

St. Stephen's
Episcopal Church

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Office Hrs. M-Th 9am-3pm

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Proper 6 Sunday



VBS

JUNE 22-26

6:00PM-8:30PM

UNLIKE ANY OTHER VBS IN TOWN!



K-5TH GRADE

FREE
SNACKS

FREE
CRAFTS

FREE
GAMES

FREE
SCIENCE

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Call the St. Stephen's office for more info: (863) 646-6115

You can also REGISTER ONLINE: centralfloridachurch.com/VBS

1 Week left before Vacation Bible School!
We really need volunteers to help during the week.
Please let Karen Spiller know if you can help.

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



2026-Betty Pratt, Juliana Walker, Karen Spiller
2027-Joyce Brock, Stephen Gaydosh, Jack Vonesh-Treasurer
2028-Mary Roach, Helen Vogt, Mike Whitt, Jr Warden
Bookkeeper: Cathy Zielinski, Treasurer: Jack Vonesh,
Secretary: Karen Beasley, Office Secretary: Charlie Bradford

State of Florida

Notary Public

This is to advise the St. Stephen's congregation that we once again have a Notary Public in the office for our parishioners. Documents and oaths will be administered at no cost to St. Stephen's parishioners. I hope that we can help you out in your needs for a Notary.



A Special Father's Day Brunch

This year, to show our appreciation for our fathers, the ladies have asked that we replace our traditional cookout with a special **Father's Day Brunch!**

Please join us next Sunday as we honor and celebrate the wonderful fathers in our church family. The brunch will be served **immediately following the 10:00 a.m. service.**

If you attend the **9:00 a.m. service**, we encourage you to stay and share with us, or return after the 10:00 a.m. service, to help show our fathers how much they are loved and appreciated.

Let's come together as a church family to make this a memorable and special day for all of our dads!

Date: Next Sunday, June 21st

Time: Following the 10:00 a.m. Service

Location: Parish Hall

We look forward to celebrating with you!

Father's Day Brunch

Dog Treats

The Dog Treat Crew will meet again this month to bake homemade treats for our furry friends! If you're able to help, please bring your donations to church and place them in the collection bins.

Needed items:

- Pumpkin purée
- Unsweetened Applesauce
- Old-fashioned Oats
- Unsalted Peanuts

Most of the Dog Treats we make go to the puppies at the Polk County Bully Project to show them that we care and the remainder of the treats we sell and give the money in St. Stephen's name to the PCBP.



Our own Artisan Baker, Thomas



Welcome to our Church

June 7, 2026

Garden Chapel	9:00am	30
Sanctuary	10:00am	55
Total		85

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

If you are new to St. Stephen's or if you would like to have Fr. David contact you, please fill out a Newcomer Card and place it in the plate and we will see that you are contacted. God Bless.

Lunch Bunch

The Lunch Bunch will meet this week at Fred's Market Restaurant on Harden Blvd. Our luncheon will begin at **11:30am on June 18th** and should be well attended. Please let us know if you are planning to attend by calling Debbie Bradford at 305-304-2548 or the Office at 863-646-6115.



Mark Your Calendar

- 06/14/26 2nd Sunday Brunch
- 06/15/26 Staff Meeting 10am
- 06/16/26 Vestry Meeting 6pm
- 06/18/26 Lunch Bunch Fred's
- 06/19/26 Juneteenth, Office Closed
- 06/21/26 Father's Day
- 06/22/26 VBS Kick-Off
- 06/26/26 VBS '26 Closing
- 06/28/26 VBS Sunday. In addition to our Service, Fun & Snacks too.
- 07/04/26 America's 250th Birthday, Office Closed

**DON'T
ASK GOD
TO MOVE
MOUNTAINS
IF YOU
AREN'T
WILLING
TO PICK UP
A SHOVEL.**

-BILLY COX

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Verse of the Week: Romans 5:8

**But God demonstrates his own love for us in this:
While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.**

June Birthdays

- 1 Tricia Walker
- 2 Beverly Meyer,
- 3 Kayla Blackwell
- 4 Renda McNeill,
- 5 Joanne Gunner
- 6 Hayley Naples
- 7 Tom Kempinski
- 8 Liz Barham
- 9 Jo Willey
- 10 Melissa Palmer,
- Carrie Peoples
- 16 Italo Casini
- Thomas Negus
- 18 Thomas Peets
- 20 Wendell Hunt,
- Susie Stewart
- 23 Patricia Dresser
- 27 Karen Spiller



June Anniversaries

- 1 Wendell & Donna Hunt
- Frank & Sue St. Amour
- 2 Walter & Janell Repsher
- Gary & Allison Westberry
- Art & Bonnie Rowbotham
- 8 Joe & Robin W. Adams
- Troy & Sue DeMan
- 16 Jay & Belinda Oxner



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

Prayer Needs: Amy (Fr. Scott's Daughter), 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), 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, Cathi DiGigiacomo, (**Michele Giberson's** Aunt) **Roger Doyle**, Laurie Dresser (**David Dresser's** sister), Lily Dresser (**David & Patricia Dresser's** granddaughter, **Stacy Englert**, Laurens Flanagan (**Sally Flanagan's Daughter in Law**), Ricky Morrison, Becky Sue Morrison (**Stacy & Michael Englert's** Friends), 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), Father Robert Keller, (**Kathy Leahy's** friend) Karen Kent (**David Dresser's** Relative) Cynthia Krempel (**Janice Olson's** sister), Minnie Lewis (**Sally Flanagan's** Sister in Law) **Trudi Lithgow**, Mary & Adrian McAleer (**Liz Barham's** sister & Brother in Law), **Donna McLemore**, Raelyn (daughter of **Sue DeMan's** friend Stephanie), **Mary Peoples**, Al & Lucille Pfund, (**Lula Peoples'** co-worker), **Janell Repsher, Roy Reynolds**, **Glen Richardi**, Donna Roberts (**David Dresser's** sister) **Art & Bonnie Rowbotham, Shirley Rumpel, Carla Sauve**, Sheryl Short (Tropical Doll Club), Ed Silveira (**David Dresser's** Cousin), **Karen Spiller**, Lynn Staffier (from **Kathy Leahy**), **Carol Starling, Marion Stewart, Dailia Walker, Meg & Rhys Wallace, Lynn Whitt, Lindsay Zielinski.**

Homebound or Skilled Nursing Facility: Tony Barfield, Susan Cardman, Rick Rahn, Jo Willey, Sandra Mewborn

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
14 9:00am in the Garden Chapel 10:00am Sanctuary 2nd Sunday Brunch after each Service	15 8am Online Morning Prayer 8pm Online Compline	16 8am Online Morning Prayer 6pm Vestry Meeting 8pm Online Compline	17 8:00am Online Morning Prayer 11:00am Holy Euchrist 12:00pm Bible Study 8pm Online Compline	18 8:00am Online Morning Prayer 11:30am Lunch Bunch Fred's 8pm Online Compline 	19 8:00am Online Morning Prayer 8pm Online Compline	20 Office Closed
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