



St. Charles Episcopal Church

THE PULSE



*“And let us not grow weary of doing good,
for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up.” ~Galatians 6:9*

INFORMATION, CALENDAR, AND PRAYER LISTS November 14, 2024 - November 21, 2024



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From the Rector

Dear Friends and Parishioners of St. Charles Episcopal Church,

I want to thank all of you who put in your pledge for 2025. We have almost reached our goal of 100% participation. Please prayerfully consider putting in your pledge if you have not done so. Our pledges are the main source of income that supports our ministry, buildings, and mission at SCEC. All pledges matter. To date we have \$199,230.06 total pledged for 2025. If you missed Melinda Oakey’s testimony regarding why she pledges, you may read it below.

Thank you to everyone who participated in and attended our ministry fair. It was a fun, high energy event with eighteen ministries represented. Thank you to Eileen Flynn for the wonderful festive fall coffee hour.

This Saturday, Nov. 16th at 10:30 we will hold a funeral service with interment in the

SCEC columbarium for Barbara Haase.

On Monday, Nov. 18th a funeral service for Hal M. Phipps will be held at 10:00 a.m. here at SCEC followed by a burial at Union Cemetery. Hal is the grandson of the late Jean Phipps who attended SCEC.

Please join us this Sunday for the twenty-sixth Sunday after Pentecost.

Blessings,

Rev. Fran

Search Committee Update: Here is your opportunity to have input into what you would like to see in our next rector.

Please complete the survey today! It closes on Nov. 25th

Dear Congregation,

We worked with a consulting company recommended by our diocese to put this survey together to assess, at a high level, your views, and beliefs in a variety of important areas. A link to the survey can be found at the end of this letter. Please know that after the holidays we plan to schedule small group sessions to discuss your views in greater detail.

This survey is CONFIDENTIAL and is designed to be taken by EVERY MEMBER (over the age of 16) in our parish to determine those issues that are most important to you when searching for our next Rector.

Please allow about 30 minutes to complete the survey. You must complete the survey in one sitting. The program will not allow you to stop and return to finish later. If you do not believe you can complete it in one sitting, we will have paper copies available for you in Ludtke Hall after each Sunday Service in November. We will also have laptops available each Sunday if you feel you need assistance. **The survey will close on November 25th.**

We hope to have 100% participation from the congregation in this first phase of our search. YOU and your views are key to our success! The answers that you provide in the survey will give us the information needed to find the next Rector that God is calling to lead our church into the future!

God's Peace,

SCEC Search Committee

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/STCHARLESECIL>



Testimony - Why I pledge to Saint Charles Episcopal Church

What does stewardship mean to me?

I was not confirmed in any faith until my late 40's. I grew up in the United Methodist church, my family moved when I was 14 to a community where I began attending the Lutheran Church (our neighbors would let me catch a ride with them). Growing up I was always involved in a church choir but was not exposed to stewardship campaigns or the need to provide financial support to one's church. Once confirmed as an Episcopalian, my involvement in the church grew and I began to understand what is required to build and maintain a church and its community.

I moved to St Charles in 2017. I searched for the right church and found SCEC. On Sundays you will typically find me singing with the choir and occasionally am the lector or intercessor. I am also part of the Prayer Shawl Ministry and am proud to be on Vestry.

You are part of my family, and I want to do my part to grow and prepare SCEC for the future. Part of being a good steward of our church is to pledge financial support. This is why I pledge not just my time but money to SCEC. ~Melinda Oakey

SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE

9:30 a.m.

You are invited to join us on Sundays at our 9:30 a.m. morning service. We'd love to see you there!



Watch the livestream of the service here:

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/StCharlesEpiscopalIL/>

YouTube: [St Charles Episcopal Church, St. Charles, Illinois - YouTube](#)

View the November 11th service bulletin [HERE](#) or on our website

Due to technical difficulties, we were unable to livestream/record all of our November 10th service. You can view other past services on our YouTube Channel by clicking [HERE](#).

SCRIPTURE LESSONS FOR November 17, 2024 (Track 2)

http://www.lectionarypage.net/YearB_RCL/Pentecost/BProp28_RCL.html

• Daniel 12:1-3 • Psalm 16 • Hebrews 10:11-25 • Mark 13:1-8



Funeral Service for Barbara Ann Haase This Saturday, Nov. 16 10:30 a.m.

A funeral Service will be held at St. Charles Episcopal Church for Barbara Ann Haase this Saturday, November 16 at 10:30 a.m. This will be a Rite I Eucharist with Interment in the Columbarium to follow, weather permitting. (Please note that there will be no reception in the hall.) You may read the obituary for Barbara [HERE](#).

Gift Cards For Your Holiday Giving Available To Purchase Starting This Sunday!

St. Charles Episcopal Church is offering gift cards for purchasing as a convenience to our parishioners. Enjoy the convenience of purchasing gift cards directly from the church at the regular price. You'll also be helping SCEC, as we earn a



commission on each sale. Choose from a selection of more than 500 popular cards.

The sale will be held on Sundays from Nov. 17 through Dec. 1 in Ludtke Hall after each service. Payment by cash or check (please make checks payable to SCEC and note "gift cards" in the memo. Cards will be available for pick-up in Ludtke Hall on Sunday, Dec. 15.

Thank you for your support! If you have questions, please contact Bo Smith at: 630-263-9512 or BoSmith99@aol.com

The Cookie Express and Exchange

The Cookie Express and (new this year!) Exchange will take place:

- **Saturday 12/7 at 2:00 p.m.**
- at Melinda Oakey's home:
3N989 Walt Whitman Road, Campton Hills



We will each bring 3 dozen small homemade cookies to the party. We will pack tins to gift to our members who are unable to attend church in person and we will each take an assortment of the cookies home.

RSVP: Melinda Oakey - 678-326-1060 or msoakey@aol.com
Mark your calendars! This is always a fun event!

Community Santa Project Giving Tree



The Giving Tree, located in Ludtke Hall, has personalized tags, and you choose a tag for a family, a child, a senior, or a veteran in need.

Browse through the many selections and choose a tag or two or three. Gifts, wrapped or unwrapped **MUST** be returned to the church/tree with the tags and each gift having the unique ID# on each item **by December 13th**.

Please contact me, [Lee Kolodziej](#), if you have any questions.

More information about The Community Santa Project can be found at their web page at [Community Santa Project](#).

Feeding Ministries Volunteers Needed

Lazarus House:

Thanks to all who have supported our ministry to Lazarus House each month! We are all set for the November meal, but **still need volunteers to provide the meal for December**. The sign-up sheet is on the table in Ludtke Hall. You can provide all or part of the meal (protein, starch, vegetable). Questions? Please call Katie Thomson at 630-726-2133



Free Spaghetti Dinner:

We are in need of a driver for November, and both drivers and bakers for the months of December, and January. A sign-up sheet is available in Ludtke Hall. If you have any questions, please contact [Dallas Heikkinen](#) or [Kat Hari](#).

Native American Heritage Month

From the White House: A Proclamation on National Native American Heritage Month, 2024



NOW, THEREFORE, I, JOSEPH R. BIDEN JR., President of the United States of America, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and the laws of the United States, do hereby proclaim November 2024 as National Native American Heritage Month.
<https://www.nativeamericanheritagemonth.gov/>



Vestry Agenda

View the November 19, 2024 Vestry Agenda [HERE](#)



NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Linda Boerner, Tom Miller, Kathy Knobel, Charles Boerner, Dottie Finatri

If you have a November birthday and were not included in this list, please let us know right away!

O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servants as they begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

CHURCH CALENDAR

Thursday, Nov 14

"The Pulse" is emailed

3:00 p.m. Coverall Cleaning Service

8:30 p.m. Compline on Zoom

[Zoom Link](#) Meeting ID: 829 1768 3846 Passcode: 619810

Friday, Nov 15

10:00 a.m.- 1:00 p.m. AGO Testing - Sanctuary

5:00 p.m. Hessed House lunch prep

5:30 p.m. Al Anon

8:00 p.m. AA Meeting

Saturday, Nov 16

3:00 a.m. Hessed House breakfast prep

5:00 a.m. Hessed House breakfast serve

8:00 a.m. AA Meeting

10:30 a.m. Funeral for Barbara Haase - SCEC

Sunday, Nov 17

9:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist with the Rev. Fran Holliday

Healing Prayer available at this service

11:00 a.m. Daughters of the King Meeting

Monday, Nov 18
10:00 a.m. Funeral for Hal. M. Phipps
5:30 p.m. AA Meeting

Tuesday, Nov 19
1:30 p.m. Scripture Study on Zoom (contact: *Deacon Steve Lowe*)
Zoom Link Meeting ID: 865 3516 0570 Passcode: 702460
5:00 p.m. AA Meeting
7:00 p.m. Vestry Meeting

Wednesday, Nov 20
5:00 p.m. AA Meeting
6:00 p.m. Men's Group on Zoom (contact: *Bill Yeck*)
Zoom Link Meeting ID: 812 7665 5611 Password: 702450
7:15 p.m. Choir Rehearsal - Ludtke Hall

Thursday, Nov 21
"The Pulse" is emailed
3:00 p.m. Coverall Cleaning Service
6:30 p.m. Sacred Ground on Zoom
8:30 p.m. Compline on Zoom
Zoom Link Meeting ID: 829 1768 3846 Passcode: 619810

PRAYERS FOR THE COMING WEEK

For Healing and Intercession

Scott J., Tom & Sharon M., Laura S., Tina B., Sara L., Buzz H.,
Judy M., Chris R., Jill M., Jenette & Mike,
Stewart M. (Fay Viverito's son) and Janeth M. We also include all
those being prayed for by the Daughters of the King.

For Our Search Committee

We pray especially for our Search Committee that they will be
unified together with love and have respect for everyone's input,
that they may be guided by the Holy Spirit, receiving guidance and wisdom from God
and the courage to act where God leads, and that they may undertake this work with
Joy.

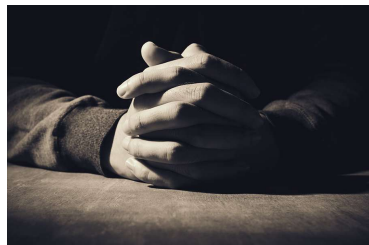
We pray for our parish during this time of our search for a new Priest, that we may
show forth patience and trust for those chosen to lead the process.

For Those Who Have Died

Hal Phipps

For Those Seeking Employment

Bo S.



CAN WE PRAY FOR YOU?

Prayer requests may be emailed to:

prayer@stcharleseiscopal.org

For prayers from the Daughters of the King,
send prayer requests to: scecdok@gmail.com

The Rev. Fran Holliday RevFran@stcharleseiscopal.org
The Rev. Deacon Steve Lowe deaconsteve@theloweclan.net
Dallas Heikkinen, Sr. Warden heikki1205@gmail.com
Mark Downey, Director of Music mdowney807@gmail.com
Shellie Morgan, Parish Administrator ParishAdmin@stcharleseiscopal.org

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You are loved - no exceptions!***

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