

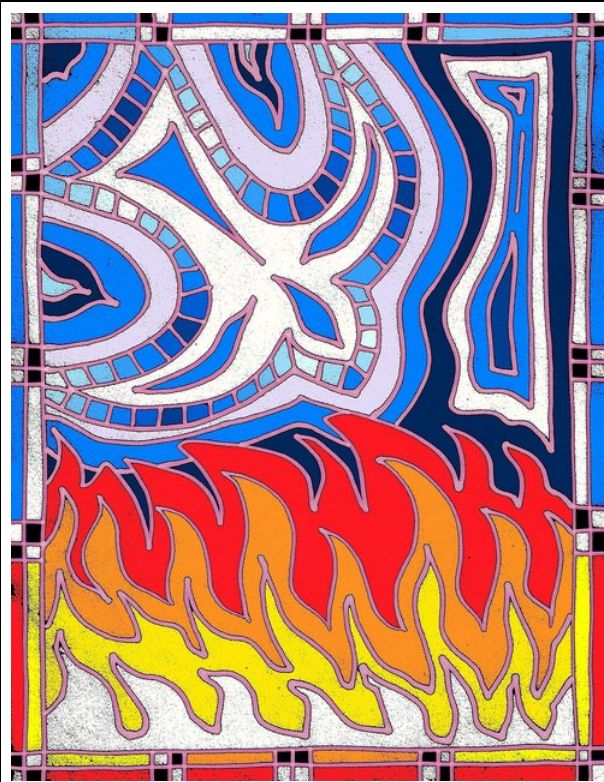
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The Day of Pentecost



PENTECOST

The Day of Pentecost marked a turning point in the early Christian church. Pentecost, a Jewish feast, was celebrated 50 days after Passover, and pilgrims had come to Jerusalem from all over the world to celebrate the event.

In Acts 2, verse 1 we will read that the 12 apostles were gathered together in a house when a terrific wind came from heaven and filled the place. They saw tongues that looked like fire, that separated and came down on each of them. Today we celebrate Pentecost using the color red. It symbolizes joy and the fire of the Holy Spirit. Fr. David will wear a red stole, and at St. Stephen's the custom has extended to the people of the congregation wearing red clothing in celebration as well.



To celebrate Pentecost the Youth Group will be hosting a chili cook-off in the parish hall after the service today. Everyone is invited to join in the chili tasting. Members of the church have brought their favorite home cooked chili for everyone to taste and enjoy. Drinks and dessert will be available as well. There is no charge, (although a basket will be set up for donations.) The income from today's event will help fund the Youth scholarship fund.



While the adults enjoy Chili the kids will outside enjoying their end of the Sunday School Year Water Party.

**Staff Meeting
Monday at 10:30**

**St. Stephen's ...
To Love and Serve
God and Neighbor**



OUR VESTRY

2018- Karen Spiller, Walter Thomas, Buster Brown
2019- Richard Eijo, Karen Beasley, Marcia Heath
2020- Mike Whitt, Bill Baggett, Ben Cochran
Treasurer: Bruce Goers
Book keeper: Cathy Zielinski



During the months of **June** and **July** we typically have only **ONE SERVICE** at 10:00am. All services will be in the Sanctuary (except for the VBS service on June 24th).

This summer we will have folks who usually work at the 11am service partner with the 9am workers. If you are an Eucharist Minister, Reader, Usher, Greeter or Altar guild worker at 11 please check the Workers for the Lord schedule carefully. I will email everyone a copy as well as put a paper copy in your box.

We will have a magnet with the service information available on the 27th.

VBS is June 18-22



We need help with the preparations. Every Tuesday Night @ 7 we meet up at the church and work on projects.

And Register your children now. There are clip boards with Registration forms in each worship area or online.

Have you ever wondered about the missionaries we pray for every Sunday?



Stephen and Mary Dass are missionaries sent by the Episcopal Diocese of Central Florida where Stephen served as an ordained clergy. Stephen is originally from Singapore and served with YWAM (Youth With A Mission) in São Paulo, Brazil. Mary was a kindergarten teacher in Maine when she received an invitation by a YWAM missionary to serve as a summer volunteer in Brazil. She took up the challenge and went for a month. She immediately fell in love with the ministry to the street children and decided to return as full-time missionary. Stephen and Mary met in São Paulo and have been married since 1995. They have served the forgotten and abandoned of The city of São Paulo for three years.

For more information visit their web site, spmercyministry.com



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Verse of the Week

Romans 8:26

In the same way, the Spirit helps us in our weakness.

We do not know what we ought to pray for, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with groans that words cannot express.

TALBOT HOUSE MINISTRIES

TALBOT HOUSE

SHELTER | HEALTHCARE | RENEWAL

Talbot house has ask for our help. They have shortage of certain hygiene items and they especially need;

Foot powder
Bug spray (OFF)
Orajel
Reading glasses
Socks

We will have a clear plastic tub in each worship area until the end of the month for collections. Please be generous. Thanks



Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver."

May 13th, 2018

Attendance: 126

Income: NA

Bucks for our Buildings: NA

Bible Book Summary of the Week "Habakkuk"

Habakkuk is the 8th of the minor prophets. The only work attributed to Habakkuk is the short book of the Bible that bears his name. The name Habakkuk, appears in the Hebrew Bible only in Habakkuk 1:1 and 3:1.

Thank you!



Last week Annie Delling spent TWO Days scrubbing the tables and chairs in the worship center. She arrived early in the morning and left at dinner time. The staff and the congregation Thank You.

ULTREYA

Sunday, June 10th @ 4:00pm

Holy Cross Episcopal Church in Winter Haven is hosting a Deanery- Wide Ultreya and Potluck Dinner (meat will be provided).

All who have attended Cursillo are welcome. Please see Tom and Ginny Hiber if you can attend. We will carpool from St. Stephen's

UPCOMING

Mark Your Calendars

EVENTS



May 20th: Pentecost, One Service @ 10am

May 20th: Chili Cook off And Sunday School Party

May 22nd: Colorists @ 1:00pm

May 28th: Office Closed for Memorial Day

June 1st-3rd: Youth Camping Trip

June 3rd: One Service @ 10 with Fr. Al Jenkins

June 3rd: Lemonade on the Lawn



**The flowers on the Altar last week were given
In Loving Memory of Evelyn Morrison Coachman
and Maxine Amanda Hightower
By Hugh Coachman**



May Birthdays

- 4 Nancy Bailey, Alicia Weber
- 5 Melissa Eijo
- 8 Jean Warneke
- 9 Jim Watkins
- 13 Joanie Boyd, Michael Platt
- 14 Kaelynn Hiber, K.C. Eapen
- 15 Gene Dumaresq, Jim Heal
- 16 Carla Sauve, Ed Knox
- 17 Jim Schmidt
- 19 Marcia Heath,
Sierra Steadman
- 23 Bruce Goers
- 24 Dan Howes



May Anniversaries

- 3 Benny & Samantha Binnion
- 8 Roger & Mary Statzer
- 12 Bill & Genean Thompson
- 15 Ken & Judy Horne
- 21 Bob & Pat Martin

St. Stephen's Prayer List

(Parish Members are in Bold)

Prayer Needs: David Dresser, Severe Back issues, **Pat Martin**, Multiple Health Issues. Scott Johnson, (**Judy Horne's** brother, Myelofibrosis) **Jim Watkins, Sally Templeton**, (heart),**Rick Rahn** (prostate cancer)**Janell Repsher**, lung problems, **Scott Barham** Heart Surgery Recovery, Jimmy Turner (**Janet Casini's brother**), Jaime Morris (**Robi Leibecki's daughter**) **Robi Leibecki**, Lars & Jade Andersson (**Brigitte Garcia's niece and nephew**), **Bill Warneke** vision , **Tony Barfield, Trudi Lithgow** back problem, **Roy Reynolds** heart problems, **Pat Dupont** back problems, **Ken Horne, Michele Giberson** Autoimmune disorder, Bethany and Stetson Glass, prayers for successful adoption (**Bob and Marge Stockwell's grand daughter**) Carol Kahlenberg mental illness (**Evie McCormick's friend**), **Susan Cardman** MS, **Sandy Gibson**, Salena and her family (**Janet Casini's family**) Kevin Jackimowicz back and hip (**Kim's husband**). Isabel Clayton RA (**Evie McCormick's friend**), **Gene Dumaresq** bladder cancer, Yvonne Kimble, breast cancer (**Betty Pratt's Niece**), Mary K breast cancer, **Lindsay Zielinski** autoimmune disorder, JC and Heather Presley, multiple health issues, 1st Lt Tyler Owens (a Platoon Leader deployed to Syria) and his Platoon, Kelly Burk, recovery from auto accident, **Mavis Walker**, multiple health issues, Dailia Walker, multiple health issues, Humphrey Walker, Stroke, Ron Cain, Sea Scout, cancer, Paul Sullivan, Bone Cancer (**Friend of the Dresser's**)

Pregnant: John and Tiffany, Kyle and Rachel Blackwell. Obdulia Wences **Will and Kristin Ausmus**

Homebound or Skilled Nursing Facility: Dawn Flynn , Tom Haney, Nancy Bailey, Jim & Jo Willey, Carmen Knight, Susan Cardman

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
20 PENTECOST One Service@10am Chili Cook Off 6:30pm Youth Group	21 10:30am Staff Meeting	22 Colorists 1:00pm	23 Noon Service 7:00pm Book Study	24 7:00pm Choir Practice	25 Office Closed	26 Memorial Day Weekend
27 9:00am Holy Eucharist 10:15am Sunday School 11:00am Children's Church 11:00am Holy Eucharist 6:30 Youth Group	28 Office Closed	29	30 Noon Service Book Study 7:00pm Book Study	31 7:00pm Choir Practice	1 Office Closed	2