THE VOICE OF ST. CHRISTOPHER'S

WEEK OF JULY 30TH — AUGUST 7TH 10TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Sunday's Hymns

Prelude "Shepherd of Souls Refresh and Bless"

Processional Hymn "Praise My Soul, The King of Heaven" (vs 1-4)

Sequence Hymn "I Am The Bread of Life" (vs 1,2,3 then 4,5)

"My Faith Looks Un To Thee"

Offertory Hymn "My Faith Looks Up To Thee"
Communion Hymn "This Is Holy Ground" (vs 1,2)

Communion Hymn

"There Is Power In The Name of Jesus" (vs 1-4)

"Thy Word Is A Lamp Unto My Feet" (vs 1,2)

"Lamp Unto My Feet" (vs 1,2)

"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee" (vs 1-3)

Postlude "Praise To The Lord, The Almighty"

Organ
Hymnal 410
Hymnal 335
Organist
Maranatha 118
Maranatha 140
Maranatha 143
Hymnal 376
Organ

Hymnals, Songbooks, and Prayer Books are located in the pews!

Upcoming Events:

Aug 14th: 8:00 am – Men's Prayer Breakfast

Aug 15th: 9:30 am service-Blessing of the Backpacks

Sep 5th: Start of 2 Worship Services-8:15 & 10:30

Sep 12th: Rally Day/Ministry Fair

Sept 25th: Annual Outreach Auction Theme: "Feelin' Groovy

**We will be passing the Offertory Plate for your offerings and donations each Sunday. There are offering envelopes at the end of each pew for your convenience.

A Vestry Opening!

We have a vacancy on the Vestry. We would like to recruit a few candidates for appointment by Fr. Steve. If you feel called to serve, please contact the office!

Birthdays

July 31 – Sandi Andrews

Aug 1 – Shawn Collins

Aug 1 – Indy Murray

Aug 5 – Sarah Carranza Aug 6 – Daniel Kitchell

Aug 6 – Isabella VanMeter

St. Chris's Preschool

Registration is OPEN!

1st Day of Fall Preschool is August 24th!

Check-it out!!! Call (254) 526-8380

http://stchrisps.com/

stchristopherps@gmail.com
http://www.stchrisps.com/admissions.html

Fall Preschool hours: Tues-Thurs, 8:45-2:15pm (before & after school care available!)

Ongoing Registration.

15 months through Kindergarten

Communion Wine in the Intinction Cup

We have added an LEM/Chalice Bearer to our services to assist Fr. Steve. This means we will also be adding the "Intinction" Cup to our Communion. Yes, we will have wine!

We will not be using the common cup.

 Intinction: the action of dipping the bread in the wine at a Eucharist so that a communicant receives both together.

This also means that we will need to be mindful of others when dipping our wafer.

Only the wafer (and not your fingers) should touch the wine.



Fr. Steve's Comments....

UPDATED COVID and Delta Variant Guidelines – 7-28-2021

At this point, probably most of us have been vaccinated. That's a good thing, since the variant is really hitting non-vaccinated people.

If you <u>haven't</u> been vaccinated, for whatever reason, you'll need to wear a mask whenever you're at St. Christopher's, because Bell County is an area where the virus and the Delta variant are readily transmitted.

See, https://covid.cdc.gov/covid-data-tracker/#county-view

Yes, it feels like a bit of a step back. Yes, this thing is a pain. But we all know that to live a holy life we sometimes need to set aside our wishes, for the sake of others.

We do need to protect our friends and families, by making safe and appropriate decisions. We must all work together to protect those who are immunocompromised, at risk for severe illness if they get COVID-19, or have someone in their household is immunocompromised, at risk or not fully vaccinated.

The guidelines can get complicated, so let's keep this easy:

If you aren't vaccinated, wear a mask. *Please*. If you are vaccinated, feel free to wear a mask.

Ministry Schedule

Altar Guild: Aug 1st – Team D, Aug 8th – Team A, Aug 15th – Team B

<u>Lectors/Ushers:</u> Aug 1st – Dave & Holly Miller

Aug 8th - Michael Blomquist, Barnett Carthey

Aug 15th – Larry Taylor, Penny Gillespie

VOD: Aug 1st – Holly Miller

Aug 8th – Michael Blomquist Aug 15th – Steve Bodkin

<u>LEM/Chalice:</u> Aug 1st – Larry Taylor

Aug 8th – Steve Bodkin

Aug 15th - Michael Blomquist

Ushers/VODs:

<u>VODs:</u> Please light the altar candles before, and extinguish them after, each service. Also, count attendance, and turn on/off the lights. After each service, the VOD counts offertory receipts, with our Treasurer, (or a member of the vestry if the treasurer is absent) and signs the form, sign the nursery check-out form as well.

<u>Ushers:</u> Bring the elements from the back to the altar, during the offertory, and please guide the congregation to communion one side at a time.

Please Support St. Christopher's !!

Your Time, Talent, and Financial Support are super important!

Thanks, y'all!

When you order from Amazon, go to www.smile.amazon.com, enter "St. Christopher's Episcopal" as the charity of your choice. A part of that sale will go to St. Chris's!!!

*** GREAT NEWS!!!! ***

On September 5, 2021, we're back to 2 Sunday services!!!

8:15am Rite I (Traditional)

10:30am Rite II (Contemporary)

Tell Everyone!!! See you there!!!

(PS, we'll need regularly scheduled help to cover those services. Are you a potential Usher, Lector, LEM, or Acolyte? Please call the office!!!)

August Outreach Ministry

The Killeen Community (Free) Clinic is our Mission of the Month for August. The clinic provides medical care for those with limited access to health care services. They are asking for donations of copy paper, toilet tissue, paper towels, tissues, post-it notes, hand sanitizer, and other office supplies. If you want more information or are interested in volunteering your time, please contact our St. Christopher's point of contact Lenna Barr at lennabar@gmail.com. **Please place your donations in the box located in the Bell Tower Storage Room.

While we complete the conversion to a more user-friendly way of giving and less expensive credit card options, please feel free to use the giving link on our website! (We are changing because VANCO deducts a heavy fee from those donations.)

More info is coming on online giving.

Want to be listed in the Church Directory?
Please send a short note to the office.
st.chris.killeen@gmail.com

Or, call the office at your convenience, M-Th 9am-3pm 254-634-7474

The Church Directory will be out by mid-August!

WHAT ARE YOUR THOUGHTS?? A Community Garden? Food Truck Friday? Or ??????

Have an idea about how we can use our "fallow" land, and often empty parking lot, to help St. Christopher's be more inviting, to bring us into a positive focus, and serve the people of Killeen?

Have an idea? Let us know!!

**Teachers, Students, School Employees of all kinds - Please bring your backpacks, lap-tops, purses, etc. to be blessed on Sunday, August 15th. This is the Sunday before the start of the 2021-22 school year for Killeen ISD and the week before the start of the St. Christopher's Preschool (August 24).

Bring your school items to the altar at the appropriate time during the service to be blessed. The service starts at 9:30am.

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NEW COVID RULES

IN LIGHT OF TODAY'S SERIOUS COVID VARIANTS

NO VACCINATION?

THAT'S OK.
BUT YOU MUST WEAR A MASK, & MAINTAIN
SOCIAL DISTANCING.

VACCINATED?

WE ENCOURAGE SOCIAL DISTANCING. YOU MAY CHOOSE TO WEAR A MASK OR NOT WEAR A MASK.

INTERESTED IN VACCINATION?

CHECK OUT WWW.VACCINES.GOV