

**St. Stephen's
Episcopal Church**

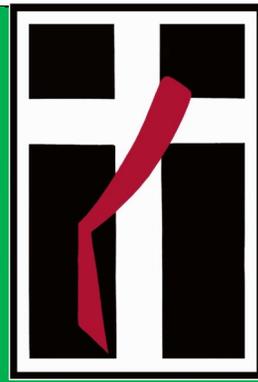
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According to a study published in the *Journal of the American Geriatrics Society*, the risk of dementia was 28% higher when older adults were socially isolated.

At St. Stephens's Church we offer; Grief and Caregivers group, Lunch Bunch, Wednesday Soup and Book Study and many other opportunities listed below to join in and socialize. Don't sit home alone, Join in and stay sharper!

St. Stephen's Lay Ministries

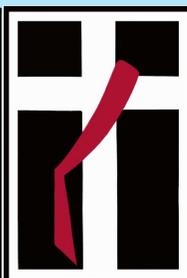
We have many activities at St. Stephen's and where most of them are being preformed, we are getting short on help. If you can help with any of these activities, please let us know at ststoffice@gmail.com or by phone to 863-646-6115.

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| 1. Lunch Bunch planning and calling | 15. Talbot House Chili Night |
| 2. Bulletin folding | 16. Daughters of the King |
| 3. Greeters for each service | 17. Youth Group |
| 4. Ushers for each service | 18. Archive and History |
| 5. Lay Eucharistic Ministers | 19. Choir |
| 6. Lay Readers | 20. Sunday School |
| 7. 50th Anniversary Committee | 21. Nursery |
| 8. Cursillo and Kiaros ministries | 22. Entertainment Event attendance |
| 9. Landscaping | 23. Building Maintenance |
| 10. Hospitality | 24. Birthday and Anniversary Cards |
| 11. Visitation (shut-in and hospital) | 25. Altar Guild |
| 12. Newcomers | 26. Flower Guild |
| 13. VBS (vacation bible school) | |
| 14. VBS Spaghetti Dinners | |



The Daughters of the King meeting is this Sunday August 4, 2024 and will meet in the Scouts room after the 10:00am service. If you have any questions, please contact Karen Beasley at 863-838-6028

**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

St. Stephens Blessing of the Backpacks!

All are welcome for a special service to ask God's blessings on our students and teachers at the start of the new school year. Bring your backpacks, bags, or binders, receive a special blessing and some school supply gifts to help you have a great start to a great new year!

Sunday the 11th at 10am

2024 Altar Flowers Needed

Just grab a dedication form and reserve your special date to honor loved ones in 2024. (Sunday dates are listed on a wall poster near your worship entrance.)



ALTAR FLOWERS

VBS Spaghetti Dinner

Tuesday August 6th 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.

Back to School Supply Drive

School begins Monday, August 12th—can you believe the summer is almost over? When you are out shopping, don't resist the urge to buy school supplies. We will again be donating supplies to Scott Lake Elementary and Mi Escuela Montessori for the students and teachers who need them. Bins will be available in the Sanctuary for your donations.

- White Copy Paper
- Loose-leaf Notebook Paper
- 1-inch Binders
- Composition Books (wide-rule, non-spiral)
- Plastic 2-Pocket Folders (with brads)
- Dry Erase Markers (Expo brand preferred)
- Highlighters
- Fat Primary Pencils with Erasers
- #2 Skinny Pencils with Erasers
- Crayons (Crayola preferred)
- Colored Pencils (Crayola preferred)
- Blunt-tip Scissors
- Pink Erasers (Large or Cap)
- Washable Markers
- Glue Sticks
- Zippered Pencil Bag
- Pencil/Supply Box
- Paper Towels
- Lysol Wipes
- Tissues



Caregivers and Grief Group

Our Caregivers and Grief group meets at 2:00pm every other Tuesdays in the Small Group room. The next meeting is 8/13/24.

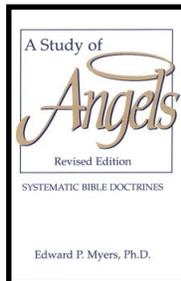
The intention in having this group is that people who either need support or can offer support can meet to share their experiences and possible coping mechanisms and to expand fellowship within St. Stephen's Church. If you feel that you could benefit from this group, please just show up and participate.



Please be quiet when entering the Sanctuary on Sunday morning, people are trying to center for their prayer and reverence to the Lord and ask that the quiete be maintained

prior to the service. Thank you all for your consideration on this matter.

Wednesday Night Book Study and Soup meets at 5:00pm each Wednesday. We have selected the book "A Study of Angels" to try and understand these guardian messengers and what we perceive them to do. Come and join us for some great soup, a good time and hopefully you'll hear something interesting and thought provoking. We read a chapter together then discuss it, you don't need to have the book to attend.



July 28, 2024 Attendance

Garden	9:00am	24
Worship Center	10:00am	77
Total		101

Look for the bright yellow BUCK\$ 4 BUILDING envelopes to donate toward our out of budget building and grounds maintenance expenses. Our Buck\$ for Buildings fund has been all but tapped out with some recent building and grounds expenses. Please help us build our reserves back up.



- 8/4/24 DOK Meeting 11:15am**
- 8/5/24 Staff Meeting 10-12am**
- 8/6/24 VBS Spaghetti Dinner 5-7pm**
- 8/11/24 2nd Sunday Brunch**
- 8/11/24 Blessing of the Backpacks**
- 8/12/24 Polk Schools start classes**
- 8/13/24 Caregive & Grief Group**
- 8/15/24 Lunch Bunch@ Dena's Cafe 11:30am**
- 8/19/24 Staff Meeting 10-12am**
- 8/20/24 Vestry 6:00pm**

Verse of the Week: John 6:15

I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never go hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty

Flowers on the Altar are Graciously Arranged by our Flower Guild and forms to dedicate to a loved one are available in the narthex of the Church

August Birthdays

- 5 Roger Doyle
- 6 Jan Benware
- 8 Bruce Nelson
- 10 Mary Ann Corbin
- Cecilia Kilpatrick
- 12 Leila Enriquez
- 13 Joyce Brock
- 14 Rita Yenney
- 18 Inga Rutledge
- 19 Jim Beasley
- Ray Spiller
- 20 Art Rowbotham
- 21 Janelle Kalle
- 22 Pete Wesley
- 25 Bill Baggett
- 28 Christopher Trimbath
- Cathy Zielinski
- 29 Trudi Lithgow
- 30 Rick Tallent
- 31 Deacon Doug Jump

August Anniversaries

- 3 Fr. David & Lula Peoples
- 9 John & Susan MacGilvray
- Jake & Julie Petterson
- 11 Italo & Janet Casini
- 16 David & Katherine Leahy

St. Stephen's Prayer List
(Parish Members are in Bold)

Prayer Needs: **Robin Adams, Lou Alers,** Kim Birmingham (from **Scout Troop 106**), Charlie Bibb (**Season Barham Hodges** Father in Law) 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), Mary Belshe & Julie Cornish (**Michael & Stacy Englert friends**) **Jim Cross,** Annie Delling, **Roger Doyle,** Laurie Dresser (**David Dresser's** sister), Lily Dresser (**David & Patricia Dresser's** granddaughter), 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), **Beverly Meyer,** 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, Jim Schmidt,** 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, Rhys Wallace, Lindsay Zielinski.**

Hospital: Beverly Meyer, Celeste Cooper

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

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>4</p> <p>9:00am Garden Chapel 10:00am Sanctuary 11:15am DOK Meeting</p>	<p>5</p> <p>8am Online Morning Prayer</p> <p>8pm Online Compline</p>	<p>6</p> <p>8am Online Morning Prayer</p> <p>8pm Online Compline</p>	<p>7</p> <p>8am Online Morning Prayer</p> <p>9:00am Holy Eucharist, Sanctuary & Bible Study, Sanctuary</p> <p>5:00pm Soup & Study</p> <p>8pm Online Compline</p>	<p>8</p> <p>8am Online Morning Prayer</p> <p>8pm Online Compline</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; border-radius: 10px; background-color: #0070c0; color: white; padding: 5px; text-align: center; margin-top: 10px;"> Charlie out of the office. </div>	<p>9</p> <p>Office Closed</p> <p>8:00am Online Morning Prayer</p> <p>8pm Online Compline</p>	<p>10</p> <p>Office Closed</p>
<p>11</p> <p>9:00am Garden Chapel 10:00am Sanctuary 2nd Sunday Brunch</p> <div style="margin-top: 10px;">  </div>	<p>12</p> <p>8am Online Morning Prayer</p> <p>8pm Online Compline</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; border-radius: 10px; background-color: #0070c0; color: white; padding: 5px; text-align: center; margin-top: 10px;"> Charlie out of the office. </div>	<p>13</p> <p>8am Online Morning Prayer</p> <p>2:00pm Caregivers Group</p> <p>8pm Online Compline</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; border-radius: 10px; background-color: #0070c0; color: white; padding: 5px; text-align: center; margin-top: 10px;"> Charlie out of the office. </div>	<p>14</p> <p>8am Online Morning Prayer</p> <p>9:00am Holy Eucharist, Sanctuary & Bible Study, Sanctuary</p> <p>5:00pm Soup & Study</p> <p>8pm Online Compline</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; border-radius: 10px; background-color: #0070c0; color: white; padding: 5px; text-align: center; margin-top: 10px;"> Charlie out of the office. </div>	<p>15</p> <p>8am Online Morning Prayer</p> <p>8pm Online Compline</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; border-radius: 10px; background-color: #0070c0; color: white; padding: 5px; text-align: center; margin-top: 10px;"> Charlie out of the office. </div>	<p>16</p> <p>Office Closed</p> <p>8:00am Online Morning Prayer</p> <p>8pm Online Compline</p>	<p>17</p> <p>Office Closed</p>