St. Stephen's Episcopal Church

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# COMBINED WORSHIP

Sunday at 10:00am









ANNUAL PARISH

Meeting

**Today's Happenings** 

11:00am Soup Cookoff/Lunch

(Best soup wins the Golden Ladle Award.

We will have outlets available for slow cookers to be plugged in during worship.)

11:30am Annual Parish Meeting with Vestry Election

**Electing four Vestry members** 

(will be livestreamed on Facebook and YouTube)



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



Next month on the first Tuesday, March 4th, we'll have Traditional "Fat Tuesday" pancakes and sausage instead of spaghetti. Free of charge, but donations will be accepted. 5:00pm-7:00pm



## Chili Mac Dinner

5:00pm-7:00pm \$7 gets you Chili Mac, fresh cornbread, and sheet cake!

The <u>3rd Tuesday</u> of every month, starting February 18! Volunteers are needed, please call Michele at 863-205-6643 or Debbie at 305-304-2548 if you can help.



### **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.





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.



### 2025 Altar Flowers Needed

Just grab a dedication form and reserve your special date to honor loved ones in 2025. Sunday dates are listed on a wall poster near your worship entrance.



Sandy skydiving for her 80th birthday.

**Sandy Gibson's** Funeral is 11:00am on Saturday February 15, 2025 in the St. Stephen's Sancturary with a full luncheon featuring Sandy's favorite Italian dishes prepared by Janet Casini, Marsha Heath, Michele Giberson and others.

Please let us know if you plan to attend and if you are able to bring a dessert, Thank You!



### **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.



1996 California Raisins @ Beach Weekend

## Welcome to our Church

February 2, 2025

**Attendance** 

Sanctuary 9:00am 50
Worship Center 11:00am 52
Total 102

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.



2/09/25	Annual Meeting & Super Bowl Sunday Soup Cookoff
2/15/25	Sandy Gibson's Funeral
2/17/25	Presidents Day, Office Closed
2/18/25	Vestry Meeting 6:00pm
2/18/25	1st Chili Mac Dinner for 50th Anniversary Fund Raising
3/04/25	Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner 5:00pm
3/05/25	Ash Wednesday
3/09/25	Daylight Savings Time Begins Stations of the Cross and Big Brunch at each Service

Verse of the Week: Isaiah VI:III
Holy, holy, holy is the Lord Almighty;
the whole earth is full of his glory.



### Flowers on the Altar are Given by The Alpha Delta Kappa **Chapter in Memory of Carol Reynolds**



### **February Birthdays**

- 4 Elissia Eijo
- 5 Rachel Workman
- 7 Morgan Goers
- 8 Brouck Boyd
- 9 Avery Zielinski
- **10 Violet Robertson**
- 11 Lindsey Zielinski
- 15 DeAnn Brown **Dianne Knox**
- 22 Becky Schuster
- 21 Allison Westberry
- 25 James Bowen
- 26 Lula Peoples
- 26 Glen Zielinski



### **February Anniversaries**

5 Scott Dickie & Jami Beasley 27 Bill & Marcia Heath 28 Bruce & Morgan Goers

### 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 & (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 Sue DeMan's friend Stephanie), Justin Pennington, Janell & Walter Repsher, 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 Dayton, Elissa Robertson,



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
9 10:00am Sanctuary 11:00am Soup competition	8am Online Morning Prayer 8pm Online Compline	11 8am Online Morning Prayer 4:00 Talbot House Chili Night 8pm Online Compline	8am Online Morning Prayer 11:00am Eucharist and Study 5:00pm Soup & Chosen 8pm Online Compline	8am Online Morning Prayer 8pm Online Compline	14 Office Closed 8:00am Online Morning Prayer 8pm Online Compline	15 Sandy Gibson's Funeral 11:00am
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