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The Third Sunday in Lent



Lent IS A TIME TO
GROW
CLOSER TO JESUS

NEW WEDNESDAY NOON BOOK STUDY

Throughout the rest of Lent, the Wednesday noon book study will be reading together the spiritual classic, "The Pursuit of God" by AW Tozer. While books are available to order, it is also in the public domain so we're including a link to where it can be read for free online.

All are welcome to join us Wednesdays at noon in person or via Zoom:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84012011302>
Meeting ID: 840 1201 1302

If you can't participate live, please feel free to watch the recordings of classes as uploaded to the church Facebook page and YouTube channel.

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

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



**THIS WEDNESDAY
MARCH 16TH, 5:30PM
LENTEN SOUP & STUDY
—JOIN US!**

March 23—Jesus' Prayer for His Disciples

A deep dive into praying with Jesus for our Lenten 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.

Pick Up Cards to Write Today We Have Plenty of Packs Left

As a Lenten act of Worship in Action, please pick up a 5-pack of blank cards and pre-addressed envelopes to be sent to fellow parishioners, nursing home residents or persons of your choice.

Just write a note of love and encouragement during Lent for these five recipients and mail or give it to them. Notes may include a Bible verse, a prayer, or anything that will show that their God loves them and so do you.



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



2022—Charles Bradford, Steve Meyer, Missy Sabine
2023—Karen Beasley, Carol Reynolds, Karen Spiller
2024—Bill Baggett, Louis Bloodworth, Bruce Goers

Treasurer: Charles Bradford

Bookkeeper: Cathy Zielinski



Easter Flowers Dedication Sheets in Your Worship Area

Look for forms marked "Easter Flowers" and fill out a form with your dedication. Your attached \$20 payment may be placed in the collection plate or sent to the church office. Please have your form turned in by Palm Sunday, April 10th in order to have your dedication in the Easter FYI. Flowers will be planted on the church grounds afterward to beautify our property.

March Food Box Collection

We keep boxes of shelf-stable food in our office to help those in need. In recent months, we have given away quite a bit of food and need to restock our shelves. During your shopping trips, please pick up some of the following:

- Bags of rice
- Dried beans
- Peanut butter
- Canned goods
- Cereal
- Shelf stable milk



- Fruit cups and applesauce
- Small bottles of cooking oil
- Paper towels and toilet paper
- Gift cards to Publix or Walmart

Remember to take advantage of BOGO offers. Thanks for your help!



DON'T MISS OUR DAILY 90-SECOND SERMONS AT 10AM TO GO WITH YOUR LENTEN DEVOTIONAL CARDS

Episcopal Church Responds to Crisis in Ukraine

As we pray for an end to violence and for those fleeing Ukraine, please also pray for agencies working to respond to the current crisis. Specific needs will change as the crisis evolves. Bishop Brewer asks that we please consider partnering in this response by donating via credit card or check using this link – <https://ukraine-emergencyappeal.raisely.com> .



YOUTH GROUP MEETS AT 6:30PM TONIGHT—ALL MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOLERS ARE WELCOME

FYI Prayer List



Remember to check the FYI prayer list for members and friends who need our prayers. If you are on the prayer list or have a friend/family member on the list, please keep us updated.



Cub Scouts March 12th Crossover Ceremony

Scouts Corner



Polk Ecumenical Action Council for Empowerment Nehemiah Action March 29, 7 p.m. registration



Silver Moon Drive-In 4100 New Tampa Highway Lakeland.

St. Stephen's is one of 25 congregations in PEACE.

upcoming EVENTS



- March 23** 12noon Book Study, PH
 5:30pm Lenten Soup & Study, PH
- March 29** 7:00pm PEACE Nehemiah
 Action at Silver Moon Drive-In
- March 30** 12noon Book Study, PH
 5:30pm Lenten Soup & Study, PH
- April 10** 10:00am PALM SUN/HOLY WK
 Combined Outdoor Worship
 5:00pm Passover Dinner & Seder
- April 11** 7:00pm Lenten Quiet Svc,
 Worship Ctr
- April 12** 7:00pm Chanting the Psalms,
 Sanctuary
- April 13** 7:00pm Stations of the Cross
- April 14** 7:00pm MAUNDY THURSDAY
 Worship, Sanctuary
- April 15** GOOD FRIDAY
 12noon Worship, Sanctuary
 1:00pm Crosswalk, Outdoors
 7:00pm Worship, Sanctuary
- April 16** 12noon Holy Saturday Liturgy,
 Online



March 13, 2022 Attendance

9:00am	48
11:00am	<u>70</u>
	118

Year-to-date Income:	\$66,488.49
Year-to-date Expenses:	67,810.07

Project costs outside of budget:

Irrigation	\$1,650.00
Campus Development	1,070.00
Mulch	220.00
Electrical Repair	3,980.00

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

This week's Holy Hike is Thursday, March 24th at Lake Hollingsworth



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

Verse of the Week—Exodus 3:15

God said to Moses, "Say to the Israelites, 'The Lord, the God of your fathers—the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob—has sent me to you.' This is my name forever, the name you shall call me from generation to generation."



The greenery on the altar has been given by the parish of St. Stephen's



March Birthdays

- 1 Celeste Cooper
Michael Ferguson, Sam Jerome
- 2 Scott Sauve, Abigail Lankford
- 3 Glenn Brown, Jessica Peoples
- 4 Connie Befus
- 8 MaryLou Taylor
- 10 Samantha Denstedt
Evalyn Duncan
Gloria Thomason
- 11 MaryLou Garland
- 12 Christopher Steadman-Jones
- 14 Dennis Flynn
- 15 Luna Denstedt
- 16 Cameron Abbey, Bill Heath
- 20 Deb Brock
- 22 Richard Eijo, Shirley Rumpel
- 23 Jerry Jerome
- 25 Joe Adams, Schuyler Denstedt
- 29 Mary Trimbath
- 30 Adyline Dillon



March Anniversaries

- 6 Richard & Melissa Eijo
- 9 Steve & Beverly Meyer
- 10 Ed & Dianne Knox
- 15 Phil & Gail Wortman
- 25 Rick & Rita Yenney
- 27 Dan & Michele Giberson

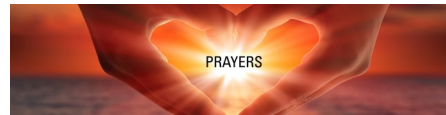
St. Stephen's Prayer List

(Parish Members are in Bold)

Prayer Needs: Terry Avery (**Joe & Robin Adams'** friend), Debbie Beck (**Bill & Marcia Heath's** 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 Herknkind (**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), Lynn Staffier (from **Kathy Leahy**), **Marion Stewart**, Bryan Stockwell (**Marge Stockwell's** son), **Marge Stockwell, Bill Thompson, Carol Vonesh, Dailia Walker**, Richard Welch (**Marge Stockwell's** brother).

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
20 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	21 8am Online Morning Prayer 8pm Online Compline	22 8am Online Morning Prayer 4pm Psalm Chanting at Drane Park 8pm Online Compline	23 8am Online Morning Prayer 9:00am Holy Eucharist, Sanctuary 9:45am Bible Study, Sanctuary 12noon Book Study, PH 5:30pm Lenten Soup & Study, PH 8pm Online Compline	24 8am Online Morning Prayer 9am Holy Hike at Lake Hollingsworth 8pm Online Compline	25 8am Online Morning Prayer 8pm Online Compline OFFICE CLOSED	26 EVERY DAY 10am Lenten 90-Second Sermons
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