

## Children's Ministry

June 12 – Summer Sunday School  
June 13-17 – Vacation Bible School  
June 19 – Father's Day Worship –  
Children sing VBS songs  
June 26 – Summer Sunday School

---

**We are still in need of Leaders for Summer Sunday School.** Summer Sunday School is very "leader friendly" as we **view videos of Old Testament stories** with corresponding worksheets provided. **Please sign up in the narthex.** (Speak with Deb Nelson if you would like to view available resources in order to do a craft, music, snack or drama activity.)

---

**Join us at Vacation Bible School!**



**June 13 - 17 from 9:00 to 11:45 am.**

**Youth and Adults -**  
**Calling All Willing To Volunteer**

If you have completed **6<sup>th</sup> grade** up  
**through age\_\_?**

We invite you to join us as we are in  
need of additional volunteers.

Please contact Deb Nelson for  
volunteer opportunities.  
- **Call the church office**  
**immediately, if you previously**  
**volunteered and have not been**  
**contacted!**

### VBS SUPPLIES

**You should have been contacted if**  
**you signed up to provide snack**  
**supplies for Vacation Bible School.**

Please contact Deb Nelson if you  
have not received an acknowledge-  
ment phone call. We highly  
appreciate all of the donations that  
you are providing.

---

### FOOD SHELF

Please continue to donate to **THE FOOD SHELF** as children who received free and reduced lunches during the school year will not be receiving them this summer. That places an even greater burden on the disadvantaged. Hopefully you had a chance to view the hunger statistics, and information about who uses the food shelf, that we had posted on the bulletin board in March and April. Our donations have dropped dramatically since our March food drive. **We have an ongoing goal to collect a greater amount of food in 2005 than we collected in 2004.**

Last year: January – 208 pounds  
This year: January – 206 pounds  
Last year: February – 149 pounds  
This year: February – 86 pounds  
Last year: March – 249 pounds  
This year: March – 521 pounds  
Last year: April – 117 pounds  
**This year: April – 64 pounds**  
This year: May – 144 pounds  
**This year: May – 22 pounds**

---

---

**Our prayers and condolences** go to  
Dave Anderson and his family on the  
death of his dad; and to Donna  
Rechtzigel and her family on the death  
of her husband, Marv.

---

### ATTENTION HOLIDAY CRAFTERS

Plan-a -Craft Morning

on Tuesday, June 21<sup>st</sup>, at 9 a.m.

Bring your own crafts  
or we will supply crafts to work on  
for the 2005 Holly Boutique to be held  
in November.

There will be coffee and snacks as we  
craft and have fun.

Meet in fellowship hall – everyone is  
welcome!

The next Steppingstone will go out on  
June 21<sup>st</sup>. Articles need to be turned  
in to the church office by Sun., June  
19<sup>th</sup>.



### RELAY FOR LIFE

A Team Event to Fight Cancer

The evening of July 29<sup>th</sup> will mark the  
11<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the White Bear  
Lake Area "Relay for Life".

We are planning to have 3 teams from  
St. Stephen – Men, Ladies, and Youth.  
Team sign-up sheets will be on a table  
in the narthex. Please sign up as soon  
as possible so we can get team  
members their packets.

Luminaries will be on sale starting  
Sunday, July 3<sup>rd</sup>, with Luminary  
Sunday on July 24<sup>th</sup>.

Any questions – call Jerry Engen at  
651-429-1343.

---

### HEY CAN YOU HELP ME?

My name is Norm Piatti and I am  
looking for a room to rent in the White  
Bear Lake to Hugo area. I am a  
Christian professional who does not  
smoke nor have pets. Please call me  
at (651)503-5947.

## YOUTH

- Hey DOC912 remember we meet at Buffalo Wild Wings the first Tuesday of each month at 5:33 p.m. in Maple-wood! See you there!
- Reminder to the youth who have signed up to bag groceries at Cub on Highway 96 – I look forward to seeing you on July 2 from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Call Dee at church to confirm (777-1107). We still need additional YOUth. Just think - the money we raise will help offset the cost of events. Plus if you help the whole day, Dee will buy you lunch!!!
- Mini golf at Lava Links in Roseville is still planned for June 23. Meet at church at 12:33 p.m. Make sure you sign up on the youth board. Cost to play is \$5.33, which includes tax and, weather permitting, the BBQ is \$3.00.
- Last Wednesday night Bible Study this school year is June 15<sup>th</sup>!
- Youth Room hours for the summer will be determined by your input. Call Dee at church (777-1107) and leave your vote on the day and time.

## Youth Calendar

|  |                    |
|--|--------------------|
| <u>Sunday, June 12</u>                       | TIM Team           |
| Last TIM Team Meeting until the fall.        |                    |
| <u>Thursday, June 23</u>                     | Senior High        |
| Golf & BBQ                                   |                    |
| <u>Sunday, June 26</u>                       | Confirmation Youth |
| Confirmation Picnic                          |                    |
| <u>Saturday, July 2</u>                      | Senior High        |
| Bag groceries at Cub Foods -10-5 p.m.        |                    |
| <u>Monday, July 4</u>                        | All Youth          |
| Glow Necklace fundraiser                     |                    |
| <u>Tuesday, July 5</u>                       | All Youth          |
| Buffalo Wild Wings                           |                    |
| <u>July 11-15</u>                            | All Youth          |
| Summer Blast                                 |                    |
| <u>July 13-17</u>                            | Senior High        |
| Sonshine Music Festival                      |                    |
| <u>Wednesday, July 27</u>                    | All Youth          |
| Valley Fair                                  |                    |
| <u>Tuesday, August 2</u>                     | All Youth          |
| Buffalo Wild Wings                           |                    |
| <u>August 5-12</u>                           |                    |
| TIM Team Training/Bible Camp                 |                    |
| <u>August 18-21</u>                          | All Youth          |
| Wisconsin Dells Trip - Cost is \$115         |                    |
| Deadline to sign up is July 30 <sup>th</sup> |                    |
| <u>August 27</u>                             | All Youth          |
| Summer end celebration                       |                    |



*In honor and appreciation to our  
servicemen and women –*

Send cards  
and remember them in our  
thoughts and prayers:

- ★ Grant Hosmer  
1006C AA Street E  
Universal City, TX 78148
- ★ Ian Lauer  
CMR 475 Box 1763  
APO AE 09036-1763
- ★ Shannon Krey  
HHB 18<sup>th</sup> FA BDE (ABN)  
Box 168  
Fort Bragg, NC 28307
- ★ SRA Nathaniel C. Johnson  
3279  
527 I Avenue N 198  
Sheppard AFB, TX 76311-2507
- ★ LCPL Ben Engen  
2<sup>nd</sup> AA BND. Company. Maint.  
Unit 73580  
FPO AE 09509-3580

We will keep these addresses updated as they change often.

Dear Members of St. Stephen,

Thank you for inviting us to be among you on the occasion of your 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary! It was such a special day and we enjoyed it so much. Obviously our ten years in your midst will be a time that we will never forget – nor will we forget your partnership in the gospel expressed in so many ways. That Anniversary Day re-kindled some of those beautiful memories for us and our family. Thank you for your warm hospitality and a special thanks to all who made it happen. We continue our prayers for you and your significant and important ministries. The remembrances sent home with us together with the videotape of the Worship Service will be treasured! Thank you!

The past two months or so have brought us to five destinations for anniversaries/reunions. Maybe this “anniversary tour year” can account for our tardiness in getting this note to you. But it also has confirmed for us the wonderful partnership we have in the church across the miles and over the years – including a place called St. Stephen in White Bear Lake.

Recently on a trip to our daughter, Beth, and her family in Alabama we went by way of Little Rock and stopped at the new Clinton Library. There we found a quote that seems appropriate for St. Stephen as well as the USA: “Honor the past, imagine the future”. We join you in honoring the past and imagining the future, by God’s grace and mercy!

In Christian Love,  
Mary and Luther Olson