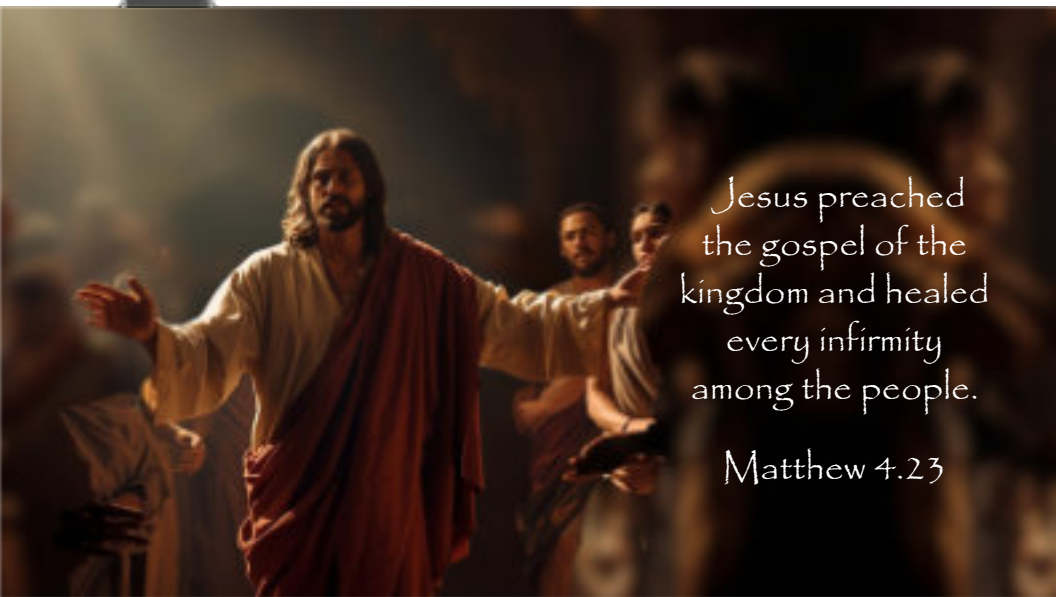




# Third Sunday after the Epiphany



Jesus preached  
the gospel of the  
kingdom and healed  
every infirmity  
among the people.

Matthew 4.23



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## **COLLECT**

Almighty God,  
by grace alone you call us  
and accept us in your service.  
Strengthen us by your Spirit,  
and make us worthy of your call;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

## **ISAIAH 9:1-4**

But there will be no gloom for those who were in anguish. In the former time he brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the latter time he will make glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations.

The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who lived in a land of deep darkness - on them light has shined. You have multiplied the nation, you have increased its joy; they rejoice before you as with joy at the harvest, as people exult when dividing plunder.

For the yoke of their burden, and the bar across their shoulders, the rod of their oppressor, you have broken as on the day of Midian.

## **PSALM 27:1, 5-13**

The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom then shall I fear? the Lord is the strength of my life; of whom then shall I be afraid?

One thing have I asked of the Lord; one thing I seek; that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life;

To behold the fair beauty of the Lord and to seek him in his temple.

For in the day of trouble he shall keep me safe in his shelter;  
he shall hide me in the secrecy of his dwelling and set me  
high upon a rock.

Even now he lifts up my head above my enemies round about  
me.

Therefore I will offer in his dwelling an oblation with sounds of  
great gladness; I will sing and make music to the Lord.

Hearken to my voice, O Lord, when I call; have mercy on me  
and answer me.

You speak in my heart and say, "Seek my face." Your face,  
Lord, will I seek.

Hide not your face from me, nor turn away your servant in  
displeasure.

You have been my helper; cast me not away; do not forsake  
me, O God of my salvation.

### **1 CORINTHIANS 1:10-18**

Now I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you be in agreement and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same purpose. For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there are quarrels among you, my brothers and sisters. What I mean is that each of you says, "I belong to Paul," or "I belong to Apollos," or "I belong to Cephas," or "I belong to Christ."

Has Christ been divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, so that no one can say that you were baptized in my name.

(I did baptize also the household of Stephanas; beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else.)

For Christ did not send me to baptize but to proclaim the gospel, and not with eloquent wisdom, so that the cross of Christ might not be emptied of its power. For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God

### **MATTHEW 4:12-23**

Now when Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee. He left Nazareth and made his home in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, so that what had been spoken through the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled: "Land of Zebulun, land of Naphtali, on the road by the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles - the people who sat in darkness have seen a great light, and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death light has dawned."

From that time Jesus began to proclaim, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near." As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea - for they were fishermen. And he said to them, "Follow me, and I will make you fish for people."

Immediately they left their nets and followed him. As he went from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John, in the boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them. Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed him. Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people.

## **Prayer over the Gifts**

Loving God,  
before the world began you called us.  
Make holy all we offer you this day,  
and strengthen us in that calling.  
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

## **Prayer After Communion**

Gracious God,  
our hands have taken holy things;  
our lives have been nourished by the body of your Son.  
May we who have eaten at this holy table  
be strengthened for service in your world.  
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

Sunday, February 1st, 2026  
Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany

**MICAH 6:1-8, PSALM 15**  
**1 CORINTHIANS 1:18-31, MATTHEW 5:1-12**



from our website...

<http://STSTEPHENDOWNSVIEW.CA>

...and our weekly email newsletter



SET YOUR CALENDAR FOR...

\*Sunday Worship 11AM

\*Morning Prayers (see below)

\*Devotions TUE 7PM



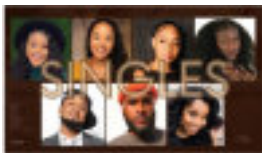
COFFEE, TEA, SNACKS...

Join us in the Parish Hall after worship for fellowship... and... coffee, tea, and snacks.



### Kickoff Black History Month...

... Sun **Feb 1st**, 4:30p at St James Cathedral, with music by MOKA, guest speaker Rt. Rev. Deon Johnson...



### Stage Play by Dr Elaine Brown

Elaine spoke at St Stephen's WOSS conference. Her new play, "SINGLES", debuts on Valentines Day weekend...



### Time to Review 2025, Plan 2026

Now that new year's has passed, it is time to think about the 2026 Vestry Meeting.



### Book Your Bus Trip Seat NOW!

To join our 2026 Bus Trip to Eastern Canada, contact Connie at [bustrip@ststephendownsvie.ca](mailto:bustrip@ststephendownsvie.ca)



### World Day of Prayer

On Fri Mar 6th, St Stephen's host the World Day of Prayer service prepared by the WDP Committee of Nigeria.

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# ORDER OF SERVICE

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ISAIAH 60:1-6

PSALM 72:1-7, 10-14

EPHESIANS 3:1-12

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MATTHEW 2:1-12

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