St. Stephen's Episcopal Church

FYI 2025

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10th Sunday After Pentecost



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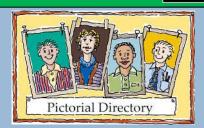


August 31, 2025

While Fr David and the Family are away celebrating Jessie's Wedding, we will have one service at 10:00am followed by a Labor Day Cookout. Please bring Baked Beans, Coleslaw, Potato Salad or what ever pairs well with our World Famous Hamburgers and Hot Dogs.



We are looking for some role players for the Dungeons & Dragons group at St. Stephen's. We meet every other Sunday between 2pm – 5pm and Pizza, Drinks & Brownies are provided. Space limited Ages 14-18 Hope to see you this Sunday.



Pictorial Directory

St. Stephen's is going to produce an "inhouse" pictorial directory this year so that we will all know each other by sight and name.

We are fortunate to have a professional portrait photographer in our congreation, Jim Heal, and Karen Beasley has agreed to head the project up. Karen will need a lot of help with scheduling other duties, so let us know if you can help.

We intend to begin the photo sessions in late September and end before November. We will use the same program we used during the Pandemic, Signup Genius, to do the scheduling. Let us know if you would like to help.







St. Stephen's ...
To Love and Serve
God and Neighbor



2025-Nancy Wenham, Major Kight, Liz Barham

2026-Betty Pratt, Juliana Walker, Karen Spiller-Sr. Warden
2027-Joyce Brock, Stephen Gaydosh-Jr. Warden, Jack Vonesh

Treasurer: Bruce Goers—Bookkeeper: Cathy Zielinski

Secretary: Karen Beasley



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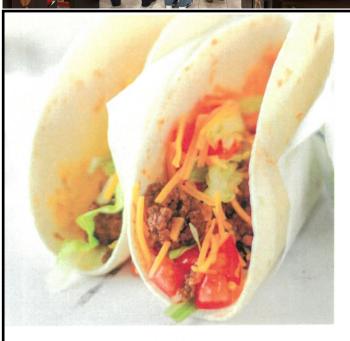


Blessing of the Backpacks went well. We Blessed 25 tags for students, teachers and their supporters and 23 picked up.

O Eternal God, Bless all schools that they may be lively centers for sound learning, new discovery and the pursuit of wisdom; and grant that those who teach and those who learn may find you to be the source of all truth; through Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN

A Prayer from Fr. Mychal Judge, NYFD Chaplain on 9/11/2001

"Lord, take me where
You want me to go,
Let me meet who
You want me to meet,
Tell me what
You want me to say,
And keep me out of Your way."



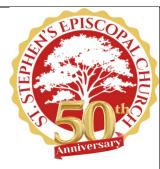
TACO TUESDAY!

5:00pm-7:00pm \$7 gets you Tacos—with your choice of fillings, seasoned rice, and sheet cake! *Dine In or Take Out*

The <u>3rd Tuesday</u> of every month, Next one is August 19th! Debbie & Michele need help so if you can help call the office.







As part of our 50th Anniversary "Give Back" projects we have elected to help the volunteers at **The Polk County Bully Project**. As I stated earlier, this group is in real need of our help in just about everyway.

Last week we delivered more collected donations and homemade dog treats for the puppies.

Also, if you are able check out their website at bullyprojectrescue.org and see all the pups and kitties looking for a temporary or forever home. Please check out their website and consider fostering one of these abandoned pets.



MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

8/18/25 Staff Meeting

8/19/25 Taco Tuesday 5-7-pm, volunteers needed

8/19/25 Vestry Meeting 6:00pm Small Group Room

8/24/25 Last Sunday Outside/Inside

8/31/25 One Service at 10:00am in the Sanctuary

8/31/25 Labor Day Cook out (sides needed)

9/01/25 Labor Day-Office Closed

9/07/25 9:00am & 11:00am Services Return

9/07/25 2nd Sunday Breakfast



The Lunch Bunch will dine at Ling's Buffet on August 21, 2025 at 11:30am. If you plan to attend, please contact Debbie Bradford at 305-304-2548 or call the Office at 863-646-6115 for reservations.



Welcome to our Church

August 10, 2025 Attendance

Garden	9:00am	30
Sanctuary	10:00am	61
Total		91

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

Verse of the Week: Hebrews 12:2

Let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us, fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith.



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August Birthdays

- 5 Roger Doyle
- 6 Jan Benware
- 8 Bruce Nelson
- 10 Mary Ann Corbin
- 13 Joyce Brock
- 14 Rita Yenney
- 18 Inga Rutledge
- 19 Jim Beasley Ray Spiller
- 20 Art Rowbotham
- 21 Helen Vogt
- 22 Pete Wesley
- 25 Bill Baggett
- 26 Jonathan Robertson
- 28 Christopher Trimbath Cathy Zielinski
- 29 Trudi Lithgow
- 31 Deacon Doug Jump

August Anniversaries

- 3 Fr. David & Lula Peoples
- 9 John & Susan MacGilvray
- 11 Italo & Janet Casini

St. Stephen's Prayer List (Parish Members are in Bold)

Prayer Needs: Amy (Fr. Scott's Daughter) Albert "Joe" Adams, Lou Alers, Kim Birmingham (from Scout Troop 106), Charlie Bibb (Season Barham Hodges Father in Law) Shannon Black (from Kathy Leahy), Louis Bloodworth, 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 Dovle, Laurie Dresser (David Dresser's sister), Lily Dresser (David & Patricia Dresser's granddaughter, Stacy Englert, Laurens Flanagan (Sally Flanagan's Daughter in Law) Bruce & Morgan Goers, Pam Moore, Julie Cornish & Ricky Morrison & Kenny Ratliff, (Stacy & Michael Englert's Friends), Fran Henry, Jeremey Gagne (Pat Dupont's nephew) Angela Grilli (Althea Nye's friend), Jim Heal, Bob & Kay Henry (friends of Betty Calhoun) Nicole Hernnkind (Karen Spiller's sister), Kevin Jackimowicz, Ken & Clair Jones (Roger Doyle's friends), Kay Jordan (Judy Elam's friend) Karen Kent (**David Dresser's** Relative) David Kight (**Major Kight's** brother) Cynthia Krempel (Janice Olson's sister), Trudi Lithgow, Mary & Adrian McAleer (Liz Barham's sister & Brother in Law), Donna McLemore, Beverly Meyer, Raelyn (daughter of Sue DeMan's friend Stephanie), Al & Lucille Pfund, (Lula Peoples' co-worker), Janell & Walter Repsher, Roy Reynolds, Glen Richardi, Donna Roberts (David Dresser's sister) Art & Bonnie Rowbotham, Carla Sauve, Royce Shelton, (father of **Kevin Shelton**), Sheryl Short (Tropical Doll Club), Ed Silveira (David Dresser's Cousin), Karen Spiller, Lynn Staffier (from Kathy Leahy), Carol Starling, Marion Stewart, Gloria Thomason, Dailia Walker, Rhys Wallace, Lindsay Zielinski. Homebound or Skilled Nursing Facility: Tony Barfield, Susan Cardman, Rick Rahn, Jo Willey, Sandra Mewborn, Pat Dayton.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
9:00am Garden Chapel 10:00am Sanctuary	8am Online Morning Prayer 8pm Online Compline	8am Online Morning Prayer 5-7pm Taco Tuesday 6-8pm Vestry Meeting 8pm Online Compline	8am Online Morning Prayer 11:00am Holy Eucharist 8pm Online Compline	8am Online Morning Prayer 11:30am Lunch Bunch @ Ling's Buffet 8pm Online Compline	Office Closed 8:00am Online Morning Prayer 8pm Online Compline	Office Closed
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