

## Worship from the Heart

### Victory Over all

When roads ahead are rocky,  
God is holding out His hand;  
When no one else is listening,  
He's there to understand.  
When life is giving sorrow —  
Foreboding, full of pain —  
God offers His protection  
And wipes away the stain.  
His love is always waiting  
To fill our days with joy;  
His strength is quite sufficient  
To conquer any ploy.  
And God is always ready  
To lift us when we fall;  
By trusting Him, we all can be  
The victors over all.

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# MESSENGER

July and August 2011

220 8th Avenue McKeesport, PA 15132

Office Closed July 4  
Annual Picnic July 24  
Picnic Rain Date July 31  
Flea Market Aug. 20

## VESTRY

Jay Ackerman  
Ethel Balas  
Jim Campbell  
Ron Dern  
Alex Foster, Co-Jr. Warden  
Pat Greene  
George McGinnis  
Donald Menzies  
John Ochap, Co-Jr. Warden  
Karen Slobodian, Sr. Warden  
Lani Temple  
Frank Yesko

Georgia Lebedda  
Organist  
Choir Director

Daryl Ashcroft  
Sexton

Sharon Petterson  
Parish Coordinator

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## Highlights from the May 2011 Vestry Meeting .....

### ✓ Treasurer's Report

Total Income April 2011:

\$45,673.64 (includes \$17,845.69 prev.  
month's balance)

Total expenses April 2011:

\$24,814.32

Net Income:

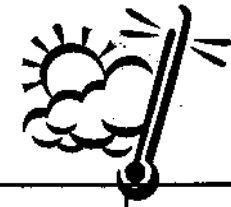
\$20,859.32

- ✓ The grant for the boiler was received and the boiler has been installed.
- ✓ We are going to receive a gift from the estate of Joan Collins in the amount of \$10,000. As per Joan's wish, the money will be used to help with St. Stephen's daily expenses (the Vestry and congregation of St. Stephen's thanks the Collins family for this generous donation.)
- ✓ Bibles will be given to the high-school graduates on June 12.
- ✓ An ad for St. Stephen's was placed in the Tribune Review. A motion was made to pay the \$450.00 cost of the ad. The motion was made by Ethel Balas and seconded by Ron Dern.
- ✓ The buffer/polisher will be looked at by Lemco. If the cost of repair is under \$200, it will be repaired — if over, it will be replaced. Motion made by Jim Campbell and seconded by Frank Yesko.
- ✓ St. Stephen's Dart Ball Team will replace the tiles in the ceiling of the undercroft. The damaged ones will be kept to be used during dart ball season.
- ✓ The Pastoral Committee reported visiting five people this past month.
- ✓ We will have another fish fry in the near future.
- ✓ On May 22, we will have a meeting after the service to discuss what we are looking for in our new Bishop.

"It was you who set all the boundaries of the earth; you made both summer and winter."  
Psalm #74:17

# August 2011

## St. Stephen's Church



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 9:00AM Morning Prayer 10:00AM Krafters	2 9:00AM Morning Prayer	3 9:00AM Morning Prayer 7:00PM 12/12 Program	4 9:00AM Morning Prayer 7:00PM Bible Study (12-step) 7:30PM AA	5 9:00AM Morning Prayer	6
8th Sun. after Pentecost 7 8:00AM Holy Eucharist R.I 9:45AM Church School 10:00AM Holy Eucharist R.II	8 9:00AM Morning Prayer 10:00AM Krafters 7:00PM Vestry Meeting	9 9:00AM Morning Prayer	10 9:00AM Morning Prayer 7:00PM 12/12 Program	11 9:00AM Morning Prayer 7:00PM Bible Study (12-step) 7:00PM Finance Comm. Mtg. 7:30PM AA	12 9:00AM Morning Prayer	13
9th Sun. after Pentecost 14 8:00AM Holy Eucharist R. I 9:45AM Church School 10:00AM Holy Eucharist R.II	15 9:00AM Morning Prayer 10:00AM Krafters	16 9:00AM Morning Prayer	17 9:00AM Morning Prayer 7:00PM 12/12 Program	18 9:00AM Morning Prayer 7:00PM Bible Study (12-step) 7:30PM AA	19 9:00AM Morning Prayer	20 ★★★★★★★★★★ ★ ★ FLEA MARKET ★ ★ 8AM to 2PM ★ ★ Details to follow ★ ★ ★★★★★★★★★★
10th Sun. after Pentecost 21 8:00AM Holy Eucharist R. I 9:45AM Church School 10:00AM Holy Eucharist R.II	22 9:00AM Morning Prayer 10:00AM Krafters	23 9:00AM Morning Prayer	24 9:00AM Morning Prayer 7:00PM 12/12 Program	25 9:00AM Morning Prayer 7:00PM Bible Study (12-step) 7:30PM AA	26 9:00AM Morning Prayer	27
11th Sun. after Pentecost 28 8:00AM Holy Eucharist R. I 9:45AM Church School 10:00AM Holy Eucharist R.II	29 9:00AM Morning Prayer 10:00AM Krafters 7:30PM Building & Property Mtg	30 9:00AM Morning Prayer	31 9:00AM Morning Prayer 7:00PM 12/12 Program			

"The Spirit of the Lord is on me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners and recovery of sight for the blind, to set the oppressed free ..."  
 Luke 4:18

# July 2011

## St. Stephen's Church



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p><u>3rd Sun. after Pentecost</u> 3                      8:00AM Holy Eucharist R.I                      9:45AM Church School                      10:00AM Holy Eucharist R.II</p>	<p>4                      FOURTH OF JULY                      OFFICE                      CLOSED</p>	<p>5                      9:00AM Morning Prayer</p>	<p>6                      9:00AM Morning Prayer                      7:00PM 12/12 Program</p>	<p>7                      9:00AM Morning Prayer                      7:00PM Bible Study (12-step)                      7:30PM AA</p>	<p>1                      9:00AM Morning Prayer</p> <hr/> <p>8                      9:00AM Morning Prayer</p>	<p>2                      9</p>
<p><u>4th Sun. after Pentecost</u> 10                      8:00AM Holy Eucharist R.I                      9:45AM Church School                      10:00AM Holy Eucharist R.II</p>	<p>11                      9:00AM Morning Prayer                      10:00AM Krafters                      7:00PM Vestry Meeting</p>	<p>12                      9:00AM Morning Prayer</p>	<p>13                      9:00AM Morning Prayer                      7:00PM 12/12 Program</p>	<p>14                      9:00AM Morning Prayer                      7:00PM Bible Study (12-step)                      7:00PM Finance Comm. Mtg.                      7:30PM AA</p>	<p>15                      9:00AM Morning Prayer</p>	<p>16                      Wedding Shower in Undercroft</p>
<p><u>5th Sun. after Pentecost</u> 17                      8:00AM Holy Eucharist R. I                      9:45AM Church School                      10:00AM Holy Eucharist R.II</p>	<p>18                      9:00AM Morning Prayer                      10:00AM Krafters</p>	<p>19                      9:00AM Morning Prayer</p>	<p>20                      9:00AM Morning Prayer                      7:00PM 12/12 Program</p>	<p>21                      9:00AM Morning Prayer                      7:00PM Bible Study (12-step)                      7:30PM AA</p>	<p>22                      9:00AM Morning Prayer</p>	<p>23</p>
<p><u>6th Sun. after Pentecost</u> 24                      8:00AM Holy Eucharist R. I                      9:45AM Church School                      10:00AM Holy Eucharist R.II</p> <p>ST. STEPHEN'S PICNIC                      (see newsletter for details)</p>	<p>25                      9:00AM Morning Prayer                      10:00AM Krafters</p>	<p>26                      9:00AM Morning Prayer</p>	<p>27                      9:00AM Morning Prayer                      7:00PM 12/12 Program</p>	<p>28                      9:00AM Morning Prayer                      5:00PM MNI Board Meeting                      7:00PM Bible Study (12-step)                      7:30PM AA</p>	<p>29                      9:00AM Morning Prayer</p>	<p>30</p>
<p><u>7th Sun. after Pentecost</u> 31                      8:00AM Holy Eucharist R. I                      9:45AM Church School                      10:00AM Holy Eucharist R.II</p> <p>PICNIC RAIN DATE</p>						



# St. Stephen's Annual Picnic

**DATE:** July 24  
**RAIN DATE:** July 31

**PLACE:** Jeff and Pam Minnicks  
2610 Grandview Ave.

Church service will be held at the church and then everyone will go to the Minnicks'

**We will provide hamburgers, hot dogs, buns and condiments.**

Please bring side dishes: salads, veggies, desserts and drinks, etc. — sign up today!

We hope everyone will attend — please feel free to bring a friend or two.

**DOOR PRIZE DRAWING:** Approx. 5PM  
(Please bring a new or lightly used item for the door prizes.)

**COMING IN AUGUST — FLEA MARKET — LOOK FOR DETAILS SOON!**

# Happy Birthday!

## JULY BIRTHDAYS



1	Jaimie Minnicks	24	Dave Mathers
4	Robert K. Pratt		Kenneth Miller
	Jim Ziegler		Kyle Ochap
5	Melissa Flowers		Elizabeth Ritenour
7	Philip Cuadrado	25	Karen Slobodian
11	Brad Dinkfelt	27	Aidan Josef Blocher
15	Albert Lebedda		Gladys Hunt-Mason
	David Lebedda	30	Nicholas Nigro
16	George McGinnis		

## AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

3	Pam Matta	13	Mark Pratt
4	Jack Patterson	14	David Meneely
	John Thomas	15	Rhiannon Lopez
5	Betty Nelson	17	John Flowers
6	Jeffrey Minnicks, Sr.	18	Sara Michelle Russell
7	Timothy Meneely	22	Benjamin Matta
8	Georgia Lebedda	25	Robert Dinkfelt
	Nancy Minnicks	27	Kerry Ochap
10	Helen Schablik	28	Sharon Petterson
11	Keith Pozzuto		Diane Scott

*If you have a July or August birthday and your name is not on the above list, please call the office, 412.664.9379, and we will be sure to get your name on the list next year.*

*Our deepest sympathy is extended to the family of John J. Tkach, Jr. John died June 10, 2011.*

**Please never assume** — Remember to call the church office with critical news about fellow parishioners. Please never assume that we already know. Let's take good care of each other by communicating important events in our lives such as births, deaths illnesses, surgeries, etc.