St. Stephen's Episcopal Church

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FYI 2024

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19th Sunday after Pentecost





Kaleidoscapes worked two long and hard days to get the property back to a good starting point to move ahead. To everyone this should be a great improvement. Keep in mind, this is the start, not the end product. Thanks to all who helped and endured this project. The best is yet to come!



The Blessing of the Animals

St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, October 6th, 2024 at 2:00pm This year we are doing "Drive Thru" only and as usual each animal will receive a certificate and a medal to help them remain awesome for another year.

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

Secretary: Karen Beasley



Youth - Grades 6-12

Put a reminder in your phone - **This Sunday at 6:00-7:30pm** is our Youth Group regular 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 Meg Wallace, 505-503-5125 or Missy Sabine, 863-608-1179.

The Chosen returns!

The Wednesday soup and book study has started Season 2 of The Chosen. All are welcome to attend and watch a great bible reenactment and enjoy good soup too. We start at 5pm and are out before 7pm.



Polk County Supervisor of Elections needs you!

Lori Edwards, the Polk County Supervisor of Elections, needs workers for the November Election. For all the positions, you will be paid for your training (1-4 hours) and for Election Day (14 hours). The positions are:

CLERK -- manages the precinct and answers any questions a voter may have

ASSISTANT CLERK --helps Clerk and voters with voting problems

CHECK-IN SPECIALIST -- checks voter's photo ID and registration, gives balot

VOTING MACHINE OPERATOR --helps voters place their ballots into the ballot box

DEPUTY --monitors entrance and precinct boundaries, greets voters, announces the opening and closing of the poll

This is an amazing opportunity to help our community, learn how votes are protected and make sure our democracy works. For more information call:

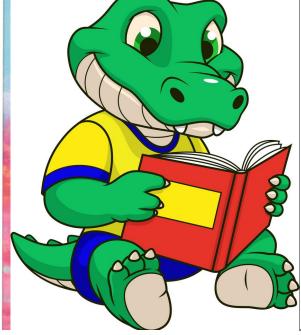
THE POLK COUNTY SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS 863.534.5888





THE AIR WE BREATHE





Wednesday Noon Book Study

Father David has resumed the noon book study with "The Air We Breathe" by Glen Scrivener.

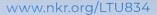
The book takes the reader on a journey to discover how the teaching of Jesus not only turned the ancient world upside down, but continues to underpin the way we think of life, worth and meaning.

Hello! My name is

Christopher Magnatta

and I am looking for a kidney donor

To learn more about my story, find out about kidney donation or be tested as a potential donor, please visit my website:







Please share & help me find a kidney donor.



September 22, 2024 Attendance

Sanctuary	9:00am	44
Worship Center	11:00am	49
Total		93

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



9/29/24 **No September DOK Meeting** 10/1/24 **VBS Spaghetti Dinner 5-7pm** 10/4/24 St. Francis Blessing 10am at the SPCA & Polk County Bully **Project** 10/5/24 **Yard Sale for Melody** Richardi's friend's baby 10/6/24 **Blessing of the Animals** 2:00pm Drive Thru only 10/8/24 Grief/Caregives Group 2pm

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10/8/24	Talbot House Chili Night
10/11/24	Life Line Screening 8-4pm
10/17/24	October Lunch Bunch @ Lings 11:30am
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11/3/24 All Saints Sunday and Bishop Dabney Smith Visit

Christopher Magnatta, (Joe) is Marylou Garland's grandson and Julie's brother.



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St. Francis Blessing Outreach

In addition to our "Drive Thru"
Blessing of the Animals, we are also taking the show on the road on Friday, 10/4, to the SPCA and to The Polk County Bully Project to bless all of their temporary residents who need our special blessing.





Verse of the Week: James 5:16

The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective.



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Flowers on the Altar are arranged by the St. Stephen's Flower Guild each week.



October Birthdays

Alice Clark Lynn Whitt Tom Hiber 36789 Louis Bloodworth Anderson Zielinski Geneann Thompson Phil Wortman 11 15 17 Deven DeMan Ava Naples Scott Dickie Lyla Peddycoart Avery Enriquez 25 26 27 28 Mary Statzer Marion Stewart Jim Cross Michele Jump 29 Barrett Alley 30 Major Kight Dee Schaal

Kai Richardi

October Anniversaries

1	Nelson & Shirley Rumpel
8	Nelson & Shirley Rumpel Ray & Karen Spiller
17	K.C. & Susan Eapen
	Mike & Lynn Whitt
18	Buster & DeAnn Brown

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), 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, 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, 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, Lindsay Zielinski.

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
9:00am Sanctuary 11:00am Worship Center	30 8am Online Morning Prayer 8pm Online Compline	8am Online Morning Prayer 8pm Online Compline 5-7 pm VBS Spaghetti Dinner	2 8am Online Morning Prayer 9:00am Holy Eucharist, Sanctuary & Bible Study, Sanctuary Noon Book Study in the Parish Hall 5:00pm Soup & Study 8pm Online Compline	3 8am Online Morning Prayer 8pm Online Compline	4 Office Closed 8:00am Online Morning Prayer 8pm Online Compline	Office Closed Yard Sale for Melody Richardi's friend's baby
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