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Church

Picnic

August 2nd 9:00am

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BREAD QUIZ

Please email your answers to
quiz@ststephensmtc.com

- When Paul reached Troas he broke bread on this day of the week:
A - The first
B - The second
C - The sixth
D - The seventh
- What did Jacob give Esau along with bread?
A - Flowers
B - Fruit
C - Lentils
D - Venison
- During the Passover, what kind of bread did the Israelites eat for seven days?
A - Without yeast
B - With yeast
C - Wheat
D - Barley
- Whose bread were Aaron and his descendants to eat?
A - Moses's
B - God's
C - Abraham's
D - Joshua's
- This man offered Abraham bread and wine:
A - Shechem
B - Mephibosheth
C - Malchishuah
D - Melchizidek
- Unleavened bread was also considered the bread of:
A - travel
B - affliction
C - the healthy
D - laughter
- When the Gibeonites met Joshua their bread was:
A - sticky and wet
B - fresh and warm
C - soft and grainy
D - dry and moldy
- What became of the man who dreamed he had three baskets of bread on his head?
A - He was hanged
B - He was promoted
C - Nothing
D - He was restored
- What did Boaz tell Ruth to dip her bread in?
A - garlic
B - butter
C - vinegar
D - gravy
- What did David eat like bread, while mingling his drink with tears?
A - grapes
B - vultures
C - sackcloth
D - ashes
- Man shall not live by bread alone but by:
A - water
B - the word of God
C - sleep
D - love
- This man did not eat bread or drink wine, yet people thought he had a demon:
A - Jesus
B - Peter
C - John the Baptist
D - Paul
- In Jeremiah, the children gather wood, the fathers light the fire, and the women knead the dough and make cakes of bread for:
A - The Queen of Heaven
B - The Lord of Hosts
C - The storehouses of famine
D - The Egyptians
- Who did Jesus say gave the true bread from heaven?
A - Moses
B - Peter
C - the Father
D - Abraham

Wedding Anniversaries in July!!

1	Dr. & Mrs. Joemon & Bibina Varughese	(732) 422-7128
5	Mr. & Mrs. George Yohanan & Lissy George	(718) 317-2548
7	Mr. & Mrs. Anil & Bindhu Mathew	(732) 258-8997
11	Mrs. & Mr. Philip M. & Shirley Thomas	(732) 382-0033
11	Mr. & Mrs. Bobby P. & Reena Mathew	(908) 281-0101
12	Dr. & Mrs. Samuel & Reena Thomas	(973) 538-1192
12	Mr. & Mrs. Jacob K. Sam & Annamma Jacob	(732) 980-9154
14	Mr. & Mrs. Jiji George & Liji Cherian	(908) 829-0286
14	Mr. & Mrs. Aju J. Sam & Jenni Mary	(551) 580-1891
17	Mr. & Mrs. R. K. Mathew & Annamma Mathew	(732) 605-0369
17	Mrs. & Mr. Pramod R. & Elizabeth Mathew	(732) 605-0370
21	Mr. & Mrs. John & PushpaVarghese	(973) 808-1799
22	Mr. & Mrs. Ashby & Lizan Simon	(732) 943-2103
23	Mr. & Mrs. Philip C. & Sahnila Varghese	(908) 380-0599
27	Mr. & Mrs. Mathew & Sheeba Johnson	(732) 432-6444
29	Mrs. & Mr. Thomas & Sheba Mathew	(609) 799-5661
29	Mr. & Dr. Thomas & Suneeta Varkey	(908) 301-0084
31	Mrs. & Rev Abraham Cherian & Beena Abraham	(732) 602-9444
31	Mr. & Mrs. George & Celine Varghese	(570) 476-6055

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ACHEN'S MESSAGE!



Dearly Beloved in Christ,

The month of July is an important one in the Christendom. July 3rd is the St. Thomas day. This month, many of our church members enter into the ordained ministry of the church. Let us pray for the committed youths and their future ministry.

As stewards of God we should give our talents and resources for the glory of the Lord. " For everyone who has will be given more, and he will have an abundance. [matt .25:29] This time we think about our room-our life, circumstances, and opportunities. How has your Savior put you in the best possible place to honor Him?

" Whatever you do, do it all for the glory of the Lord. "[1 Cori: 10.31]

What a bouquet of blessings ! To all of this, he adds the blessing of healthy humility. Still, he intends that you owner, develop and use your gifts to enhance your own life and the lives of others. The sunshine of godly confidence helps you to overcome fear and reach out to others in helpful and productive ways. The wholesome glow of gratitude praises God, the giver of every good gift, for all the blessings he has chosen to give to you. Let the Holy Spirit place you on the high safe and solid shelf of his love and acceptance.

Through the Sunday portions we do think and meditate upon Tithe, Theological training of people of God, Ordained ministry-a call to service, God's purpose for marriage.

"Holy Spirit, deepen my confidence in you, not in myself. Show me how to glorify you by using the gifts and abilities you have given me to help others. Amen"

With love & prayers

yours in Christ
Toji Achen



Birthdays in July!!

1	Rachel Thomas	d/o Philip M. Thomas	(732) 382-0033
2	Lovely Prasad	w/o Philip Prasad	(732) 967-9272
3	Elizabeth T.Varghese	w/o Baji Thomas	(973) 743-3452
3	Earlin O. George		(732) 494-5088
4	Mini V. Cheriyan	w/o Shaiju K Cheriyan	(732) 593-8032
4	Bitha Baji	d/o Baji Thomas	(973) 743-3452
5	Jenni Mary	w/o Aju J. Sam	(551) 580-1891
6	Priya M. Mathew	w/o Arun Cherian	(908) 720-8543
7	Serah Thomas	w/o Sunil S. Varughese	(609) 275-9334
10	Danny Alexander	s/o Ravi Alexander	(732) 738-0721
10	Joshua P. Mathew	s/o Pramod Mathew	(732) 605-0370
10	George Varghese		(201) 707-1001
11	Amanda E. Thomas	d/o Saju Thomas	(609) 466-1474
11	Sini Varghese	w/o Santhosh C. Varghese	(732) 873-0811
11	Jeremy R. John	s/o Reji John	(732) 613-0623
12	Shaiju K Cheriyan		(732) 593-8032
13	Anil Mathew		(732) 258-8997
14	Aleena M. Cheriyan	d/o Shaiju K Cheriyan	(732) 593-8032
17	Jibi Thomas	s/o C. Thomas	(908) 925-9476
18	Joshua Jacob	s/o Jacob K. Sam	(732) 980-9154
18	Benjamin P. Joseph	s/o Joseph Philip	(732) 662-5813
20	Regi Mathew		(732) 727-3872
21	David J. Mathews	s/o Cecil Mathews	(732) 548-2248
22	Ponnamma J. Thomas	w/o Jose Thomas	(732) 356-8975
23	Bindhu Abraham	w/o Byju Abraham	(908) 647-5362
23	Justin Jacob	s/o Jacob K. Sam	(732) 980-9154
24	Sunny John		(732) 845-9250
25	Annamma Thomas	m/o Samuel Thomas	(973) 538-1192
26	lype P. Thomas		(570) 620-0226
27	Pradeep R. Mathew	s/o R. K. Mathew	(732) 605-0370
28	David S. Oommen	s/o Samuel Oommen	(908) 320-0412
30	Joby George	s/o George Edukala	(732) 389-8482
30	Jacob C. Panicker		(908) 994-0428
30	Layla S. Varkey	d/o Thomas Varkey	(908) 301-0084
31	Joseph V. Abraham		(732) 418-8840

Events Calendar 2008

ANNOUNCEMENTS!



Date	Events	Time	AM/ PM	Day
July				
7/10/2008	Property Hearing	7:30	PM	Thursday
7/10/2008	Junior-Senior conference			Thursday
7/11/2008	Junior-Senior conference			Friday
7/12/2008	Junior-Senior conference			Saturday
7/13/2008	Junior-Senior conference			Sunday
7/24/2008	Diocesan Family Conference, Santa Clara, CA			Thursday
7/25/2008	Diocesan Family Conference, Santa Clara, CA			Friday
7/26/2008	Diocesan Family Conference, Santa Clara, CA			Saturday
7/27/2008	Diocesan Family Conference, Santa Clara, CA			Sunday
August				
8/2/2008	Picnic - Echo Lake Recreation Center	9:00	AM	Saturday
September				
9/7/2008	New School Year (Children's) Dedication	11:00	AM	Sunday
9/13/2008	Volleyball Tournament - Duke Island Park.	9:00	AM	Saturday
9/20/2008	Sunday School Competition	10:00	AM	Saturday
9/26/2008	Convention day 1	7:30	PM	Friday
9/27/2008	Apple Picking	10:00	AM	Friday
	Convention day 2	7:30	PM	Saturday
9/28/2008	Convention day 3	11:00	AM	Sunday
October				
10/18/2008	Youth Shine Night	6:00	PM	Saturday
	Sunday School Regional Competition?			
	Sunday School Anniversary?			
November				
11/23/2008	Thanksgiving Service & Auction	11:00	AM	Sunday
11/29/2008	X'Mas House to House Carol	10:00	AM	Saturday
11/30/2008	X'Mas House to House Carol	3:00	PM	Sunday
December				
12/6/2008	X'Mas House to House Carol	10:00	AM	Saturday
12/7/2008	X'Mas House to House Carol	3:00	PM	Sunday
12/13/2008	X'Mas House to House Carol	10:00	AM	Saturday
12/14/2008	X'Mas House to House Carol	3:00	PM	Sunday
12/20/2008	Christmas Carol	6:30	PM	Saturday
12/25/2008	Christmas Service	7:00	AM	Thursday
12/31/2008	New Year's/Watch Night Service	10:00	PM	Wednesday

General Body meeting

There will be a general Body meeting on July 6th, immediately after the Holy Communion. All eligible members please attend the meeting.

Edavaka Mission:

We will have our Edavaka Mission meetings (Praise & worship, Bible Study) every Wednesday at 7:30pm in our church. All families should try to attend this meeting for your spiritual growth.

Picnic:

Our picnic this year is on August 2nd 9:00am, Echo Lake Recreation Center, 223 Echo Lake Road, West Milford, New Jersey, NJ 0707480. Tel: 973-697-2850

Special Prayer Meeting:

There will be a special prayer meeting on July 4th at 6:30pm, at the residence of Drs. Joseph Prasad (Joe & Helen), 51 Molly Pitcher Drive, Manalapan, N.J. 07726. Phone Number 732-845-0703.

There will be a special prayer meeting on July 12th at 7:00pm, at the residence of Mrs. & Mr. Joseph V. Abraham (Abey & Suja), 1632 Hudson Avenue, North Brunswick, NJ 08902. Phone Number 732-418-8840.

All Prayer groups are encouraged to hold the area prayer meetings every Saturday at 7:00pm. Interested families please contact your Area Representatives.

Youth League Meeting:

There will be youth league meetings on 2nd and 4th Fridays at 7:00pm.

Building Project update:

The Somerset Township Board of Adjustments will take again our application for hearing on **July 10th at 7:30pm**. The testimonies by all experts have completed. Please attend this meeting and keep this in your daily prayers for a favorable outcome.

New Born:

Our below members were blessed with a Baby Boy in the month of May.

- 1. Drs. Nebu Alexander & Sunitha.
Mr. & Mrs. Sony Cherukara & Liza

Special Prayer Request:

Dr. Cecil Mathews underwent kidney transplant and he is recovering from the surgery, please keep him in your daily prayers. His address is 10 Freeman Avenue, Edison, N.J. 08837. Phone 732-548-2248.

Condolences:

We, the St. Stephen's family express our deepest condolence to the below bereaved families.

Father of Sally Mathew (W/o Reji Mathew) was called to eternity in the month of May. Home Phone # 732-727-3872.

2. Mother of Samuel Oommen was called to eternity in the month of June, she was 90 years of age. Home Phone # 908-320-0412

Father and Mother of Shirley Kochamma (w/o Rev. Thomas Paul – Our Prior Vicar) was called to eternity in the month of May.

Suman John's (w/o Reji John) first cousin died in an accident in India in the month of May, he was only around 40 years old. Home Phone # 732 - 613-0623

Refreshments:

Families are encouraged to sponsor/provide refreshments on Sundays. If you are interested, please contact the Secretary.

Church Premise Cleaning:

Prayer group 3 members will be responsible for cleaning the Church premise after Sunday's church service for this month. Members please volunteer.

New Email Id for our Achen:

tojiachen@gmail.com. is the new Email ID for our achen. Please use this email for your email communications.

Date	Time	Celebrant	1st Lesson	2nd Lesson	Epistle	Gospel	Sunday School	Refreshment
6-Jul	11 am	Rev. Abraham Cherian	Mal 3:6-18	2 Cor 8:1-9	1 Tim 6:17-21	St. Mat 25:14-30	No Sunday School	Mrs. & Mr. Anil Mathew
		(English)						
Theological Education of the People of God								
13-Jul	11 am	Rev. Abraham Cherian	Jer 1:4-10	1Tim 4:6-16	Eph 4:7-13	St. Mat 7:24-29	No Sunday School	Mrs. & Dr. Jacob K. Sam
		(Malayalam)						
Ordained Ministry - Calling for Service								
20-Jul	11 am	Rev. Abraham Cherian	Eze 33:1-9	1 Peter 5:1-11	2 Tim. 4:1-8	St. John. 21:15-19	No Sunday School	Mrs. & Mr. Pramod R. Mathew
		(English)						
Divine Purpose of Christian Marriage								
27-Jul	11 am	Public Worship	Gen 1:26-31	Eph 5:22-32	Eph 3:14-21	St. Mark 10:1-12	No Sunday School	Mrs. & Mr. John Varughese
		(Malayalam)						