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The Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost**



Many churches in the United States celebrate the Feast of St Francis of Assisi on October 4th each year. Here at St. Stephen's we move our celebration to the Sunday after the 4th. The feast commemorates the life of St Francis, who was born in the 12th century and is known as the patron saint of animals and the environment. It is a popular day for pets to be "blessed". Today at 2:00pm Fr. David and Fr. Rob will be doing just that. Please bring any pets you may have to the Worship Center. Pets and their owners need not be members of St. Stephen's to receive a blessing. We do ask that you contain your pet with a leash or carrier for their safety. Each Animal will receive a certificate of Blessing to proudly display in their home. For humans there will be cookies and lemonade.

Talbot House Chili Night is this Tuesday, October 9th



Once every month, on the second Tuesday, St. Stephen's takes a yummy Chili dinner complete with Homemade bread to Talbot House. Talbot House provides men and women who would otherwise be on the streets a place of safe refuge and basic needs. What makes us a little different is we serve everyone. When this ministry was started we felt that this is what Christ would have us do.

If you want more information please speak to Sharon Crosdale. We will meet at Talbot House at 5:00pm



Monday, October 8th is Columbus Day. The office will be closed and there will not be a Staff Meeting



On September 28th faithful member, Alan Yeaple died. He always wore a bright colored tee shirt and had a smile for everyone. There will be a Memorial Service for Alan on Saturday, October 13th at 10:30 am and a reception will follow in the Parish Hall

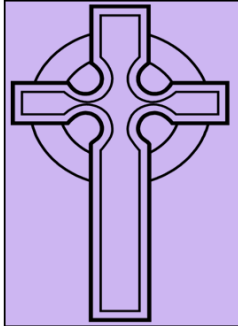
***St. Stephen's ...
To Love and Serve
God and Neighbor***



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

All Saints' Day at St. Stephen's



Please notice that there are 2 wooden trays on a table in each worship area. In one of those trays there is a stack of colored paper with crosses on them.

Write the name of each person you would like to have remembered on All Saints' Day and place it in the empty tray. Please put one name per sheet. On All Saints' Sunday, November 4th, Fr. David and Fr. Rob will display the crosses with the names of the faithfully departed in both worship areas.

Chicken Dinner and Raffle October 28 - 12:30



Join us for fried chicken and delicious home-made sides and desserts. Donations greatly appreciated. All proceeds go to the Campus Development Committee and support maintenance of our beautiful grounds. We'll once again have many wonderful raffle items. Come, be part of the fun and help us continue to make our grounds a beautiful spot for all!



The Fall Women's Fellowship Brunch will be on October 20th@9:30am. The Brunch is open to all women of the church and their friends. Fr Rob, Vic and Vicky Nunez and Fabiola Aybal-Mota will be sharing with us about their mission trip to Honduras. Samantha Denstedt Binnion and her family are providing food and Beth Stoddard her is doing the decorations. Please plan to join us for the Food and Fellowship.

Youth Group News

Our Youth Group is once again making Blessing Bags. Starting next week there will be bins in both Worship areas for donations. The bags will be given out at Talbot House in December and to those in need in Lakeland.



The items needed for this project are :
Shampoo, Conditioner, Wash Cloths, Soap, Tooth Paste, Tooth Brushes, Floss, Combs, Deodorant, Hand Lotion, Band Aids, Hard Candies or Mints, Crackers, Breakfast Bars, Razors, Chap Stick, Water, Socks, Blankets, Rain Coats

Verse of the Week - Job 1:21

**The Lord gave and the Lord has taken away.
Blessed be the name of the Lord.**



Please welcome our new part time office assistant, Linda Toalster. The Vestry gave in to my whining about needing paid help up in the office so we hired Linda. Linda has worked for many years in church offices, even at one time at St. David's. Many of us know Linda and her family (her daughter is the Rector of Holy Trinity Episcopal Church in Bartow. Linda and Steven are the music directors at Christ the King Episcopal Church here in Lakeland so, do not look for her on Sunday's



If you are new to St. Stephen's please look for the lovely green envelopes, located in a grey cloth basket in each worship area. These envelopes contain the information forms we use in the office. When you have completed the forms you can just put them in the collection plate. If you have any questions please call the office@646-6115.



The St. Monica's Chapter of the Daughters of the King met Sunday, September 30th. Our order has grown from 6 to 16! There have been others who have expressed interest and if you are one of those (or if you have thought about it, but have not spoken the words) ... we can begin another training class soon. Please call me so we can determine a time to get together to talk about when and where our class might start. My number is 1-859-324-5220 and I will be waiting for your call.

MaryLou Garland
Secretary / Trainer



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."

September 30 ,2018

Attendance: 233

Income: \$7114.00

Bucks for our Buildings:\$74.00

Seeds of Hope Banquet

Join us at the RP Funding Center on Thursday, October 25th. Auction begins at 6pm, Dinner at 7pm. Dinner is free. Reservations must be made in advance. Program includes an opportunity for you to give and be part of the success story of Talbot House.



The St. Stephen's Youth Group will be hosting their annual Craft Fair and Festival on October 27th.



October 7th: Blessing of the Animals @2:00pm

October 9th: Talbot House

October 10th: Morning Prayer with Communion and Bible Study

Holy Eucharist @Noon

Book Study @7:00pm

October 12th: Morning Prayer @8:00am

October 13th: Memorial Service for Alan Yeaple @10:30

October 16th: Vestry Meeting @6:00pm



**The Flowers on the Altar today have been given
In Celebration
of Ray and Karen Spiller's Anniversary**



October Birthdays

- 3 Lynn Whitt
- 6 Tom Hiber
- 8 Pat Martin
- 9 Phil Wortman
Geneann Thompson
- 10 Chase Grandone
- 11 Bethellen Reinert
- 14 Allan Yeaple
- 15 Ava Naples
- 17 Lyla Peddycoart
- 25 Mary Statzer
- 26 Marion Stewart
- 28 Michele Jump
- 29 David Ling
- 30 Major Kight, Lylah Denstedt
- 31 Kai Richardi



October Anniversaries

- 1 Nelson & Shirley Rumpel
- 17 K. C. & Susan Eapen
Mike & Lynn Whitt
- 18 Buster & DeAnn Brown
- 21 Kit & Evalyn Duncan
- 28 Matt & Trish Grandone
- 31 Robert & Savannah Dillon

St. Stephen's Prayer List

(Parish Members are in Bold)

Prayer Needs: Jacob Leahy, Shannon Black, **Jim Watkins**, Kidney failure, **Scott Barham**, Bryan Stockwell, chronic lymphatic leukemia, **(Marge Stockwell's son)**, Karen Stockwell, Stroke, Peggy Taylor, cancer surgery, (Fr. Jim Taylor's mother), **Rick Roach**, stroke, Regina Victoria, **Ernie Palmer, prostate cancer**, Steve Naples, **(Steve Naples dad)** severe heart problems, Daniel Whitt, **(Mike and Lynn Whitt's nephew)**, possible cancer, **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, **Bill Warneke** vision , **Trudi Lithgow, Roy Reynolds** heart problems, **Pat Dupont** back problems, **Ken Horne, Michele Giberson** Autoimmune disorder, Bethany and Stetson Glass, prayers for successful adoption **(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, **Mavis Walker**, multiple health issues, Dailia Walker, multiple health issues, Humphrey Walker, Stroke, Ron Cain, Sea Scout, cancer, Nancy Cross, Kidney Cancer

Pregnant: Jose and Samantha Flores, Michael and Chelsea Fanelli, Tyler and Mersadee Jackimowicz

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

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
7 9:00am Holy Eucharist 10:15am Breakfast 11:00am Children's Church 11:00am Holy Eucharist 6:30pm Youth Group	8 Columbus Day Office Closed	9 Talbot House 5:00	10 Morning Prayer/ Communion and Bible Study 9am Noon Eucharist Book Study 7pm	11 Choir Rehearsal 7pm	12 Morning Prayer 8am Office Closed	13 Alan Yeaple Memorial Service @10:30am
14 9:00am Holy Eucharist 10:15 Sunday School 11:00am Children's Church 11:00am Holy Eucharist 6:30pm Youth Group	15 Staff Meeting 10:30	16 Vestry Meeting 6:00	17 Morning Prayer/ Communion and Bible Study 9am Noon Eucharist Book Study 7pm	18 Choir Rehearsal 7pm	19 Morning Prayer 8am Office Closed	20 Women's Fellowship Brunch