

 SAINTSTEPHEN

THE WEIGHT WE WEREN'T MEANT TO CARRY



Saint Stephen Church

8:25 – Traditional Service

August 2, 2026

The camp meeting was one of the most important parts of American history that shaped our nation for over one hundred years. In the early 1800's, the early settlers gathered together in the open air for extended days of singing, praying, and preaching, and thousands of people were converted to Christ, born again, saved, converted, and changed forever. Revival services were held from morning til night and many people were so filled with the Holy Spirit that they shouted aloud during the services, some ran around the worship area, others fell on the ground, and many knelt at a log alter to give their hearts to Jesus. Historians have estimated that only 10% of the population were members of the church before the camp meeting movement, but 65% were members afterwards.

Prelude

***Opening Hymn** *Victory in Jesus* (vv 1,2,3)

*Expression of Friendship

***Hymn** *Leaning on the Everlasting Arms* (vv 1,3)

*Prayer

*Hymn *Love Lifted Me* (vv 1,3)

Anthem *On the Jerico Road*

*Hymn *More About Jesus* (vv 1,2)

Anthem *When We See Christ*

***Hymn** *What a Friend We Have in Jesus* (vv 1,2)

Special Music **Trudie Gordon**

***Hymn** *Savior Like a Shepherd Lead Us* (vv 1,3)

Sermon *"The Weight We Weren't Meant to Carry"* **Dr Jim Smith**

Scripture Hebrews 12:1, Psalm 55:22,
Matthew 11:28-30

*Hymn *Only Trust Him* (vv 1,2)

Pastoral and Lord’s Prayer

*Hymn *The Old Rugged Cross* (vv 1,4)

*Offering and Announcements

*Closing Chorus *Blessed Assurance* (vv 1,3)

*Benediction
A Pastor will be at the Altar after the benediction to pray for anyone who would like to pray and to serve Holy Communion for anyone who would like to receive.

Postlude

“The Weight We
Weren’t Meant to Carry”

Hebrews 12:1, Psalm 55:22, Matthew 11:28-30

*“Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens,
and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for
I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls,
For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.” - Matthew 11:28-30*

COME _____

TO ME _____

ALL YOU _____

WEARY / HEAVY BURDENS _____

I _____

WILL GIVE _____

REST _____

TAKE _____

MY YOKE _____

LEARN FROM ME _____

GENTLE AND HUMBLE _____

YOUR SOULS _____

EASY / LIGHT _____

August

Today	Worship & Sunday School 8:25am, 9:45am, 10:50am, 11:10am Welcome Party 12:30pm
3rd	Craft Group 1:00pm
4th	Men's Bible Study 7:30am
6th	Men's Bible Study 12:00pm Saints 12:30pm
8th	ONE Hike at PDC 7:30am Faith and Blue at Civic Center 8:00am

It's Time for a
Fresh Sign!

 **SAINTSTEPHEN**

Pick up a new Saint Stephen
Church yard sign and proudly
represent our church in your
neighborhood.

Hospitals

NWTH
Brandon Upton

**Prayers for
Members of Our
Church Family**

Family of Shane Orman
Family of Jeffrey Benge
Jim Downs
Joe & Katy Caskey
McKenna Cox
Tom Wilson
Colleen Faubion
Marcia and Mike Barkley
Ella "Gail" Stotts
Brandon Upton

**Prayers for Friends
of Our Church
Family**

Josie Miller
Mickey
Jana Sanders

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Prayers for Our Nation and World

Schools, Administrators, Teachers, Students, President, Leaders, Law Enforcement,
Medical Staff, First Responders, Military Personnel, Persecuted Christians,
USA, Israel, Abused and Neglected Children, Peace in the World, BSA Medical Center,
Flood Victims and Families in South Texas

Pray For Our Schools

Hey church family - it's that time AGAIN!!

School is almost here and we need to remember our job to protect our children and schools - as well as families and teachers. Each year we all pick a school/schools to pray for during the entire year - that is students, families, teachers and their families, support staff and families for the entire school year.

We have done this for several years and I'm sure we would be amazed to learn how our prayers have helped students and their families, as well as the teachers and administration staff. Melba can give you some examples if you stop her in the hall some Sunday. Sign-up Sundays are August 9th and 16th. In the beginning we said to "walk around the schools before school starts." Now, drive around or stay home and remember to pray each day.

So - look for our table in the church foyer, picnic grounds, schools in Amarillo, Canyon, Bushland, River Road or elsewhere. We'll star by the location, give you a magnet reminder and send you on your way.



FALL KICKOFF NIGHT

PRIZES!

August 16th @ 6pm
Whole Church Event

**FOOD-BOUNCE HOUSES
FACE PAINTING-GAMES
HAIR TINSEL-& MORE!**



A NIGHT OF
WORSHIP
& *prayer*

AUGUST 19 | 6:30 PM