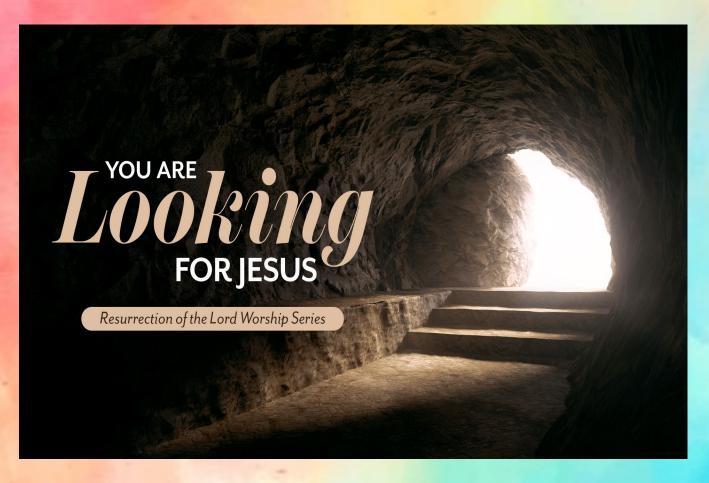


ST. STEPHEN'S united methodist church

Easter Sunday



"Resurrection Every Day"

Acts 10:34-43; John 20:1-18

March 31, 2024

Easter Sunday 10:30 am

WELCOME

PASSING OF THE PEACE

PRELUDE Christ the Lord is Risen Today

(arr. By Robert W. Thygerson)

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: The tomb is dark, but empty

All: The one you are looking for has overcome the darkness

One: The stone has been rolled away

All: The one you are looking for has overcome death

One: The burial clothes are put aside

All: The one you are looking for is alive!

One: Christ is Risen!

All: Christ is Risen Indeed!

One: Let us worship our Risen Savior!

*OPENING HYMN Christ the Lord is Risen Today

UMH 302

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

NEW TESTAMENT READING Acts 10:34-43 (CEB)

*GOSPEL READING John 20:1-18 (CEB)

*SCRIPTURE RESPONSE

Leader: Inspired words for beloved people.

All: Lord, transform us through its hearing.

"Resurrection Every Day"

SERMON

OFFERING PRAYER AND INVITATION

You can give using your smartphone!

Text a dollar amount to 84321 and select St. Stephen's.

Those wishing to commit their lives to Christ are invited to contact Pastor Nathan at

512-771-2741 or nathan@stshtx.org

Our Communion offering for March will go towards Books Between Kids

OFFERTORY Christ the Lord is Risen Today **Spirit Singers** & Brass

(arr. By Cindy Berry)

CONFESSION AND PARDON

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

"Communion Setting (preface)"

TFWS 2257

(by Mark Miller)

COMMUNION MEDLEY

Let us Break Bread Together UMH 618; One Bread, One Body UMH 620

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CLOSING HYMN Christ is Alive UMH 286

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE Lift High the Cross

> *Please stand as you are able. UMH=United Methodist Hymnal **UMH=United Methodist Hymnal**

> > Senior Pastor. Rev. Nathan Lonsdale Bledsoe

Family Ministries Director: Steven Fisher

Accompanist: Dr. Andreea Muț

Song Leader: Emily Leffler

Liturgist: Brody Leffler

Trumpets: Frank Gassmann & Jacob Cook

Horn: Jimmy Herrington

Trombone: Jose Trevino

Scan this code to sign in to worship or request prayer using your smart phone.





March Communion Offering:

Books Between Kids



To make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world





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St. Stephen's is a church with an exciting vision for loving God and our neighbors. If you want to learn more about our church, more about who Jesus is and why that matters, or just about anything else, Nathan would love to meet with you! Call or text him at 512-771-2741 to make an appointment.

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