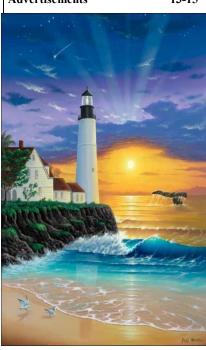
The Chapel Chimes



INSIDE THIS ISSUE:

| From the Rectors Desk | 1 & 4 |
|-----------------------------------|-------|
| Music Notes | 2 |
| Help Hotline & Staff | 3 |
| News from the Treasurer | 5 |
| ECW News | 6 |
| Special Event Announcement | 7 |
| Way of St. Paul | 8 |
| Calendar | 9 |
| Healing Prayer OSL | 10 |
| Stewardship/ Bus Trips | 11 |
| Funnies | 12 |
| Birthdays | 13 |
| Advertisements | 13-15 |



From the Rector's Desk...

What is our Mission?

After serving two years as a curate in a team ministry in Camden, NJ, I arrived at my first cure in Berlin, NJ. As I sat at my desk for the first time I found a cartoon lying conspicuously in the center of the desktop. That cartoon (pictured below) seemed to indicate that by accepting the call to be vicar, I had also accepted a "Mission Impossible." There is always a sense of challenge associated with any mission of the Church. But there cannot be any God-given mission which is impossible; God never presents us with a task which calls for gifts beyond those for which he has equipped us.

Now you might ask; what is the mission of St. Stephen's? It is "to restore all people to unity with God and each other in Christ." And how is that to be pursued? "Through prayer and worship, proclamation of the Gospel, and promotion of justice, peace, and love."

O.K., But how will St. Stephen's carry out this mission? "Through the ministry of ALL its members." (see the Book of Common Prayer, pgs. 854-55). This means that you and I are responsible to God to use our gifts

and talents to meet the mission he gave us to do.

Now, "restoring all people" does appear to be a rather large task for any one church, and it is. But, as you might already have guessed, no one church is expected to do the whole job all by itself. Each church is expected to do their part in "restoring all



"Your mission, should you decide to accept it."

people" by reaching out to those who live within their community and offering them the opportunity to know the joy of being a member of Christ's body, as well as to receive the benefits of forgiveness of sins, grace through the sacraments, and everlasting life.

Continue on page 4

Phone: (732) 350-2121 Fax: (732) 350-6000

Whiting, NJ 08759-1238

180 Route 539

is a publication of

The Chapel Chimes



Our Church Office is located at: St. Stephen's Episcopal Church



Editor..... ..Father Paul Colleen Clover Pam Unger Joy Snieder Stefanie Rotsaert Susan Clarke Bill Bodine Lillian Fink

The deadline for SEPTEMBER the Church Office or email us at (first Monday of the month) articles is August 5, 2019. ssechurch@gmail.com

Please submit signed and dated items in writing to Articles are welcomed from all parish members.

MUSIC NOTES



Choir

With the coming of the summer months the Choir takes leave of their usual places and joins everyone else in the congregation. Please do continue to sing the hymns and the music of the liturgy. When there is no one presenting an offertory anthem a hymn will be chosen to be sung by the congregation during the offertory. The time of my return to the organ bench is as yet undetermined. My surgery has taken longer than anticipated to heal, but my rehab is proceeding well. However, I have developed "double vision" which makes reading anything difficult. I have an appointment to see a specialist in the near future, but after the deadline for submitting this article. I will try to keep you informed on my progress.

The Choir is in dire need of additional singers! We were saddened by the passing of Joe Nutry, who sang baritone with us for a number of years. We are fortunate to have very good singers in our choir as it is now, but having only seven singers when everyone is able to attend the service puts us at a definite disadvantage if anyone is ill or for other reasons unable to attend the service.

THE CHOIR IS WILLING TO CONSIDER ANOTHER DAY AND/OR TIME FOR REHEARSAL IF WE HAVE POTENTIAL PARTICIPANTS WHO ARE UNABLE TO ATTEND AT OUR CURRENT REHEARSAL TIME OF 2:00 PM ON THURSDAY AFTERNOON!!

The Chime Choir members would love to resume presenting their music in the service, but we are in need of additional chimers. The ability to count beats (and understand how long various notes "last") is helpful, but can be learned. Other skills are easily mastered. Please see one of our chimers to learn about playing hand chimes. We need at least 8 people who are committed to attend rehearsals regularly in order to prepare music to play at the service.

Stewardship is not just about sharing your "wealth" – sharing your time and talents with the Church is also part of being a good steward!!!

Pam Unger Organist/Choir Director



Parish Staff

Bishop & Chief Pastor

The Rt. Rev. William H. (Chip) Stokes

Rector

The Rev. Paul A. Van Sant, Sr., M. Div., Th. M.

Organist & Choir Director

Pam Unger

Treasurer

Gerianne Murphy

Assistant Treasurer

Sandra Gaskill

Rector's Warden

Carl Laursen ('21)

Property Warden

Richard Smithson ('20)

Clerk of the Vestry

JoAnn Smithson

Vestry Members:

Class of 2020 Class of 2021

Jack Brown Lillian Fink
Laura Gural Marge Pomykala
Tom Larson Peter Quigley

Class of 2022

Pat Russo Randy Walton

Office Staff:

Parish Administrator Colleen Clover

Sexton Tom O'Brien

Office Volunteer Carl Laursen

HELP HOTLINE NUMBERS

As many of us face challenges with today's unstable economy, here are some helpful telephone numbers for assistance. Pass them along if you know someone who needs a little extra help getting through these tough times.

Heating & Weatherization

O.C.E.A.N, Inc. 732-244-5333 (heating)
732-244-5396 (weatherization)
www.oceaninc.org
NJ Shares 866-657-4273
www.njshares.org

Mortgage Assistance

Hope Hotline 888-995-HOPE www.hopenow.com

Health Insurance, Food Stamps, Utilities

NJ Family Care 800-701-0710
www.njfamilycare.org
OC Board of Social Services 732-349-1500
Verizon NJ Communication Lifeline
888-337-3339

Ocean County Government Resource Center 732-370-8854

www.ocean.nj.us/socialservices
Ocean County Food Bank 732-918-2600
www.foodbankmoc.org

Angel Food Ministries 732-240-7543

Pick-up location Christ Episcopal Church

1415 Washington St., Toms River

www.angelfoodministries.com

Other Important Numbers

Social Security 800-772-1213

www.socialsecurity.gov

NJ Unemployment Insurance 732-761-2020

www.state.nj.us

When I speak to members of our parish and ask what they want most for St. Stephen's the first thing almost every single person says is "growth, church growth." Can you imagine how quickly St. Stephen's would grow if each of us were to actively seek to share our love of Jesus, and our desire to serve him, with those people with which we come into daily contact at work, school, the mall, or wherever.

In the last few years there have been over 500 housing units of various types built or are in the process of being built within a two mile radius from our church. What if we were to ask each of them to join us in our joint life in Christ? Even if only 1 in 50 invitations resulted in a positive response, that would bring 10 new families into our fold; maybe even some with children!

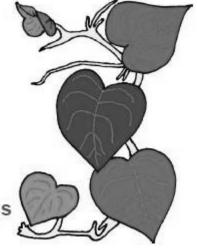
As we look forward over this summer, through the Fall stewardship season and into the year 2020, let us all be of one mind as to the goals and aspirations of this family of St. Stephen's. Let us commit to doing the mission of our Lord and savior Jesus Christ, which is the will of our heavenly Father, using the time and talents which he has given us, that we might do our part in "restoring all people to unity with God and each other."

That is our Mission.

M. Div.;Th.M.

Rector

G rounded in the Word
R eflecting Christ's love
O pen to the Spirit
W elcoming the journey
I nviting others along
N ourishing their connections
G iving generously







News from the Treasurer's Desk







COFFE HOUR AND MORE.....

Thank-you to everyone that help put together those delicious coffee hours after each of our Sunday Services. We all thoroughly enjoy the combination of good food, warm company and kind hearts that is our weekly fellowship time. Thank you all for treating us to your baking talents and time.

Thank-you to everyone that chairs, sells tickets, bakes, and lends working hands in the kitchen during our events throughout the year. We here at Saint Stephen's will continue to reach out to our community to share God's love through our events which our volunteers make possible through their generous time they donate.

On a side note: As much as we enjoy all the wonderful foods we share, please take anything left over home. Our kitchen is in revolving use for other events so we need to keep the refrigerator free of extra food items. Your understanding is much appreciated.

If anyone would like to delight us with refreshments for one of our two Sunday Coffee Hours or would like to volunteer, please contact Stefanie Rotsaert (732) 350-2904 or Carol Cavanaugh (732) 657-0193

Thank you all!

Stefanie Rotsaert





ECW News

By Stefanie Rotsaert





<u>English Teas</u> were a success, thanks to all the wonderful volunteers who donate their time so selflessly. We are already getting calls for tickets for 2020!

<u>Untied Thank Offering</u> Collected \$330.00 this year. For the first time in my memory, the ECW Annual Ingathering was cancelled. Our customary EWC meeting for the month of June was held on the 6th at 1:00 PM—We enjoyed refreshments while we made plans for our upcoming events. Plans are underway for our Annual Bluegrass & Blueberry Social on Saturday, July 20th and our Annual Fair on Saturday, August 28th.

<u>The ECW continues</u> to collect box tops for kids, card fronts, pop-tops, toiletries, and cancelled stamps. Because we care, we share with others—-Whiting school, our local veterans, Ronald Mc Donald House, St. Jude's, and the battered women's shelter. Thank you all for caring and sharing with those in need.

<u>Whiting Garden Club</u> Our meetings will resume again in anticipation of the autumn season on Wednesday, September 4th.

A little sneak peek at what is coming up in the Fall: Our Annual Fall Fashion Show will be held on Thursday, September 19th @ 1PM. Featured fashions will be from Macy's located in the Ocean County Mall in Toms River. Our own models will be wearing the latest fall fashions for the year. Our bakers will provide delicious refreshments and a 50/50 drawing and a treasure auction will take place as well. Tickets are a bargain at \$10.00 and can be purchased on Sundays after the 10:00 am service, at the church office, or at the door if available.

Stefanie Rotsaert

ECW President 732-350-2904







CRAFTS

"HERE YE! HERE YE! ALL PRINCES AND PRINCESSES ARE INVITED TO ATTEND A TEA AT SAINT STEPHEN'S CHURCH"



GAMES

<u>Date</u>: July 13, 2019

Time: 12:00 PM

Location: 180 Route 539, Whiting NJ 08759

Cost: In advance: \$ 2.00 per adult—\$12.00 per child

At the door: \$ 5.00 per adult—\$15.00 per child

Register at: https://forms.gle/pen3JmdV7JB7txCD8

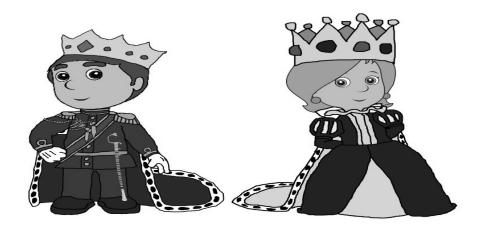
(type into your web browser exactly as shown above)

OR....

Pick up a from at Saint Stephens at the address above

OR...

Call Anna @ (609) 230-2114 or (732) 350-2121



The Way of Saint Paul

Submitted by Lillian Fink

"And we exhort you, brethren, admonish the idlers, encourage the fainthearted, help the weak, be patient with them all.





Thessalonians 5:14

As believers we form a community of faith where relationships are important and people grow closer together and to God. A community where we live without masks: where we take care of and serve each other in true love. WE help to bear each other's burdens and encourage each other to be the best version of ourselves. Here you will find a safe space where you can lay down your fears and joys before the throne in prayer. It is a testimony of God's Kingdom that functions differently from the world.







Annual Bluegrass & Blueberry Festival

Saturday, July 20, 2019

From 1PM—3PM

Enjoy Blueberry (or peach) shortcake along with assorted beverages and our Tea Bar

There will be a Bluegrass band for entertainment and the wonderful fellowship at Saint Stephens!

Tickets are \$7.00 for adults

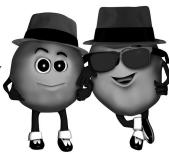
\$ 3.00 for children under 12

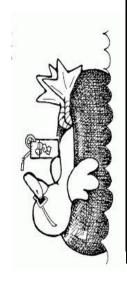
See us after service on Sundays for tickets

Or stop by the church office Monday-Friday

From 9am—2pm







JULY 2019



| n n S | M o n | Ln es | W e d | Thur | Fri | Sat |
|--|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------|--|--|--|
| 44 Meetings. Saurdays—8 pm Sundays—8 pm Tuesdays-2 pm Wednesdays-3 pm Thursdays-3 pm | 1 | 7 | 3 AAMæding 3 PM | 4 | ک | 9 |
| 7 | 8 | 6 | 0I | H | 1 2 | 13 |
| HOLYEUCHARIST 8 AM & 10 AM | | Closed AA meeting @ 2PM | AA Meeting 3 PM | Healing Service 10AM ECW Meeting | Pineland Symphonic Band | |
| AA Meeting@spm | Boy scouts 6:30-8:30 pm | Cub scouts 7pm 8:30pm | TATE SIMPLIFICATION | NAI WAI | Practice 9 AM | AA Meeting 8PM |
| 14 HOLYEUCHARIST | 15 | 91 | 21 | 18 | 6 1 | 20 |
| AA Meeting@8pm | | Closed AA meeting @ 2PM | AA Meeting 3 PM | Healing Service 10 AM | Pineland | BLUEGRASS& BLUEBERRY SOCIAL 1-3 PM |
| MEETING after 10am service | Boy scouts 6:30-8:30 pm | Cub scouts 7pm 8:30pm | 0 | | Symphonic Band Practice 9 AM | AA Meeting 8PM |
| 21 HOLYEUCHARIST | 22 Thyroid Support | 23 | 24 | 25 Healing Service | 26 | 2.7 |
| 8 AM & 10 AM | Grp 10 am Vestry Meeting 10 am | Closed AA meeting @ 2PM | AA Meeting 3 PM | 10 AM | P i n e l a n d Symphonic Band Practice 9 4M | |
| | Boy scouts 6:30-8:30 pm | Cub scouts 7pm | | | | AA Meeting 8PM |
| 28 HOLY EUCHARIST 8 AM & 10 AM | 29 | 30 Closed AA meeting @ 2PM | 31 AA Meding 3 PM | | | |
| King of the Hill @ Playdrome GPVI | Boy scouts 6:30-8:30 pm | Cub scouts 7pm 8:30pm | | | | |
| | | | | | | |

Order of St. Luke

Do you need Prayers for Healing?

The Order of Saint Luke is a Healing Ministry. On the last Sunday of each month, prayers of healing are provided following Holy Eucharist at the 8 AM and 10 AM services at Saint Stephen's Episcopal Church. Members are also available after Sunday Services near the Baptismal Font. In addition, prayers are offered at our 10 AM Healing Service on Thursdays.



PRAYER OF THE ORDER OF ST. LUKE THE PHYSICIAN

Almighty God, who inspired Your servant Luke the Physician to set forth in the Gospel the love and healing power of your Son: Graciously continue in Your Church the love and power to heal, to the praise and glory of Your Name, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen



Order of Saint Luke

Submitted by Joy Snider

"Lord God, Heavenly Father, Lord Jesus Christ, as I come into your presence I humbly ask that You fill me with the presence of your Holy Spirit. As you fill me, may Your healing grace flow into me. May it surround me with love, peace, and a most healing grace.

I am moved to ask for healing for myself of my pain and discomfort for

I am open, Lord for You personally to lay Your hands upon my head, that I may be healed by You and through You. Lord I ask that You heal my body, mind, and spirit, my bones, disks, tissues, tendons, nerves, and nerve endings; my very physical being. I pray that You heal my mind from any painful memories from the past and that my mind may be a clear vessel for Your love. I pray for the very essence of my being my soul. I know You are the lover of souls, Lord. I know You love me so much that I can ask with trust that You heal the woundedness of my soul.



Amen.

Stewardship

Submitted by Susan Clarke

"God so loved the world that He gave his only begotten Son...." John 3:16

What an amazing statement; what and outstanding gift!

So how do we respond to really wonderful gifts? Often with surprise, usually with thanks, and sometimes with gratitude. And, of course, gratitude is the most appropriate.

To cultivate an attitude of gratitude is to focus on God's will for our lives. So we study Scripture to learn what God wants from us. We worship together and listen to preaching to gain insight. And we give back. We give as the balanced response of having received. We give to care for our neighbors. We give to spread the Gospel to those who don't know God. We combine our gifts to support the will of God in ways that we cannot do alone, to lift up the world toward the vision of peace and plenty that God has given us.

Let us all respond to God's gifts and blessings with gratitude.

We hope to see you at the Stewardship Meeting scheduled for

July 14, 2019 after the 10 AM service.



Come Join us on at Trip!

Thursday, August 15th

<u>Delaware Museum of Art</u>—known for Wyeth works, sculpture garden, eclectic mix of paintings, pre-Raphaelite collection of books, paintings and more.

Thursday, September 10th Museum of The American Revolution

Thursday, September 24th "Jesus" Sight and Sound

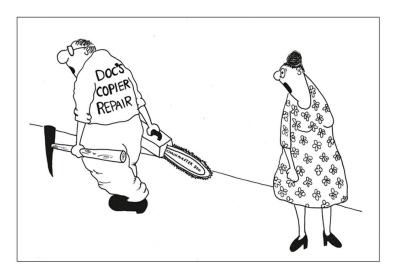
Thursday, November 12th "Miracle of Christmas" at Sight and Sound

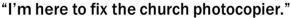
Four more trips are planned for October/November/December

See the flyers in the Narthex and sign up soon.

For Questions—contact Stefanie Rotsaert @ 732-350-2904

Laughing is Good for the Soul







If you like the picture of Jesus laughing on the top right of this page, you can obtain a color print in a variety of standard sizes from any of your local Christian book stores.

REVERENDFUN.COM COPYRIGHT BIBLE GATEWAY



TWO ANTS? YOU HAVE ONLY TWO ANTS?!? MY WIFE AND I EAT LIKE 100,000 PER DAY EACH!



Happy Birthday

| | <u>July</u> | парр |
|------|-----------------------|-------|
| 1st | Edna Blische | 7: |
| | Janis Hunter | * *** |
| 3rd | Nancy Amatelli | |
| 6th | Mary Van Sant | do * |
| 7th | Gladys Mitchell | |
| | Jeremy De Borger/Busc | h, Jr |
| | Jeremy Busch | |
| 8th | Penny Scott | |
| | Tim O' Connor | |
| | Ruth Ann Diaz | |
| | Katherine Korwan | |
| 10th | Karen Power | |
| 12th | William Huston | |
| 14th | James Diaz, Sr. | |
| 15th | John Brown | 1/1/ |
| 16th | Stefanie Rotsaert | |
| | Noreen Del Sanno | |
| | Nichole Cornelius | |
| 20th | Ann Duven | |
| | Carol Cavanaugh | 1 1 |

Joseph Orsita James Jacobs

David Bradley

Dotty Strohm

Colin Rutkowski

Kathleen Smith

21st

22nd

24th

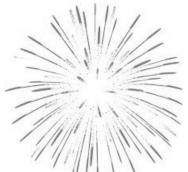
28th





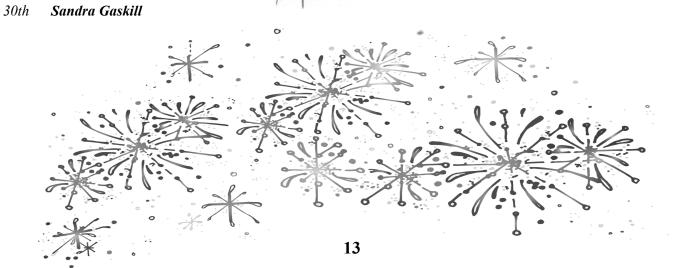






<u>August</u>

| 2nd | William Beatty, Jr. |
|------|------------------------|
| | Doris Diltz |
| 4th | Liam Farrar |
| | David Jacobs |
| 5th | Richard Woods |
| | Thomas Diaz |
| 7th | Ella Brown |
| 8th | Desiree DeBorger-Busch |
| 9th | Susan Clarke |
| 10th | Edward Hannon |
| 11th | Greg O'Connor |
| 12th | Iris Westbrook |
| 15th | Al Thompson |
| 18th | Margaret Smith |
| 19th | William Amatelli |
| 21st | Bonnie Kernan |
| | Susan Gonzalez |
| 22nd | Pam Unger |
| 25th | Gerianne Murphy |
| 26th | Christopher Stahl |
| 28th | Xavier Quigley |
| 29th | Ray Storey |
| | Michael Hoffman |
| | David Lemmon |
| | |



Mary Allen Realty, Inc.



The Tom Smith Group Thomas J Smith 2909 Long Beach Blvd Ship Bottom NJ 08008 609 494-0700



R

REJOICE! People are God's hands.

BARBARA LATOURETTE



Margie Carney business owner



67 Lacey Rd unit 3 Whiting, NJ 08759

732-849-3375

thesaltyspa@gmail.com

www.thesaltyspa.com



Mary Ruggiero Assistant Vice President Branch Manager NMLS# 1134253 Whiting Branch 451 Lacey Road Whiting, NJ 08759 t 732.350.6644 f 732.350.2658 maruggiero@investorsbank.com

investorsbank.com



John M Garofalo III 609-709-9391

Free Estimates

"The Jamily Owned"
Carmona - Bolen Home for Funerals, LLC



412 Main Street Toms River, NJ 08753 (732) 349-1922 Michael J. Defonzo Jr. Manager N.J. Lic #4075

66 Lacey Road Whiting, NJ 08759 (732) 350-0003

www.carmonabolenfh.com

2B Handy

Home Improvement Specialists

(732) 664-9400

Rick and Mike

One call we do it all Fully insured www.2bhandy.com Licensed NJ# 13VH06031100



732-657-4670

Colonial Bouquet, Inc.

"Flowers For All Occasions"
3 UNION AVENUE
LAKEHURST, NEW JERSEY 08733
www.colonialbouquetnj.com

teleflora.



Advertisers



Dr. Kesha Walton, DNP, APN, FNP-BC Provider

icaremedical.llc@gmail.com

P.O. Box 694 Lakehurst, NJ 08733 icare-medical.org

732-290-5480



Richard C. Campana, Jr., C.F.S.P. Manager

115 Lacey Rd.
Whiting, NJ 08759
732-350-5700
Fax 732-350-2415
Cell 908-227-1194
Richard.Campana@DignityMemorial.com
NJ Lic. No. 4135



We need Advertisers for our Newsletter to defray the cost of postage and printing. We are offering a Business Card Ad for one year; that's eleven issues on an inside page for only \$100.

(We publish one issue for July/August.)

We make this special offer:

A full year in our newsletter PLUS a full page

ad in the Fair Book \$115

A full year in our newsletter PLUS a half page

ad in the Fair Book \$110

A full year in our newsletter PLUS a quarter page ad in the Fair Book \$105



AVON

Beauty for a Purpose www.youravon.com/nthompson

Nancy Thompson

Independent Sales Representative nancy7982@aol.com

TOMS RIVER, NI

Home: 732-279-3337

Cell: 732-644-5402

WHITING PHARMACY

NIRMIT PATEL
PHARMACIST IN CHARGE

200 LACEY ROAD
WHITING NJ 08759

732 849 3141(p) 732 849 3142 (f) WHITINGPHARMACY@GMAIL.COM

WHITINGPHARMACY.COM

PLACE YOUR AD FOR YOUR BUSINESS HERE AND REACH MORE HOUSEHOLDS IN YOUR COMMUNITY.









St. Stephen's Episcopal Church 180 Route 539 Whiting, NJ 08759 732-350-2121



NONPROFIT ORG. U.S. POSTAGE PAID Toms River, NJ PERMIT NO. 266





<u>Upcoming Calendar Events</u> "Dignified Junque" Annual Fair~August 31st Drop off donations in AUGUST!

