



ST. STEPHEN'S
united methodist church

Second Sunday of Advent



The Perfect Home

Isaiah 11:1-10

December 7, 2025

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10:30 am

WELCOME

PASSING OF THE PEACE

PRELUDE

There Will Be Peace in the Valley for Me

(By Thomas A. Dorsey)

*CALL TO WORSHIP:

One: Beloved, we gather to remember who we are, not who the world tells us to be.

All: We tell the story together of the day that all the earth awaits.

One: We recall the story of God's people, how God has called us to live in peace and righteousness in a world full of conflict and twisted morality.

All: We tell the story together of the day that all the earth awaits.

One: We recount the story of our journey with God, the moments of God's provision, God's prodding, and God's prophetic guidance.

All: We tell the story together of the day that all the earth awaits.

One: We gather to repent and return anew to God's story that guides our lives to work for peace and flourishing for all God's creation.

All: We gather to tell the story of the day that all the earth awaits. Thanks be to God! Amen.

*OPENING HYMN

Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming

UMH 216

*THE LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE

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.

SCRIPTURE READING

Isaiah 11:1-10 (NRSV)

SCRIPTURE RESPONSE

Leader: Inspired words for beloved people.

All: Lord, transform us through its hearing.

SERMON

"The Perfect Home"

OFFERING PRAYER AND INVITATION

You can give using your smartphone!

Text a dollar amount to 844-754-2197 and select St. Stephen's.

Those wishing to commit their lives to Christ are invited to contact Pastor Trey at 713-409-4618 or trey@stshtx.org

Our Communion offering for December will benefit [Star of Hope](#).

MISSION MOMENT

ANTHEM

"Someday at Christmas"

Mary Gossett, Solo

(By Ronald N. Miller and Bryan Wells)

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

UMH 95

CONFESSION AND PARDON

*THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

"A Communion Setting"

TFWS 2257

(by Mark Miller)

COMMUNION HYMN

"One Bread, One Body"

UMH 620

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CLOSING HYMN

O Come, O Come Emmanuel

UMH 211

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

"O Come, O Come Emmanuel"

(arr. By Hal H. Hopson)

***Please stand as you are able.**

UMH=United Methodist Hymnal. TFWS = The Faith we Sing

Senior Pastor: Rev. Trey Comstock

Family Ministries Director: Steven Fisher

Accompanist: Dr. Andreea Mut

Song Leader: Mary Gossett

Liturgists: The Price Family



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worship or make a prayer request.



December Communion Offering:
[Star of Hope](#)



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

ST. STEPHEN'S UMC

YOUNG (AND YOUNGISH) ADULT CHRISTMAS PARTY

IN THE BARREL ROOM AT GREAT HEIGHTS BREWING CO

DECEMBER 7TH | 5-8 PM



DON'T FORGET THE WHITE ELEPHANT GIFT EXCHANGE. \$20 MAX!





Join us on 3rd Sundays in the Fellowship Hall

8:30 AM **COMMUNITY BREAKFAST**
9:15 AM **FAMILY WORSHIP SERVICE**



Messy Christmas

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 9 @ 5:30 PM

Our Theme: Christmas
Dinner, crafts, and activity stations for families with elementary-age and Pre-K children





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JOIN US FOR

ADVENT

● ● WORSHIP ● ●

TRADITIONAL WORSHIP
NOVEMBER 30, DECEMBER 7,
DECEMBER 14, DECEMBER 21 @ 10:30 A.M.
IN THE SANCTUARY



FAMILY WORSHIP
DECEMBER 21 @ 9:15 A.M.
CHRISTMAS EVE, DECEMBER 24 @ 4:30 P.M.
IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL



MESSY CHURCH
DECEMBER 9 @ 5:30 P.M.
IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL



CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLELIGHT SERVICE
DECEMBER 24 @ 7:00 P.M.
IN THE SANCTUARY

CHRISTMAS DAY
DECEMBER 25 @ 11:00 A.M.
IN THE SANCTUARY



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Join Us!

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, Trey would love to meet with you! Call or text him at 713-409-4618.

How to reach St. Stephen's

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