

**St. Stephen's
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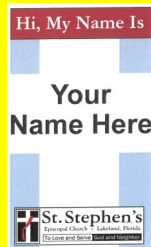


NAME TAGS

We are asking that everyone start wearing their Name Tags on Sundays. Unfortunately with untimely passing of Bishop Smith we no longer need to use name tags for his visit.

We still have a need to know each others names. Almost weekly Father David, Deacon Doug, Sharon and I are asked the name of someone.

If you do not have a Name Tag or can't find yours please let the office know so we can make them up for you. Thanks!



All Saints Crosses / Four Baptisms / Time Change Sunday



Need brownies for Talbot House

Next Tuesday Sharon and Company will once again bring a great Chili dinner to the residents of Talbot House. In the past, the Daughters of the King were able to handle the brownies but lately they need some help. If you can, please bring individually wrapped brownies to the Church this Sunday, 11/10/24 so that Talbot House can enjoy them.



**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

Pictures Please

The 50th Anniversary committee of St. Stephen's Church is up and running and has already had a few meetings. In order to help put together a presentation of St. Stephen's through the years, they are asking that each of us look through our photos and see if there are any, with dates, that we could use. If you have some, either move them to a flash drive or bring them into the office and I can scan them for you. Thanks.



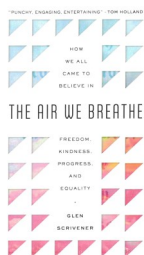
A Great Big Thanks!

Meg and Rhys Wallace have spent the better part of the last two Mondays with a hose and scrub brush washing the sheds and office building for us. They intend to wash all of the buildings on our property to help in getting us spruced up for Christmas.



Wednesday Noon Book Study

Father David is continuing 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.



Directory Update

Verify & Update Your Information

November 2024 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!

Thanksgiving Dinner

There will **not** be a St. Stephen's "No one is an Orphan for Thanksgiving" dinner this year at the Parish Hall. The participation was not enough to continue the dinner.



However, Tim & Mary Trimbath would like to invite anyone who doesn't have a place to go, to their house for Thanksgiving Dinner. Just let them know by Sunday 11/24/24 so that they can plan accordingly.

Tim—863-944-1519

Mary-863-944-7515



Welcome to our Church

November 3, 2024
Attendance

Sanctuary	9:00am	57
Worship Center	11:00am	60
Total		117

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.**

Don't get tied up in knots!

A sheepshank knot is a simple knot that's used to temporarily shorten a rope. In our case it was meant to show the relationship between the Diocese and the St. Stephen's. The ability to show flexibility in our connection without cutting ties. Also, the Bishop is the Shepherd and we are his Sheep and the Sheepshank demonstrates the need to maintain that relationship.




UPCOMING EVENTS

- 11/11/24 Veterans Day (Office Closed)
- 11/12/24 Grief Group 2:00pm
- 11/18/24 Staff Meeting 10:00am
- 11/19/24 Vestry Meeting 6:00pm
- 11/21/24 Lunch Bunch Ruby Tuesday's 11:30am Bartow
- 11/28/24 Thanksgiving Day (Office closed)
- 12/1/24 1st Sunday in Advent
- 12/7/24 Christmas Bazaar

Caregivers and Grief Group

Our Caregivers and Grief group has decided to meet once a month going forward and the next meeting will be on Tuesday, November 12, 2024 in the Small Group Room.

COPING WITH GRIEF AND LOSS



Verse of the Week: Psalm 127:1
Unless the Lord builds the house,
their labor is in vain who build it.

November Birthdays

- 4 Susan Montgrain
Mike Whitt,
Emily Flynn
- 5 Ann Morris
- 6 Penny Schmidt
- 7 Timmy Peoples
- 9 Ainslee Westberry,
Rhys Wallace
- 13 Nancy Moses,
Debbie Rattray
- 16 Susan Eapen,
Lola Walker
Victoria Smalling
- 19 David Dresser
- 21 Jim Bosetti
- 22 Karen Beasley,
Janet Casini
Eleanor Thomas
- 23 Tom Stewart,
Jack Vonesh
- 24 Marshall Dickie
- 27 Ginny Martin,
Dugan Wilder
- 28 Helen Jump



November Anniversaries

- 10 Jerry & Katy Jerome
- 12 Dugan & Judy Wilder



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 & Kathy Otto (**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, **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
10 9:00am Sanctuary 11:00am Worship Center	11 Veterans Day Office Closed 8am Online Morning Prayer 8pm Online Compline 	12 8am Online Morning Prayer 8pm Online Compline	13 8am Online Morning Prayer 9:00am Holy Eucharist, Sanctuary & Bible Study, Sanctuary Noon Book Study in the Parish Hall 5:00pm Soup & The Chosen 8pm Online Compline	14 8am Online Morning Prayer 8pm Online Compline	15 Office Closed 8:00am Online Morning Prayer 8pm Online Compline	16 Office Closed
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