THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT
HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE ONE
DECEMBER 17, 2017
8:00 A.M.

Welcome to St. Stephen's Episcopal Church

St. Stephen's Episcopal Church has worshipped on this corner of North James and Mulberry Streets in Goldsboro since 1857 — in the same building! We welcome you to our historic building, but more than that, we are happy to have you worship with us.

Order of Service

The People of God gather to proclaim and respond to the Word of God.

Entrance Rite (please stand)

Book of Common Prayer p. 323ff

Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
People: And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

The Collect for Purity

The Collect of the Day
Stir up thy power, O Lord, and with great might come among us; and, because we are sorely hindered by our sins, let thy bountiful grace and mercy speedily help and deliver us; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be honor and glory, world without end. **Amen.**

The First Lesson *Isaiah 61:1-4, 8-11* (see insert)

Psalm 126 *In convertendo* (see insert)

The Second Lesson *1 Thessalonians 5:16-24* (see insert)

The Gospel *John 1:6-8,19-28* (see insert)

The Nicene Creed Book of Common Prayer p. 326

Prayers of the People Book of Common Prayer pp. 387

The Confession Book of Common Prayer p. 330

The Peace

Eucharistic Prayer Form II Book of Common Prayer p. 340

Prayer of Humble Access Book of Common Prayer p. 337

Prayer of Thanksgiving Book of Common Prayer p. 339

Blessing

Dismissal

SERVING TODAY

Eucharistic Minister: Sally Pope

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VESTRY

Senior Warden: Ken Gerrard, Junior Warden: Ann Hine
Nicole Barnes, Margie Clark, Emilie Foy, Chris Garrison,
Drew Grice, Linda Edsall-Huard, Pete Mitchell, Beth Saylors,
Kim Smith, Dave Tayloe