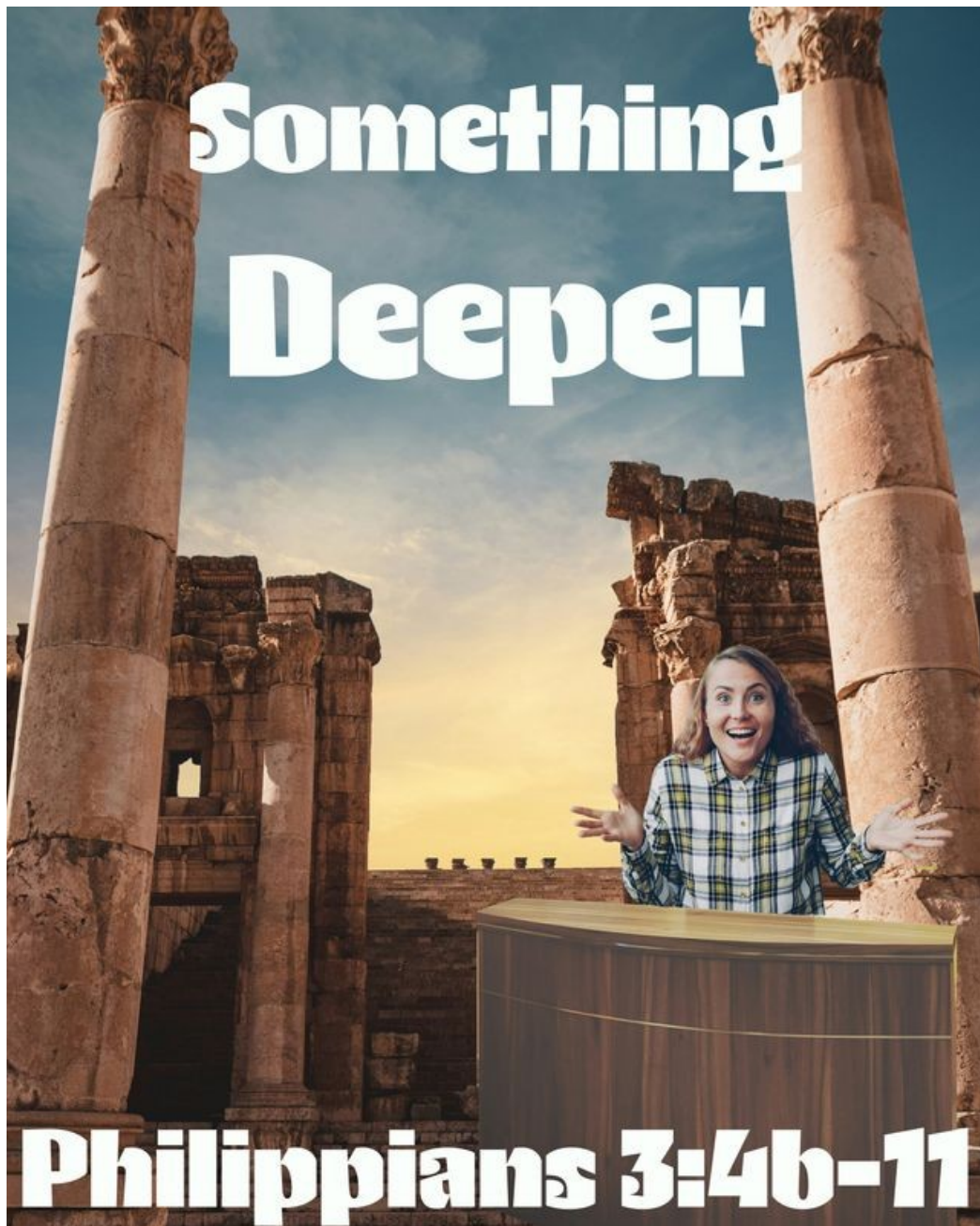




ST. STEPHEN'S
united methodist church



October 4th, 2026

Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

October 4th, 2026

10:30 am

WELCOME & PASSING OF THE PEACE

PRELUDE

“When in Our Music God is Glorified”

(arr by Mark Hayes)

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: We can spend a lot of time trying to prove who we are by what we have done and what others think of us.

All: Turn our hearts toward Christ, O God, and shape us from within.

One: Jesus reminds us that our worth is not found in our accomplishments, but in knowing and following Christ.

All: Turn our hearts toward Christ, O God, and shape us from within.

One: God cares about who we are becoming, not just how we appear to others.

All: Turn our hearts toward Christ, O God, and shape us from within.

One: As we worship, help us let go of what we use to prove ourselves and grow deeper in faith, love, and grace.

All: Turn our hearts toward Christ, O God, and shape us from within. Amen.

*OPENING HYMN

“From All That Dwell Below the Skies”

UMH 101

PRAYER 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

SCRIPTURE READING

[Philippians 3:4b-14 \(NRSVUE\)](#)

SCRIPTURE RESPONSE

Leader: Inspired words for beloved people.

All: Lord, transform us through its hearing.

SERMON

“Something Deeper”

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 October will benefit the [Houston Area Women's Center](#)

ANTHEM

"Pan de Vida"

Emily, Solo

(by Bob Hurd)

*DOXOLOGY

"Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"

UMH 95

CONFESSION AND PARDON

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

"A Communion Setting"

TFWS 2257

COMMUNION HYMN

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CLOSING HYMN

"Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty "

UMH 64

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

"A Mighty Fortress is Our God"

(arr. By Eleanor Whitsett)

***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
Song Leader: Emily Leffler
Liturgist: Dan Barcus
Accompanist: Dr. Andreea Mut



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worship or make a prayer request.

HAWC | Houston Area
Women's Center
Ending domestic and sexual violence for **ALL**

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

TRUNK OR TREAT

ST. STEPHEN'S
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OCTOBER 25 5-7 PM

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

OCTOBER 18TH 2026

Pet Vendors Welcome
EMAIL: CAN@STSHTX.ORG FOR MORE INFORMATION

Free Community Breakfast
Live Music
Crafts for Children
Homemade treats for pets

A Blessing of the Animals will take place at our Family Worship service at 9:15 a.m.
Dogs must be leashed and all other pets secured.

In Partnership With the Animal Justice League

WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY

ROMANS: PAUL'S OPUS

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

Space City Slides

Free Concert
Sunday, October 4th @ 7 p.m.
St. Stephen's United Methodist Church
Featuring works from:
John Williams, Verhelst, T. Pederson, and more!

In Collaboration with:
Brent Phillips
Jordan Johnson

Messy CHURCH

**OCTOBER 13
@ 5:30 PM**

YOUTH GROUP

TONIGHT FROM 5-7 PM

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You can give using your smart phone! Text a dollar amount to 844-754-2197 and select St. Stephen's, or go to stsh tx.org.

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.

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