St. Stephen's Episcopal Church

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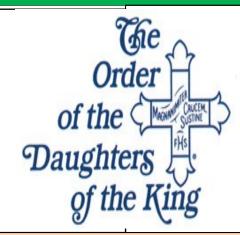
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FYI 2023

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The 1st Sunday of Lent



The DOK Meeting will be this Sunday after the 9:00am service at 10:00am. The meeting will be held in the Scout room.



Calling all Women of Prayer, Service and Evangelism. Please see Karen Beasley or Mary Lou Gardner to learn about the Daughters of the King. Classes are beginning Soon. Come to strengthen your commitment to Christ





Daily Thoughts, Scriptures, and Prayers to Guide You Through Lent

Pick up a pack of devotion cards today and get an extra for a friend. We made these easy to use and included one card for each day in Lent. Check online daily at 10am for 90-second Lenten sermons based on this devotional material.



Invitation to a Holy Lent

The first Christians observed with great devotion the days of our Lord's passion and resurrection, and it became the custom of the Church to prepare for them by a season of penitence and fasting. I invite you, therefore, in the name of the Church, to the observance of a holy Lent, by self-examination and repentance; by prayer, fasting, and self-denial; and by reading and meditating on God's holy Word.

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



2023-Karen Beasley, Carol Reynolds, Sr. Warden-Karen Spiller 2024-Bill Baggett, Louis Bloodworth, Bruce Goers 2025-Nancy Wenham, Nancy March, Jr. Warden Major Kight

Treasurer: David Dresser
Bookkeeper: Cathy Zielinski

Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner 2023



This Month's Holy Hikes will be as follows:

3/2/23 Circle B-Bar Reserve

3/9/23 Lake Hollingsworth (paved)

3/16/23 Lakeland Highland Scrub

3/23/23 Bonnet Springs (paved)

3/30/23 Seven Wetlands

(Loyce E. Harpe Park)

Pre-Hike Prayer & Prep @ 9:00am,









Eighty of St. Stephen's congregants turned out for the annual sugar rush before Lent. Dined on pancakes, strawberries, sausage, syrup and whipped cream and all left on a sugar high. All this stored glycogen prepared us for forty days of reflection and fasting to prepare for Easter. Thanks to Richard and Melissa Eijo, Major Kight, Carol Reynolds, Karen Spiller, Deacon Doug, Sharon, Susan MacGilvray, Father Rob and Debbie and Charlie Bradford.



3/6/23	Staff Meeting 10:00 -12:00
3/12/23	Daylight Saving Time Ends
3/12/23	2nd Sunday Incredible Brunch
3/13/23	Spring Break for Schools
3/20/23	Staff Meeting 10:00-12:00
3/21/23	Vestry Meeting 6:00pm
3/25/23	Campus Yard Work Day 9-12
4/3/23	Staff Meeting 10:00-12:00
4/6/23	Maundy Thursday 7:00pm



February 19, 2023 Attendance

9:00am 47 11:00am 95 Total 142

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

Cursillo #132

Women's Weekend March 10-12, 2023

Susie Steward, our Choir Director is a candidate and Sharon Crosdale, who does almost everything, is a team member.

Please pray for both of them and ask me if you would like to support their ministry.

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What Does Cursillo Do?

Cursillo helps to renew and deepen Christian commitment. Many people have said Cursillo provides an important enrichment experience which helps them feel renewed as Christians and able to move forward with purpose and with support.

Mark Your Calendars for May 6, 2023.

The St. Stephen's Community Yard Sale.

Organized by Michele Giberson who produced our Christmas Bazaar. Call Michele for information at

Michele for inform 863-205-6643

Verse of the Week Psalm 32:8
You are my hiding-place; you preserve me from trouble;
you surround me with shouts of deliverance.



Flowers on the Altar are Given by Pete Wesley in Thanksgiving for my two sons Wayne and Bob's Birthday



February Birthdays

26 David Befus Lula Peoples Peyton Sale Glen Zielinski

28 Robert Sale

March Birthdays

- 1 Celeste Cooper Michael Ferguson, Sam Jerome
- 2 Scott Sauve, Abigail Lankford
- 3 Glenn Brown, Jessica Peoples
- 4 Connie Befus

February Anniversaries

27 Bill & Marcia Heath

28 Bruce & Morgan Goers

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: the Asmann family—Tony, Gustaf, Claudia & Thomas (Italo & Janet Casini's friends) Nathan Baker (Judy Elam's friend), Kim Birmingham (from Scout Troop 106), Shannon Black (from Kathy **Leahy**), Rachel Blackwell (**Karen Spiller**'s daughter-in-law), Elizabeth Bradford (Charlie Bradford's sister) 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, Sandy Gibson, Morgan Goers, Angela Grilli (Althea Nye's friend), Jim Heal, Nicole Hernnkind (Karen Spiller's sister), Edith Hughes (**Ginny Hiber's** friend), **Kevin Jackimowicz**, Ken & Clair Jones (Roger Doyle's friends), Kay Jordan (Judy Elam's friend) Cynthia Krempel (Janice Olson's sister) David Leahy, (Raelyn (daughter of Sue DeMan's friend Stephanie), Lou Ann Reckord (Trudi Lithgow), Janell Repsher, Roy Reynolds, Melody Richardi (Kai Richardi's mother), Donna Roberts (David Dresser's sister), Mike Robinson (Kai Richardi's grandfather), Shannon Rover, (Judy and Ken Horne's friend), Sheryl Short(Tropical Doll Club), Harry Solloway, Patti Soper (Major Kight's sister), Lynn Staffier (from Kathy Leahy), John Starling, Marion Stewart, Bryan Stockwell (Marge Stockwell's son), Marge Stockwell, Bill Thompson, Carol Vonesh, Dailia Walker, Lindsay Zielinski. Homebound or Skilled Nursing Facility: Tony Barfield, Brouck Boyd, Susan Cardman, Rick Rahn, Jo Willey, Sandra Mewborn,

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
26	27	28	1	2	3	4
9:00am Worship, Sanctuary , also FB/ YouTube	8:00am Online Morning Prayer	8:00am Online Morning Prayer	8:00am Online Morning Prayer	8:00am Online Morning Prayer	8:00am Online Morning Prayer	
11:00am Contemporary Service in the Worship Center	8:00pm Online Compline	8:00pm Online Compline	9:00am Holy Eucharist, Sanctuary	8:00pm Online Compline	8:00pm Online Compline	
8:00pm Online Compline			9:45am Bible Study,			
			12:00m Book Study-The Screwtape Letters			
			5:30 pm Soup			
			6:15pm Chanting in the Sanctuary			
			8:00pm Online Compline			
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