

St. Stephen's Episcopal Church

Family Ministry Calendar

2026–2027

Sunday worship beginning September 13
8 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite I 9 a.m. Palmer Hall Service 9 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II 11:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II 5:30 p.m. Celtic Service 8 p.m. Compline

- Children's Sunday morning formation is offered from 10:10 to 11 a.m. during the program year.
- Youth Sunday Circle also meets during this time in Room 4. We gather in community and fellowship, enjoy breakfast treats, and engage in a devotion.
- Sunday morning formation for children and youth begins September 27 and runs every Sunday unless noted by the calendar.
- Youth group meets during the program year from 5:30 to 8 p.m. The first hour is for youth in middle school; high schoolers join us for dinner at 6:30, and the last hour is for high school students.
- Nursery is available during all regular Sunday worship services. 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. and 5-7 p.m. during the program year; 9:30-11:30 and 5-7 p.m. during the summer.

Key

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September 2026

Sunday, September 13

- 10 a.m. [Children's Parent Coffee Social in Café](#)
Return to Full-Service Schedule
[No Sunday morning formation](#)
- 10:10-11 a.m. [Confirmation Informational Session](#)
- 1 p.m. [Youth Worship Ministry Training in Church](#)

Saturday, September 19

- 6 p.m. [Kickoff of Youth Group -- Richmond Kickers](#)

Sunday, September 20

- 10:10-11 a.m. Child Acolyte and Adult Server Training for Palmer Hall
[Youth Worship Ministry Training in Church](#)
[Children's Formation: Come and See](#)

Sunday, September 27

- 10:10-11 a.m. **First Sunday of Children's and Youth Formation**
[Confirmation Informational Session](#)
Baptisms in Palmer Hall;
[Palmer Hall Acolyte/Adult Trainings](#)
- 1 p.m. [Youth Worship Ministry Training](#)

October 2026

Friday, October 2

5-7 p.m.

Family Ministry Party

Sunday, October 4

9 a.m.

Blessing of the Animals Outdoor Palmer Hall

5:30-5:45 p.m.

New 6th Grade Welcome & Orientation

5:30-8 p.m.

Youth Group

Saturday, October 10

Acolyte Festival (Diocesan)

Sunday, October 11

10:10-11 a.m.

Intergenerational Outreach Morning

Sunday, October 18

9 + 11:15 a.m.

Youth Worship Leader Commissioning

6-8 p.m.

Youth Confirmation, Track One – Session One

Sunday, October 25

6-8 p.m.

Youth Confirmation, Track One – Session Two

Friday, October 30

Ghost Walk and Dinner

November 2026

Sunday, November 8

6-8 p.m.

Youth Confirmation, Track One – Session Three

Sunday, November 13

5:30-8 p.m.

Youth Group Outreach

Sunday, November 22

6-8 p.m.

Youth Confirmation, Track One – Session Four

Sunday, November 29

10 a.m.

Advent Fair (No Sunday morning formation)

December 2026

Sunday, December 6

5-8 p.m.

Holiday Lights Tour

Sunday, December 13

6-8 p.m.

Youth Confirmation, Track One – Session Five

Monday, December 14

Live Nativity

Saturday, December 19

Christmas Pageant Rehearsal

Sunday, December 20

Christmas Pageant

(No Sunday morning formation)

Wednesday, December 23

Christmas Eve Acolyte Rehearsal

Sunday, December 27

(No Sunday morning formation)

January 2027

Saturday, January 3

No Sunday morning formation

Saturday, January 9

10 a.m.-2 p.m. Youth Confirmation, Track One – Retreat

Sunday, January 17

5:30-8 p.m. Youth Group/Epiphany Party

Sunday, January 31

5:30-8 p.m. Youth Group

February 2027

Sunday, February 7

6-8 p.m. Youth Confirmation, Track Two – Session One

Sunday, February 14

2-4 p.m. Superbowling Event

Sunday, February 21

6-8 p.m. Youth Confirmation, Track Two – Session Two

March 2027

Sunday, March 7

6-8 p.m. Youth Confirmation, Track Two – Session Three

Sunday, March 14

6-8 p.m. Youth Group Movie Night

Sunday, March 21

10:10 a.m. No Sunday morning formation (Palm Sunday)
6-8 p.m. Youth Confirmation, Track Two – Session Four

Sunday, March 28

10:10 a.m. **Easter Day**
No Sunday morning formation
Easter Egg Hunt

April 2027

Sunday, April 11

6-8 p.m. Youth Confirmation, Track Two – Session Five

Friday, April 16 – Sunday, April 18

Diocesan Youth Retreat

Saturday, April 24

10 a.m.-2 p.m. Youth Confirmation, Track Two – Retreat

May 2027

Sunday, May 2

9 & 11:15 a.m.

Youth Sunday and Senior Recognition

Sunday, May 9

9 & 11:15 a.m.

Chorister Recognition

10:10-11:10 a.m.

Last Sunday of Morning Formation

6Sunday, May 23

9 & 11:15 a.m.

Confirmation Service

June – August 2027

Children and Youth Events and Programming TBD