



*We feed people — body,
mind, and spirit.
Come as you are.*

St. Giles
Episcopal Church
Northbrook, Illinois

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Day of Pentecost is June 8!

We celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit to those gathered in Jerusalem, allowing each one to hear the Good News in his or her own language. One service at 10:15 a.m. (the last before our new summer schedule kicks in) will be festive and colorful, and marks the conclusion of the Great Fifty Days. Don't forget to **WEAR RED!** (Incense will be used.)

“Gather in the Garden” Returns on June 15

Our annual outdoor service will be held in the Memorial Garden on Trinity Sunday, June 15 at 9:30 a.m., beginning our new summer schedule. The St. Giles Band is being assembled for the occasion (see Music Notes). Bring **lawn chairs or blankets, sun screen, and “dress casual”!**

SUMMER ARTS-IN-LITURGY PROJECT!!

In just a few weeks we will embark on a summer project that involves the intersection of liturgy and the arts. The congregation (all ages) will be invited to help create a festive frontal (altar cover) to be presented and displayed on St. Giles day.

So....get your creative, crafty, artistic juices flowing and “stay tuned” for details on the how and when!!

Ecumenical Sunday is June 1

Ecumenism Metro Chicago (of which the rector is a member) invites you to a service of Christian Unity on Sunday, June 1 at 4 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church-Chicago Temple at Clark and Washington Streets. A reception will follow. The Rt. Rev. C. Christopher Epting, Assisting Bishop of Chicago and a recent guest here at St. Giles, will preach. See Cynthia for more details, or check out the flyer posted in the narthex.

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Our Schedule

Sundays

Holy Eucharist — 8:00 AM

Christian Formation — 9 AM

Holy Eucharist — 10:15 AM

3rd Sundays of the Month

Healing & Anointing
at both services

Thursdays

Evening Prayer — 4:30 PM
(prayer room, ed. bldg.)



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Rector's Reflection: Are We There Yet?

No, I'm not speaking of the perennial query from the back seat as we tool on down the road on a summer trip. I'm speaking of a journey that has been many more years in the making, and will continue for many more. I'm talking about the "journey" toward Christian unity.

Each year, in my capacity as Ecumenical/Interreligious Officer for the Diocese of Chicago, I attend the National Workshop on Christian Unity. This year's event was held the last week of April in Albuquerque. (New Mexico! I thought I was headed for warmer weather. I was wrong.) During the 12 years I've been going to this event I've seen a number of changes, all of which reflect the times and situation in both local churches and their larger governing bodies. There are fewer of us in attendance, as budgets for travel are restricted and reduced staffing at some regional denominational headquarters make activities like ecumenism a luxury they cannot currently afford. There was not sufficient funding this year to record presentations for posting online, as there had been in the past, which is a huge loss. But some changes are much more promising. There are more young people (last year there were 7 – **count 'em, 7!** – people under the age of 35; there appeared to be many more than that this year.) There is less concentration on doctrine and theology (both good things, but they do tend to emphasize what **"should" keep us apart) and more on practice and mission, as well as increased understanding on the part of denominational leaders that the latter is what will keep people coming back to the table – both to the discussion table, and to the Lord's table. There is more emphasis on actual experience, and successful local examples of ecumenical and even interreligious cooperation are lifted up.** I attended a workshop on storytelling, offered in order to help people of different traditions communicate their own unique experiences with and to one another. One of the joys of moving around the country for the workshop is getting a glimpse, however brief, of local culture and issues. We heard from a New Testament professor who happened to be a member of the Osage tribe; he spoke of the vast differences between the ways in which American native people and those of European descent interpret the gospels. I will never again look at the first chapter of John in the same way. A Roman Catholic bishop and a United Church of Christ conference minister spoke movingly of the need for immigration reform, based on their first-hand experience with migrant families and law enforcement officials. There is increasing collegiality among the representatives.

There are also several worship services. Once again, we were all invited to a Roman Catholic mass; those of us unable to take communion in that tradition were asked to watch, pray, and mourn our division. Another liturgy involved cooperation between the United Methodists, Episcopalians, and Evangelical Lutherans, all of whom have or are studying full communion agreements; the preacher was a Roman priest, something that could not have happened years ago.

So, are we there yet? ("There" meaning a unified Christianity.) No, not by a long shot. But each year I see the destination more clearly, distant though it remains. Please continue to pray for the unity of Christ's church, as he himself prayed in John 17:21. The collect on page of The Book of Common Prayer might be helpful. And for more on ecumenism, see the announcement regarding Ecumenical Sunday elsewhere in this news-letter.

-Cynthia+



June Birthdays/Anniversaries

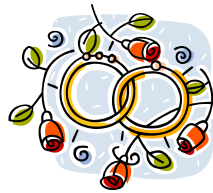
Birthdays:

- 4 Mary Reid
- 8 Lizzie Williams
- 13 Linda Jariabka
- 19 Maureen Hanzel
- 29 Ron Dim,
Lyle Dean Lebsack
- 30 Tom Collins



Anniversaries:

- 2 Gil & Lynne Adams
- 3 George & Adrienne Miller
- 8 Merlin & Anne Lehman
- 15 Steve & Nancy Maroulis
- 25 Ted & Linda Chabraja
- 27 Tom & Linda Collins



June Lectionary Readings

June 1 (7 Easter)

Acts 1:6-14
Psalm 68:1-10, 33-36
1 Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11
John 17:1-11

June 8 (Day of Pentecost)

Numbers 11:24-30
Acts 2:1-21
John 20:19-23
Psalm 104:25-35, 37

June 15 (Trinity Sunday)-begin new

Genesis 1:1-2:4a schedule
Psalm 8
2 Corinthians 13:11-13
Matthew 28:16-20

June 22 (2 Pentecost)

Genesis 21:8-21
Psalm 86:1-10, 16-17
Romans 6:1b-11
Matthew 10:24-39

June 29 (3 Pentecost)

Genesis 22:1-14
Psalm 13
Romans 6:12-23
Matthew 10:40-42

Sr. Warden's Report:

On Pentecost, the Holy Spirit filled the group of **apostles... not just one apostle**. We were sent forth to **proclaim God's work of salvation**. We are still being sent forth, every week, as a community. We are moving into the season after Pentecost, where, filled with the Holy Spirit, we learn how to live the Christian life, together.

We worship in community. We live in community.
Thanks be to God.

Yours in Christ, *Meredith Brooks*

From your Altar Guild director...

As you may know, I am director of the Altar Guild and have been for over 10 years. During that time we have lost many valuable members of our team. We are down to six active members. This puts a lot of responsibility on those six (actually only 5 perform the set up duties for services) people to cover two services each Sunday. We need your help!

I have always considered serving at Christ's altar an honor and privilege. It can be a lovely, quiet way to minister. It can be a fun, social way to minister. The duty is easy. In actual time it involves 15-20 minutes before a service and 10-15 minutes after a service. There always seems to be another person alongside to help out. There is some light cleaning of the sacristy area involved and laundering of the altar linens, if you care to. If enough people would come forward to help out, I believe that one person would only be on duty once every 6-8 weeks especially, during this summer when only one service is scheduled.

Can you help us? Please call me 847-564-5161 if you think that this may be a ministry that you could embrace. Thank you!!! *Melly Schwartz*



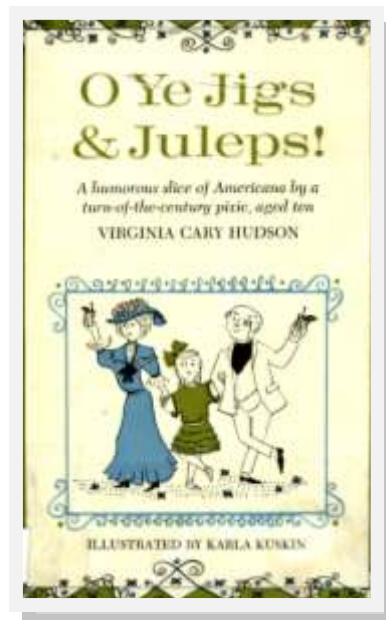
A Taste of Saint Bede's Fiction-

Our Saint Bede's Library – that lonely collection of books down in the Undercroft – has 54 titles in the Fiction section, which is located on the east shelves on the north wall. They are arranged alphabetically by author. Two of the authors have names that start with A: Sholem Asch (1880-1957) and Louis Auchincloss (1917-2010). Asch was a Polish-American who fell out of favor with his Jewish brethren when he wrote a trilogy of historical novels about New Testament subjects: *The Nazarene* (1939), *The Apostle* (1943), and *Mary* (1949). The volume we have is *The Apostle*, a fictionalized account of the life of the **Apostle Paul. It begins with the crucifixion and continues through the rest of Paul's life.** Louis Auchincloss's book, *The Rector of Justin* (1964), is not about the presiding clergy at an Episcopal church, but about the headmaster of Justin Martyr, an Episcopal prep school. (Justin Martyr bears a striking resemblance to **Groton, Auchincloss's alma mater, whose headmaster also used the title "rector."**) **The novel is a study of a single person – Frank Prescott, the founder and rector of the school – and is narrated by various persons connected with the school.**

One of the authors in the B section is John Bunyan (1628-1988). **The book we have isn't his most famous work, *Pilgrim's Progress*, but the allegorical novel *The Holy War*.** It tells of a town whose citizens were misled by their evil ruler, **Diabolus, and revolted against the town's creator. The creator sends his son Emmanuel to reclaim it. The book's full title tell it all: *The Holy War Made by King Shaddai Upon Diabolus to Regain the Metropolis of the World, or The Losing and Taking Again of the Town of Mansoul.*** ("El Shaddai," in case you've forgotten, is from the Hebrew version of **Genesis 17:1, and is usually translated as "the Lord."** The other names aren't that subtle.) Bunyan, by the way, was a parishioner at **St. Giles' Church ... St. Giles Cripplegate, in London.**

One of our C authors is Thomas B. Costain (1885-1965) whose *The Silver Chalice* (1952) is about a silver-smith who was commissioned by the Apostle Luke to make a holder for the cup Jesus used at the last supper (the Holy Grail). **Although some insensitive critics might describe the book as "schmaltzy," it was on the New York Times Best Seller list for 64 weeks. (The 1954 film version was Paul Newman's introduction to the silver screen. He later bragged that it was the worst movie ever made.)**

Farther down the alphabet we find Virginia Cary Hudson (1894-1954) and her *O Ye Jigs and Juleps* (1962), which she supposedly wrote in 1904 as a 10-year-old student at a Louisville Episcopal boarding school. It consists of a series of essays said to have been discovered in an attic trunk in 1960. **Here's the beginning of her discussion of the sacraments: "Sacraments are what you do in Church. What you do at home is something else. Cooking and sewing and running the Bissels sweeper and eating and sleeping and praying and scrubbing yourself are not sacraments." (So now you know!)** She also discusses etiquette at church; gardening; education; spring; eternal life ("God gives it to you and you can't get rid of it"), and personal appearance ("Looking the best you can for the money. If you're born pretty that helps also"). **The book went through 14 editions from 1962 to 1966. Although it consists of essays, I classified it as fiction because ... well, if you think it was really written by a 10-year-old girl, stay away from people selling bridges.**





~Music Notes~

Cindy Conrad send off

It was with sadness that longtime faithful soprano, Cindy Conrad, said her final farewell to St. Giles on Sunday, May 18, as she and her husband leave for their retired life in Arkansas. The choir sang a beautiful benediction in her honor – **“The Lord bless you and keep you” by John Rutter** – at the conclusion of the service. She will be greatly missed at St. Giles!



Pentecost is June 8

The final Sunday of the choir season is Pentecost, and the music that day will be remarkable. The choir will be singing Grieve not the Holy Spirit of God by T. Tertius Noble with a grand solo featuring Nathan Oakes, **and also the concluding section of J.S. Bach’s monumental “Mass in b minor” – Dona nobis pacem.** And of course there will be organ music **“with lots of fire and spirit” on that special day!**

Eucharist in the Memorial Garden – June 15 at 9:30

This annual service in the garden is always a special and delightful experience. Instrumentalists are being **gathered to lead the music, and if you are interested in playing (and I haven’t already contacted you) please** let me hear from you. A merry band in the garden will add so much to the morning. Instrumentalists will receive the music in advance and there will be just the one rehearsal on Sunday 15th at 8:30 a.m.

Paul Corona in Chicago!

Paul was our bass section leader for 8 years and is now under contract singing at the Metropolitan Opera in New York. He is in Chicago for two engagements this summer, and would love to see his friends and family from St. Giles if any are able to attend. Here are his upcoming engagements:

Chicago Opera Theater –

The Emperor of Atlantis (Viktor Ullmann) and The Clever One (Carl Orff)

Performances: Saturday, May 31 (7:30), Wednesday, June 4 (7:30), Friday, June 6 (7:30),
And Sunday, June 8 (3:00)

DePaul’s Merle Reskin Theatre, 60 E. Balbo, Chicago

Ravinia Festival –

The Marriage of Figaro (W.A. Mozart)

Performances: Friday, August 15 (7:00), Sunday, August 17 (1:00)
Ravinia Park, Highland Park



ST. GILES EPISCOPAL CHURCH • JUNE

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>1 7 Easter 8:00 & 10:15 AM - Holy Eucharist 9 AM: Formation</p>	<p>2 Office Closed today NO Coffee@ Starbucks today</p>	<p>3 Yoga, 9:00 AM Campanella Choir, 5:15 - 8 PM</p>	<p>4 Campanella Choir, 6 - 8:00 PM</p>	<p>5 Yoga, 9:00 AM Evening Prayer, 4:30 (Prayer Room) Last Choir Rehearsal, 7:30 PM</p>	<p>6 Office Closed</p>	<p>7 Campanella Choir 9 AM - 4 PM Overeaters Anonymous 11 AM – 12:15 PM</p>
<p>8 Pentecost (One Service) 10:15 AM -Holy Eucharist 9 AM: Breakfast</p>	<p>9 Office Hours by Appointment Coffee@ Starbucks, 1-2:30 PM</p>	<p>10 Yoga, 9:00 AM Campanella Choir, 5:15 - 8 PM</p>	<p>11 Campanella Choir, 6 - 8:00 PM</p>	<p>12 Yoga, 9:00 AM Evening Prayer, 4:30 (Prayer Room)</p>	<p>13 Office Closed</p>	<p>14 Campanella Choir 9 AM - 4 PM Overeaters Anonymous 11 AM – 12:15 PM</p>
<p>15 1 Pentecost/ Trinity Healing/Anointing 9:30 AM – “Gather in the Garden” Service & Holy Eucharist <i>Father’s Day!</i></p>	<p>16 Office Hours by Appointment Coffee@ Starbucks, 1-2:30 PM <i>July/August Bells submissions due</i></p>	<p>17 Yoga, 9:00 AM Campanella Choir, 5:15-8 PM Vestry meeting, 7:30 PM</p>	<p>18 Campanella Choir, 6 - 8:00 PM</p>	<p>19 Cathedral Shelter pick-up Yoga, 9:00 AM Evening Prayer, 4:30 (Prayer Room)</p>	<p>20 Office Closed</p>	<p>21 Campanella Choir 9 AM - 4 PM Overeaters Anonymous 11 AM – 12:15</p>
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The Rt. Rev. C. Christopher Epting's Visit on April 27th



"Youth Bread" Sunday...



Garden Work Day ...



Rogation Sunday

Photos courtesy of John Hanzel

And this from Cindy Conrad, who will miss everyone but says "I do plan to be back now and then. If anyone wants to contact me, I would welcome the e-mails or calls!"

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		1 Campanella Choir, 5:15-8:00 PM	2 Campanella Choir, 6-8:00 PM	3 Evening Prayer, 4:30 PM (Prayer Room)	4 Office Closed HAPPY INDEPENDENCE DAY!! 	5 Campanella Choir 9 AM - 4 PM Overeaters Anonymous 11 AM – 12:15
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