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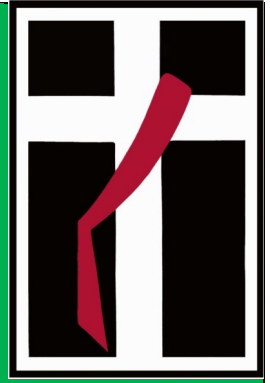
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2nd Sunday after Pentecost



# VBS JUNE 24-28 6:00PM-8:30PM

UNLIKE ANY OTHER VBS IN TOWN!

## K-5TH GRADE



REGISTER HERE

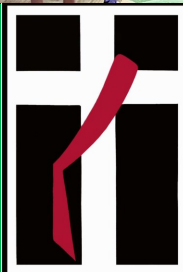
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Call the St. Stephen's office for more info: (863) 646-6115

You can also REGISTER ONLINE: [centralfloridachurch.com/VBS](http://centralfloridachurch.com/VBS)



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



2024-Bill Baggett-Jr. Warden, Louis Bloodworth, Bruce Goers

2025-Nancy Wenham, Major Kight, Liz Barham

2026-Betty Pratt, Juliana Walker, Karen Spiller-Sr. Warden

Treasurer: Bruce Goers

Bookkeeper: Cathy Zielinski

**Holy Hikes are being paused for the summer due to the heat. Check with Father Rob or Sharon in the Fall for the resumption .**



The PEACE Celebration is Monday, June 3 at 6:30pm at First United Methodist Church in Lakeland. This celebration is when we acknowledge all of our hard work and our victories. We will hear testimonies songs, dance, awards and get the chance to further the work by making financial investments. Please contact Diane Knox, Karen Beasley or Robin Adams for additional information.

### **Memorial Day Cook Out**

**After our first weekend at the new times, we had our first cook out of the year, and it was a great success. Over 50 parishioners joined in the Community building for food and fellowship.**



### **Caregivers and Grief Group**

Our Caregivers and Grief group is up and running and well attended. They meet at 2:00pm on Tuesdays in the Small Group room.

The intention in having this group is that people who either need support or can offer support can meet to share their experiences and possible coping mechanisms and to expand fellowship within St. Stephen's Church. If you feel that you could benefit from this group, please just show up and participate.

The next meeting will be 6/4/24 at 2:00pm

**COPING WITH  
GRIEF AND LOSS**





**VBS Spaghetti Dinner  
Tuesday June 4th  
5-7pm  
(\$7/each)**

Spaghetti lovers, our monthly VBS Spaghetti Dinner is 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 us know if you can help with packing or distributing meals. Come out and support this fundraiser for our summer VBS program so it can continue to be free to all participants.



**May 26, 2024 Attendance**

<b>Garden</b>	<b>9:00am</b>	<b>35</b>
<b>Sanctuary</b>	<b>10:00am</b>	<b>77</b>
<b>Total</b>		<b>112</b>



**Wednesday Night Book Study and Soup returns this week at 5:00pm 6/5/24. We are looking for input on the selection of a book and we intend to begin with Forward Day by Day. Come and join us for some great soup and a good time.**



# UPCOMING EVENTS

- 6/3/24 Staff Meeting 10:00am Office**
- 6/3/24 PEACE Celebration 6:30pm @ First United Methodist Church Lakeland**
- 6/4/24 VBS Spaghetti Dinner**
- 6/16/24 Father's Day**
- 6/17/24 Staff Meeting 10:00am**
- 6/18/24 Vestry Meeting 6:00pm**
- 6/20/24 Lunch Bunch @ Catfish Country 11:30am**
- 6/24/24 VBS Begins**
- 6/28/24 VBS Concludes**



## Verse of the Week 2 Corinthians 4:7

**But we have this treasure in jars of clay to show that this all-surpassing power is from God and not from us.**



**THE FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR CAN BE DEDICATED TO  
YOUR LOVED ONE BY COMPLETING THE FORMS AT THE  
NARTHEX.**



**June Birthdays**

- 1 Tricia Walker
- 2 Beverly Meyer,
- 3 Kayla Blackwell
- 4 Renda McNeill,
- 5 Joanne Gunner
- 6 Hayley Naples
- 7 Tom Kempinski
- 8 Liz Barham
- 9 Jo Willey
- 10 Melissa Palmer,  
Carrie Peoples
- 16 Italo Casini  
Thomas Negus
- 20 Wendell Hunt,  
Susie Stewart
- 21 Robin Heffley
- 23 Patricia Dresser
- 27 Karen Spiller

**June Anniversaries**

- 1 Wendell & Donna Hunt
- 2 Walter & Janelle Repsher  
Gary & Allison Westberry  
Art & Bonnie Rowbotham
- 8 Joe & Robin W. Adams  
Troy & Sue DeMan

**St. Stephen's Prayer List**

**(Parish Members are in Bold)**

**Prayer Needs:** Janson (Homeschool group) **Robin Adams, Lou Alers,** Kim Birmingham (from **Scout Troop 106**), Shannon Black (from **Kathy Leahy**), Elizabeth Bradford (**Charlie Bradford's** sister), Bryan Biery (**Judy Elam's** Friend), Rachel Blackwell (**Karen Spiller's** daughter-in-law), **Jim Bowen, Betty Calhoun, Stephen Calhoun, Italo & Janet Casini,** Roz Coleman (**Althea Nye's** friend), Julie Cornish (**Michael & Stacy Englert friend**) **Jim Cross,** Annie Delling, **Roger Doyle,** Laurie Dresser (**David Dresser's** sister), Lily Dresser (**David & Patricia Dresser's** granddaughter), Deb DiStefano and family (**Margaret Wallace's** Friend) Joe Elam & Lillian Elam (**Judy Elam's** Brother & Mother) **Sandy Gibson, Morgan Goers,** Angela Grilli (**Althea Nye's** friend), Pam Grimes (**Sam Rosenberger's** daughter) Beverly Gull (Matthew Gull's Mother) , **Jim Heal,** Bob & Kay Henry (friends fo Betty Calhoun) Nicole Hernnkind (**Karen Spiller's** sister), **Kevin Jackimowicz,** Ken & Clair Jones (**Roger Doyle's** friends), Karen Kent (**David Dresser's** Relative) David Kight (**Major Kight's** brother) Cynthia Krempel (**Janice Olson's** sister) **David Leahy, Trudi Lithgow, Susan MacGilvray** Mary & Adrian McAleer (**Liz Barham's** sister & Brother in Law), Barbara McMahan (**Judy Elam's** Cousin) Raelyn (daughter of **Sue DeMan's** friend Stephanie), **Justin Pennington, Janell & Walter Repsher, Roy Reynolds,** 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, Carla Sauve,** Sheryl Short (Tropical Doll Club), Ed Silveira (**David Dresser's** Cousin), Lynn Staffier (from **Kathy Leahy**), **John & Carol Starling, Marion Stewart, Glenda Taylor (Fr Jim Taylor's Wife)** **Gloria Thomason, Bill Thompson, Dailia Walker,** Doris Wise (homeschool group), **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
<b>2</b> 9:00am Garden Chapel 10:00am Sanctuary	<b>3</b> 8am Online Morning Prayer  8pm Online Compline	<b>4</b> 8am Online Morning Prayer 2:00pm Grief Group 8pm Online Compline	<b>5</b> 8am Online Morning Prayer 9:00am Holy Eucharist, Sanctuary & Bible Study, Sanctuary Noon Book Study in the Parish Hall, 8pm Online Compline 5:00pm Soup & Study	<b>6</b> 8am Online Morning Prayer 8pm Online Compline	<b>7</b> 8:00am Online Morning Prayer 8pm Online Compline	<b>8</b>
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