



All Saints' Day

Sunday, November 1, 2026, at 8 a.m.

Holy Eucharist: Rite One

St. Stephen's Episcopal Church ☙ Richmond, Virginia

Welcome to St. Stephen's Church. We are so glad you are here. This service of Holy Eucharist follows the order found in the Book of Common Prayer (the red book in the pew rack) beginning on page 323. This bulletin provides page numbers and other information to guide you through the service.

The Word of God

Opening Acclamation	<i>Please stand as you are able.</i>	The Book of Common Prayer, page 323
The Collect for Purity		page 323
The Summary of the Law		page 324
Kyrie, Trisagion or Gloria		page 324
The Collect of the Day	<i>Found on page 3.</i>	
The First Lesson	<i>Found on page 3; please sit.</i>	
The Psalm	<i>Found on page 3; please remain seated and read responsively.</i>	
The Gospel	<i>Found on page 3-4; please stand.</i>	
The Sermon	<i>Please sit.</i>	
The Nicene Creed	<i>Please stand.</i>	page 326
The Prayers of the People	<i>Please kneel as you are able.</i>	pages 328-330
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Welcome and Announcements	<i>Please sit.</i>	

At the Presentation of Alms

All comes from God, so from what God has given, we offer gifts to sustain God's work in the world. If you wish to make your offering electronically, please scan the QR code or text STSTEPHENS RVA to 73256.



*All things come of thee, O Lord.
And of thine own have we given thee.*

The Holy Communion

The Great Thanksgiving *Please stand.*

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Please kneel after the Sanctus.

The Lord's Prayer

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The Breaking of the Bread

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The Prayer of Humble Access

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The Distribution of Holy Communion

All are welcome at the altar in this place. Communion is distributed at the Communion rail in the Chapel of the Good Shepherd, and you may stand or kneel to receive. To receive Communion, place your hands together, palms up. You may consume the bread and then drink from the wine in the larger chalice. If you prefer to "intinct" or touch the edge of your bread to the wine, please use the smaller cup. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request. If you prefer to receive a blessing, cross your arms against your chest. If you need us to bring the sacrament to you, please let the usher know.

The Post-Communion Prayer

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The Blessing and Dismissal

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The Collect and Readings

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The Collect of the Day

The Book of Common Prayer, page 194

O Almighty God, who hast knit together thine elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of thy Son Christ our Lord: Grant us grace so to follow thy blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living, that we may come to those ineffable joys which thou hast prepared for those who unfeignedly love thee; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who with thee and the Holy Spirit liveth and reigneth, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen.**

The Lesson Revelation 7:9-17 *Please sit.*

Reader A reading from the Revelation to John.

After this I, John, looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying,

“Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!” And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, singing, “Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen.”

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, “Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?” I said to him, “Sir, you are the one that knows.” Then he said to me, “These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

“For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them. They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.”

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.** *A period of silence is kept.*

Psalm 34:1-10, 22 *Said responsively by whole verse, seated.*

The Book of Common Prayer, page 628

1 I will bless the LORD at all times; *

his praise shall ever be in my mouth.

2 I will glory in the LORD; *

let the humble hear and rejoice.

3 Proclaim with me the greatness of the LORD; *

let us exalt his Name together.

4 I sought the LORD, and he answered me *

and delivered me out of all my terror.

5 Look upon him and be radiant, *

and let not your faces be ashamed.

6 I called in my affliction and the LORD heard me *

and saved me from all my troubles.

7 The angel of the LORD encompasses those who fear him, *

and he will deliver them.

8 Taste and see that the LORD is good; *

happy are they who trust in him!

9 Fear the LORD, you that are his saints, *

for those who fear him lack nothing.

10 The young lions lack and suffer hunger, *

but those who seek the LORD lack nothing that is good.

22 The LORD ransoms the life of his servants, *

and none will be punished who trust in him. *Silence is kept.*

The Gospel Matthew 5:1-12 *Please stand and face the reader of the Gospel.*

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:

“Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

“Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

“Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

“Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

“Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

“Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

“Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

“Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness’ sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

“Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account.

Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.”

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

Memorials

The flowers are given to the glory of God and in memory of Carter Sommers by his friends; Florence S. and Robert W. Cabaniss, Sr., by Mr. and Mrs. Robert W. Cabaniss III; Durwood Usry by his family; Brandon Scholder by Eliza Scholder; and Judy Y. Lane and Brenda P. Reid by Martin Lane. The Vigil Candle is also offered in memory of Judy Y. Lane and Brenda P. Reid by Martin Lane.

Participants

CELEBRANT AND PREACHER: The Rev. William S. Stanley; **LAY ASSISTANT MINISTERS:** Iffet Araniti-Davis and Dave Davis

Copies of the parish prayer list are available in the narthex (the church vestibule inside the Three Chopt Road entrance) and at Information Central, just outside the parish office. To ask that a name be added to or removed from the prayer list, please contact Kitty Ball in the office, 804.288.2867 or kball@ststephensRVA.org.