



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 October 31, 2024 - November 7, 2024



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Dear Parishioners and Friends of St. Charles Episcopal Church,

This Sunday we will celebrate All Saints Day. All Saints Day is one of seven main feast days of the church and it commemorates saints known and unknown. It is a day in which we remember the larger known saints of the church and we remember our family, friends, and loved ones. It is one of the four days recommended for baptisms. Traditionally this feast day is observed on Nov. 1, but it may also be celebrated the first Sunday after November 1st.

This Sunday we will be baptizing George Ajax Brown; the grandson of Diana Brown, and we will be renewing our own baptismal vows. We will also read the names that were submitted by members of the congregation. The Eucharist will be offered in memory of all those who have died. I know that the choir has been preparing some

beautiful music for this feast day. I hope you will be celebrating with us.

Please prayerfully consider making a 2025 pledge to our parish. We are asking that all pledges be turned in by Sunday, November 10th. Thank you for your generosity.

Blessings,

Rev. Fran



A Testimonial ~ Why I pledge to Saint Charles Episcopal Church

I first walked into St. Charles Episcopal Church sometime in 1987. I attended my first overnight at Hesus House shortly thereafter. Our three children were baptized here, beginning in 1993, and I decided that if I wanted my children to attend church regularly, I was going to have to bring them. As far as I knew, they couldn't drive yet. In June of 2001 Kathryn and I were married here. We go way back. I think it's easy to see why we consider this our church home. But as the years have passed, more importantly for us is the community involvement that we here at SCEC have provided. An old friend and former parishioner recently told me he was amazed at the level of ministry that we take on monthly here. His church, much greater in size, cannot compare. We are truly a church with a huge heart.

The fact is though, that being an integral part of the St. Charles community comes with certain cost, both financially and in time commitment. We have never been shy about rising to that commitment and I'm certain we'll continue as we move into the future.

Our feeding ministries, of which Kathryn, myself, and many others participate in, have been strongly affected by the rising cost of food. How can we keep pace? Maybe there's a coffee shop we visit occasionally. One less time a month is several lunches for our friends in need. Or that limited edition Beatle record album I've had my eye on could mean breakfast for 20. I can only speak for myself there! Anyway, you understand.

SCEC is important to us all. I hope we will be able to continue the amazing service to our community that we have steadfastly provided for the last 30-40 years. Thank you all! ~Ed Manning



Daylight Saving Time Ends This Weekend!

Just a quick reminder that **Daylight Saving Time ends this Sunday, November 3rd**. Be sure to "fall back" and set your clocks back an hour on Saturday, November 2nd before heading to bed. You don't want to be an hour early for church on Sunday!

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](#)

CHURCH SERVICE BULLETINS

Please click below to access our Sunday service bulletin:

9:30 a.m. Sunday

The service bulletins are also on our **website**.

Thank you to Katie Thomson for posting the bulletins to our website each week!

SCRIPTURE LESSONS FOR November 3, 2024 (All Saints Day)

http://www.lectionarypage.net/YearB_RCL/HolyDays/AllSaints_B_RCL.html

• Wisdom of Solomon 3:1-9 • Psalm 24 • Revelation 21:1-6a • John 11:32-44

Worth Repeating - Last Week's Message

If you either missed the service live, want to watch again, or share with a friend, listen/watch Rev. Fran Holliday's October 27, 2024 Sunday sermon [HERE](#).

The Investiture of Presiding Bishop-elect Sean Rowe Join the Churchwide Virtual Celebration on November 2 Attend the Watch Party at St. Charles Episcopal Church (you may also watch this at home with the links below)

Saturday, November 2nd:

- **9:30 a.m. Gather in Ludtke Hall Coffee and donuts available**
- **10:00 a.m. CST Service begins**

The churchwide virtual celebration of new ministry and investiture of Bishop Sean Rowe as Presiding Bishop and Primate of The Episcopal Church will take place on Saturday, November 2, beginning with a virtual "roll call" of dioceses at 8:30 am Central and a livestreamed Service of Holy Eucharist at 10 am Central Standard Time.



The scaled-down service, intended to increase churchwide virtual engagement and reduce the event's carbon footprint, will be livestreamed on the [event webpage](#) as well as [The Episcopal Church's Facebook page](#).

HAPPY HALLOWEEN – and Observation of DIA de LOS MUERTOS

Laura Graf invites everyone to a potluck party and game night in



Ludtke Hall:

Saturday, November 2 from 5:30 – 8 PM.

*** Costume Contest with Meaningless Prizes***

*** Bring items for an Ofrenda if you'd like ***

Bring any games you would like to play.
IT WILL BE SPOOKTACULAR!

Please RSVP to Laura at:
graf.laura.j@gmail.com or 630-913-6533
or the sign-up sheet on the table in Ludtke Hall



Janet Craft Honored

St. Charles Episcopal Church turned out in force to Support Janet Craft at a Visiting Nurses Association (VNA) reception on October 24 in her honor. Janet was honored for her contributions to the VNA. Janet served as the Executive Director for the VNA from 1983-1999 and grew the organizations reach to clients during that time period. Janet received the “Janet Craft Award for Excellence” as its first recipient. The award named after her will be given each year to an employee who demonstrates excellence in their work with the VNA. Congratulations Janet Craft!



Pictured: Candace Moline, Jim Bachman, Eileen Flynn, Ed Manning, Diana Brown, Carole Woods, Kathy Heikkinen, Rev. Fran Holliday, Bo Smith, Kathy Mertes, and honoree Janet Craft



Time for Ladies Lunch!

The Ladies of St. Charles Episcopal Church plan to lunch at:

- The Little Traveler - 404 S 3rd St., Geneva
- Tuesday, November 12
- 11:30 a.m.



Please join us for lunch and then enjoy browsing and shopping the incredible array of gift items.

RSVP: call or text Carole Woods at 630-463-2507

Search Committee Update

The Search Committee is working with the vendor providing our Congregation Assessment Tool (CAT) survey to finalize the questions. We hope to have the survey up and running by the end of the week so the Search Committee can fill out their surveys this weekend. If there aren't any issues, we plan to send out the link to the congregation next week in an email and in the Pulse. This survey should take about 25 minutes to complete and it will be confidential. All persons 16 years and older who consider SCEC their church home should take the survey.

If you have any questions or concerns at anytime during this process, please reach out to any member of the Search Committee.

Quarterly Statements

Please note that **Third Quarter Statements for 2024 were sent on October 30th via Constant Contact** for those with emails on file. If the Parish Office does not have a valid email on file, then a copy of the statement will be sent via snail mail.

If you do not receive your statement or have questions regarding your statement, please contact the Parish Office at:

parishadmin@stcharlesepiscopal.org or 630-584-2596



OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

Zoe Ulaszek, Regan Jancauskas, Christine Robinson, Jody Rullman, Lydia Downey, Carol Foster, Lisel Ulaszek, Katie Anderson, Hugh Robinson

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

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

If you have an October or 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, Oct 31

"The Pulse" is emailed

8:00 p.m. Coverall Cleaning Service

8:30 p.m. Compline on Zoom

Zoom Link Meeting ID: 829 1768 3846 Passcode: 619810

Friday, Nov 1
5:30 p.m. Al Anon
8:00 p.m. AA Meeting

Saturday, Nov 2
8:00 a.m. AA Meeting
9:30 a.m. Coffee & Donuts - Ludtke Hall
10:00 a.m. sharp Watch Party Begins – Investiture Service of the new Presiding Bishop Sean Rowe

Sunday, Nov 3
Daylight Saving Time ends
9:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist with the Rev. Fran Holliday - All Saints Day Sunday, baptism of George Ajax Brown

Monday, Nov 4
5:30 p.m. AA Meeting

Tuesday, Nov 5
Election Day
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

Wednesday, Nov 6
11:00 a.m. Staff Meeting on Zoom
12:30 Altar Guild Meeting
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 7
"The Pulse" is emailed
10:30 a.m. Prayer Shawl Ministry - SCEC Library
5:00 p.m. Supper for Lazarus House
6:30 p.m. Sacred Ground on Zoom
8:00 p.m. Coverall Cleaning Service
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, Bernie K., Stewart M. (Fay Viverito's son) and Janeth M. We also include all those being prayed for by the Daughters of the King.

We pray for all those who are affected by the hurricanes. For those who have lost homes, loved ones, and friends.

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

For all who have died in Israel and Palestine and other war-torn areas of the world. For those who have died of gun violence in our communities.

For Those Seeking Employment

Bo S.





CAN WE PRAY FOR YOU?

Prayer requests may be emailed to:

prayer@stcharlesepiscopal.org

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

The Rev. Fran Holliday RevFran@stcharlesepiscopal.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@stcharlesepiscopal.org

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You are loved - no exceptions!***

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