



Thirteenth Sunday After Pentecost

September 8, 2019, 8:00 A.M.

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Welcome to all who worship with us this morning, and a special welcome to all our guests. We are delighted that you are worshipping with us! If you are looking for a church home, you will be most welcome to join our church family in worshipping God and in our many ministries to each other and the world around us.

Please call the clergy or the church office for any information or help we can provide. We invite you to fill out a visitor card and drop it in the offering plate.

All baptized persons are welcome to receive communion. Those who are not baptized are invited to receive a blessing: simply cross your arms over your chest. We are asked to repent of our sins and desire a deeper relationship with Christ.

Hearing assistance devices are available in the narthex and will be provided by an usher upon request.

Busy Boxes for children to use during church services are available in the narthex. A nursery for infants and toddlers is located on the lower level at the opposite end of the hallway from the elevator.

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Where God is seen, love is felt, lives are changed!

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

8:00 A.M. - Holy Eucharist - Rite II, St. Alban's Chapel

This service with music begins on page 355 in the Book of Common Prayer.

The lessons, psalm, and gospel are printed in the insert.

*We ask you to maintain silence and a spirit of prayer and meditation
in these quiet moments before the service begins.*

Welcome and Announcements

THE WORD OF GOD

Opening Acclamation		BCP 355
Collect for Purity		
Kyrie Eleison		BCP 356
Collect of the Day		
First Reading	Jeremiah 18:1-11	
Psalm 139:1-5, 12-17	<i>(said in unison)</i>	
Second Reading	Philemon 1-21	
Gospel	Luke 14:25-33	
Sermon		Fr. Townsend
Nicene Creed		BCP 358
Prayers of the People Form III		BCP 387
Confession of Sin		BCP 360
Absolution		BCP 360

Blessings for Birthdays and Wedding Anniversaries

The Peace

BCP 360

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer A

BCP 361

Sanctus

BCP 362

The Lord's Prayer (*said in unison*)

BCP 364

Fraction

BCP 364

Prayer after Communion

BCP 365

Sending Forth the Eucharistic Ministers

Though we are many, we are one, because we share one bread and one cup.

The Blessing and Dismissal



Those Who Serve Today

ACOLYTE

Roni Boyd

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER

Roni Boyd

LECTOR

Elizabeth Pack

USHERS

John Cox, Mary Jeanne French

COUNTERS

Jim Anderson, Roger Johnson

EUCCHARISTIC VISITORS

Mike Boyd, Katherine & Gary Grubb, Carol King

ALTAR GUILD

Bonnie Nestor, Linda Felton, Adam Ballintoy, Sandi Robertson



VESTRY

SENIOR WARDEN - COURTNEY MANROD (2019)

JUNIOR WARDEN - BARBARA STEELE (2019)

BETSY ELLIS, SUSAN MEREDITH (2019)

JO KELLEY, CYRIL MEREDITH, JR., JOHN MURPHY, BRENT SIGMON (2020)

NANCY ANDERSON, BARBARA BOVEE, JUDY DIGREGORIO, JON HEISCHMAN (2021)

THE RT. REV. BRIAN COLE, BISHOP

THE DIOCESE OF EAST TENNESSEE



PRAYERS THIS WEEK

PARISH MEMBERS Cammie Owens; Elizabeth & James Pack, Philip; Anne Gladman & David Parker; Linda Twohig & Andrew Payzant.

THE AMBRY CANDLE is given by Horia and Shafik Iskander to the glory of God.

THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given by Audrey Henry to the glory of God and in loving memory of her husband, Jim Henry.

CALENDAR THIS WEEK

Monday, September 9	9:30 a.m.	Staff Meeting	Rector's Office
	10:00 a.m.	Piece Makers	Pollard Room
	10:00 a.m.	Women's Interfaith Dialogue of Oak Ridge (WIDOR)	Parish Hall
	12:30 p.m.	WIDOR Board Meeting	Pollard Room
	1:00 p.m.	Mother's Bible Study	Room 209
	6:00 p.m.	Scouts	Parish Hall
Tuesday, September 10	6:30 p.m.	TRIP	Pollard Room
	10:00 a.m.	Bible Study	Pollard Room
	11:30 a.m.	Holy Eucharist	St. Alban's Chapel
	1:30 p.m.	Beginning Tai Chi /2:15 p.m. Tai Chi	Parish Hall
	6:30 p.m.	EFM: Education for Ministry	Diocesan House
Wednesday, September 11	7:00 p.m.	Vestry	Parish Hall
	8:00 a.m.	Men's Bible Study	Pollard Room
	8:30 a.m.	WOW	Parish Hall
Thursday, September 12	6:30 p.m.	Parish Choir Rehearsal	St. Stephen's Nave
	4:00 p.m.	Centering Prayer	Room 209
Saturday, September 14	10:00 a.m.	DAR Brunch	Parish Hall

FR. BO TOWNSEND OUT OF OFFICE

Fr. Bo Townsend will be out of the office from September 11th through September 22nd, with knee replacement surgery and recovery. You may still contact him via email at rector@ststephensor.org, or via phone at 512-419-8090.

EMERGENCY CONTACT

If there is an emergency, please call Fr. Bo Townsend at 512-419-8090. Do not leave a message on the church phone. Phones are not checked except during regular business hours - not on evenings or weekends. Thank you.

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HURRICANE RELIEF

Episcopal Relief & Development is working closely with dioceses in the path of Hurricane Dorian. You can help provide affected communities with immediate and long-term support. Please contribute to our Hurricane Relief Fund at <https://support.episcopalrelief.org/hurricane-relief>.

RESOURCE ROOM CLEANUP

Items that were removed from the Resource Room have been placed on a table at the far end of the Parish Hall, in case any one would like to have them. Items remaining on the table after a week's time will be discarded.

FOOD BASKET COLLECTION

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2019

St. Stephen's feeds the truly hungry in Oak Ridge. Please support this vital outreach when you visit the grocery store! **Shopping lists** are located in the carts in Narthex and near the side entrance. You may place your contributions in the carts near the office area, the nave, or on the stage in the Parish Hall. Monetary donations are also accepted; simply designate "Food Baskets" on your check. The next Food Basket Distribution will be **Saturday, September 28, 2019.**

Volunteers are needed to help prepare the baskets on **Thursday, September 26th and Friday, September 27th.** Many hands will make work light! Thank you!

VESTRY NOMINATIONS

Vestry nominations remain open until **midnight, September 21, 2019.** Please consider standing for this election. If you nominate someone, please get his/her permission before you do so. According to our By-Laws, Article i, Section 5, "Each Vestry member shall be an adult confirmed communicant in good standing who shall be a registered communicant of the Parish at the time of election." There are four seats open for the class of 2022.

Please submit names to the outgoing Vestry Members: Courtney Manrod, Barbara Steele, Betsy Ellis and Susan Meredith. Nominees may also be submitted to Elizabeth Pack, Parish Secretary.

ANNUAL REPORTS DEADLINE

Our Annual Meeting is in early October this year, which means that **committee reports will be due in the Parish Office by September 20, 2019.** If you head a committee or ministry, please submit your report as soon as possible, so the Annual Report can be created, edited and published in a timely manner. Thank you!

LOOKING AHEAD

Wednesday, September 18
Friday, September 20
Saturday, September 21
Sunday, October 6
Sunday, November 17

Fire by Night: an acoustic worship ministry
Annual Reports Due
Vestry Nominations close at midnight
Annual Parish Meeting
Pledge Ingathering & Pig Roast