

St. Stephen's
Episcopal Church

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19th Sunday after Pentecost



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.
Come on out and join the fun!

Tai Chi

Blessing of the Animals

Sunday 2:00pm



Gift Cards Needed

This year we would like to begin collecting \$10 and \$25 gift cards early. If you are able, please purchase Publix or Walmart gift cards and we can collect them at each service or anytime at the office.



St. Stephen's Episcopal Church
PACK 106 IS HAVING A

TRUNK OR TREAT

ON OCTOBER 30TH FROM 6:30-8PM

WE ARE IN NEED OF VOLUNTEERS.
PLEASE CONSIDER SIGNING UP AND
JOIN IN ON SOME GREAT SCOUTING
FUN FOR THE KIDDOS



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](https://www.covidtests.gov). Take a few minutes to order some and keep them on hand.



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

Shoe Drive Fundraiser for the George Jenkins High School Band

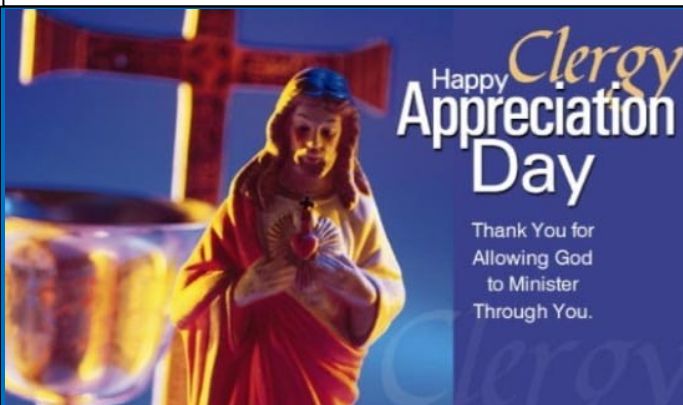
Please bring your new and gently used shoes into the Church and place them in the boxes in both the Sanctuary and the Worship Center.

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

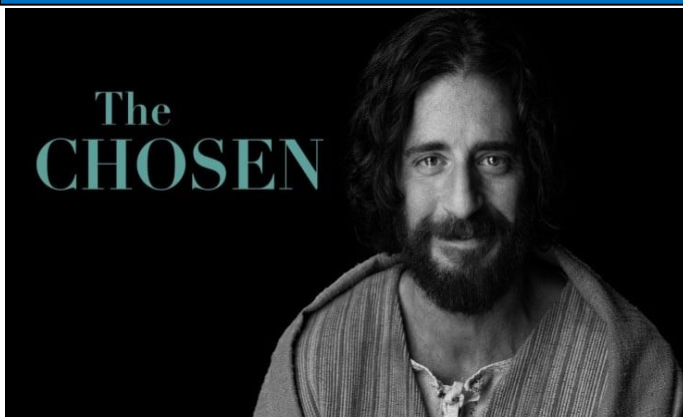


We are looking for people interested in playing Scrabble and hopefully competing. If you are interested contact: Marilyn Hall at

863-450-6550.



Make sure you take the time to thank our hard working Clergy, Father David, Father Rob and Deacon Doug!



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.

Buck\$ 4 Building

Look for the bright yellow envelopes to receive your donation for our out-of-budget building and grounds maintenance expenses. Our Buck\$ 4 Building fund has been all but tapped out with some recent building and grounds expenses. Please help us build our reserves back up.

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!

Welcome to our Church

October 1, 2023 Attendance

Sanctury	9:00am	50
Worship Center	11:00am	62
Total		112

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



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.

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EVENTS



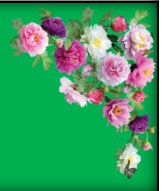
- 10/8/23 2nd Sunday/Clergy Appreciation Breakfast
- 10/8/23 Blessing of the Animals 2:00pm
- 10/9/23 Columbus Day
- 10/16/23 Staff Meeting 10:00am
- 10/17/23 Vestry Meeting 6:00pm
- 10/29/23 All Saints Sunday
- 10/30/23 Halloween Trunk or Treat
- 11/05/23 End of Day Light Saving Time
- 11/10/23 Veteran's Day



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.

Verse of the Week: Philippians 3:14

I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.



**Flowers on the Altar are Given Anomalously in Thanks to
all who worked on the Community Building Repairs.**

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**)

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