#### St. Stephen's Episcopal Church

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# FYI 2021

November 28, 2021 Volume 19 Issue 48 The First Sunday of Advent

Advent Begins Today—New Sunday Schedule! 9:00am Traditional Service in the Sanctuary 10:00am Sunday School for all ages 11:00am Contemporary Service in the Worship Center (both 9 and 11 services will be livestreamed)

#### **Parish Christmas Card Exchange**

**Pick up a 5-pack of Christmas cards and share some Christmas love with your fellow parishioners.** Each envelope is already marked with a parishioner's name and address. Write a Christmas blessing or greeting and mail or give them to one another to spread Christmas cheer!

#### **Christmas Blessing Tree Ornaments**

Take a pen and write on a blank ornament an answered prayer or blessing God has given you this past year. They'll be put on a Christmas Blessing Tree in our Parish Hall.

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



#### While You are Waiting... In anticipation of celebrating the Birth of Christ

PICK THESE UP...

Your personal family Advent calendar card Advent Devotions—daily until Christmas Advent wreaths & candles (\$5/ea) Large wall Advent calendars Advent/Christmas magnet

#### Weekly Chanting the Psalms

Begins this **Tuesday, Nov. 30th, 4pm** at Drane Park, on S. Lakeside Ave., Lakeland (adjacent to the Fla. Presbyterian Homes) Led by John LeMond

Join us in this ancient practice and make use of these beautiful passages as a source for meditation and reflection.



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





## Gift Cards and Food Baskets

<u>Brought 12/5 or 12/12</u>: fresh potatoes, carrots, onions, apples, or oranges <u>Brought anytime</u>: canned vegetables, boxed stuffing, fruit cups, applesauce, cereal, shelf stable milk, cooking oil, paper towels, toilet paper, gift cards to Publix or Walmart, cash/check to St. Stephen's with "baskets" in notation.

# **Elementary Angel Tree**

Scott Lake has a lengthy list of needy children this year and is asking that we take a few of their "angels." Children will supply a brief wish list of toys or clothes, and donors can purchase some or all of that list. Let us know if you'd like to sponsor a child's wish list completely or share that list with others.

### Shoes for Scott Lake Elementary

SLE needs 20-25 tennis shoes for kids of various ages and sizes. K-5 grade students tend to range from sizes 1-9 and there is a need for both girls' and boys' styles. New or very gently used shoes, please. They don't need to be fancy or expensive, just good shoes for a child who may not have what they need for school.

# Holiday House Shopping

The ValleyView Elementary PTA hosts an annual "Holiday House" where students can shop by themselves to give inexpensive gifts to family and friends. Cash/checks marked "Holiday House" will help ensure that every child has the ability to shop with dignity and buy something for their loved ones this Christmas.

# **Collecting Until December 12**

#### Congratulations, Great-Grandparents Dugan & Judy Wilder!

Walter Edwin "Wal-E" Wilder born to Chase & Maddie Wilder on November 13, 2021 7lbs 7oz, 20inches long





#### **Did You Forget Your Pledge Card?**

Pick up a pledge card in your worship area or turn in/mail in the one you received and help us plan our spending for 2022.

#### Changes to your October 2021 Directory:

**Beller,** Susan (Susan has moved to the east side of Florida and misses us.)

**Dresser**, David & Patricia (no landline)

**Phillips**, Carolyn 901 S. Lakeside Ave., #258 Lakeland, FL 33803

**Znovena,** Joseph & **Benson,** Barbara (summer address) 7728 Ford Dr. Pasadena, MD 21122 Iznovena@yahoo.com

#### YOUTH GROUP MEETS TONIGHT AT 6:30PM IN THE PARISH HALL

ALL MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOLERS ARE WELCOME

#### 2022 Altar Flowers

There is a new sign for Altar Flower Donations.



The 2022 Sunday dates are listed so you can grab a donation form and reserve your preferred dedication date for next year. Sunday Altar Flower donations are still \$20.



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."

November 28, 2021

November 21st Attendance 131

Month of Oct. Income\$29,785.58Month of Oct. Expenses29,672.97



This week's Holy Hike is Thursday, December 2nd at Circle B Bar Reserve

Meet at 9am in the parking lot for Pre-Hike Prayer & Prep Join us!

#### *iLunch Bunch at Abuelos!*



# Verse of the Week-1 Thessalonians 3:13

May the Lord strengthen your hearts so that you will be blameless and holy in the presence of our God and Father when our Lord Jesus comes with all his holy ones.



The greenery on the altar has been given by the Parish of St. Stephen's in celebration of Father Rob's birthday



#### November Birthdays

28 Trish Grandone, Helen Jump

#### **December Birthdays**

- 1 Kim Jackimowicz
- 2 Fr. Rob Moses
- 3 Henry Chilton, Carol Harris, Rick Yenney
- 7 Linda France, Jessie Gomez, Ian Millican
- 9 Tim Irwin, Nancy March
- 10 John MacGilvray, Dale Reinert
- 12 Mariela Brink
- 13 Victoria Naples
- 17 Missy Sabine
- 19 Enid Alers, Melissa Getman-Powell
- 21 Suzanne Rosenberger Marty Tallent
- 23 Marianne Hodges, Maggie Latham Nathan Peoples
- 24 Michele Giberson
- 26 Jennifer Latham
- 28 Peggy Nicholson
- 29 Susan MacGilvray, Nancy Wenham
- 30 Ella Chilton
- 31 Walter Thomas

#### **December Anniversaries**

- 8 Kevin & Kim Jackimowicz
- 11 Scott & Carla Sauve
- 15 Lou & Enid Alers
- 31 Judy Elam & Jim Cook

#### St. Stephen's Prayer List (Parish Members are in Bold)

Prayer Needs: Terry Avery (Joe & Robin Adams' friend), Kim Birmingham (from Scout Troop 106), Shannon Black (from Kathy Leahy), Rachel Blackwell (Karen Spiller's daughter-in-law), Betty Calhoun, Stephen Calhoun, Roz Coleman (Althea Nye's friend), Clare Cusato (Sally Flanagan's daughter), Annie Delling, Martha G. Duncan (Susan MacGilvray's neighbor), Judy Dunn (Betty Pratt's daughter-inlaw), Roger Doyle, Laurie Dresser (David Dresser's sister), Lily Dresser (David & Patricia Dresser's granddaughter), Evalyn Duncan, Kit Duncan, Eileen Fox, Sandy Gibson, Morgan Goers, John Gove, Angela Grilli (Althea Nye's friend), Jim Heal, Nicole Hernnkind (Karen Spiller's sister), Ginny Hiber, Ken Horne, Dan Howes, Aubrey Hutson (Fr. Rob's friend), Kevin Jackimowicz, Ken & Clair Jones (Roger Doyle's friends), John McArthur, Sandra Mewborn (from Tropical Doll Study Club), Steve Meyer, Cassandra & Hannah Ortner (Nancy Moses' cousins), Cindy Racette (from Tropical Doll Study Club), Lou Ann Reckord (from Trudi Lithgow), Janell Repsher, Roy Reynolds, Donna Roberts (David Dresser's sister), Mike Robinson (Kai Richardi's grandfather), Stacey Santiago (Dresser family friend), Mark Schultz (Harry Solloway's friend), Marion Stewart, Bryan Stockwell (Marge Stockwell's son), Marge Stockwell, Bill Thompson, Carol Vonesh, Dailia Walker, Juliana Walker, Richard Welch (Marge Stockwell's brother), David Leahy, Lynn Staffier (from Kathy Leahy).

Pregnancy: Eric & Brooke Wortman (Phil & Gail Wortman's grandson)

<u>Homebound or Skilled Nursing Facility</u>: Tony Barfield, Brouck Boyd, Susan Cardman, Dawn Flynn, Tom Haney, Rick Rahn, Mavis Walker, Jo Willey



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
28 9:00am Traditional Worship, Sanctuary, FB/YouTube 10:00am Sunday Schl. 11:00am Contemporary Worship, Worship Center, FB/YouTube 11:15am DOK Mtg, PH 6:30pm Youth Group,	29 8am Online Morning Prayer 8pm Online Compline	30 8am Online Morning Prayer 1pm Cards & Fellowship, PH 6:00pm Vestry Mtg, PH 8pm Online Compline	1 8am Online Morning Prayer 9am Euch, Sanct 9:45am Bible Study, S 12noon Book Study, WCtr 6:30pm Bible Study in Sm Grp Rm 8pm Online Compline	2 8am Online Morning Prayer 9am Holy Hike at Circle B 8pm Online Compline	3 Sam Online Morning Prayer Spm Online Compline Office Closed	4
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