

**We pray for healing in our parish:**

Kelly, Monica, Donald, Connie, Joan, Paula, Carlos, Fr. Abraham, Lynette, Eileen Anna, Gabby and Shirley.

**In our extended fellowship we pray for:**

Katie, Jennifer, Matthew, Deborah, Mary, Diane, Dorothy, Delores, Leticia, Robert, Ceil, Carol, Frank, John, Pete, Eileen, Joseph, Tammy, Ed, Brooke, Joseph W, Donnie, Bill, Ron, Linda and David.

**In the food pantry community:** Dan and Carolyn

**In our diocese, we pray for:**

St. Clement's and St. Peter's Episcopal Church, Wilkes-Barre, PA

**In the greater Anglican communion, we pray for:**

Wojira Parish, Kajo Keji and  
The Anglican Church of Kenya

St. Stephen's Episcopal Church

**The Episcopal Diocese of the Susquehanna**

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# WELCOME TO ST. STEPHEN'S

## Fourth Sunday in Lent

March 15th, 2026

Processional Hymn Hymnal 371

Penitential Order begins on page 351 of the prayer book

Celebrant: Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins  
Congregation - **His mercy endures for ever.**

Confession Prayer book page 352

Absolution Prayer book page 353

Kyrie Eleison Hymnal S-96

**Collect:**

Gracious Father, whose blessed Son Jesus Christ came down from heaven to be the true bread which gives life to the world: Evermore give us this bread, that he may live in us, and we in him; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

**1<sup>st</sup> Lesson** 1 Samuel 16: 1-13 **See Insert**

**Psalm:** Psalm 23 **See Insert**

**Epistle Lesson** Ephesians 5: 8-14 **See Insert**

**Hymn** hymnal 470 (vs 1-2 prior, vs 3 after)

**Holy Gospel** **John 9: 1-41** **See Insert**

Homily

Nicene Creed Prayer Book 358

Prayers of the People *Form IV* Prayer Book 388

Peace / Announcements

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Offertory and Doxology

Great Thanksgiving Prayer Book 361

Sanctus Hymnal S-130

Eucharistic Prayer A Prayer Book 361

Lord's Prayer Prayer Book 364

Fractional Anthem: Hymnal S-164

**Prayer of Humble Access**

We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

**COMMUNION**

Post-Communion Prayer Prayer Book 366

**Recessional Hymn Hymnal 683**

**CLOSING PRAYER:** Look down in mercy, Lord, on your people who kneel before you; and grant that those whom you have nourished by your Word and Sacraments may bring forth fruit worthy of repentance; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

**Dismissal**

*Attendance this past week of March 8: In person 24, online 3*

*We prayed last Sunday for the soul of recently departed, Sandra Luan Griffin, Fr. Tim's mother. If you would like to make a memorial donation in her name, please do so to St. Stephens Episcopal Church, at the request of the family.*

7 Day Reservation Candle has been given this week to the Glory of God by Val Smith in honor of granddaughter Harper's third birthday.

Mid-Week Eucharist Wednesdays at 1pm in the Chapel.

Easter Flowers sign up sheet on back table.

Fish and Chips takeout dinner for 3/21 order forms are on the back table Please get your orders in today !!

**Stations of the Cross during Lent every Friday at 4pm with soup and salad following if you are interested.**

**Dates to remember:**

**March 21<sup>st</sup>** - Take out dinner. Fish and Chips. Order forms on back table and due in the office by March 17<sup>th</sup>.

**April 2<sup>nd</sup>** - Maundy Thursday service at 4pm

**April 3<sup>rd</sup>** - Good Friday service at 1pm

**April 5<sup>th</sup>** - Easter Sunday

**April 12<sup>th</sup>** - Baptism of Brynn Marcial

**A warm welcome to any who are visiting with us today. Please join us for coffee hour and fellowship in the parish hall.**