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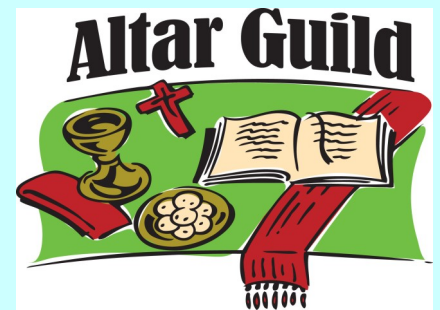
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Sixth Sunday of Easter



Altar Guild New Beginning

With increased attendance there is a need for extra hands to help set up, clean and put away the familiar items used at our worship services – altar linens, banners, communion supplies, seasonal items, etc. If you are interested in participating on an Altar Guild team, whether as a newbie or an experienced member, please let **Deacon Doug Jump (863-514-0620)** know.



Crazy Days VBS:

Where is God When the World Feels Upside Down?

June 21-25, 2021, 5:30-8:00pm

Registration is now open

Kindergarten thru completed 5th grade

Also accepting volunteer registrations from middle school thru adults

**Our 2021 Vacation Bible School
In Light of the Pandemic,
A Re-Worked and Re-Organized
Week of Faith and Hope
With Snacks, Crafts, Games
And Lots of MESSY Fun
Outside and At a Distance!
FREE, but Limited to 50 Kids**

Online registration is now open at centralfloridachurch.com/vbs2021.

JUNE 21-25
5:30pm-8:00pm
Elementary ages (K-5th)



Happy Mother's Day!

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



2021-Liz Barham, David Dresser, Debbie Powell
2022-Charles Bradford, Steve Meyer, Missy Sabine
2023-Karen Beasley, Richard Eijo, Carol Reynolds
Treasurer: Charles Bradford
Bookkeeper: Cathy Zielinski

Calling All 2021 Graduates!!

Is someone in your household graduating this year?

Please let us know your graduate's name and what level of school they are completing.

We would like to honor our graduates from preschool, elementary school, middle school, high school and college on Pentecost Sunday, May 23rd, so get your name to us soon.

Just email ststlinda@gmail.com, call the church office, or slip us a note.



Daughters of the King Training to Begin Friday, May 14th, 11am

Daughters of the King at St. Stephen's performs many small tasks, not the least of them praying for our many prayer concerns. Other ministries include baking cookies for Talbot House Chili Nights and going out to do visitations as needed.

Daughters of the King begins training new members with MaryLou Garland (859-324-5220) this Friday, May 14th at 11am in the Parish Hall.

You are invited to come find out more about DOK at any of the training sessions the next six Fridays.



Next Holy Hike at Lakeland Highlands Scrub Thursday, May 13th Join us!

Meet at 9am in the parking lot
For Pre-Hike Prayer & Prep

(.6-mile & additional
2.2 to 2.6-mile loops
available)

Directions: Take
Lakeland Highlands
Rd. south which dead-
ends into the parking
area.



**TALBOT HOUSE CHILI NIGHT IS THIS
TUESDAY, MAY 11TH AT 5PM. PLEASE LET
SHARON CROSDALE
KNOW IF YOU ARE
WILLING TO SERVE.**



YOUTH GROUP MEETING 6:30PM TONIGHT



Verse of the Week—John 15:9

As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you;
abide in my love.

Upcoming Events

Mark your calendar



- May 11** **5pm Talbot House Chili Night**
- May 18** **6pm Vestry Meeting in Parish Hall**
- May 23** **Pentecost Sunday**
10:00am Summer Worship in Sanctuary/Garden Chapel & Chili Lunch following
- May 30** **Watermelon following 10am worship**
DOK Meeting following worship
- May 31** **Memorial Day—office closed**
- June 6** **Drive-Thru Communion**
Subs/chips following 10am worship
- June 20** **Father's Day**
- June 21-23** **VBS 5:30-8pm**



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 2, 2021

Attendance:	9:00am	20
	10:00am	27
	11:00am	23
Total		70

Total Offerings available next week

Thank you for your continued faithfulness

Summer Worship & Fellowship Begins May 23rd

This summer we will offer 10am only services in the Sanctuary and Garden Chapel followed by parish fellowship opportunities. The 10am service will also be livestreamed. Our first Summer worship service will be on Sunday, May 23rd, Pentecost Sunday, and will be followed by a chili lunch.

We have planned fellowship activities through the end of June, including watermelon on Memorial Day weekend, subs & chips, clergy cookies, grilled hot dogs/burgers on Father's Day, and VBS snacks & cake following VBS week.

If you would like to offer a fellowship opportunity (activity and/or food) for the month of July or August 1st, please let us know in the office or speak to one of the clergy. We welcome your ideas!



Back by Popular Demand! Tuesday Cards & Fellowship Resumes this Tuesday, May 11th, 1pm in the Parish Hall

You are invited to come play cards with fellow parishioners in the Parish Hall on Tuesdays at 1pm. There have been some memorable games and high humor in the past. Come join us!





*The flowers on the altar have been given by
Hugh Coachman in memory of his mother, Evelyn Morrison Coachman
and mother-in-law, Maxine Amanda Hightower,
and by Bill Warneke in memory of his wife, Jean's birthday*

May Birthdays

- 1 Pat Dayton, Abbi Pratt
- 2 Megan Stoddard
- 5 Melissa Eijo
- Elizabeth Koshi
- 7 Charles Bradford
- Althea Nye
- 8 Brian Brink
- 9 Michael Englert
- Aiden Westberry
- 10 Kevin Shelton
- 13 *Joanie Boyd
- Michael Platt
- 14 Robert Chilton
- K.C. Eapen
- Kaelynn Hiber
- 15 Jim Heal
- 16 Ed Knox
- Carla Sauve
- 17 Jim Schmidt
- 18 Betty Calhoun
- 19 Marcia Heath
- Tom Rittenour
- Sierra Steadman-Jones
- 21 Rick Rahn
- 23 Bruce Goers
- Janice Olson
- 24 Dan Howes
- 29 Bill Monts de Oca



May Anniversaries

- 8 Roger & Mary Statzer
- 12 Bill & Geneann Thompson
- 15 Ken & Judy Horne
- 21 Brian & Erica Brink
- Bob & Pat Martin
- 25 Robert & Annette Chilton
- Bill & Jackie Monts de Oca
- 27 Tim & Mary Trimbath


St. Stephen's Prayer List

(Parish Members are in Bold)

Prayer Needs: Kevin Ames (**David Dresser's** cousin), Shannon Black (from **Kathy Leahy**), Rachel Blackwell (**Karen Spiller's** daughter-in-law), **Betty Calhoun, Stephen Calhoun**, Tomasso Casini (son of **Janet & Italo Casini**), **Deborah Cole, Roger Doyle**, Laurie Dresser (**David Dresser's** sister), Lily Dresser (granddaughter of **David & Patricia Dresser**), **Evalyn Duncan, Kit Duncan**, former member Pat Dupont, **Eileen Fox, Michele Giberson, John Gove**, Lana Guisinger (**Linda France's** sister) **Bill Heath**, Nicole Hernnkind (**Karen Spiller's** sister), **Dan Howes, Kevin Jackimowicz**, Dorothy Jensen (**Bob Martin's** sister), Scott Johnson (**Judy Horne's** brother), Ken & Clair Jones (friends of **Roger Doyle**), Fronnie LeBlanc (**Morgan Goers'** sister-in-law), Pat Martin, Charlie Meade, **Janell Repsher, Roy Reynolds**, Donna Roberts (**David Dresser's** sister), Mike Robinson (**Kai Richardi's** grandfather), **Marion Stewart, Marge Stockwell**, family of **Marty Tallent's** great niece, **Bill Thompson, Carol Vonesh, Dahlia Walker, Juliana Walker, Bill Warneke.**

Pregnant: Akeythia Goers (granddaughter of **Jim & Penny Schmidt** and **Bruce & Morgan Goers**), Sereck & Missy Peterson (grandson of **Linda France**)

Homebound or Skilled Nursing Facility: Tony Barfield, Brouck Boyd, Susan Cardman, Dawn Flynn, Tom Haney, Carmen Kight, Rick Rahn, Mavis Walker, Jo Willey

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
9 9:00am Worship . WC & FB/YouTube 10:00am Worship, Sanct. & FB/YouTube 10:00am Sunday Schl for all ages 11:00am Worship, Wctr & FB/YouTube <i>happy mother's day!</i>	10 8am Online Morning Prayer 8pm Online Compline	11 8am Online Morning Prayer 1pm Cards & Fellowship, PH 5pm Talbot House Chili Night  8pm Online Compline	12 8am Online Morning Prayer 9am Euch, Sanct 9:45am Bible Study, Sanct. 12noo No Book Study, Wctr 6pm Bible Study in Worship Ctr. 8pm Online Compline	13 8am Online Morning Prayer 9am Holy Hike at Lkld. Highlds Scrub 8pm Online Compline	14 8am Online Morning Prayer 8pm Online Compline Office Closed	15
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