

**HAPPY ANNIVERSARY TO:**

Carl & Sandy Pettitt 7/02/72  
Kevin & Lynn Bailey 7/09/88  
Lewis & Naomi Townsend 7/14/67  
Trae & Julie Johnson 7/18/15

**Clergy, Office & Staff**

**Deacons** – Dick Labud & Janet Clarke

**Administrator** – Lisa Labud

**Treasurer** – Marjorie Carter

**Organist/Choirmaster** – Richard Mangiagli

**Sexton** – James Sellers    **Nursery** – Bess Short

Office Hours Mon.—Thurs. 9 am - 4 pm, Fri. 9 am – Noon

**Vestry**

**Sr. Warden** – Bette Dufour    **Jr. Warden** – George Pawliczak

Joan Allen, Gail Carlson, Nancy Conley,  
Janet Gizelt, Rick Kiefer, Thelma Martin, Diane Mullen

**Ministries Chairs/Small Groups Volunteers**

**Acolyte Director** – Rev. Dick Labud

**Altar Guild** – Sue Kiefer

**Prayer Shawls** – Rev. Janet Clarke

**Prayer Chain** – Nancy Conley

**Fellowship** – Mike Christensen,  
Bev Cox, Nancy Conley

**Memorial Garden** – Ruth Squire    **Book Store** – Betty Carr

**Bereavement** – Kay Ikeler    **Haven** – Arlene Karwacki

**MOST**

Pres. – Jerry Fields    V.P./ Treas. – Bert Grace

**E.C.W.**

Secretary – Leigh Clark    Programs - Winnie Luche

Treas. – Carol Ann Luché

CPC – Betty Carr    UTO -Evelyn Wright

Hospitality – Nancy Conley

Chaplain – The Rev. Janet Clarke

**Needle & Craft Group Hours:**

Carol Ann Luché /Chair    Wed. @ 10 am in Wisdom Hall

**St. Thomas' Thrift Shop: Staffed by Volunteers!**

Hours: Thurs. & Fri. 9 am – 3 pm, Sat. 9 am – Noon

Ph. (352) 589-0641

**Office Volunteers:**

**Office Assistants** – N.Conley, M. Winslow, K. Easter

**PLEASE LET US KNOW**

Please contact us if you are **hospitalized** and would like a visit. We rely on your help, or someone on your behalf, to provide us with details. Office phone – 352-357-4358

\*\*To receive a copy of the church directory,

email us at [stthomasec@earthlink.net](mailto:stthomasec@earthlink.net)

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# St. Thomas Tidings July 2017

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## **YOUR PARISH NEEDS YOU**

During this time of transition, St. Thomas Church must remain an active, caring, and vibrant parish. Even though we do not have a Rector, we continue to accomplish our purpose in spreading the love of God to our community.

Through the Thrift Shop, as well as our contributions to the Open Door and the local food pantry, we show the people around us how much they are loved by us and the part they play in enriching our lives. Our ECW and MOST support many of the programs in our Parish, as does our Craft Group. The Altar Guild, the Acolytes, the music programs, the Eucharistic Ministers, LEVs, and Readers and the Ushers all are an integral part of our regular worship. Just as important are all the unknown Angels fulfilling needs all around the parish.

**BUT we need all of you to help us even more.** You may have spent a period of time in your church life as a member of one of these organizations and you may feel you have given all of yourself you are able to give. Now is the time to dust off those skills or learn some new ones. We have many opportunities for action in our parish programs - from making some phone calls from home or getting out and doing yard work - and everything in between.

To keep our parish active and assist in its growth, we need all parishioners to look around and see if there is anything that needs doing or by actively responding to calls for assistance with a Parish event.

We mostly need to see you (and your friends) at the Holy Eucharist on Sunday so we can come to the Lord's table and celebrate the love of God together.

God bless you,  
Your Vestry

## THRIFT SHOP SUMMER BREAK



Our Thrift Shop workers will be taking a summer break, closing after Saturday July 1<sup>st</sup> – which will be a \$3 Bag Sale. The Shop

Reopens on Thursday, August 24<sup>th</sup> (closed for 7 weeks). To All of Our Generous and Very Wonderful Church Members – “Thank you so much for all of your volunteer hours, donations and support.” Please continue to leave donated items on the SIDE porch of the church office

## SUNDAY LOOSE PLATE

Our **July 23<sup>rd</sup>** Loose Plate Collection is designated for the **Discretionary Fund**. Memo checks: “*Rector’s Discretionary Fund*” and place in the offering plate.

## PRAYER CHAIN

St. Thomas’ Prayer Chain will pray for any ongoing parish needs. This healing ministry requires little time from members. If you can pray for those in need and contact others on the Prayer Chain, **consider joining the team!** Contact **Nancy Conley**, (352) **483-2947**, or cell (352) **350-4184**, or please leave a message with the Church Office at (352) 357-4358.

## FATHER’S DAY BRUNCH

Thank you, ladies, for all your food contributions and for all your help. It was a *wonderful* Father’s Day Brunch for our gentlemen, with excellent offerings and terrific attendance!!

## SUNDAY ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

At 9:15 am on Sundays – Fr. Ron Peak will be leading the class, “*Let’s Talk*”, in our Parish Hall. No materials are required.

## THURSDAY BIBLE STUDY

Bess Short leads Bible Study in the Parish Hall each **Thursday at 11 am**, following the Thursday Healing/HE Service (at 10am).

## WEDNESDAY FITNESS CLASSES

Bess Short offers a half-hour **Beginners** fitness class on Wednesdays at Noon in our Parish Hall. Bess also leads an **Intermediate** class at 12:30 pm each Wednesday to help you improve your daily lifestyle. **ALL ARE WELCOME!**



## FELLOWSHIP LUNCHEON

St. Thomas’ Fellowship Luncheon is every 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday at **11:30 am** in our Parish Hall, with plenty of food & fellowship. Bring a dish to share; it’s a great way to get to know other people better and have a delicious lunch. This month: **July 26<sup>th</sup>**.

## FOOD DONATIONS

Every Sunday, a basket of food items donated by St. Thomas’ parishioners is brought up to the altar. Donated food is then delivered to the local food pantry. We encourage everyone to bring in extra canned or packaged food each week.

## CONGRATULATIONS!

We were pleased to award Marie Pawliczak \$1,000.00 from our St. Thomas Dickinson Scholarship Fund for the 2017 Fall Term as a college student at U.C.F.

## INDEPENDENCE DAY

The Church Office will be **closed** on Tuesday, July Fourth.

## 2017 BUDGET

**2017 End-of-May Contribution Statements** for those with a pledge on record and a balance remaining have been sent out. Please review your statements and contact our Church Office if your figures differ from ours. Please remember to keep up with your pledges throughout the summer months. Thank you for your support of St. Thomas Church and its ministries.

## MOST JULY NEWS

The MOST (Men Of St. Thomas) group will be taking the summer months off, resuming meetings on Thursday, September 8<sup>th</sup>. Please feel free to contact *Jerry Fields*, President @ 343-000 with any program ideas or input on future events. Have a terrific summer!

## CHOIR SUMMER BREAK

St. Thomas’ Choir is now on summer break. Rehearsals will resume in September. Summer is a good time to ask for your favorite hymns – please let me know your hymn suggestions. Thanks, Richard Mangiagli, Organist/Choirmaster.

## ECW JULY NEWS

The ECW is now taking a summer break, hoping to resume meetings in September when they will gather for “*Faith, Food, Fun, and Fellowship*”. Please stay tuned!

## Spring 2017 Outreach Meeting

The Outreach Meeting was held **Sunday, June 11 at 9:15 am**. Disbursal of the monies raised through our St. Thomas Thrift Shop sales was approved for the following:

ARC Sunrise	\$ 2,766.66
Church Periodical Club	\$ 500.00
Eustis Open Door	\$ 2,766.67
Turning Point Ranch	\$ 2,766.67
St. Thomas Thrift Shop	
Improvement & Upkeep Fund	\$ 2,200.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 11,000.00</b>

## VESTRY MINUTES ONLINE

Our website, [www.stthomaseustis.com](http://www.stthomaseustis.com) has current information regarding ministries, service times, Upcoming Events (click on that on the Home Page), and Links & Videos, including the listing on the Home Page: “*Newsletters and Vestry Minutes*”. Our website is a terrific resource for both newcomers and long-time members. Even if you’ve visited St. Thomas’ Website before, please take the time to revisit it to see what’s been added to keep you abreast of St. Thomas’ happenings!

## NEWS OF RECORD

**Transfers In -**  
Sherrie Paskiet from St. Philip Lutheran/Mt. Dora

**New Addresses –**  
Shelly Thomas West  
1958 Magnolia Circle  
Tavares, FL 32778

Bill Robertson  
3610 Lake Center Drive Apt. #22-102  
Mt. Dora, FL 32757

### ALTAR FLOWER DONORS

We need summer Altar Flower donors, as well as some later this year. Please select any Sunday to donate flowers: they are \$60 each week. The sign-up chart is located by the sacristy. To ensure that your intention is listed correctly in the bulletin: Fill out a green flower donor sheet located by the chart and place slip in the offertory plate with check or money for the flowers OR send in to the Church Office.

### VISITING PRIESTS AT ST. THOMAS CHURCH IN JULY

July 2: Fr. Ron Peak  
July 9: Fr. Ted Koelln  
July 16: The Rev. Greer McBryde  
July 23: Fr. Ted Koelln  
July 30: Fr. Ron Peak

### DONATIONS FOR THE HAVEN

The Haven of Lake & Sumter Counties for Domestic Violence & Sexual Assault thanks you for the toiletries donated to The Haven's women & children. Contributions are accepted in the baskets located in the Parish Hall. Contact Arlene Karwacki, 385-3838, for information.

### PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

If you know of anyone for whom you would like to have a prayer shawl, please call Janet Clarke (728-0929). We also need those who can knit and would like to be part of this ministry to contact Janet.

### JULY FELLOWSHIP

Our Sunday Fellowship after the 10:30 service is coordinated by Mike Christensen, with special offerings in the Parish Hall each week. **As a Summer treat: Starting on Sunday, July 9<sup>th</sup> – Sunday Fellowship will feature “Picnic in July” menus that are summer-themed (each week will be something delicious such as Pulled Pork, Hot Dogs, Corn on the Cob, etc.) All are invited – please make plans to attend!** Your contributions help with costs – a small donation from each person attending is terrific! Contact Mike [spikes0213@aol.com](mailto:spikes0213@aol.com) or phone 352-205-3314 to help.

### LIBRARY

St. Thomas' Library is open on the honor system any time the office is open. Please take the time to visit - located in the old Conference Room.

### JESUS' MIRACLES STUDY

Bess Short is leading a 26-week study of the healing miracles of Jesus each Sunday at 9:15 am in our church Library/Conference Room.

### NEWSLETTER & UPDATES

We're now mailing our Newsletter only to those unable to receive it online. We're also updating parishioner contact info – emergency contacts, phone number, and email address– **please send these updates and preferences to the church office right away.**

### CRAFT GROUP JULY NEWS

**The Craft Group meets Wednesdays in Wisdom Hall @ 10 am.** Continue to shop by visiting the Craft Table in the Parish Hall for patriotic handcrafted items. Join our crafters for fellowship, or to teach or learn a new craft. Carol Ann Luché, Chairperson 589-6181

### BOOK STORE

*Looking for something unique for a summer wedding or special event?* Betty Carr can help you with your search.... St. Thomas' Book Store has the perfect gift – key chains, books, bookmarks, plaques, and an amazing assortment of religious-themed giftables. **Open Sundays in our Parish Hall after each service.** All Bookstore profits go to outreach.



Please continue to bring to Betty Carr: **Labels for Education** (soup, cereal, many products) for Boys Home-Episcopal-Covington, VA, **Box Tops for Education** for Eustis Elem., **canceled stamps** to buy Bibles, **pop tops** for Ronald McDonald House, **PLUS** coins for the Miles of Pennies jug. Many thanks for your support. Betty Carr, **CPC/Bookstore Chair**

### HEALING – 1<sup>st</sup> SUNDAYS

On **July 2<sup>nd</sup>**, those wishing prayers or anointing may do so after all have received the Eucharist. All are invited to come to the altar rail, (or please notify one of our ushers and one of our clergy will come to you in your pew).

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*Join us next on July 26<sup>th</sup>.*



### HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO

Mae Johnson	7/01
Jack Barker	7/03
Morgan Padgett	7/03
John (Bozie) Kauffman	7/06
Winnie Luche	7/08
Evelyn Fields	7/10
Luke Carlson	7/10
Robert Easter	7/15
Bill Robertson	7/16
Thelma Martin	7/18
Brandon Wright	7/18
Ed Sigler	7/19
Kevin Bailey	7/25
Leigh Clark	7/26
Gail Carlson	7/28
Howie Kauffman	7/28
Anne Erben	7/28
Ray Ullery-Watson	7/28
Julie Johnson	7/29
Ruth King	7/30



\*If you haven't already done so, please give the church office your email address, birthday, anniversary date, and any contact changes.

### CHILDREN'S NURSERY

Our church Nursery is open and staffed every Sunday during our 10:30 am church service. The Nursery is conveniently located directly behind our Parish Hall in the Sunday school building.

# JULY 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
		<b>*SUNDAY SCHEDULE</b> Holy Eucharist Services: 8 & 10:30 am Adult Christian Education in Parish Hall – <i>“Let’s Talk”</i> led by Fr. Ron Peak: 9:15 am    Healing Miracles of Jesus Study in Library: 9:15 am Coffee Hour in Parish Hall – 9 am    Fellowship in Parish Hall - Noon					<b>1</b> 9 am–Noon - Thrift Shop Open with \$3 BAG SALE LAST DAY OPEN BEFORE SUMMER BREAK!
<b>2 HEALING</b> *SUNDAY SCHEDULE 4 PENTECOST	<b>3</b> 7-8 pm – AA Meditation Group in Wisdom Hall	<b>4 INDEPENDENCE DAY</b> Church Office Closed	<b>5</b> 10 am – Craft Group 12 pm – Beginner’s Fitness 12:30 pm – Fitness Class	<b>6</b> Thrift Shop CLOSED 10 am – Healing Service 11 am – BIBLE STUDY 6:30 pm – AA Group	<b>7</b> Thrift Shop CLOSED	<b>8</b> Thrift Shop CLOSED	
<b>9</b> *SUNDAY SCHEDULE 5 PENTECOST	<b>10</b> 7-8 pm – AA Meditation Group in Wisdom Hall	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> 10 am – Craft Group 12 pm – Beginner’s Fitness 12:30 pm – Fitness Class	<b>13</b> Thrift Shop CLOSED 10 am – Healing Service 11 am – BIBLE STUDY 6:30 pm – AA Group	<b>14</b> Thrift Shop CLOSED 1:30 pm – Healing/HE at Lakeview in Altoona	<b>15</b> Thrift Shop CLOSED	
<b>16</b> *SUNDAY SCHEDULE 6 PENTECOST	<b>17</b> 7-8 pm – AA Meditation Group in Wisdom Hall	<b>18</b> 7 pm - Vestry	<b>19</b> 10 am – Craft Group 12 pm – Beginner’s Fitness 12:30 pm – Fitness Class	<b>20</b> Thrift Shop CLOSED 10 am – Healing Service 11 am – BIBLE STUDY 6:30 pm – AA Group	<b>21</b> Thrift Shop CLOSED	<b>22</b> Thrift Shop CLOSED	
<b>23 DISCRETIONARY</b> *SUNDAY SCHEDULE 7 PENTECOST	<b>24</b> 7-8 pm – AA Meditation Group in Wisdom Hall	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b> 10 am – Craft Group 11:30 am - FELLOWSHIP LUNCHEON 12 pm – Beginner’s Fitness 12:30 pm – Fitness Class	<b>27</b> Thrift Shop CLOSED 10 am – Healing Service 11 am – BIBLE STUDY 6:30 pm – AA Group	<b>28</b> Thrift Shop CLOSED 1:30 pm – Healing/HE at Lakeview in Altoona	<b>29</b> Thrift Shop CLOSED	
<b>30</b> *SUNDAY SCHEDULE 8 PENTECOST	<b>31</b> 7-8 pm – AA Meditation Group in Wisdom Hall						