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September 26, 2021 - Year B
18th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Today	9:30am	Holy Eucharist Rite II
	6:30 pm	AA Meeting
Monday	10:00 am	Thrift Outlet
September 27	6:30 pm	AA Meeting
Tuesday		
September 28	10:00 am	Thrift Outlet
	6:30 pm	Ladies AA
Wednesday	10:00 am	Thrift Outlet
September 29	6:30 pm	AA Meeting
Thursday		
September 30	10:00 am	Thrift Outlet
Friday	10:00 am	Thrift Outlet
October 01	6:30 pm	AA Meeting
Saturday	8:30 am	AA Meeting
October 02	10:00 am	Thrift Outlet



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Welcome Visitors and Newcomers: We extend a warm welcome to all who are new to St. Stephen's. We are delighted to have you with us for worship this morning. Please take time to sign our visitor's book. An usher will gladly assist you with any questions you may have.

"Welcoming Everyone, Connecting with God, Building Community, Transforming Lives."

Be thoughtful, be silent, and be reverent, for this is a house of God. Before the service speak to the Lord; during the service let the Lord speak to you; after the service, speak to one another.

Holy Eucharist Rite II 9:30 am

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The Collect of the Day:

O God, you declare your almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity: Grant us the fullness of your grace, that we, running to obtain your promises, may become partakers of your heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen

SCRIPTURE READINGS

**18th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
SEPTEMBER 26, 2021**

A Reading from Numbers 11:4-6, 10-16, 24-29

The rabble among them had a strong craving; and the Israelites also wept again, and said, "If only we had meat to eat! We remember the fish we used to eat in Egypt for nothing, the cucumbers, the melons, the leeks, the onions, and the garlic; but now our strength is dried up, and there is nothing at all but this manna to look at." Moses heard the people weeping throughout their families, all at the entrances to their tents. Then the Lord became very angry, and Moses was displeased. So Moses said to the Lord, "Why have you treated your servant so badly? Why have I not found favor in your sight, that you lay the burden of all this people on me? Did I conceive all this people? Did I give birth to them, that you should say to me, 'Carry them in your bosom, as a nurse carries a sucking child,' to the land that you promised on oath to their ancestors? Where am I to get meat to give to all this people? For they come weeping to me and say, 'Give us meat to eat! I am not able to carry all this people alone, for they are too heavy for me. If this is the way you are going to treat me, put me to death at once---if I have found favor in your sight---do not let me see my misery.'" So the Lord said to Moses, "Gather for me seventy of the elders of Israel, whom you know to be the elders of the people and officers over them; bring them to the tent of meeting, and have them take their place there with you." So Moses went out and told the people the words of the Lord; and he gathered seventy elders of the people, and placed them all around the tent. Then the Lord came down in the cloud and spoke to him and took some of the spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders; and when the spirit rested upon them, the prophesied. But they did not do so again. Two remained in the camp, one named Eldad, and the other Medad, and the spirit rested on them; they were among those registered, but they had not gone out to the tent, and so they prophesied in the camp. And a young man ran and told Moses, "Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp." And Joshua, son of Nun, the assistant of Moses, one of his chosen men, said, "My lord Moses, stop them!" But Moses said to him, "Are you jealous for my sake? Would that all the Lord's people were prophets, and that the Lord would put his spirit on them!"

Psalm 19:7-14

7 The law of the Lord is perfect and revives the soul; *

- The testimony of the Lord is sure
And gives wisdom to the innocent.
- 8 The statutes of the Lord are just and rejoice the heart; *
The commandment of the Lord is clear
And gives light to the eyes.
- 9 The fear of the Lord is clean and endures for ever; *
The judgments of the Lord are true
And righteous altogether.
- 10 More to be desired are they than gold,
More than much fine gold, *
Sweeter far than honey, than honey in the comb.
- 11 By them also is your servant enlightened, *
And in keeping them there is great reward.
- 12 Who can tell how often he offends?
Cleanse me from my secret faults.
- 13 Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins;
Let them not get dominion over me; *
Then shall I be whole and sound.
And the innocent of a great offense.
- 14 Let the word of my mouth and the meditation of
My heart be acceptable in your sight, *
O Lord, my strength and my redeemer.

A Reading from James 5:13-20

Are any among you suffering? They should pray. Are any cheerful? They should sing songs of praise. Are any among you sick? They should call for the elders of the church and have them pray over them, anointing them with oil in the name of the Lord. The prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise them up; and anyone who has committed sins will be forgiven. Therefore, confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, so that you may be healed. The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective. Elijah was a human being like us and he prayed fervently that it might not rain, and for three years and six month it did not rain on the earth. Then he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain and the earth yielded its harvest. My brothers and sisters, if anyone among you wanders from the truth and is brought bac by another, you should know that whoever brings back a sinner from wandering will save the sinner's soul from death and will cover a multitude of sins.

A Reading from the Gospel of Mark 9:38-50

John said to Jesus, "Teacher, we saw someone casting out demons in your name, and we tried to stop him, because he was not following us." But Jesus said, "Do not stop him; for no one who does a deed of power in my name will be able soon afterward to speak evil of me. Whoever is not against us I for us. For truly I tell you, whoever gives you a cup of water to drink because you bear the name of Christ will by no means lose the reward. "If any of you put a stumbling block before one of those little ones who believe in me, it would be better for you if a great millstone were hung around your neck and you were thrown into the sea. If your

hand causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life maimed than to have two hands and go to hell, to the unquenchable fire. And if your foot causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life lame than to have two feet and to be thrown into hell. And if your eye causes you to stumble, tear it out; it is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye than to have two eyes and to be thrown into hell where their worm never dies, and the fire is never quenched. "For everyone will be salted with fire. Salt is good; but if salt has lost its saltiness, how can you season it? Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace with one another.

August Prayers & Memorials

In the **Anglican Cycle of Prayer** today we pray for the Episcopal Church

In the **Diocesan Cycle of Prayer** today we pray for the Rev. Catherine J. L. Wiecezorek

Altar Candles for the month of September in memory of Helen & John Kent & Lu and Stu Winne by the Winne family

Please keep in your prayers:

Nancy Sullivan, Traude Beck, Linda Staszkeski, Dick Heward, Beverly Seabert, Barbara Julian, Ellen Rich, Bud Boyd and Marie Carr.

We celebrate the birthdays today of Rose Ann Marcy, Carol Ricci, Ray Barton and Dolores DeWitt

St. Stephen's News

All are welcome to join the Bible Discussion Group. It meets following coffee hour til noon. Currently discussing 1st Corinthians.

Shop Rite Gift Cards – See Gloria Davis before and after the service.

The votive candles have recently been placed in the Narthex for those wishing to remember a loved one.

Have you ever thought about being an Usher? Well...now is your big opportunity! The responsibilities are a little different under the COVID protocols and not that difficult to learn. Please remember the more the merrier and the less often you would be scheduled. If you are interested and would like to volunteer, please see Pattie Meyer after the Sunday service or you can contact me at 609-891-6814. Thank you for caring about Saint Stephen's!

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