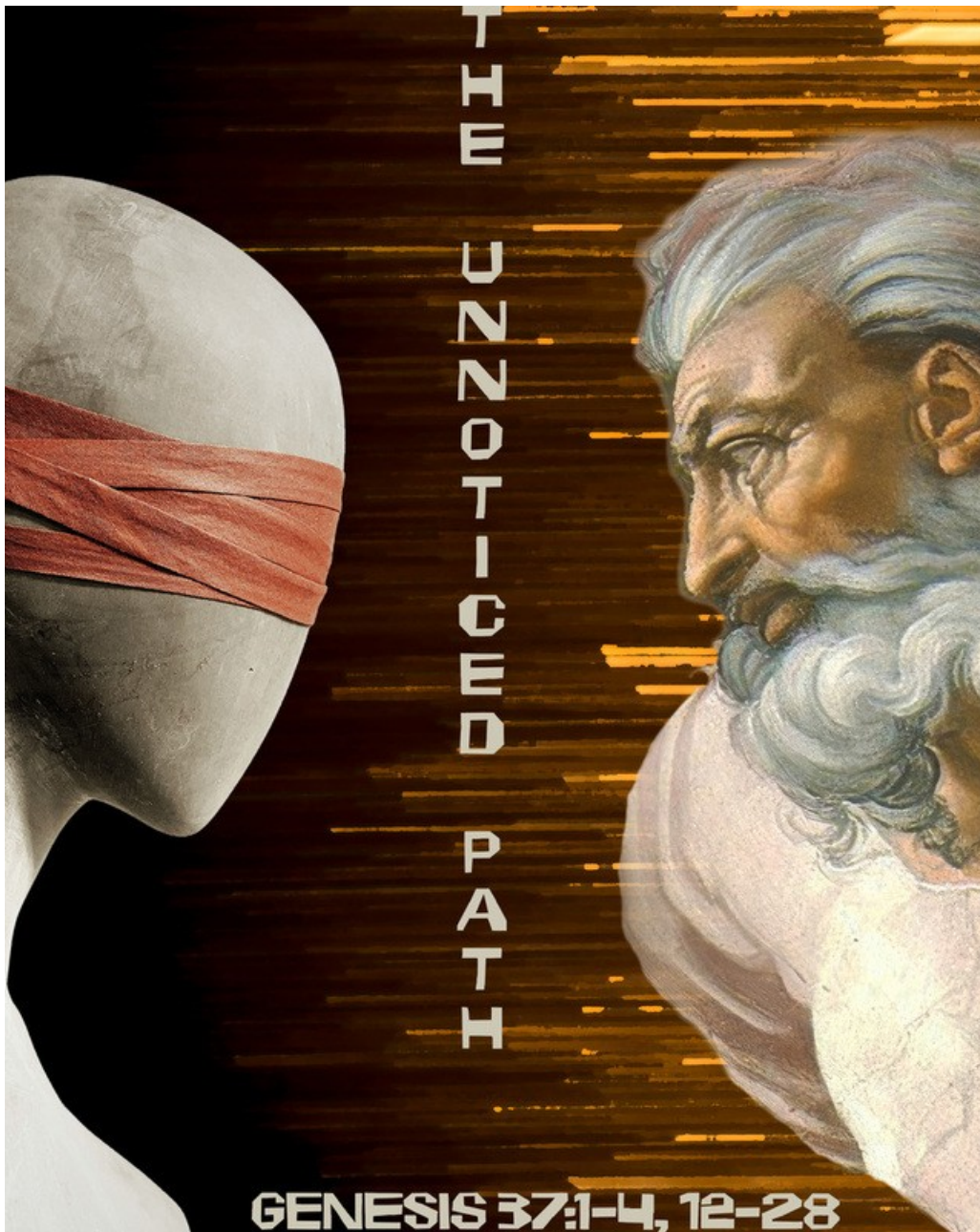




ST. STEPHEN'S

united methodist church



August 9th, 2026

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

August 9th, 2026

10:30 am

WELCOME & PASSING OF THE PEACE

PRELUDE

“It is Well with my Soul”

(By Philip Bliss. Arr. By Jerry Ray)

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: God's purposes are often unfolding long before we can recognize where they will lead.

All: Lead us, O God, to trust your faithful presence, even when the way ahead is unclear.

One: Even when life takes unexpected turns, God remains at work, bringing hope from uncertainty.

All: Lead us, O God, to trust your faithful presence, even when the way ahead is unclear.

One: The God who walks with us through every season is able to transform our trials into opportunities for grace.

All: Lead us, O God, to trust your faithful presence, even when the way ahead is unclear.

One: As we worship, we place our lives in the hands of the One who guides our steps, redeems our stories, and is faithful through every circumstance.

All: Lead us, O God, to trust your faithful presence, even when the way ahead is unclear. Amen.

*OPENING HYMN

“God of Love, and God of Power”

UMH 578

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

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

[Genesis 37:1-4; 12-28](#) (NRSVUE)

SCRIPTURE RESPONSE

Leader: Inspired words for beloved people.

All: Lord, transform us through its hearing.

OFFERING PRAYER AND INVITATION

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

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ANTHEM

“How Can I Keep from Singing”
(arr. By DeFord/Loynes)

Ron Bruns, Solo

*DOXOLOGY

“Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow”

UMH 95

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CLOSING HYMN

“Children of the Heavenly Father”

UMH 141

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

“Blessed Assurance”
(by Fanny Crosby and Phoebe Palmer Knapp)

***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: Katherine Danheim

Accompanist: Mary Box



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