

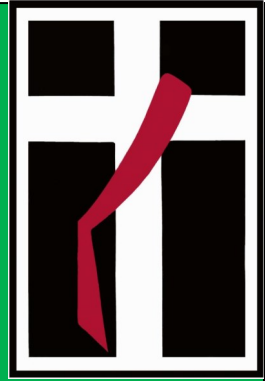
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As this year comes to a close it is time for us to look back and count our blessings and recognize our losses. The year 2024 had us say goodbye to four of our St. Stephen's family members.

Betty Sutton	7/09/1922	2/14/2024
Marge Stockwell	7/28/1938	2/25/2024
Matteo Luigi Casini	1/06/1981	3/12/2024
Jim Schmidt	5/17/1940	8/09/2024

Many of us had connections on a personal level with these loved ones, but they will be missed by us all.

Each year at our annual meeting we elect at least three new Vestry Members to serve for a three year term. The Vestry is the a group of elected members who manage the church's operations and ensure compliance with the church's doctrine. If you are interested in helping form the future of St. Stephen's Church, please put your name in for consideration to serve on the Vestry by contacting the office or any vestry member.

 **VESTRY
NOMINATIONS**

Return of Pre-Covid traditions

We would like to bring back several of the "pre-Covid 19" traditions of St. Stephen's.

- ◆ **Having birthday, anniversary and special needs come forward so that we can see and pray for them.**
- ◆ **Holding hands during the Lords Prayer**
- ◆ **If you can think of others just let us know.**

Life After COVID



***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.



Join the Choir...

You'll Be Glad You Did!

Are you looking for a way to give back to St. Stephen's Church? Do you sound good singing in the shower or in your car? You are who we are looking for in the Choir. Please contact Susie Stewart or Charlie in the office for information about joining. The main talent that we need is interest!

Tropical Doll Club Spring Show

The Ladies from the Tropical Doll Club would like to invite all interested people to a Spring Show on March 8, 2025 at the Lake Mirror Center. In addition to the show, there will be vendors available. They are also looking for help to set up & breakdown & serve lunch.

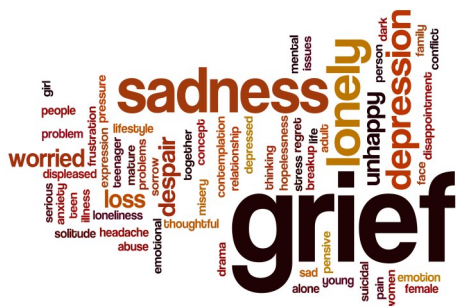


Sandy Gibson's funeral will be at 10:00am on Saturday February 15, 2025 with a reception to follow.

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.

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



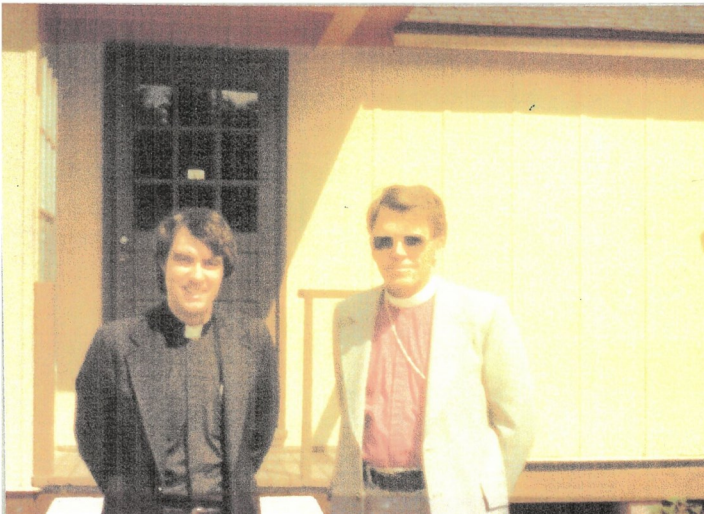
The Caregivers and Grief Group meets next on February 11th at 2:00pm in the small groups room. If you or someone you know would benefit from speaking with other people who have or are currently handling grief or stress due to a loss or giving a loved one care, please keep this group in mind.

They meet at least once a month on the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 2:00pm.



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.



1975, Founding Vicar Reverend Christopher Epting and Bishop William Folwell. This is the beginning of it all for St. Stephen's.

Welcome to our Church

January 12, 2025

Attendance

Sanctuary	9:00am	42
Worship Center	11:00am	53
Total		95

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.



- 1/20/25 Martin Luther King Day
Office Closed**
- 1/21/25 Vestry Meeting 6:00pm**
- 1/26/25 Vestry Nominations**
- 1/25/25 Diocese Convention, Vero Beach**
- 2/03/25 Staff Meeting 10:00am**
- 2/04/25 VBS Spaghetti Dinner 5:00pm**
- 2/09/25 Annual Meeting & Super Bowl
Sunday Soup Cookoff**
- 2/17/25 Presidents Day, Office Closed**
- 3/04/25 Shrove Tuesday Pancake
Dinner 5:00pm**
- 3/05/25 Ash Wednesday**

Verse of the Week: 1 Corinthians 12:4&5

There are different kinds of gifts, but the same Spirit distributes them. There are different kinds of service, but the same Lord.

January Birthdays

- 2 Sandy Gibson**
- 3 Erin Wenham**
- 8 Ernest Palmer**
- Betty Pratt**
- Philip Thomas**
- 11 Judy Elam**
- 12 Carol Reynolds**
- 18 Bonnie Rowbotham**
- 20 Lou Alers**
- 23 Mary Lankford**
- 25 Steve Meyer**
- Yolanda Howes,**
- 28 Katherine Leahy**

January Anniversaries

- 1 Roy & Carol Reynolds**
- 10 Charles & Debbie Bradford**
- 13 Brouck & Joanie Boyd**

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) **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) Mike Fox, (**Stacy & Michael Englert's** friend), **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 of **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, Carol & Roy Reynolds & Mel,** 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, Gloria Thomason, Bill Thompson, Dailia Walker, Dennis Vollmer, 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
19 9:00am Sanctuary 11:00am Worship Center	20 8am Online Morning Prayer 8pm Online Compline	21 8am Online Morning Prayer 6:00pm Vestry Meeting, Parish Hall 8pm Online Compline	22 8am Online Morning Prayer 11:00am Eucharist and Study 5:00pm Soup & Chosen 8pm Online Compline	23 8am Online Morning Prayer 8pm Online Compline	24 Office Closed 8:00am Online Morning Prayer 8pm Online Compline	25 Office Closed
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