

St. Stephen's  
Episcopal Church

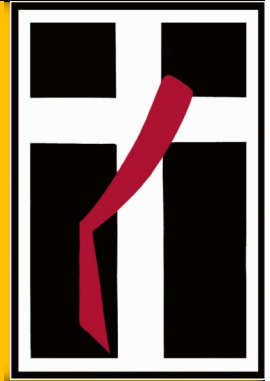
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Fifth Sunday of Easter



## Summer Worship Schedule

I know it seems like a long time off but we are gearing up for a change!

Our Summer Worship Schedule **begins on Memorial Day Weekend, May 28th.** We will all worship at 10am either in the Sanctuary or in the Garden Chapel area. Father David is exploring ways to shield those of us on the epistle side from the direct sun this year, any ideas would be appreciated?

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!

Pentacost Sunday will kick this off. Our famous Chili Cook off at 11:00am in the Parish Hall will follow our first Summer worship service. Please dust off the cookbooks and lets have an epicurean delight for Pentacost!



## Calling all men for help with the Mother's Day Breakfast.

This year to help show our appreciation for all of the mothers at St. Stephen's the men are going to do all of the cooking, preparation, set up and clean up for the Mother's Day breakfast on May 14th at 10:00am.

Please contact the office if you can cook or bake or set up or clean for this opportunity to pamper our Moms.



## Summer Fun

Summer is upon us & we're looking forward to fellowship opportunities every Sunday.

If you or your group of people would like to sponsor a fellowship event please let us know.

It does not have to involve food but must involve fun!

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



## ALTAR FLOWERS

### 2023 Altar Flowers Needed

Just grab a dedication form and reserve your special date to honor loved ones in 2023. (Sunday dates are listed on a wall poster near your worship entrance.)

**Linda & Steve Toalster** are settling in up in Virginia. They just bought a house and Linda celebrated by getting her knee replaced. I am sure she would love to hear from you.

Steve & Linda Toalster  
403 Holly Avenue  
Grottoes, VA 24441  
863-370-3301



**Troy DeMan** is working on a **Kairos** weekend the week of May 18th and is asking for some donations of packaged cookies or money to support the program and of course, our prayers.

For those who don't know, **Kairos** is similar to Cursillo but ministers to Prison inmates seeking a closer relationship with God. The weekend creates Christian communities inside prisons that can transform lives, decrease prison violence, and reduce recidivism



### Calling All 2023 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.

We would like to honor our graduates from preschool, elementary school, middle school, high school and college on Sunday, May 28th, so get your name to us soon.

Just email [ststoffice@gmail.com](mailto:ststoffice@gmail.com), or call the church office, or slip us a note.



## Rides to Church

### NEEDS A RIDE

**Pat Dayton**  
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Cell 863-512-3379  
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Cell 863-607-9114  
[sandygibson1234@yahoo.com](mailto:sandygibson1234@yahoo.com)

**This Month's Holy Hikes will be as follows:**

- 5/4/23 Circle B-Bar Reserve**
  - 5/11/23 Lake Hollingsworth (paved)**
  - 5/18/23 Lakeland Highland Scrub**
  - 5/25/23 Bonnet Springs (paved)**
- Pre-Hike Prayer & Prep @ 9:00am,  
Please come join Us!**



**April 30, 2023 Attendance**

<b>9:00am</b>	<b>46</b>
<b>11:00am</b>	<b>60</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>106</b>

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



**We still need ushers and Greeters for the 11:00 service on Sundays. If you are interested please call the office at 863-646-6115 to signup.**

**Quinceañera  
Maria I. Peoples**



*upcoming*  
**EVENTS**

A decorative flourish consisting of two red lines with leaf-like ends, framing a black circle with a white clock face icon.

- 5/9/23 Talbot House Chili**
- 5/14/23 Mother's Day**
- 5/14/23 Mother's Day Brunch**
- 5/28/23 Summer Worship Schedule begins**
- 5/28/23 Pentacost Chili Cookoff 11:00am**
- 5/29/23 Memorial Day**
- 6/6/23 VBS Spaghetti Dinner**
- 6/18/23 Father's Day**

**Verse of the Week: 1 Peter 2:9**

**But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's special possession, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light.**



*Flowers on the Altar are given by Louis Bloodworth in  
Memory of Frances Collins Bloodworth*



**May Birthdays**

- 1 Pat Dayton
- 2 Megan Stoddard
- 5 Melissa Eijo  
Elizabeth Koshi
- 7 Charlie Bradford
- 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  
Sierra Steadman-Jones
- 21 Rick Rahn
- 23 Bruce Goers  
Janice Olson
- 24 Dan Howes
- 29 Bill Monts de Oca

**May Anniversaries**

- 1 Curtis & Janice Olsen
- 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
- 27 Tim & Mary Trimbath

**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), Elizabeth Bradford (**Charlie Bradford's** sister) **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 (**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**, Tom MacGilvray (**Susan MacGilvray's** Brother in Law) 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**, Lenora Troup (**Abigail Lankford's** Mother) **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 Lindquist (**Dugan & Judy Wilder's** granddaughter)

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p><b>7</b></p> <p>9:00am Traditional Worship Service in Sanctuary</p> <p>10:00am Sunday School for all ages</p> <p>11:00am Contemporary Worship Service in Worship Center</p>	<p><b>8</b></p> <p>8am Online Morning Prayer</p> <p>8pm Online Compline</p>	<p><b>9</b></p> <p>8am Online Morning Prayer</p> <p>4:00pm Talbot House Chili night</p> <p>8pm Online Compline</p>	<p><b>10</b></p> <p>8am Online Morning Prayer</p> <p>9:00am Holy Eucharist, Sanctuary</p> <p>9:45am Bible Study, Sanctuary</p> <p>12noon Book Study, PH</p> <p>5:30pm Soup &amp; Study PH</p> <p>8pm Online Compline</p>	<p><b>11</b></p> <p>8am Online Morning Prayer</p> <p>9:00am Holy Hike</p> <p>8pm Online Compline</p>	<p><b>12</b></p> <p>8:00am Online Morning Prayer</p> <p>8pm Online Compline</p>	<p><b>13</b></p>
<p><b>14</b></p> <p>9:00am Traditional Worship Service in Sanctuary</p> <p>10:00am Sunday School for all ages</p> <p>10:00am Mother's Day Breakfast</p> <p>11:00am Contemporary Worship Service in Worship Center</p>	<p><b>15</b></p> <p>8am Online Morning Prayer</p> <p>8pm Online Compline</p>	<p><b>16</b></p> <p>8am Online Morning Prayer</p> <p>8pm Online Compline</p>	<p><b>17</b></p> <p>8am Online Morning Prayer</p> <p>9:00am Holy Eucharist, Sanctuary</p> <p>9:45am Bible Study, Sanctuary</p> <p>12noon Book Study, PH</p> <p>5:30pm Soup &amp; Study PH</p> <p>8pm Online Compline</p>	<p><b>18</b></p> <p>8am Online Morning Prayer</p> <p>9:00am Holy Hike</p> <p>11:30am Lunch Bunch @ Abuelo's Mexican Restaurant</p> <p>8pm Online Compline</p>	<p><b>19</b></p> <p>8:00am Online Morning Prayer</p> <p>8pm Online Compline</p>	<p><b>20</b></p>