

**St. Stephen's
Episcopal Church**

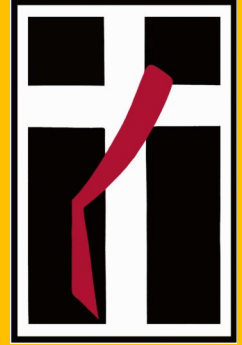
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Fifth Sunday of Easter



Calling All 2022 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 as soon as possible.

We would like to honor our graduates from preschool, elementary school, middle school, high school and college on Sunday, May 29th, to let them see we care..



NAME TAGS

Have you ever looked in the mirror and wondered **"WHO AM I?"**

Well, we would like to help you out with that. If you need a new name tag or a replacement name tag so that we will all know **WHO YOU ARE.** Please contact the church office and let us know and will get your Name Tag as soon as possible.



Wednesday Activities Continue

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

<https://danandjoydotcom.files.wordpress.com/2018/05/the-pursuit-of-god.pdf>



Soup and Study

@5:30pm in the Parish Hall for:
The Healing Miracles of Jesus
Come join us for food, fellowship and inspirational teaching about our mediator and advocate, Jesus Christ.

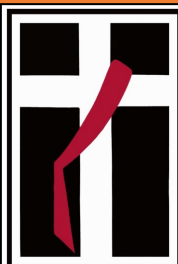
Holy Hikes

Thursday May 19th at Seven Wetlands at 9am for pre-hike Prayer & Prep, please come join us for some fellowship and enjoy the fresh air.



**Vestry Meeting this Tuesday
May 17th 6:00pm**

**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



VBS Sponsors

As you may know, we got a late start on the spaghetti dinners this year and have not been able to raise the money necessary to fund our VBS program. This is a great program, and it is attended by children from the church and surrounding community. There are few better investments in Time Talent and Treasure that return so handsomely to our fellowship. To that end, we are asking that you consider sponsoring a child for VBS with a \$25 donation. Blue Vacation Bible School Sponsorship Envelopes are available in the narthex for both services. Thank you in advance for your continued generosity

SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE

We are gearing up for a change!

Our Summer Worship Schedule **begins on Memorial Day Weekend, May 29th**. We will all worship at 10am in the Sanctuary, with an simultaneous service in the Garden area. Our 10am worship services this summer will often be followed by parish fellowship events. It will be so nice to see other parishioners again in a social setting! Memorial Day Sunday will kick this off with a Hot Dogs and Watermellon



May Diaper Drive Collection

The Peace River Domestic Violence Shelter could use your help! We are collecting diapers in Newborn sizes to Size 6 and wipes of any kind. These mothers and children can really use our support.as they transition to a home devoid of fear and pain.to give them one less thing to worry about. We thank you for your continued support of out St. Stephen's Outreach Ministry.



Summer

Summer Fellowship Event Sponsors needed for the following dates

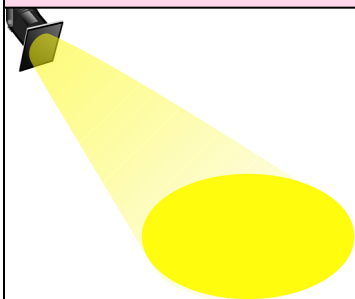
July 3rd

July 17th

July 24th

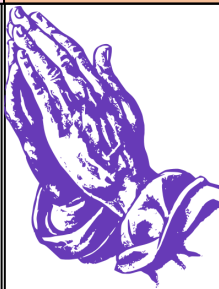
July 31st

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



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. We have gotten a few names but this monthly feature needs more nominees so please give it some thoughts. Thanks from the home office. **Who will be the 1st?**



Lou Bloodworth is undergoing radiation therapy and is feeling the ill effects and is asking for some assistance. He needs someone to drive him (in his car if you would like) to Riverview on Tuesday, Wednesday and/or Thursday between 8:00am and 11:00am for the next 3 weeks.

If you can help him out call him at 813-763-6426 as soon as possible. God Bless++





St. Stephen's Pet Memorial Garden

As an addition to the planting last week we now have a place to intur the cremains of our pets who have crossed over the rainbow bridge. If you would like to have a memorial for your pet, please contact the office and we will coordinate the internment and recording.



May 8, 2022 Attendance

Wed	10
9:00	50
11:00	68
Total	128

Year-to-date Income:	140,361
Year-to-date Expenses:	143,194

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

MILLER'S ALE HOUSE®

May Social Lunch Bunch is

11:30am on Thursday, May 19th

at

Miller's Ale House

5650 S. Florida Ave.

Lakeland, FL 33813

All are welcome to join us! Please let Lyla Peddycoart know if you want to be included, 863-682-2745 (landline), or email at lylapeddycoart@aol.com

Verse of the Week:

John 13:35

Everyone will know that you are my disciples if you love one another .



*Flowers were given
by Betty Pratt in Memory of Gene Dumaresq*

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, gave birth to twins on 5/10/22! (**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
15 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	16 8am Online Morning Prayer 8pm Online Compline	17 8am Online Morning Prayer 4:00pm Psalm Chanting at Drane Park Vestry Meeting 6:00pm 8pm Online Compline	18 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	19 8am Online Morning Prayer 9:00am Holy Hike at Seven Wetlands 11:30 Lunch Bunch Miller's Ale House 8pm Online Compline	20 8:00am Online Morning Prayer 8pm Online Compline	21
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