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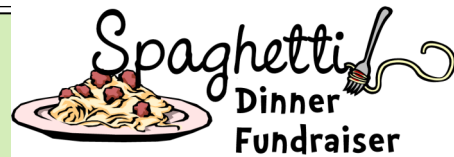
Cub Scout Breakfast last Sunday, the kids were cute and the food was good

The number of cases of Covid-19 are on the rise in Polk County and throughout the United States. The deadline has been extended to get four free at-home COVID-19 tests this fall on COVIDTests.gov. Take a few minutes to order some and keep them on hand.



Our Tai Chi classes meet at 10:30—11:30 Tuesday and Thursday and Yoga on Wednesday is now also at 10:30—11:30. We currently have openings for a few more so come on out and join the fun!

Tai Chi



**VBS Spaghetti Dinner
October 2
5-7pm
(\$7/each)**

Spaghetti lovers, our monthly VBS Spaghetti Dinner returns this week **5-7pm!**

For **\$7** you get a generous helping of spaghetti with meat sauce, a tossed salad, homemade garlic bread, and a cookie. Takeout available.

Please let Karen Spiller, 863-458-0981, know if you can help with packing meals.

Come out and support this fundraiser for our summer VBS program.

*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

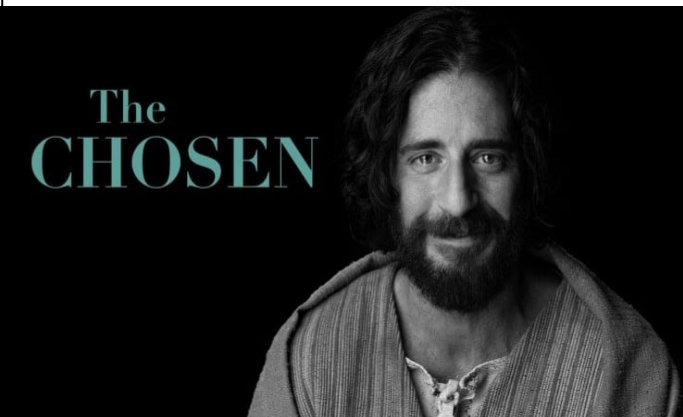
Bookkeeper: Cathy Zielinski



September Lunch Bunch



October Lunch Bunch will be at Plaza Mexico



We are considering offering a Bible Study in conjunction with clips from The Chosen TV series. This is done in other churches and ties well with scripture. At this point we are trying to determine if there is interest and the best times. Please either call the office or let me know on Sunday.

Shoe Drive Fundraiser for the George Jenkins High School Band

Please bring your new and gently used shoes into the Church and place them in the boxes in both the Sanctuary and the Worship Center.

These shoes will make a difference in someone's life who needs them and will raise funds for a worthy cause.



Homeschool Co-op collected toilet paper for September for us. They are here each Monday and it is great to see 50 kids here.



Sharon Crosdale and I would like to thank everyone at St. Stephen's Episcopal Church for the support of snacks, Palanca and money for the Co-ed Cursillo #133 last weekend. It was great to see the transformation and exhausting.

Youth – Grades 6-12

Put a reminder in your phone - **Tonight at 6:00-7:30pm** is our Youth Group meeting.

Middle and High School youth are invited to attend. We start with supper together and then the fun and action begin!

Any questions, see Mrs. Lula Peoples, 954-579-1446 or Ms. Rachel Workman, 863-701-3437 or Missy Sabine, 863-608-1179.



Directory Update

Verify & Update Your Information

November 2023 New Directory

If you have incorrect or missing information in our old directory, or you're just not sure what information is in it, please check the copies when you enter the Church and make corrections or let us know your correct names, addresses, phone numbers, email addresses, birthdays and anniversaries. With all the comings and goings in the past year we need to update. Thanks for your help!



Join the Choir...

**You'll Be Glad
You Did!**

Are you looking for a way to give back to St. Stephen's Church? Do you sound good singing in the shower or in your car? You are who we are looking for in the Choir. Please contact Susie Stewart about joining.



The Stress Management workshop will be held on Saturday October 21st at 10:30am in the small group room and will be moderated by Krystyna DuBose, Licensed Mental Health Counselor at no cost to us. Refreshments will be provided.

Welcome to our Church

September 24, 2023 Attendance

Sanctury	9:00am	53
Worship Center	11:00am	63
Total		116

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

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EVENTS



- 10/2/23 Staff Meeting 10:00am
- 10/2/23 VBS Spaghetti Dinner
- 10/8/23 2nd Sunday/Clergy Appreciation Breakfast
- 10/8/23 Blessing of the Animals 2:00pm
- 10/9/23 Columbus Day
- 10/16/23 Staff Meeting 10:00am
- 10/17/23 Vestry Meeting 6:00pm
- 10/29/23 All Saints Sunday

Verse of the Week: Philippians 2:5

In your relationships with one another, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus.



Flowers on the Altar are Given by the Yeaple Family in Memory of Allan Yeaple



October Birthdays

- 3 Lynn Whitt
- 6 Tom Hiber
Carol Vonesh
- 7 Louis Bloodworth
- 9 Geneann Thompson
Phil Wortman
- 10 Chase Grandone
- 11 Bethellen Reinert
- 15 Ava Naples
- 17 Scott Dickie
Lyla Peddycoart
- 21 Avery Enriquez
- 25 Mary Statzer
- 26 Marion Stewart
- 27 Jim Cross
- 28 Michele Jump
- 29 Barrett Alley
David Ling
- 30 Lylah Denstedt
Major Kight
Debra Powell
- 31 Barbara LeMond
Kai Richardi

October Anniversaries

- 1 Nelson & Shirley Rumpel
- 6 Saint & BreAnna Jones
- 8 Ray & Karen Spiller
- 17 K.C. & Susan Eapen
Mike & Lynn Whitt
- 18 Buster & DeAnn Brown
- 21 Kit & Evalyn Duncan
- 28 Matt & Trish Grandone
- 31 Robert & Savannah Dillon

St. Stephen's Prayer List

(Parish Members are in Bold)

Prayer Needs: 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), **Betty Calhoun, Stephen Calhoun, Janet Casini,** Roz Coleman (**Althea Nye's** friend), **Jim Cross,** Annie Delling, **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 (**Tom Hiber's** friend), **Kevin Jackimowicz,** Ken & Clair Jones (**Roger Doyle's** friends), Kay Jordan (**Judy Elam's** friend), Karen Kent (**David Dresser's** Relative) Cynthia Krempel (**Janice Olson's** sister) **David Leahy,** Allan MacGilvray (**Susan MacGilvray's** Brother in Law) Mary & Adrian McAleer (**Liz Barham's** sister & Brother in Law) Raelyn (daughter of **Sue DeMan's** friend Stephanie), Eric Holter **Trudi Lithgow, Janell & Walter Repsher, Roy Reynolds,** Bea Naples, (**Victoria Naples' Mother** in Law) Melody Richardi (**Kai Richardi's** mother), Donna Roberts (**David Dresser's** sister), Mike & Tracey Robinson (**Kai Richardi's** grandfather), Shannon Rover, (**Judy and Ken Horne's** friend), **Art & Bonnie Rowbotham** Sheryl Short (Tropical Doll Club), **Ed Silveira (David Dresser's Cousin)** Lynn Staffier (from **Kathy Leahy**), **Carol Starling, Marion Stewart,** Bryan Stockwell (**Marge Stockwell's** son), **Marge Stockwell, Bill Thompson,** Lenora Troup (**Abigail Lankford's** Mother) Katherine Williamson (**Judy Elam's** friend) **Carol Vonesh, Dailia Walker, Lindsay Zielinski.**

Homebound or Skilled Nursing Facility: Tony Barfield, Brouck Boyd, Susan Cardman, Rick Rahn, Jo Willey, Sandra Mewborn

Expecting Babies: Claire & Phlip Lindquist, Chase & Maddy Wilder (**Dugan & Judy Wilder's Great Grand Children**)

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>1</p> <p>9:00am Traditional Worship Service in Sanctuary</p> <p>11:00am Contemporary Worship Center</p> <p>8pm Online Compline</p>	<p>2</p> <p>8am Online Morning Prayer</p> <p>8pm Online Compline</p>	<p>3</p> <p>8am Online Morning Prayer</p> <p>8pm Online Compline</p>	<p>4</p> <p>8am Online Morning Prayer</p> <p>9:00am Holy Eucharist, Sanctuary</p> <p>9:45am Bible Study, Sanctuary</p> <p>5:30pm Soup & Study PH</p> <p>8pm Online Compline</p>	<p>5</p> <p>8am Online Morning Prayer</p> <p>8pm Online Compline</p>	<p>6</p> <p>8:00am Online Morning Prayer</p> <p>8pm Online Compline</p>	<p>7</p>
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