



Almighty and everliving God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth, hear our prayers for this parish family. Strengthen the faithful, arouse the careless, and restore the penitent. Grant us all things necessary for our common life, and bring us all to be of one heart and mind within your holy Church; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



**The Reverend Phillip Ellsworth's
anticipated first Sunday at
St. Stephen's is
21 August 2016**

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Announcement of the Call
of
The Reverend Phillip Channing Ellsworth, Jr.
as the
Eighth Rector
of
St. Stephen's Episcopal Church
Belvedere, California





A Message from your Senior Warden

April 25, 2016

Dear St. Stephen's Congregation:

At yesterday's services, I had the pleasure of announcing that the Reverend Phillip Ellsworth has accepted the call as the eighth Rector of St. Stephen's Episcopal Church. Phil comes to St. Stephen's after serving as Associate Rector of St. Francis Episcopal Church in Potomac, Maryland since 1998. His complete biography is printed on the right.

I would like to thank the Vestry for its dedication to the discernment process and representing the Parish so well. All of us are looking forward to working with Phil as we begin our ministry together later this summer. Please join us on Sunday, August 21st when Phil will celebrate his first services with us and everyone will have the opportunity to meet his wonderful wife, Victoria. Phil and Victoria will be relocating to our Rectory in early August.

I would also like to thank our Parish community for their prayers, words of encouragement, and steadfast support during the long year of transition as we searched for our new spiritual leader. Finally, I would like to, once again, extend our gratitude to the Search Committee for their diligent work over the past ten months that culminated in our call to Phil.

Yours in faith,

Teri Pollitt
Senior Warden

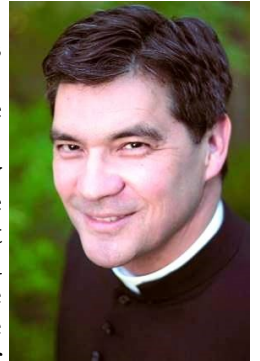
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The Reverend Phillip Channing Ellsworth, Jr. Biography

The Rev. Phillip Channing Ellsworth, Jr. comes to St. Stephen's from St. Francis Episcopal Church in Potomac, Maryland, where he was the Associate Rector. He came to that position from St. Bartholomew's Church in the City of New York, where he was Associate Rector. He has been on sabbatical since 1st January, preaching and celebrating as a visiting member of the clergy staff at the Church of the Advent, Boston from the Feast of the Epiphany through Easter Day. He will be domiciling at Pusey House, Oxford, United Kingdom, ministering at Pusey House Chapel, mentoring aspirants for holy orders at Pusey, and studying during Trinity Term at Oxford University.



His ministry has focused on preaching, teaching, liturgy in the riches of the Anglican tradition, pastoral care, and strengthening Christian community, with an emphasis on Student (or Youth) Ministry, while promoting a generous-spirited, intellectually vibrant Christian faith. Father Ellsworth holds a Master of Divinity degree from Yale University, a Diploma in Anglican Studies from Berkeley Divinity School at Yale, and an M.A. and B.A. from Wheaton College, Wheaton, IL. The President and Fellows of Yale University awarded him the Wolcott Calkins Prize for excellence in preaching in 1995.

His wife Victoria, a teacher, is the founding Director of the Middle School String Orchestra at Norwood School in Bethesda, Maryland. The daughter of medical missionaries Dr. Robert and Muriel White, she was born in Brussels, Belgium, and raised in the Belgian Congo. They have four children and one grandchild: Evan, an associate investment banker at Credit Suisse in Los Angeles, married to Kristin, a corporate attorney at Skadden; Gabriel, a research associate at Harvard Business School; Gillian, a teacher in Durham, NC, married to Matthew Messer, a graduate student at Duke University; and Aaron, a college student, and a shareholder of the Green Bay Packers. Their grandson, John (Jack) Channing Ellsworth, was born 8th April 2016 to Kristin and Evan.