

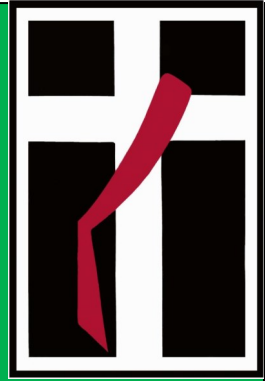
**St. Stephen's  
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# FYI 2024

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26th Sunday after Pentecost**



## St. Stephens Christmas Bazaar

1820 E. County Rd. 540A Lakeland Fl. 33813  
Saturday December 7th 9am - 2pm

*Come one, Come all*  
**SANTA WILL BE HERE**

Pet Adoption



Basket Raffle



Christmas Carols



Yummy Food and Drinks  
by the youth group

FREE  
Bounce house



Face painting



Bake Sale



Santa & Friends



Vendors and Crafters



## PEACE Network-wide Meeting

Our first network-wide meeting for Polk Ecumenical Action Council for Empowerment (PEACE) this fall will be 6:30 p.m. Nov. 18 at Hurst Chapel AME, 875 Ave. O N.E. in Winter Haven. At this Community Problems Assembly, we discuss and vote on problems PEACE wants to tackle this year. One is the need for Polk County to take a greater role in linking community residents who need assistance with elderly care to programs that may help them. This is one of the meetings PEACE network members are expected to attend. We will carpool from St. Stephen's. For more information, contact Karen Beasley or Robin Adams.

The St. Stephen's Lunch Bunch will meet this Thursday at 11:30am at Ruby Tuesday on Hwy 98 in Bartow. Please call Debbie Bradford at 305-304-2548 to let us know you would like to join us.

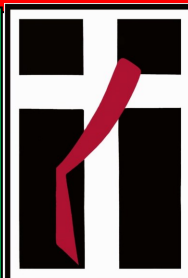


Please consider lending a hand to contribute to the success of this year's effort.

So—**We need your help!** Please plan to help us make this year's Bake Sale a resounding success, with no hungry shoppers turned away!!

Questions or Comments? Call or text Debbie Bradford at 305-304-2548

*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.



Tom Hiber & Nancy Cross in 2012 baking bread

### Talbot House

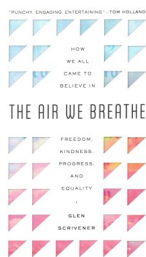
The ladies who prepare and serve the Talbot House clients wanted to thank you for all of the contributions of Brownies this week, the 200 residents that were served were grateful. However, the need is great and if you are able, they will need you to continue making Brownies



### 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.



**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**

*The Flowers on the Altar we donated by Janet Casini in Celebration of birthdays of Karen Beasley, Janet Casini Eleanor Thomas & Ginny Hiber*

**Don't get tied up in knots!**

We can use a square knot as an illustration of Stewardship and how church operations are tied together in concert with the pledged financial support. Just as the loose rope ends first begin as an overhand knot, two overhand knots properly tied together can become a unified and stronger square knot. When the church operations are tied together with pledged financial support the church becomes stronger.



*Welcome to our Church*

**November 10, 2024  
Attendance**

<b>Sanctuary</b>	<b>9:00am</b>	<b>57</b>
<b>Worship Center</b>	<b>11:00am</b>	<b>54</b>
<b>Total</b>		<b>111</b>

**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.**

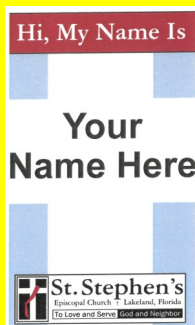
**NAME TAGS**

We are asking that everyone start wearing their Name Tags on Sundays.

We have gotten out of the habit with the Covid 19 lock down and 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.

We will also return to using our mail boxes more regularly so if you need a mail box or have a change in service location, please let us know.

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!



**UPCOMING  
EVENTS**



- 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**
- 12/1/24 Advent Quiet Service 7:00pm**
- 12/3/24 VBS Spaghetti Dinner 5:00-7:00pm**
- 12/7/24 Christmas Bazaar & Bake Sale**

**Verse of the Week: Psalm 16:9**

**My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices; my body also shall rest in hope.**

**The Flowers on the Altar we donated by Tom Hiber in memory of his wife Ginny Hiber's birthday**

**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.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>17</b> 9:00am Sanctuary 11:00am Worship Center	<b>18</b> 8am Online Morning Prayer  8pm Online Compline	<b>19</b> 8am Online Morning Prayer 8pm Online Compline	<b>20</b> 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	<b>21</b> 8am Online Morning Prayer 8pm Online Compline 11:30am Lunch Bunch at Ruby Tuesday in Bartow	<b>22</b> Office Closed 8:00am Online Morning Prayer 8pm Online Compline	<b>23</b> Office Closed
<b>24</b> 9:00am Sanctuary 11:00am Worship Center	<b>25</b> 8am Online Morning Prayer  8pm Online Compline	<b>26</b> 8am Online Morning Prayer 8pm Online Compline	<b>27</b> 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	<b>28</b> 8am Online Morning Prayer 8pm Online Compline Office Closed 	<b>29</b> Office Closed 8:00am Online Morning Prayer 8pm Online Compline	<b>30</b> Office Closed