



St. Stephen

LUTHERAN CHURCH

proclaiming and serving Jesus Christ

Church Office Hours:

Monday & Tuesday: 10am-2pm

Wednesday: 10am-1pm

Thursday & Friday: Closed

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**Evangelical Lutheran
Church in America**

God's work. Our hands.



God

*He hath made every thing
beautiful in His time:*

Eccles. 3:11a

October



OCTOBER 2022

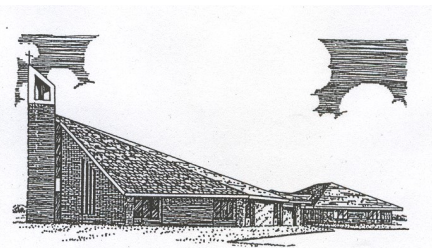
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 ●9:30am Karen 7th Day Advent- ist Service ●Citrowske/ Bloch Wedding
<i>FM: Bible Sunday</i> 2 ●8:45am Sunday School ●8:45am Preschool serving at Coffee Fellowship ●9:30am Worship w/Communion & Livestream	3 ●4:30pm Just for Kix ●8pm Monday Night Fellowship	4 ●8am Red Cross Blood Drive ●11:30am Second Harvest Heartland ●1pm Quilting ●4:30pm Just for Kix ●7pm Adult Chil- dren of Alcoholics	5 ●12pm 12@12 ●5:30pm Confirmation ●7pm CIA/Sr. High Youth Group	6 ●9am Sr. Coffee ●9am Worship on Studio1 ●4:30pm Just for Kix ●5:15pm NHCC Board	7 ●6:30pm AA Meeting ●7pm Worship on Studio1 ●8pm AA Meeting	8 ●9:30am Karen 7th Day Advent- ist Service
9 ●8:45am Sunday School ●8:45am Coffee Fellowship ●9:30am Worship & Livestream ●Heartland Ephphatha	10 ●8pm Monday Night Fellowship ●4:30pm Just for Kix	11 ●1:30pm Sarah Circle ●4:30pm Just for Kix ●7pm Adult Chil- dren of Alcoholics	12 ●12pm 12@12 ●5:30pm Confirmation ●7pm CIA/Sr. High Youth Group	13 ●9am Sr. Coffee ●10am Worship on Studio1 ●4:30pm Just for Kix	14 ●6:30pm AA Meeting ●7pm Worship on Studio1 ●8pm AA Meeting	15 ●9:30am Karen 7th Day Advent- ist Service
16 ●8:45am Sunday School ●8:45am Sr. High Youth serving at Coffee Fellowship ●9:30am Worship w/Communion & Livestream	17 ●4:30pm Just for Kix ●8pm Monday Night Fellowship	18 ●1pm Quilting ●4:30pm Just for Kix ●7pm Adult Chil- dren of Alcoholics ●7pm Church Council Meeting	19 ●12pm 12@12 ●NO Confirmation or CIA/Sr. High Youth Group	20 ●9am Sr. Coffee ●10am Worship on Studio1 ●4:30pm Just for Kix	21 ●6:30pm AA Meeting ●7pm Worship on Studio1 ●8pm AA Meeting	22 ●9:30am Karen 7th Day Advent- ist Service
23 ●8:45am Sunday School ●8:45am Coffee Fel- lowship ●9:30am Worship & Livestream ●4pm Just for Kix	24 ●4:30pm Just for Kix ●8pm Monday Night Fellowship	25 ●4:30pm Just for Kix ●7pm Adult Chil- dren of Alcoholics	26 ●12pm 12@12 ●5:30pm Parent & Student Lesson for First Communion ●5:30pm Confirmation Fellowship Night ●7pm CIA/Sr. High Youth Group	27 ●9am Sr. Coffee ●10am Worship on Studio1 ●4:30pm Just for Kix	28 ●4:30pm SWCIL ●6:30pm AA Meeting ●7pm Worship on Studio1 ●8pm AA Meeting	29 ●9:30am Karen 7th Day Advent- ist Service
<i>FM: 1st Communion</i> 30 <i>Reformation Sunday</i> ●8:45am Sunday School ●8:45am Coffee Fel- lowship ●9:30am Worship w/Communion & Livestream ●4pm Just for Kix	<i>Halloween</i> 31 ●5:45pm Trunk or Treat ●8pm Monday Night Fellowship					



NOVEMBER 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 11:30am Second Harvest Heartland 1pm Quilting 4:30pm Just for Kix 7pm Adult Children of Alcoholics 	2 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 12pm 12@12 NO Confirmation or CIA / Sr. High Youth Group 	3 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9am Sr. Coffee 9am Worship on Studio1 4:30pm Just for Kix 	4 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6:30pm AA Meeting 7pm Worship on Studio1 8pm AA Meeting 	5 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9:30am Karen 7th Day Adventist Service
<i>All Saints Day</i> 6 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8:45am Sunday School 8:45am Preschool serving at Coffee Fellowship 9:30am Worship w/Communion & Livestream 4pm Just for Kix 	7 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8pm Monday Night Fellowship 	8 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1:30pm Sarah Circle 4:30pm Just for Kix 7pm Adult Children of Alcoholics 	9 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 12pm 12@12 5:30pm Confirmation 7pm CIA/Sr. High Youth Group 	10 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9am Sr. Coffee 9am Worship on Studio1 4:30pm Just for Kix 5:15pm NHCC Board 	11 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6:30pm AA Meeting 7pm Worship on Studio1 8pm AA Meeting 	12 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9:30am Karen 7th Day Adventist Service
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October
2022



From the Council Vice President – Erin Kuehl

September 27, 2022

Dear Friends in Christ,

It's official, Fall is in the air! The leaves are starting to turn, school is well underway along with Preschool, Sunday School, Confirmation and Senior High Youth! There is definitely excitement in the air!

Speaking of excitement, the Council would like to thank everyone for a very successful Rally Sunday! St Stephen youth were able to meet their teachers and see where their classrooms were, jump in the bouncy house, play games, and have snacks! Volunteer sign-up sheets were available for all; many stepped up and added their name to keep St Stephen running smoothly and make a difference! Bishop Dee lead the service which included blessing of the backpacks and a very inspirational sermon. The sanctuary was packed with so many children and adults, it was so moving, I literally had chills!

October brings two exciting Milestones for our youth – the 3rd graders will be receiving their Bibles on Sunday, October 2nd and the 2nd graders will be attending a First Communion class on Wednesday, October 26th and receiving First Communion on Sunday, October 30th.

A few more updates from the Council

Financials – we are excited to share that we have started paying additional funds to pay off our mortgage early, saving a substantial amount of money in the long run. We were also able to purchase a Brokerage CD to ensure we are within the FDIC guidelines.

We are working with the Building Committee regarding security for St Stephen so we have the capability to program doors, ensuring safety for our Preschool, staff and congregation.

We are in the process of reviewing the Constitution and By-Laws, ensuring we are ready to make any updates needed when a pastor accepts our call.

We will have several openings on the council in January, 2023; President, Secretary, Youth Member, Young Adult Member, and Member at Large. If you have questions regarding any of these positions, please reach out to a member of the council.

We are still looking for volunteers to lead services, assist with music during the service, and sign up for one or more of the volunteer opportunities at St Stephen. Please let Wendy know how you can make a difference and share your talents!

Take some time and enjoy the changing season, God's beautiful artwork is all around us!

Yours in Christ,

Erin Kuehl

Council Vice President

Call Committee Update

The Call Committee has completed both of our live interviews in Marshall with the two candidates over the last couple of weeks. We're excited to inform the congregation that we have identified our "Candidate of Choice". Due to the timing of this article, we don't have any other official specifics to share at this time, however, we do anticipate that to change in the coming days. We will go thru the formal process of seeking Council approval to continue moving forward and then ultimately determine dates for our needed Congregational vote of approval. We will continue to update the congregation on specifics during our Sunday worship services as well as send out a congregational message, via email, to keep you all informed. We're excited that God is helping us in this process and look forward to having a new Pastor at St. Stephen by the end of the year.

Thank you, Charlie Ehlers (Call Committee Chair)

Property/Building Committee Update

The A/C units received a tune up. The paint on the back side of the fellowship hall is peeling—the property group is removing the paint this week and plans to put a new coat of paint on the first week of October. If you would like to volunteer to help with any property projects please contact Daren Kesteloot at 507-829-4989.



**Back to
SCHOOL**

Schedule

Sundays
 Sunday School: 8:45-9:15am
 Worship: 9:30am

Wednesdays
 Confirmation: 5:30-6:30pm
 Sr. High Youth: 7-8pm

Sunday Worship Calendar

Date	
10/2 <i>*Communion</i>	8:45 Sunday School 9:30am Worship
10/9	8:45 Sunday School 9:30am Worship
10/16 <i>*Communion</i>	8:45 Sunday School 9:30am Worship
10/23	8:45 Sunday School 9:30am Worship
10/30 <i>*Communion</i>	8:45 Sunday School 9:30am Worship

Worship Leader

10/2	Erin Kuehl
10/9	Leah Hastad
10/16	Jasmine Steffen
10/23	Jolene Breczinski
10/30	Carrie Jones

Please say **THANK YOU** to our congregation members who are stepping up to lead our worship services as we work to call our next Pastor. If you are willing to lead a service please contact Wendy in the church office.

Staff

- Katie Brockberg, Preschool Director
- Lauren Winn, Financial Assistant
- Wendy Towne, Office Assistant
- Judy DeCramer, Organist
- Gunvar Dombek, Organist
- Mary Hauschild, Organist
- Judy Hoeft, Pianist
- Lisa Rosenboom, Assistant Teacher
- Melissa Doose, Assistant Teacher
- Michaela Abels, Preschool Extended Care

Congregation Council

- Jasmine Steffen, President (term ends Jan. 2023)
- Erin Kuehl, Vice President (term ends Jan. 2023)
- Ryan Guse, Treasurer (term ends Jan. 2024)
- Leah Hastad, Secretary (term ends Jan. 2024)
- OPEN, Youth Member (term ends Jan. 2023)
- Gichia (Joseph) Karanja, Member at Large (term ends Jan. 2023)
- Mike Citrowske, Member at Large (term ends Jan. 2024)
- Amber Schaffran, Member at Large (term ends Jan. 2024)
- Cody Kesteloot, Young Adult Member (term ends Jan. 2023)

Readings for October 2022

Date	1st Lesson	2nd Lesson	Gospel
10/2	Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4	Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4	Luke 17:5-10
10/9	2 Kings 5:1-3, 7-15c	2 Timothy 2:8-15	Luke 17:11-19
10/16	Genesis 32:22-31	2 Timothy 3:14--4:5	Luke 18:1-8
10/23	Jeremiah 14:7-10, 19-22	2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18	Luke 18:9-14
10/30	Isaiah 1:10-18	2 Thessalonians 1:1-4, 11-12	Luke 19:1-10

Ministry Team Schedules

Please join a ministry team—many hands make light work! We would love to fill all ministry teams so that you are scheduled to serve once a quarter. Please contact Wendy (wendy.towne@ststephenmarshall.org) in the office to join one (or more!) of the ministry teams and include which service you prefer to serve at.

9:30 Lector

Date	Name
10/2	Bethany Janachovsky
10/9	Blair Miller
10/16	Brenda Citrowske
10/23	Carl Johnson
10/30	Carol Moseng

9:30 Usher

Date	Name
10/2	Bart & Kaia Johnson family
10/9	Carl & Taylor Johnson
10/16	Cassey Sussenguth
10/23	Clarence Gilb
10/30	Dale & Carol Howe

9:30 Communion Team

Date	Name
10/2	Donna Kor
10/9	n/a
10/16	Jasmine Steffen
10/23	n/a
10/30	James & Tracy Zahnow

9:30 Audio / Video

Date	Name
10/2	Craig Holland
10/9	John DeCramer
10/16	Cody Kesteloot
10/23	Craig Holland
10/30	John DeCramer

Please find someone to switch with you if you cannot serve on the Sunday you are assigned. Once you have a replacement please notify the office.

Ministry Team Schedules (continued)

Altar Guild

Date	Name
10/2	Kari Loft
10/9	n/a
10/16	Nicole Lewis
10/23	n/a
10/30	Andy Hedlin

Communion Bread

Date	Name
10/2	Paula Nemes
10/9	n/a
10/16	Paula Petersen-Giles
10/23	n/a
10/30	Robin Bednarek

Youth Ministry Team Schedules (Confirmation Students)

9:30 Acolyte

Date	Name
10/2	Easton Holland
10/9	Amber Castor
10/16	Amelia Mertz
10/23	Bentley Krull
10/30	Cale Erickson

9:30 Projector

Date	Name
10/2	Ascher Holland
10/9	Ava Grannes
10/16	Elise Brown
10/23	Emily Rosenboom
10/30	Haylee Kirchner

9:30 Assistant

Date	Name
10/2	Audrey Schreurs
10/9	Katelyn Leibfried
10/16	Cannon Craigmile
10/23	Cash Branstner
10/30	Colby Allen

6th grade = Acolyte

7th grade = Projector

8th grade = Assistant

Please find someone to switch with you if you cannot serve on the Sunday you are assigned. Once you have a replacement please notify the office.

Aug	Actual	Budget	B/(W) Budget
Giving/Income	47,634.32	26,728.00	20,906.32
Expenses	18,314.89	21,460.50	3,145.61
Net Income	29,319.43	5,267.50	24,051.93

August 2022 Financials

Aug YTD	Actual	Budget	B/(W) Budget
Giving/Income	183,188.60	213,824.00	(30,635.40)
Expenses	135,638.75	186,684.00	51,045.25
Net Income	47,549.85	27,140.00	20,409.85

Online Giving Link:
<https://tinyurl.com/huylhx7>

General Fund Checking Account	394,160.62
Prior Balance	365,245.51
Mortgage	607,177.59
Raymond James CD Account	0.00

The Raymond James CD account is the account that we opened to purchase our 1-Yr \$150k CD @ 3.2% interest. The money technically transferred on September 1st, so it wasn't on the August financials.



Welcome back!

We had a great time welcoming everyone back to Sunday School on Rally Sunday.

Traditional Sunday School resumed on 9/18 and is held Sunday mornings from 8:45-9:15.

2022-23 Faith Milestones:

With the exception of First Communion, Milestone lessons will be taught during Sunday School with stone/bible presentations to follow that same day at worship service. The First Communion lesson is a parent and student class and will be held the Wednesday evening before First Communion Sunday (Wednesday, October 26th at 5:30pm in the Sanctuary).



Faith Milestones

<i>Bible Presentation</i>	3rd Grade	October 2nd, 2022
<i>Communion**</i>	2nd Grade	October 30th, 2022
<i>Stewardship</i>	5th Grade	November 20th, 2022
<i>Baptism</i>	Kindergarten	January 29th, 2023
<i>Welcome to Worship</i>	Preschool	February 12th, 2023
<i>Introduction to Gospel of Mark</i>	4th Grade	February 26th, 2023
<i>Prayer</i>	1st Grade	March 19th, 2023
<i>Celebration of Gospel of Mark</i>	4th Grade	March 26th, 2023
<i>Welcome to Sunday School and Story Bibles</i>	3-year olds (entering Pre- school next year)	May 7th, 2023

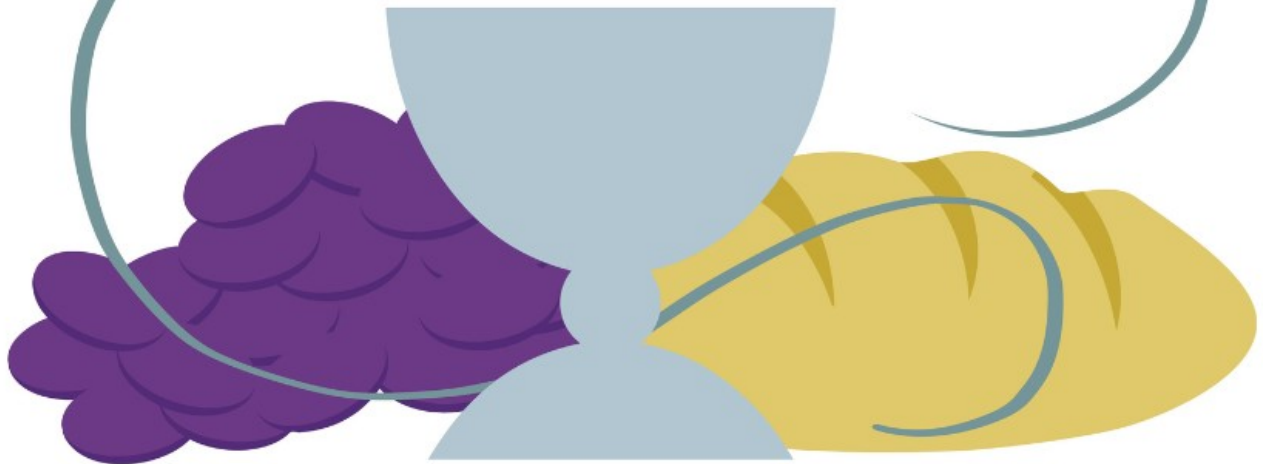
Milestones lessons will be taught during Sunday School with the stone/bible presentations to follow at Sunday Service on the dates listed above.

***First Communion Lesson will be Wednesday, Oct. 26th at 5:30pm in the Sanctuary for students AND parents.*

Sunday, October 30th

2nd grade students

FIRST Communion



9:30am Service

Parent & Child lesson will be held on
Wednesday, Oct. 26th at 5:30pm in the
Sanctuary.



Marshall Blood Drive

St. Stephen Lutheran

Fellowship Hall
1301 South Fourth Street
Marshall, MN 56258

Tuesday, October 4, 2022
9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.



Life Line Screening, the nation's leading provider of preventive health screenings, will offer affordable, non-invasive and painless health screenings at Saint Stephen Lutheran Church on Saturday, October 22nd

A package of five screenings to identify risk for stroke, heart disease and other chronic conditions will be offered:

- Carotid Artery Screening (Plaque)
- Peripheral Arterial Disease Screening
- Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm (AAA)
- Atrial Fibrillation
- Osteoporosis Risk



These 5 vital screenings take 60-90 minutes to complete. Register by calling toll free 1-888-653-6441, text the word "circle" to 797979 or online at <https://llsa.social/HS>



The advertisement features two images of Butter Braid pastries. The top-left image shows a long loaf of braided bread with white icing drizzled over it, next to a glass of milk. The bottom-left image shows a cross-section of a braided bread with a red filling, next to a strawberry. The bottom-right image shows a close-up of a braided bread with a caramel filling, next to several pieces of caramel candy. A logo for 'Butter Braid' is visible in both images, with the text 'THE ONE AND ONLY' and 'FROZEN PASTRY DOUGH'.

Oct. 5th—19th
*delivery Nov. 2nd

Butter Braid Youth Fundraiser!

St. Stephen Youth will be selling Butter Braids as a fundraiser from Oct. 5th—19th. Contact a youth member or Wendy in the office to order.

*St. Stephen Youth needs a new Fundraising Coordinator / Leader! This year you can work with Stacy on all of the events to learn before taking them over next year. Contact Stacy Schwartz or Wendy in the office for more information about this role!



Sunday Morning Coffee Fellowship

*Sunday Mornings 8:45–9:30am
in the Fellowship Hall*

All are welcome!

1st Sunday Coffee & Treats will be served for a
free will offering with proceeds benefitting

St. Stephen Preschool

3rd Sunday Coffee & Treats will be served for a
free will offering with proceeds benefitting

St. Stephen Sr. High Youth



St. Stephen Lutheran Church Parking Lot
1301 S. 4th St., Marshall
October 31st, 5:45 – 7:00 pm



Candy donations are being accepted in the box outside of the office. Thank you for supporting this fun event put on by our St. Stephen Youth!

St. Stephen Happenings



On September 10th, 2022 Brittney Wirtz and Morgan Lux were united in marriage at St. Stephen.



On September 17th Ashley Stattelman and Troy Trost were married at St. Stephen.

Thank you to everyone who helped make Rally Sunday great!



St. Stephen Happenings

Youth programming started on September 14th! The church is full of young people on Wednesday evenings again and it's awesome!



Confirmation large group sessions



Confirmation students learning their ministry roles (acolyte, projector & assistant)



CIA / Sr. High Youth Group started up as well!





School has begun and we are off to a great start! We have enjoyed getting to know our friends and our classroom! We welcomed 17 kids (and their families) into our class this year! We can't wait to see what this year's adventure will be!

The Preschool is in need of some items:

- Plastic Spoons
- Bags of Brown Rubber Mulch (our playground needs some more)
- Dry Erase Markers
- Old puzzles (it's okay if a piece or two are missing, they will be used for a craft)

Any items can be placed on the table outside of the preschool room! Thank You!

Please join us on Sunday, October 2nd for coffee and treats from 8:30 to 9:30am.

Free will donation will be taken to help buy more rubber mulch for our playground!

Hy-Vee Gift cards will also be available for purchase.

