

## ***A Welcome from Our Rector***

We are proud of our deep roots and our lively opportunities for worship, education, outreach and care. Since 1725, Anglican Christians have found this place a sanctuary for public and private worship from the Book of Common Prayer.

In the present moment, we are alive with the bustle of children's programs, Bible studies, extraordinary music and a host of opportunities for charitable work and Christian fellowship. St. Stephen's is a Stephen Ministry congregation and we also provide weekly sacramental visits for those who cannot physically join us on Sunday mornings.

As Episcopalians in the Diocese of Connecticut, we are proud of our connections with the Episcopal Church and the worldwide Anglican Communion. We also rejoice in the collaborative work with faith communities in the greater Ridgefield area.

Emily and I look forward to greeting you in person at a Bible Study, the Nutmeg Festival or at one of our Sunday services. All who seek to "live the Word of God and pass it on" are welcome to join us in our journey and at the Lord's Table.

Peace, *Mark* +  
The Rev. Mark S. Delcuze, Rector

## ***Ministries at St. Stephen's***

### **Christian Education**

Children	Sunday School Vacation Bible School Nursery
Youth	Junior High Youth Group Senior High Youth Group Confirmation Classes Margaret Kelley Fund
Adult	Tuesday Bible Study Inquirer's Classes Mary Brewster Fund Mens/Womens Retreats

### **Worship**

Altar Guild, Lectors, Acolytes,  
Eucharistic Ministers,  
Ushers, Lay Readers,  
Prayers of the People

### **Music**

Adult Choir  
RSCM Choristers Program

### **Fellowship**

Small Suppers  
Newcomers Events  
Parish Life

### **Evangelism/Mission**

Nutmeg Festival  
Hope Trip  
Prison Ministry  
Seniors Ministry  
Nursery School  
Mission Board

### **Pastoral Care**

Stephen Ministry  
Lay Eucharistic Ministers  
Parishioners' Fund

## ***Newcomer Information***

Please fill out this information below, tear it off, and give it to one of the Ushers, Clergy or Hospitality Ministers in the entryway of the church or place it in the offering plate, so that we at St. Stephen's can get to know you better and be able to incorporate you into the life and ministry of our parish. Thank you!

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

State & Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Children's Names/Ages \_\_\_\_\_

Visitor

Newcomer in Area

Looking for a church home

Put me on your mailing list

I am interested in learning more about:

Christian Education for:  Children

Adults

Youth

Worship

Evangelism/Mission

Music

Pastoral Care

Fellowship

Stewardship



## ***Prayer for the Dedication of a Church***

Almighty God, to whose glory we celebrate this house of prayer: We give you thanks for the fellowship of those who have worshiped in this place, and we pray that all who seek you here may find you, and be filled with your joy and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

*Amen.*

*-1979 Book of Common Prayer*

## ***Worship Services at St. Stephen's***

### **Sunday**

8:00 am Eucharist, Rite II  
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### **Monday-Friday**

5:00 pm Evening Prayer

### **Wednesday**

7:30 pm Holy Eucharist  
and Healing Service

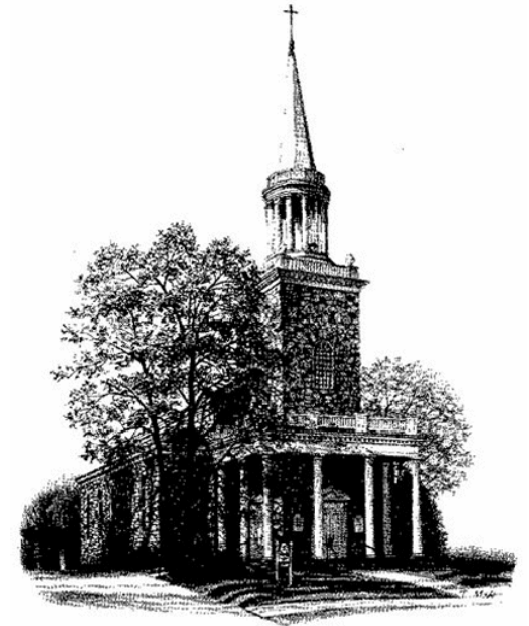
## ***Staff at St. Stephen's***

The Rev. Mark Delcuze, *Rector*  
The Rev. Emily Richards, *Assistant Rector*  
The Rev. Aaron Manderbach, D.D., *Rector Emeritus*  
Ali Burnside, *Minister of Children and Youth*  
Ginny Fitzpatrick, *Parish Administrator*  
Katharine Gelfman, *Financial Administrator*  
Erika Hagen, *Nursery Attendant*  
Steve Hovi, *Sexton's Assistant*  
Virginia Leeman, *Parish Organist*  
Paul Lyons, *Sexton*  
Yvonne Petitmaire, *Nursery School Director*  
Linda Raftery, *Director of Church Operations*  
Jennifer Lane Scarozza, *Minister of Music*

***St. Stephen's Episcopal Church***  
***A Parish in the Episcopal Diocese of Connecticut***

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