

**St. Stephen's
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Third Sunday of Easter



Honor Flight

Recently our Boy Scout Troop served as honor guard for the Veteran's Honor Flight to Washington DC from Lakeland Linder International Airport. Honor Flights are carried out from all over the country to show gratitude to our veterans for their service to our country. The veterans were recognized with a day in our Nation's capital and several tours and events and returned the same day.

Book Study

12 noon book study continues with "The Pursuit of God" by AW Tozer. All are welcome to join us in person or via

Zoom:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84012011302>

Meeting ID: 840 1201 1302

AW Tozer, "The Pursuit of God" pdf: link

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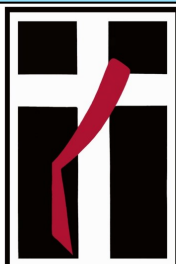


Holy Hikes

Thursday May 5th at Circle B Bar Reserve Meet at 9am in the parking lot for pre-hike Prayer & Prep, Please come join us to bathe in the glory of what nature has to offer.



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



2022- Steve Meyer, Missy Sabine

2023-Karen Beasley, Carol Reynolds, Karen Spiller

2024-Bill Baggett, Louis Bloodworth, Bruce Goers

Treasurer: David Dresser

Bookkeeper: Cathy Zielinski

Ukrainian Relief

Fr. David's colleague and friend Fr. Jonathan French's son Micah and his wife are in northern Italy where he serves in the US Air Force. Their church is receiving and serving Ukrainian refugees and are raising funds for that effort. Jonathan's church, Grace Episcopal in Ocala has raised \$10,000 and is inviting other congregations to join them. If you'd like to help, any support sent to the church with the notation "Ukraine" will go to their direct, on the ground support of these refugees. Follow the link to watch and share a video on these efforts: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QZvsAYG-JYI>

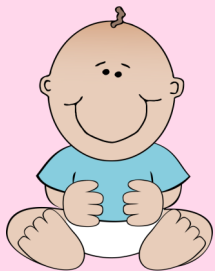
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503 SE Broadway St.
Ocala, FL 34471



THIS WEDNESDAY MAY 4TH, 5:30PM SOUP & STUDY —JOIN US!

May 4th—The Healing Miracles of Jesus

A deep dive into praying with Jesus for our Spiritual journey! Each week will focus on a moment of prayer and teaching about prayer through the prayer life of our mediator and advocate, Jesus Christ.



1st Sunday in May Diaper Drive Collection

The Peace River Domestic Violence Shelter could use your help! We are still collecting diapers in Newborn sizes to Size 6 and wipes of any kind.

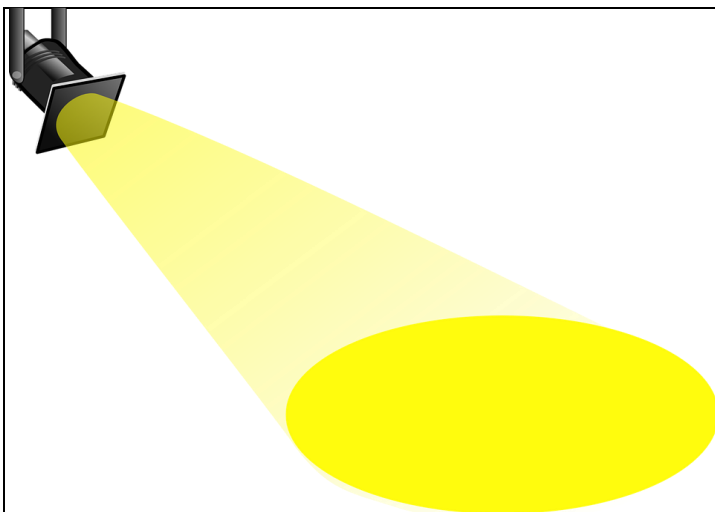
These mothers and children can really use our support to give them one less thing to worry about. We thank you for your continued support of our St. Stephen's Outreach Ministry.



Lent Card Letter from Inmate

If you ever wondered if the Lenten cards were appreciated, they were. We received a letter from an inmate who received a Lenten card which read. "It's Lent. We are connecting with others to tell them that God loves them, no matter where they are. God always Loves them and you." He was in awe because of hearing from St. Stephen's at a time when he was experiencing a need for spiritual fellowship. If you sent this card please let us know so that we can share the letter with you.





St. Stephen's Spotlight

We all know that it takes more than just a few people to run the show around here and this feature is going to be our attempt to let everyone know who is working behind the scenes. We are currently in the planning phase so we really need input. If you know someone you would like to nominate or if you would like to help with the feature, let us know. Thanks from the home office.



Spaghetti Dinner This Tuesday, May 3rd 5-7pm (\$7/each)

Spaghetti lovers, our monthly VBS Spaghetti Dinner will be this month from **5-7pm!**

Come out and support this fundraiser for our summer VBS program so it can continue to be free to all participants.



April 24, 2022 Attendance

Wed	10
9:00	54
11:00	52
Total	116

Year-to-date Income:	115,379.82
Year-to-date Expenses:	106,096.09
Buck\$-4-Buildings Envs	3998.00

Look for the bright yellow BUCK\$ 4 BUILDING envelopes to donate toward our out of budget building and grounds maintenance expenses.

Summer Fellowship Event Sponsors needed for the following dates

July 3rd
July 17th
July 24th
July 31st

Summer is upon us and we're looking forward to fellowship opportunities every Sunday. If you or your group would like to sponsor a fellowship event, please let us know. It does not have to involve food but we do like to eat.

Summer

Verse of the Week—Psalm 30:6
Weeping may spend the night, but joy comes in the morning.



*Flowers were given
by St. Stephen's Vestry*



May Birthdays

- 1 Pat Dayton
Abbi Pratt
- 2 Megan Stoddard
- 5 Melissa Eijo
Elizabeth Koshi
- 7 Charlie Bradford
Althea Nye
- 8 Brian Brink
- 9 Michael Englert
Aiden Westberry
Sally Flanagan
- 10 Kevin Shelton
- 13 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
- 25 Robert & Annette Chilton
Bill & Jackie Monts de Oca

St. Stephen's Prayer List

(Parish Members are in Bold)

Prayer Needs: the Asmann family—Tony, Gustaf, Claudia & Thomas (**Italo & Janet Casini's** friends), 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, Janet Casini**, Roz Coleman (**Althea Nye's** friend), Elisa Cross (**Jim Cross's** daughter-in-law), Annie Delling, Martha G. Duncan (**Susan MacGilvray's** neighbor), **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**, Edith Hughes (**Ginny Hiber's** friend) Aubrey Hutson (Fr. Rob's friend), **Kevin Jackimowicz**, Ken & Clair Jones (**Roger Doyle's** friends), **David Leahy, John McArthur**, Sandra Mewborn (from Tropical Doll Study Club), Cindy Racette (from Tropical Doll Study Club), Raelyn (daughter of **Sue DeMan's** friend Stephanie), Lou Ann Reckord (from **Trudi Lithgow**), **Janell Repsher, Roy Reynolds**, Melody Richardi (**Kai Richardi's** mother), Donna Roberts (**David Dresser's** sister), Mike Robinson (**Kai Richardi's** grandfather), Stacey Santiago (**Dresser** family friend), Mark Schultz (**Harry Solloway's** friend), Patti Soper (**Major Knight's** sister), Lynn Staffier (from **Kathy Leahy**), **Marion Stewart**, Bryan Stockwell (**Marge Stockwell's** son), **Marge Stockwell, Bill Thompson, Carol Vonesh, Dailia Walker**,

Pregnancy: Joseph & Amanda Nolette, (**Ed & Dianne Knox's** granddaughter)

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

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 9:00am Traditional Worship Service in Sanctuary 10:00am Sunday School for all ages 11:00am Contemporary Worship Service in Worship Center 6:30pm Youth Group	2 8am Online Morning Prayer 8pm Online Compline	3 8am Online Morning Prayer 4:00pm Psalm Chanting at Drane Park 8pm Online Compline	4 8am Online Morning Prayer 9:00am Holy Eucharist, Sanctuary 9:45am Bible Study, Sanctuary 12noon Book Study, PH 5:30pm Soup & Study PH 8pm Online Compline	5 8am Online Morning Prayer 9:00am Holy Hike at Circle B 8pm Online Compline	6 8:00am Online Morning Prayer 8pm Online Compline	7
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