



# ST. STEPHEN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

**It's just about that time!**

Our 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday Discipleship class (Sept. 13<sup>th</sup>) will be our kick-off for the Sunday School year. Plan to meet in the Social Hall. Our focus this year will be Fruits of the Spirit. This class is intended to be for all ages, although little ones are welcome to go to the nursery and play with Mrs. Ree! Come join in the intergenerational fellowship, learning, and snacking!

Regular children's Sunday School for 2's - 12<sup>th</sup> grade will begin Sept. 20<sup>th</sup>.

Shannon is SO APPRECIATIVE to the following people who have stepped up to serve as Sunday School teachers for the 2026-2027 year:

2's-5K (Emily Kean, Whitney Egan, Anna Browder, Brittany Moran)  
 1<sup>st</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> (Christy Hooker, Ryan Johnson, Nicole Stoudemire)  
 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> (Matt and Celeste Schnabel, Jackson Burgess, Stacey Summerall)  
 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> (Shannon Burnett)



We hope to see many faces joining us for Sunday School this year!

## **First Responder Breakfast:**

Lutheran Men is proud to sponsor the Third Annual First Responder Breakfast which will be held Friday, September 11 from 7:00 am -9:30 AM in the social hall for all Law Enforcement officers, Dispatchers, FBI, SLED, Forest Service, Firefighters and EMTs.

If you would like to help us serve the meal, help with clean up etc., please contact Ron Redd  
 (803-360-0241  
 Rredd7848@gmail.com)



## **God's Work Our Hands Service Day – Sunday, September 13<sup>th</sup>**

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### September Love Offering:

#### Lutheran Disaster Response

Lutheran Disaster Response (LDR) shares God's hope, healing and renewal with people whose lives have been disrupted by disasters in the US and around the world.

Domestically, LDR uses a model of collaboration that is grounded in the principle of accompaniment, working in coordination with local synods, ecumenical partners, tribal nations and community-based organizations to provide disaster and crisis support through the disaster cycle. Internationally, LDR works at the request of and in coordination with local partners to connect companion churches, the Lutheran World Federation, and other ecumenical partners to strengthen communities' ability to respond and recover. A donation to LDR, designated for a specific response, will be used entirely (100%) for those whose lives have been impacted by natural disasters, famine, war or violence.

### ***This is Us***

Parents of high school and college aged youth should plan to join together  
Thursday, Sept. 24th at  
6 PM.

We will meet at Flight Deck.

Help plan for the upcoming year.  
Please let Shannon know if you  
will be there!



### ***WELCA Salad Supper and Business Meeting***

***Calling all St. Stephen's Ladies!***

***Please mark your calendars and come to the social hall on Tuesday, September 8th at 6:00 pm for a pot luck salad supper.***

***We will have a brief business meeting.***

***Dawn Corley will share storied pieces of silver related to South Carolina from the 18th and early 19th centuries.***

***Please bring your favorite salad to share.***



Lunch is offered each Wednesday beginning at 11:45 AM in the Social Hall prior to our WE! Worship service .

The cost of lunch is \$5. Join us for food and fellowship before we worship at 12:30 PM.



### **Committee of 100:**

How would you like to be a part of bringing Jesus Christ into someone's life? It could be really simple – by becoming a part of the Committee of 100 which is composed of members who contribute \$100.00 in a given year to help support newly organized mission churches in the SC Synod as they struggle to become self-supporting. St. Stephen's has led the way in this program since 1980 – having 75 members in 2025. All contributions are welcome. Please consider this stewardship opportunity. \$18,267.00 was distributed to mission churches in 2025. Please make your check to: Committee of 100 – place it in the offering plate or give it to Ron Redd and he will handle the details. Ron Redd 803-360-0241 Rredd7848@gmail.com.

### **Jr. and Sr. High Youth Events:**

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#### **Kayaking on the Saluda River - Sunday, September 20th**

Mrs. Shannon is working on getting a plan together for a kayaking trip on the Saluda River. If this interests you, please keep the afternoon of Sept. 20<sup>th</sup> open! Details will be shared as soon as plans are finalized!!

#### **Sr. High Youth:**

Mark your calendars for the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of each month as we will have breakfast at the church at 7:30 AM. First meeting will be Sept. 1st!

Also, if you have a youth (current 8<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grader) that is interested in participating in the ELCA National Youth Gathering in Minneapolis, MN June 28-July 2, please talk to Shannon and get the information that was shared at the interest meeting. Everyone must complete an interest form by Oct. 18<sup>th</sup>!



# Order of St. Stephen's

|                        | 8:30 AM                                                  | 11:00 am                                                           |
|------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Sept. 6 <sup>th</sup>  | A – Liam Crawford<br>C – Connor Fink<br>BB – Weston Hill | A – Ann-Reece Lever<br>C – Jocelyn Summerall<br>BB – Sophie Taylor |
| Sept. 13 <sup>th</sup> | A – Caroline Hooker<br>C – Katy Hooker                   | A – James Carrero<br>C – William Carrero                           |
| Sept. 20 <sup>th</sup> | A – Parker Rate<br>C – Ryan Kennedy                      | A – Cole Cegelis<br>C – Aaron Cegelis                              |
| Sept. 27 <sup>th</sup> | A – Collins Crawford<br>C – Luke Wenzel                  | A – Betsy Sadler<br>C – Catherine Sadler                           |

## Saints and Sinners Sunday School Class

Join the pastors as they co-teach during the year. We will meet in the Adult SS Class on the second floor.

We will also participate in the Second Sunday Discipleship time on the second Sunday of each month in the Social Hall – with a focus on the Fruits of the Spirit.

All are welcome!

If you would like to begin a new Sunday school class or small group, please see the Pastors or Shannon. We would love to help form and support you with resources!



**WELCA Circle Meetings:** All women of St. Stephen's are members of WELCA and warmly invited to engage with one of our five circles. Each circle offers wonderful opportunities centered around faith, fellowship, and service. Below are the monthly meeting times and key contacts for each circle. Please don't hesitate to reach out, we would love you to join us!

**Lunch Belles,** 1st Tuesday, 12:30pm at the Country Club of Lexington.

Peggy Sherman (sshe695063@aol.com)

**Sunshine Circle,** 1st Monday, 6:30pm at rotating hostess home.

Marty Nantz (no.1mimi@yahoo.com)

**Circle 5,** 1st Tuesday, 6pm in the church social hall or parlor.

Dawn Corley (charlestonsilverlady6@gmail.com)

**Circle of Love,** 2nd Tuesday, 6:30pm in the church social hall.

Suzanne Robinson (robinsons1@yahoo.com)

**Circle 9,** 1st Wednesday, 10:45 am in the church parlor.

Drew Welch (DrewRoyWelch@gmail.com)

## **MISSION LEXINGTON UPDATE**

Our Easter to Reformation food drive continues with 3,597 lbs. of food toward a goal of 5,000 lbs. of food between now and Reformation Sunday, October 25. Our yearly donations are 5,172 lbs. toward a goal of 8,000 lbs.

Please note: NO GLASS JARS, PLEASE!

Mission Lexington needs the following items:

|                      |           |                        |                       |
|----------------------|-----------|------------------------|-----------------------|
| Canned Fruit         | Beef Stew | Canned Chicken         | Peanut Butter & Jelly |
| Mac & Cheese         | Chili     | Pork & beans           | Canned Vegetables     |
| Canned Soups         | Rice      | Coffee                 | Grits                 |
| Applesauce           | Oatmeal   | Breakfast Cereals      | Pasta                 |
| Dog Food (Dry & Wet) |           | Cat food (Dry and Wet) | Laundry Detergent     |
|                      |           |                        | Flour                 |
|                      |           |                        | Cornmeal mix          |

Please place your food donations in the red food barrels next to the elevator in the admin wing or in the red barrels in front of the Agape Sunday School Class.

If you prefer to make a monetary donation toward the purchase of food, please make your check payable to St. Stephen's. In the remarks section write for Food purchase Mission Lexington

***Remember even one can of food will feed someone who is hungry.***

Thank you again for your support. Point of contact: Ron Redd 803-360-0241 Rredd7848@gmail.com.

### ***Flowers for September***

September 6: Rita Rodgers  
September 13: Don and Georgianna Dukes  
September 20: Paul and Lucy Austin  
September 27: Reuben Eargle

### ***Recyclers for September***

September 6: The Head Family  
September 13: The Taylor Family  
September 20: Gary and Julie Angus  
September 27: Sarah and G Kolb

### **Ushers for September 6<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>**

8:30 - Eric Wessinger, Ivan Black, Bill Carroll, Aaron Rawl, Vernon Hester,  
Deon Fink, Blaine Richardson, Chad Geary  
11:00 - Alon Cox, Roy Welch, Brian Paeth, Doug Harper, Matt Martin, Heyward Addy

### **Ushers for September 13<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>**

8:30 - Reuben Eargle, Sandy Shealy, Jim Nantz, Daryl Hooker, Rick Logging  
11:00 - Otis Rawl, G Kolb, Mike Burgess, Myra Strock, Roy Windham, George Mathias

**LOVE & SERVE**



## September 2026 Lay Readers



# Lay Readers

### 8:30 AM

Sept. 6<sup>th</sup> Ginger Macaulay  
 Sept. 13<sup>th</sup> David Able  
 Sept. 20<sup>th</sup> Marty Nantz  
 Sept. 27<sup>th</sup> Lucy Austin

### 11:00 AM

Shannon Burnett  
 Mary Gaskins  
 Megan Carrero  
 Don Chappell

## September 2026 Greeters



### 8:30 AM

Sept. 6<sup>th</sup> Paul Austin  
 Sept. 13<sup>th</sup> Julie & Adam Tworzyanski  
 Sept. 20<sup>th</sup> David Able  
 Sept. 27<sup>th</sup> Craig & Jodi McFarland

### 11:00 AM

Rick & Suzanne Swaffield  
 Myra Strock  
 Kay Keener  
 Sarah Kolb

## September 2026 Communion Assistants

### 8:30 AM

Sept. 6<sup>th</sup> Jim and Marty Nantz  
 Sept. 13<sup>th</sup> Lucy Austin  
 Sept. 20<sup>th</sup> Paige Johnson  
 Sept. 27<sup>th</sup> Niane Szalwinski

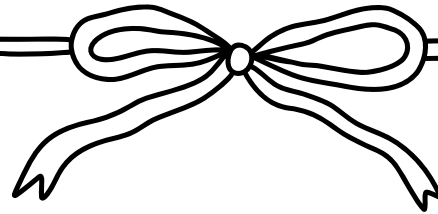
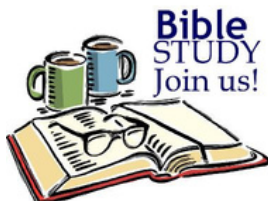
### 11:00 AM

Myra Strock and Ed Smith  
 Myra Strock  
 Ed Smith  
 Bill Cegelis



### Weekly Tuesday Morning Bible Study

continues at 9:05 am in the Socail Hall.  
 Pastor Ralph will lead a discussion time of  
 "Table Talk" as we gather around the table  
 to Read and interpret together the Scripture  
 from the previous Sunday's lessons. Bring  
 your bulletin and/or bible. Bring a friend.  
 Refreshments will be served.



Wings of Worship **will be happening**  
 thanks to Addie Brock! She will be  
 leading this group of dancers and we  
 couldn't be more excited! Mrs. Rhonda  
 started Wings of Worship 20 years ago  
 and is thrilled to see it continue. If your  
 daughter is interested in partiapiating,  
 please reach out to Addie at  
[awbrock22@gmail.com](mailto:awbrock22@gmail.com) or 843-301-6425  
 They will rehearse on Wednesdays at  
 6:45 pm.

**Training for Order of St. Stephen's**

**What? Learn how to serve St. Stephen's by being an acolyte (5th and 6th graders), crucifer (7th-10th graders), or banner bearer (11th graders)**

**Who? For anyone that needs to be trained and everyone that needs a refresher**



**Where? Meet in the Sanctuary**

**When? September 13<sup>th</sup> at 12:15 PM**

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**MOST OF OUR WNL! PROGRAMS RESUME SEPTEMBER 9<sup>TH</sup>!**

DINNER WILL BE SERVED FROM 5-5:45 PM IN THE SOCIAL HALL.

5:00 – 5:30 P.M. CHERUB CHOIR (2-4 YEAR OLDS)

5:30 – 6:10 P.M. CAROL AND TREBLE CHOIRS (K-5TH GRADERS)

5:30 - 6:00 P.M. JR. HIGH YOUTH (6TH-8TH GRADE)  
(BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 16TH)

6 P.M. ADULT BIBLE STUDY; CONFIRMATION MEETING WITH PARENTS AND YOUTH

6:10 – 6:40 P.M. CHOIR CHIMES – 1ST-5TH GRADERS  
(BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 16TH)

6-7 P.M. CONFIRMATION (7TH AND 8TH GRADE)  
(BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 16TH)

6:45 P.M. WINGS OF WORSHIP (BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 16TH)

7:00 P.M. ADULT CHOIR

**wednesday  
night LIVE!**

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The **WNL Adult Class** begins on September 9 from 6:00-7:00 pm in the Agape Classroom.

Join Pastor Ralph as we spend the fall nurturing our faith through an eight-session class on the Book of Job. We will also use our time together to include topical faith challenges we see and experience as individuals and as a faith community. Our goal is to explore and engage through conversation regarding our relationship with God and highlight how faith through Christ transforms our life view.

All are welcome - hope to see you there!

## Lutheran Men:

Lutheran Men will meet Monday, September 21 at 6:30 pm in the social hall. Please join us for a meal and a presentation by Lexington County Museum Curator J.R. Fennel.

Point of Contact: Ron Redd (Rredd7848@gmail.com/803-360-0241)

The Saxe Gotha Conference of South Carolina Lutheran Men in Mission will hold its quarterly meeting Monday, October 26, 2026 at 6:30 pm at Emmanuel Lutheran Church in West Columbia. (2491 Emmanuel Church Road West Columbia, SC). Mr. Tom Ramsey, Executive Director of South Carolina Lutheran Men in Mission will be our guest speaker. The cost of the meal will be \$10.00. Please respond to Ron Redd if you plan to attend.

Point of Contact: Ron Redd (Rredd7848@gmail.com/803-360-0241)



The Blessing of the Animals will be  
September 27th at 3 PM.

All animals are welcome!

If you can't bring your pet, bring a picture!

Please bring dog or cat food to donate to Mission  
Lexington!



## Young Adults

In September we will kick off a "take-home-theology" course.

Contact Pastor Ralph for a weekly page with video link.

The theme for September is O.T. Prophets and our goal will be able list and learn each.

Please contact Pastor Ralph for input or questions.



**SSLC Confirmation Ministry Calling all Confirmants!**

**St. Stephen's Confirmation Orientation**

**Date: Wednesday, September 9<sup>th</sup>**

**Time: 6:00 pm**

Confirmation is just around the corner! If your child is a 7th or 8th grader we'd love to include them in our plans for our Confirmation ministry this year!

To make sure that we have an awesome start to the year please plan on attending an orientation for all parents and students.

Our gathering will take place in the Saints and Sinners Sunday School Classroom at 6pm.

If you have questions about whether your youth should be participating or any other questions about the program, please contact Pastor Jason. See you there!

**Notes from Aloft:**



**Fall Choir Schedule – all choirs will resume in September**

|                  |                  |                                                                                              |
|------------------|------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Monday</b>    | <b>6:30 p.m.</b> | <b>Adult Handbell Choir (Resumes September 14)</b>                                           |
| <b>Wednesday</b> | <b>5:00 p.m.</b> | <b>Cherub Choir – 2 – 4 years old (Resumes September 9)</b>                                  |
|                  | <b>5:30 p.m.</b> | <b>Carol and Treble Choirs – K – 5<sup>th</sup> grade (Resumes September 9)</b>              |
|                  | <b>6:10 p.m.</b> | <b>Choir Chime Ensemble – 1<sup>st</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grade (Resumes September 16)</b>     |
|                  | <b>7:00 p.m.</b> | <b>Adult Choir – youth and adults<br/>(Resumes September 9 at the home of Debbie Hester)</b> |

Adult choir members, along with anyone interested in joining the adult choir, are invited to the fall kick off dinner on Wednesday, September 9 at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Debbie and Vernon Hester. Bring a dish to share and come catch up and hear about what's in store for the fall choir season. To rsvp contact [Susan@sslc.org](mailto:Susan@sslc.org).

**Hymn Sing is coming on Sunday, September 20 at 5:00 p.m.**

Join us for a potluck supper followed by a Hymn Sing led by Ken Renfrow, from Bob Jones University. We'll sing some of your favorites while Ken plays. He is a marvel at the piano so you will not want to miss this evening!

The Romeo's will meet on Tuesday, September 22 at Grecian Gardens.

The Ladies Who Lunch will meet on Thursday, September 24 at Belli's House of Pizza.



## **PRIME TIME PLANS:**

### **Sept. 10<sup>th</sup>: Liberty on the Lake**

Join us as we head across the Dam and have lunch at Liberty on the Lake.

We will plan to leave the church at 10:45 AM.

We may not be seated all together as we can't make reservations.

Please sign up by Sept. 6<sup>th</sup>.

### **Friday, September 18 and Saturday, September 19:** **Trip to Myrtle Beach/Luau and Polynesian Dinner**

Cost per person: \$235 for a double room; \$335 for a single room

What is included: Luau with Polynesian Dinner and Live Show at St. John's Inn, Room at Grande Shores Ocean Resort, transportation, snacks, and Ripley's Aquarium entrance



Tentative schedule:

- Leave at 11 AM on Friday, Sept. 18<sup>th</sup>
- Have lunch on the way to the beach
- Check in at hotel
- Arrive at show between 4:45 and 5 PM
- Have breakfast and then visit Ripley's Aquarium Saturday morning 9:30-12:30
- Eat seafood for lunch
- Head home

Additional costs: Friday lunch, Saturday breakfast and lunch

**Sign-up deadline is Sept. 1<sup>st</sup>!** Please plan to pay the total amount when you sign up. Shannon has to buy tickets and secure rooms. Currently 6 rooms have been reserved but if there is more interest, Shannon will check on availability!

#### **Congregation Council Members:**

##### **Class of 2026**

Neil Brown (803) 238-6998  
Matt Martin (803) 231-3047  
Betsy McCall (803) 730-0570  
Sarah Kolb (803) 931-2022  
Stephen Lunsford (843) 343-5161

##### **Class of 2027**

Lucy Austin (803) 917-5757  
Kerri Brittingham (803) 318-4599  
Bill Galardi (803) 530-8418  
Roy Windham (803) 507-7951  
Lance Young (864) 557-0182

##### **Class of 2028**

Gail Felton (803) 312-2960  
Christy Hooker (803) 429-3287  
Nick Kean (843) 819-9558  
Bobby Martin (803) 873-8404  
Richard Shealy (608-3492

Youth Representatives:

Sophie Taylor, Margaret McCurdy

Mary Keisler, Treasurer (803) 960-9155

## **First Communion Class**

A first communion class will be offered by Pastor Jason and Pastor Ralph on Sunday, September 27th at 12:30pm.

We will eat some pizza together and then delve into the day's curriculum and activities!

If you plan to attend please RSVP to the church office no later than Thursday, September 24th so that we can know how much pizza to order.

If you have any questions please contact one of the pastors!



### Crossroads

- The Crossroads group is a group of people (approximately aged 50-70's) who are continuing their faith journey in a new stage of life!
- We gather the first Thursday of each month (September -May) for get-to-know discussions, a devotion and connection over a great meal (Dutch treat).
- Join us September 3 @ 6:30 pm at the Mediterranean Café (327 W. Main). Look for the sign-up sheet just outside the narthex. All are welcome.
- Contact Pastor Ralph with any questions.

A Second Annual Community Worship Service will be held at the Lexington Amphitheater on Sunday, September 27 @ 5:00pm. All are invited.

We will gather with Scripture, singing, and a special message.

St. Stephen's and Lexington United Methodist churches will help.

Offering collected will support Mission Lexington.

Preschool is back in session and we're loving having our classrooms full again! Stroll down the halls and you might hear the wonderful sounds of children's laughter, nursery rhymes being recited, fun songs being sung, and possibly even a few friends who are being comforted as they learn to manage a little separation anxiety. 😊 These are the sounds of a thriving preschool and the beginning of a terrific adventure for the teachers and students alike!

We're continuing our school-wide theme this school year of "Growing the Fruits of the Spirit at SSLC." We will spend each month learning and practicing one of the nine attributes noted by the Apostle Paul in Galatians 5:22-23, in addition to the many early learning objectives we'll work towards every day in play. September will be a month to continue learning our preschool routines, get to know our preschoolers, and celebrate many exciting color-themed days!

This Month's Spotlight Fruit of the Spirit: Self-Control

Bible Verse of the Month: "...Everyone should be quick to listen, slow to speak, and slow to become angry." - James 1:19

Nursery Rhyme of the Month: Way Up High in the Apple Tree

Thank you to our church family for the love and support that you show us, as well as your prayers this school year! We've been blessed already with volunteer help, donations, and treats from various members, including the Agape Sunday School Class, as well as our church staff. We are truly grateful! It makes such a difference in getting the school year going smoothly. If you are looking for ways to support our preschool, please contact Julie Tworzyanski at [preschool@sslc.org](mailto:preschool@sslc.org). Thanks so much!!



## **SSLC Living Faith Group**

This group is comprised of anyone who would consider themselves a “young adult”. The definition of “young adult” is broadly defined and within the group encompasses folks of varying ages and family contexts. In short, if you want to join a group of folks that enjoy fellowship, living out their faith, and being active with other members of the congregation please come and join us!

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### **Lutheridge Worship, Picnic, and Apple Picking – Sunday, October 4th**

On Sunday, October 4th the group will gather at Lutheridge for a worship service with Holy Communion and then a picnic (both will be held under a pavilion awning that has chairs and picnic tables). Afterwards we’ll head to a local apple farm. Please RSVP to Pastor Jason by Wednesday, September 30th if you are planning to come. Folks that attend are asked to bring their own picnic lunch, chairs, blankets, etc. that you’ll need for your family to be most comfortable. If you are interested in traveling up to the Asheville area on Saturday and reserving a room at Lutheridge for Saturday evening, please let Pastor Jason know at your earliest convenience. Hope to see YOU there!

### **SSLC Quarterly Family Night – Sunday, October 18th**

Life is busy and schedules are crazy but everyone has to eat! If you consider yourself a part of our Young Adult/Young Family/Living Faith groups we are hoping we can get on your calendar for a Quarterly Family Night on Sunday, October 18th from 5-7 PM. Parents will be going out to eat with Pastor Jason and Pastor Ralph (Dutch treat). Our Sr. High Youth and Mrs. Shannon will provide care and dinner for the children. We’re looking into the possibility of having dinner and an activity for our Jr. High Youth as well. We hope that by providing child care and dinner, this will alleviate some challenges. Please contact the pastors or Shannon to RSVP or if you have any suggestions or questions!

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## **SSLC J-CREW**

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12TH –  
END OF SUMMER SWIMMING AND PIZZA  
ALL 1ST-5TH GRADERS ARE INVITED TO COME TO  
PASTOR JASON’S NEIGHBORHOOD POOL FOR  
SWIMMING AND PIZZA FROM 10:30AM- 12:00PM.  
PLEASE COME IN YOUR BATHING SUIT AND BRING  
A TOWEL! PARENTS ARE INVITED TO STAY SO WE  
CAN TALK ABOUT EVENTS FOR THE YEAR. PASTOR  
JASON NEEDS AN RSVP BY WEDNESDAY,  
SEPTEMBER 9TH! HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!





**Office Hours:**

8 AM-4 PM Monday - Thursday

**To Reach us:**

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Website: [www.sslc.org](http://www.sslc.org)

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**Organist Emeritus**

Sylvia Looney

**Congregation Council Officers**

President - Matt Martin

Vice President - Stephen Lunsford

Secretary - Sarah Kolb

Treasurer - Mary Keisler

**Mission Statement:**

Gathering all generations to nurture  
Christ-like discipleship

**Our Vision:**

To be a place of hope



**ST. STEPHEN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
**PEOPLE OF CHRIST MAKING A DIFFERENCE**

St. Stephen's Lutheran Church  
119 North Church Street  
Lexington, SC 29072

"Return Service Requested"

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For our guests our Ministries includes. . .

**Sunday School:** Classes for Nursery age-adults; meets at 9:45 each Sunday

**Wednesday Night Live! (WNL!):** A time for fellowship over dinner and then faith development through Confirmation and Adult Bible Study; Jr. High Youth (5:45-6:30 PM); Musical groups for children - Cherubs (5:00-5:30 pm), Carol and Treble Choirs (5:30-6:10 pm) and Choir Chimes (6:10-6:40 pm); Wings of Worship Liturgical Dance (6:45 -7:30 pm)

**The Adult Choir:** Rehearsal on Wednesday at 7:00 PM

**Handbell Choir:** Rehearsal on Monday at 6:30 PM

**Junior High (6th, 7th & 8th grades) & Senior High Youth (9th - 12th grades):** meet regularly for planned activities

**J-Crew: (1st - 5th graders)** meet monthly for planned activities

**Lutheran Men:** Meet on the 3rd Monday each month at 6:30PM in Social Hall for a meal and informative speaker

**WELCA:** Various groups of women meet monthly, commit themselves to grow in faith, affirm their gifts, and support one another in ministry and action.

**Preschool:** An extension of the ministry for our church & the community for children 15 months to 4 years of age. Class hours are 9:00AM - 12:00 Noon Early bird drop-off available

**Prime Time:** Adults 60 and older meet monthly for food, fellowship and fun. This group is a wonderful mix of people who also travel for day and overnight trips. A monthly luncheon is held on the 2nd Thursday of each month.

**Crossroads:** Compromised of adults between "This is Us" and "Prime Time" that get together for fellowship on the first Thursday of the month and for service projects throughout the year

**This is Us:** This group has children in high school and college and gets together the last Thursday of the month for fellowship and food.

**Living Faith:** This group is comprised of folks somewhere between our Sr. High Youth and our This is Us group, encompassing people of varying ages and family contexts. Activities alternate between adult only and family friendly.

**Young Adults:** This group is for young adults (college age and up) and newly married couples just starting out that will gather together to build community and offer opportunities for fellowship.

**Ladies Who Lunch:** Meets monthly for lunch

**R.O.M.E.O. (Retired Ol' Men Eating Out):** Meets monthly for lunch