary	Pledge Day 8 am - Traditional Service @ 10:16 am - Kidz Kiub 11:16 am - Contemporary	8am - Traditional Service @ 10:16am - Kidz Kiub 11:16am - Contemporary	G'parent's Day - Bring 'em Rally Sunday 8 am - Traditional Service @ 10:16 am - Kidz Klub 11:16 am - Contemporary 4 pm - Youth Group BBQ	10am - One Service @	3un Mon Tue Wed T
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2	Receive J&K info for next 10 am - Guill Packing @ 12 pm - Cluster Pactors 8:30 pm - Cubscouts @ 7 pm - Weich Society Choir	18 Gs senior Center 12pm - Clueter Pactore 8:30pm - Cubscouts @ 7pm - Bunco @ in homes 7pm - Weich Society Choir	12 pm - Cluster Pactors 8:30 pm - Cubscoute @ 7 pm - Leaderchip Board 7 pm - Weich Society Choir	4 Gs Senior Center 12pm - Cluster Pactors 8:30pm - Cubscouts @ 7pm - Weich Society Choir	Tue 28
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σ	3pm - G.A. @ Fellowchip	8:30am - Women's 10am - TOPS @ Fellowship 3pm - G.A. @ Fellowship	8:30am - Men'c Breakfact 3pm - G.A. @ Fellowchip	8:30am - Citizens Climate 3pm - G.A. @ Fellowship	Fri 31 3pm - G.A. @ Fellowchip