



ST. STEPHEN'S
united methodist church



August 30th, 2026

Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

August 30th, 2026

10:30 am

WELCOME & PASSING OF THE PEACE

PRELUDE

“Just a Closer Walk”

(arr. By Ruth Elaine Schram)

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: We know the temptation to answer hurt with hurt and anger with anger.

All: Teach us, O God, to overcome evil with good and to meet the world with the love of Christ.

One: Christ calls us to a different way—a life marked by genuine love, patience, generosity, and peace.

All: Teach us, O God, to overcome evil with good and to meet the world with the love of Christ.

One: When others choose the path of resentment and retaliation, give us the courage to choose something better.

All: Teach us, O God, to overcome evil with good and to meet the world with the love of Christ.

One: As we worship, may we be strengthened to rise above the patterns that divide us and become people who bring goodness into the world.

All: Teach us, O God, to overcome evil with good and to meet the world with the love of Christ. Amen.

*OPENING HYMN

“Here I Am Lord”

UMH 593

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

A Statement of Faith of the Korean Methodist Church

UMH 884

PASTORAL PRAYER

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

SCRIPTURE READING

[Romans 12:9-21 \(NRSVUE\)](#)

SCRIPTURE RESPONSE

Leader: Inspired words for beloved people.

All: Lord, transform us through its hearing.

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 August will benefit [MAM's Back to School Drive](#).

ANTHEM

“Go Down Moses “
(arr. By H.T. Burleigh)

Ron, Solo

*DOXOLOGY

“Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow”

UMH 95

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CLOSING HYMN

“They'll Know We Are Christians By Our Love”

TFWS 2223

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

“Partita on How Firm a Foundation”
(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
Assistant Family Ministries Director: Briona Jones
Song Leader: Ron Bruns
Liturgist: Briona Jones
Accompanist: Dr. Andreea Mut



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

WILD CHURCH

A NATURE-BASED WORSHIP EXPERIENCE ON FORGIVENESS & DELIVERANCE

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13TH
8:00-9:30 A.M.

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Messy CHURCH

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8 @ 5:30 PM

Theme to be Announced Soon

Dinner, crafts, and activity stations for families with elementary-age kids

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Non-Profit Fair

2026

For 503C and 506C non-profits from Oak Forest, Garden Oaks, and northwest Houston

Saturday, September 26th @ 9 a.m.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY

ROMANS: PAUL'S OPUS

6:30 P.M. IN ROOM 101 AND ON ZOOM

YOUTH GROUP

TONIGHT FROM 5-7 PM

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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 to make an appointment.

How to reach St. Stephen's

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