

# The Bells of St. Giles



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## When Sunlight Strikes



I remember the first time I saw sunlight strike a prism. How surprised I was as it broke into separate, beautiful colors. I think God's love may be like that; shining brightly on you and me and emerging differently because of the way God made us. Our parish life together is enriched, and an example is this edition of *The Bells* – including submissions from several parishioners. Some have contributed to our newsletter before; others are new to these pages.

They offer us a part of themselves as they each put pen to paper. We are blessed with many talented and intelligent people who care about St. Giles, so please read their work and encourage their efforts. Following is a list of parishioners who have offered to write for this or future issues of *The Bells*. While they may not be able to write for every newsletter, their help will always be greatly appreciated.

- Jim Brown – music
- Doug Downey – literary reviews, etc.
- Margaret Pearson – parish biographies
- Bob Robinson – outreach
- Tracey Solano – devotionals
- Linda Williams – poetry

In addition, Mike Piskel has included a stewardship article in this newsletter (see below), and we hope he continues as a frequent guest writer. Please feel free to offer me any suggestions for new columns and writers as we go forward.

Yours in Christ,  
George Miller, Junior Warden

## Seek, and Ye Shall Find

This fall marks seven years since we made the decision to enter the doors of St. Giles. Beth and I realized we needed a place to worship and grow spiritually as a family. We were disillusioned with our original Christian tradition and sought a faith community in line with our acceptance of all people and equality for women, one that would guide us with regard to the gospel in today's challenging and ever-changing world. We looked for religious intellectual stimulation – a place where we could grow together and worship with a diverse yet unified parish, a place where we could feel comfortable with our daughter's religious education, a place that felt right with respect to the lessons we had learned in our youth about Christ's love and respect for all people. We found that place and knew it was the right fit the first Sunday we joined in the liturgy at St. Giles.

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### Our Schedule

#### Sundays

Holy Eucharist: Rite I, 8 AM

Rite II, 10:15 AM

Christian Formation: 9 AM

#### 3rd Sundays of the Month

Healing & Anointing  
at both services



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## Rector's Reflection – Sabbath Time

During the past year I have been meeting with a group of five parishioners who served as an advisory committee to help me formalize plans for a sabbatical. At its June 21 meeting, the Vestry voted to endorse and support me in such an undertaking during the months of October and November of this year. So that everyone in the parish can be apprised of what is planned and what it entails for the parish, I offer the following as answers to questions that may arise.

*What is a sabbatical, and why take one now?*

“Sabbatical” has its roots in the word “Sabbath.” It is a time of rest and study common to certain professions, in particular teaching and ministry. It is not a vacation, but rather a time apart from routine professional duties that allows for reflection and the deepening of one’s knowledge and spiritual life and practice. The bishop and the diocesan leadership strongly recommend that each member of the clergy take a sabbatical every 5-7 years. I have been ordained for 11 years, and have served St. Giles for 7-1/2. This will be my first sabbatical.

*Who will cover what during this time?*

A clergy team comprising the Rev. Belinda Chandler, the Rev. Lee Gaede, and one additional priest (to be announced) will provide liturgical and pastoral coverage for the 8 weeks and 9 Sundays I am away. During this time, Belinda will have the designated role of “priest in charge;” in that capacity she will have oversight of liturgy, formation, and pastoral care. Other staff members will continue their duties as usual. The wardens will have additional discretionary responsibilities and authority.

*How will the sabbatical costs be financed?*

During the first few years of my tenure here, the Vestry agreed to set aside some funds annually to support the additional costs that would be incurred by the parish during a rector’s sabbatical. This practice was eventually discontinued due to financial constraints; the amount currently in that fund is \$7000. Combined with that will be the anticipated remaining \$500 from “substitute clergy” funds in the 2011 operating budget. This \$7500 will be used strictly for parish expenses, primarily additional clergy coverage, including remuneration for Belinda and Lee, who are currently nonstipendiary but whose work loads will increase. I will continue to receive my salary while I’m away (this is standard practice during any sabbatical), and will pay the costs of my travel and study not covered by my usual continuing education allowance. The sabbatical will not cost the parish any extra money beyond what is already budgeted for this current year.

*What will the sabbatical look like?*

Plans are still being finalized, but my intentions are to travel to the Diocese of Western North Carolina to visit some of the parishes founded early in the 20<sup>th</sup> century by my great grandfather, the Rev. John A. Deal, and to meet with their rectors. I plan to visit several congregations on the west coast that are engaged in creative approaches to liturgy and communal life. Add in a retreat and some personal, family, and “down” time, and I expect the two months will go very quickly!

I want to express my thanks to the Wardens and Vestry for their support of this endeavor. I also thank the Sabbatical Committee – Bill Baker, Meredith Brooks, Jim Brown, Mary Reid, and Linda Williams – who have offered support, suggestions, and help along the way. Please feel free to approach any of us if you have questions. The September *Bells* will have additional details, as well as guidelines for ensuring a productive sabbatical time for both priest and parish.

Cynthia+



## July/August Birthdays & Anniversaries

### July Birthdays:

- 3 Jan Hutchins-DeWitt
- 5 Bill Baker
- 9 Ann Hanson
- 25 Doris (Short) Whitaker
- 26 Jim Brooks

### August Birthdays:

- 2 Nancy Maroulis
- 3 James Robb
- 10 Diana Abouchar McCluskey
- 13 Bob Robinson
- 14 Monica Dim
- 17 Meredith Brooks  
Nick Solano
- 20 Chris DeWitt  
Anne Lehman  
Linda Williams
- 21 Emma Libby  
Joanna Libby
- 23 Steve Maroulis
- 25 Chuck Kolar

### August Anniversaries:

- 21 Cliff & Linda Williams
- 27 Bonnie & Norman Frankel

## August Readings

### August 7 - 8 Pentecost

- I Kings 19:9-18
- Psalm 85:8-13
- Romans 10:5-15
- Matthew 14:22-33

### August 14 - 9 Pentecost

- Isaiah 56:1, 6-8
- Psalm 67
- Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32
- Matthew 15: (10-20), 21-28

### August 21 - 10 Pentecost

- Isaiah 51:1-6
- Psalm 138
- Romans 12:1-8
- Matthew 16:13-20

### August 28 - 11 Pentecost

- Jeremiah 15:15-21
- Psalm 26:1-8
- Romans 12:9-21
- Matthew 16:21-28

## Late July Lectionary Readings

### July 17 - 5 Pentecost

- Isaiah 44:6-8
- Psalm 86:11-17
- Romans 8:12-25
- Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

### July 24 - 6 Pentecost

- I Kings 3:5-12
- Psalm 119:129-136
- Romans 8:26-39
- Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52

### July 31 - 7 Pentecost

- Isaiah 55:1-5
- Psalm 145: 8-9, 15-22
- Romans 9:1-5
- Matthew 14:13-21

## May Treasurer's Report

Pledge and other income for the month of May was \$14,778.27. Total expenses for the month were \$13,956.37 resulting in a surplus of \$821.90 for the month and a year-to-date surplus of \$12,390.08.

A complete copy of the May financials can be found on the bulletin board in the narthex.

Second-quarter contribution statements (January 1, 2011, through June 30, 2011) are available. Look for them via email if you receive them that way or in the narthex if you don't.

— Gloriann Harris, Treasurer

## Ice Cream Social: Better Late Than Never!



This year's Ice Cream Social at the rectory will be held on July 31, immediately after the 10:15 service. Details will follow, but please mark your calendars and plan to attend.



## Poetry Musings

Summer is a time when the beauty and bounty of God's creation surround us. Mary Oliver is an American poet who probes the mysteries, surprises, joys, and revelations of nature in her writing. Her experience of God springs from her time spent in the woods, by a creek, on an ocean beach, in the fields. This poem quietly celebrates an unexpected encounter with nature in everyday life.

— Linda Williams

### Beans Green and Yellow

In fall  
it is mushrooms  
gathered from dampness  
under the pines;  
in spring  
I have known  
the taste of the lamb  
full of milk  
and spring grass;  
today  
it is beans green and yellow  
and lettuce and basil  
from my friends' garden —  
how calmly,  
as though it were an ordinary thing,  
we eat the blessed earth.

Mary Oliver  
from *Swan: Poems and Prose Poems*



## From Deacon Lee's Desk

As I write this, I am preparing to leave for the Mississippi Gulf Coast to continue the work of rebuilding homes lost to Hurricane Katrina. There will be more than 77 of us going this year. We intend to continue the work begun in our last four mission trips to the Mississippi Gulf Coast, working with Rebuild Lakeshore and Habitat for Humanity in Bay St. Louis, Mississippi. In prior years, we worked with Mission on the Bay, an Episcopal/Lutheran organization which lost its funding last year. Our Amtrak train leaves on July 29, and arrives in New Orleans the next day. We return to Chicago on August 6.

When in a place like the still-damaged Gulf Coast, it is easy to understand Jesus' admonitions about building the Kingdom of God. You can literally take tools in hand and build. In our day-to-day lives, instances of building the Kingdom are not always so easy to identify. Doing this kind of work makes it clear that to raise a roof, hang dry wall, or complete the many tasks that we undertake cannot be done alone. We need each other to fulfill Jesus' admonition.

We at St. Giles are Kingdom-builders, both in the community and in the church. Building is about pulling together. Just as walls aren't raised by one person, neither are communities of faith. Please keep the youth of our Diocese in your prayers as we continue this important work.

— Lee Gaede  
([leegaede@aol.com](mailto:leegaede@aol.com))

## Seek, and Ye Shall Find (cont. from page 1)

In the seven years since we have been here, St. Giles has given us a wealth of spiritual education. We worship with people who do not hide from their parish but instead share the good and blessed events and support one another in the sorrowful times. St. Giles with the leadership of Mother Cynthia continues to challenge and educate us weekly, showing us what God can do for us and what we can do for God. While Cynthia provides us with our faith community's direction, it is the parishioners who provide us with so much more than that. All of us at St. Giles are part of an intergenerational spiritual experience! While small in number we are not small in ideas or actions. From the liturgy, the music, the beautiful and special seasonal events, the community outreach, and the diverse Christian formation programs, we have learned so much in such a short time. Beth and I also feel we have not had to compromise our ideals, and our whole family has grown in our love and understanding of God and His works. Most importantly St. Giles provides a spiritual center for our family. Sophie has had the opportunity to grow up with a solid understanding of the Christian faith. St. Giles never isolated her from the variety of opportunities I listed earlier; rather it integrates her and welcomes her participation in all of them. I believe this has enabled her to have a mature, well-rounded, and thoughtful religious education experience.

We all make decisions every day that count for life. In the span of seven years, a lot of those types of decisions get made. I feel that seven years ago we made one of the best decisions we could ever have made by walking in the doors of St. Giles and finding exactly what we needed. Thank you, St. Giles and Cynthia for all you have given us.

— Mike Piskel  
Stewardship 2012 Team Member



## Music Notes

### ST. GILES SUMMER SERVICE MUSIC

Now that Eastertide and Pentecost are behind us, the sung parts of the liturgy have changed. Instead of the *Gloria in excelsis* or *Kyrie*, we are singing a setting of the *Trisagion*. The Greek phrase "Trisagion" translates as "Thrice Holy;" in this hymn God is described Holy in three different qualities; *Agios o Theos* means "Holy God."

The hymn is of great antiquity, and perhaps much older than the event assigned by the Greek Menology as connected to its origin.

The tradition recounts that during the reign of Theodosius II (408-450), Constantinople was shaken by a violent earthquake (on September 24), and that while the people, the emperor and the Patriarch Proclus of Constantiople (434-446) were praying for heavenly assistance, a child was suddenly lifted into midair — to whom all cried out "Kyrie eleison!" ("Lord, have mercy!"). The child was then seen to descend again to the earth, and in a loud voice he exhorted the people to pray: "Holy God, Holy and Strong, Holy and Immortal." After giving this exhortation, the child died.

The fact that the hymn was one of the exclamations of the fathers at the Council of Chalcedon (451), and that it is common not only to all the Greek Oriental liturgies but was used also in the Gallican Liturgy (see Saint Germain of Paris, d. 576), suggests that the hymn is extremely ancient, perhaps of apostolic-era origin. The Coptic Orthodox Church believes that the *Trisagion* originated from Nicodemus. While taking the body of Christ off the cross with Joseph of Arimathea, Nicodemus saw Jesus Christ's eyes open and then shouted "Holy God, Holy Mighty, Holy Immortal." Traditionally, it is also considered proof that His divinity did not part from His humanity.

Later in July, we will substitute a setting of the *Venite* canticle (O come let us sing to the Lord) by Dorothy Papakados, the former organist of the Cathedral of St. John the Divine in New York. This is music with a strong jazz influence and is meant to be sung with energy!

The setting of the *Sanctus* (Holy, Holy) is by Jeffrey Smith, written some years ago when he served as assistant organist at St. Luke's in Evanston. It is a beautiful traditional setting and has been sung from time to time here at St. Giles. Finally the Fraction Anthem, *God of Promise*, is from the *Missa Appalachia* by California organist/composer Jonathan Dimmock. We have used his setting of the *Sanctus* frequently at St. Giles.

### PAUL CORONA & ANGELA MENNINO TO GIVE CONCERT FOR ST. GILES AUGUST 20, 2011

Be sure to save the date of Saturday, August 20, at 7:30 p.m. for a special fun-filled evening featuring our former bass section leader, Paul Corona, along with Angela Mannino, soprano. Both Paul and Angela completed the Opera Center program at the Lyric Opera of Chicago and are now regulars at the Metropolitan Opera in New York. Angela made her Met debut in Alban Berg's *Lulu*, and sang roles last summer at Wolf Trap and Opera Grand Rapids. She returns to Wolf Trap this summer to sing Colombina in *The Curious Women*. Paul sang the role of the Physician in Debussy's *Pelléas et Mélisande* at the Met during its 2010-2011 season. Last summer, Paul had roles in the *Marriage of Figaro* at Ravinia and *La Fanciulla del West* at the Lyric.

There will be a suggested donation of \$20 at the door, and all of the proceeds will go to the artists. Look for more details in upcoming issues of the weekly *Baby Bells* and in Sunday bulletins.

— Jim Brown  
Director of Music





## Decade Three: Parishioners Continue Their Drive to Help Feed People

As I can best recall, the St. Giles outreach ministry that makes deliveries of donated food to Chicagoland soup kitchens and food pantries began sometime in the early- to mid-1980s. Polly Badger Hastings started it along with Lou Lear-Hastreiter. The original and primary recipients of the food were Saints George & Matthias Church (Father Pond Memorial Food Ministry, organized and directed by the Rev. Gwen Dillon); the Good News Community Kitchen (now called A Just Harvest, with executive director Marilyn Pagán-Banks); and Reba Place Church (currently the House of Manna Food Pantry), run by the Rev. Linus Brown.

Throughout the years, Sunset Foods of Northbrook has been our principal food supplier, and it currently holds the distinction of being the *only* food supplier. In the past, Starbucks and the now-closed local businesses of A Great Harvest and the Country Maid Bakery contributed food to our efforts.

In addition to Polly and Lou, many St. Giles parishioners have been part of this ministry – picking up the food (baked goods and produce) from the supplier and delivering it to the soup kitchen or food pantry. I'm listing them here to honor them and their service. (If I've left anyone out I apologize and ask that you contact me so that I can add your name to a future edition of *The Bells*).

Our past drivers have included Gil Bonebrake, Kathy Browne, Vic Chambers, Louise Costello, Barbara Diettrich, Dick Diemer, Patti Duwel, Buffy Ervin, Nancy Fried, Elaine Hayden, Bill Hillborn, Verna Jackson, Lyle Dean Lebsack, Mary Kay Montalto, Carole Ortiz, Jenny Powell, Jim Rigas, Ruby Russell, Marilyn Stephens, Tom Tabern, Bob Weidaw, and Hal Westerberg.

Our list of current drivers is shorter. Thank you to the people who join me in this ministry by picking up food from Sunset and delivering it to New Life Baptist Church, A Just Harvest, and The House of Manna Food Pantry. These drivers include Jim Brooks, Tom Conrad, Dan & Linda Jariabka, Melly & Mitch Schwartz, and Marty Zadigian. Of course, more drivers are always needed in order to reduce the driving assignments to about once per month. If you would like to be part of our effort to feed those in need, give me a call! And tune in next month for more information on St. Giles' outreach ministries.

— Bob Robinson

## Local Rector Called to Diocese of Jerusalem

The Rev. Graham Smith, rector of our neighboring parish St. David's, Glenview, has been appointed Dean of St. George's College, Jerusalem. Bishop Suheil Duwani of the Diocese of Jerusalem made the appointment, which was announced at the end of June. Graham and his wife, Sherry, are preparing to leave St. David's in late September. Please keep them and the people of St. David's in your prayers as they all prepare for this transition.

## Why Not Join Bible Buddies?

Bible Buddies – a new virtual bible study group – wants you! And it couldn't be easier to join. Just send your email address to [george.miller@mssb.com](mailto:george.miller@mssb.com) and you will be included. The group will put out a reading each week (probably that week's Gospel) for sharing thoughts. If you have any questions, please see George or email him at the above address.

### Parish Register

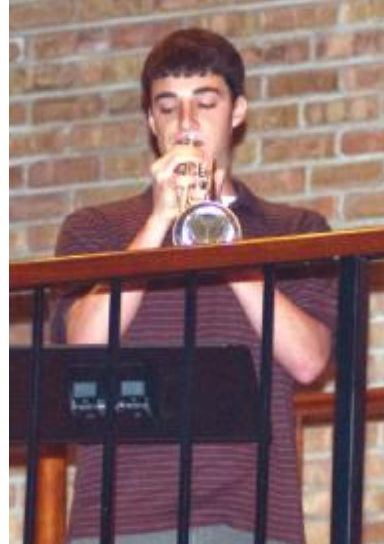
Burial —

Frances (Deedee) Johnson Bradbury

July 9, 2011



# The Day of Pentecost, June 12



Thanks once again to our resident photographer John Hanzel for the photos on this page and elsewhere in this issue of *The Bells* — and to the person who managed to catch John in the photo above!



## Bishop Lee Approves Holy Unions for Same-Gender Couples in Diocese of Chicago

In response to the Civil Unions Law that went into effect in Illinois on June 1, 2011, as well as to requests from clergy in the diocese, Bishop Lee recently appointed a task force to develop pastoral guidelines and a liturgical rite for blessing same-gender unions. The rites were made available to clergy in late May, and many of us met with the bishop on June 10 to discuss and review these rites, made possible by 2009 General Convention Resolution C056.

The blessing of same-gender unions makes official something that has been going on quietly for years. It allows many couples (including a number of clergy) to receive the blessing of the Church on their monogamous, faithful relationships. It is one way to honor the baptismal promise to “respect the dignity of every human being.” In his theological reflection, Bishop Lee notes that:

The conviction behind these pastoral guidelines is that the faithful, loving, and lifelong union of two persons of the same sex is capable of signifying the never failing love of God in Christ for the church and the world. Such unions can be sources and signs of grace, both for the couple and for the wider community. It is appropriate therefore that they be surrounded by the prayer of the Christian community. ... Both marriage and faithful unions can be schools of holiness, ways of ordering our lives so that we might learn to be more faithful servants of Christ. ... For most of us the household is a primary context for learning the implications of [walking with Christ in new life]. Our lifelong commitments, our mundane daily struggles, our most intimate relationships, our triumphs and tragedies, all of it has the potential to reveal the love of God. Gay or straight, single or called to marriage or union, our family life has the capacity to be the ‘domestic church.’

The bishop is careful to note that such rites represent a departure from many centuries of Church’s teaching, but that the Church’s views on issues such as slavery and divorce have evolved over the years as well. Several other things should be pointed out:

- This is a provisional rite. Only General Convention may change the Prayer Book.
- Clergy may not perform Holy Matrimony for same-gender couples and may not solemnize Holy Unions for heterosexual couples.
- Although a Holy Union is not one of the seven sacraments as defined by the Church’s traditional teachings, such unions, as “outward signs of inward and spiritual grace,” may indeed be sacramental.
- As with Holy Matrimony, Holy Unions must be carried out in accordance with the laws of the State of Illinois (i.e., a license must be obtained and the proper procedures followed); Holy Unions may not be celebrated without proper pre-union counseling of the couple; and a member of the clergy may decline to officiate at a Holy Union for any reason.
- Parishes in the diocese are likely to continue to disagree about whether or not performing such rites is acceptable.

A copy of the guidelines released by Bishop Lee may be found in the narthex or is available by emailing me at [rector@saint-giles.org](mailto:rector@saint-giles.org).

I have begun conversations with the Vestry about what intentional welcoming of LGBT persons might mean for St. Giles. I want to be very honest with the congregation and say that it is my hope that St. Giles will become a place where Holy Unions can be celebrated with joy, acceptance, and thanksgiving. I applaud our bishop and diocese for taking this prophetic and courageous step, and hope to have the opportunity to officiate such unions. (This probably comes as no surprise to most of you.) If you have questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

*Cynthia+*





## When “darkness is not dark”

A funny thing happened at the last vestry meeting. A storm began brewing — not in the meeting; no controversy there! But outside the education building, the winds blew fiercely, and electricity was lost at about 8:40 p.m. Unfazed, the vestry members continued in the conference room, eerily illuminated by the glow of two opened laptops.

Then Louisa Hallas came running from the rectory and advised us of a tornado warning! We shuffled carefully along, through the wet windiness of the breezeway, eyes adjusting to the emergency lighting of the narthex (where I quickly texted home). We headed downstairs to the shelter of the nursery. There, cramped in a candlelit circle, we finished discussion of holy unions, hospitality, and sabbaticals as the sump-pump alarm sounded repeatedly.

I describe the scene and it seems almost comical now! I admit to some fear at the time though as I did not know for sure the whereabouts of my family members. When I left for the meeting, both boys were on baseball fields here in town. Coleman’s reply to my text came: “we’re fine! dad says don’t drive home.” With that I returned to recording the minutes of our meeting.

We adjourned late. I made it back home past fallen branches and inoperable traffic lights. At home, we were without power until late morning the next day. For a time I was left with not much to do but read, and so I clipped a book light to my Bible. What could I find on the subject of “darkness” I wondered? I found Psalm 139:7-12 —

Where can I go from your spirit? Or where can I flee from your presence? If I ascend to heaven, you are there; if I make my bed in Sheol, you are there. If I take the wings of the morning and settle at the farthest limits of the sea, even there your hand shall lead me, and your right hand shall hold me fast. If I say, “Surely the darkness shall cover me, and the light around me become night,” even the darkness is not dark to you; the night is as bright as the day, for darkness is as light to you.

Won’t you read/pray the entire psalm with me again? I would love to then hear your thoughts.

Thanks!  
Tracey Solano  
[trsolano@comcast.net](mailto:trsolano@comcast.net)

## Gather in the Garden Outdoor Service, June 5





## Creating a Rule of Life

*Listen carefully to these instructions, and attend to them with the ear of your heart. It is advice from one who loves you; welcome it, and faithfully put it into practice. — From The Rule of St. Benedict*

For more than 1,500 years Benedictine communities have been guided by a simple document known as The Rule of St. Benedict. Deeply rooted in Judeo-Christian texts and tradition, The Rule continues to provide a model for integrated living of balance and reconciliation in the world. You are invited to create your own unique Rule of Life! Through interactive instruction, exploration of the foundations of Saint Benedict's Rule, silent and conversational reflection, and mutual encouragement we will reflect upon our own lives and how they might bring the foundations and rhythms of Benedictine Spirituality into our daily living.

Please join me for five weeks, beginning on Sunday, August 7, during the adult formation time. To enhance your participation in the class you will need a copy of Robert Benson's, *A Good Life: Benedict's Guide to Everyday Joy*. You can purchase this book through [amazon.com](http://amazon.com) or [paracletepress.com](http://paracletepress.com). In addition to Benson's book, you will need a notebook or journal to write in during our sessions.

Belinda+

## Back to School

I became the librarian for St. Giles Church back in the late 1990s, when books were still alive and well. Books are still alive but, I'm sorry to report, their wellness is questionable. Since I spent my entire career in the publishing business, this is not a condition I like to see. So you may be shocked when you discover that I'm about to recommend some information-conveyers that you *don't* read: the products of the Teaching Company. The Teaching Company (aka the Great Courses) offers some 300 college-level courses in a wide variety of subjects taught by professors who know how to keep their students awake. The courses consist of lectures running 30 or 45 minutes each; the total number of lectures in a course ranges from 12 to 48. Some of the courses, such as those in math or art, are available only on DVDs, but many are also available on CDs and as MP3 (iPod) cassette tapes, and many of the tapes are still avail-



I listen to their lectures while exercising, and they that dreadful activity. I've taken some of their physics (for dummies), and religion. I'm currently *Bible: Making of the New Testament Canon*. I'm in the a new word: Pseudonymity, used in reference to the six Epistles of Paul that some scholars believe weren't written by Paul. (And why do they think that? One of the reasons is style. Although they express ideas consistent with ideas found in Paul's seven undisputed Epistles, the writing style – in the original Greek – is different. "It's like finding a page by Mark Twain in the middle of a book by George Eliot," the professor says.) As is usually the case with a Teaching Company course, I don't keep my eye on the clock while listening to this one.

downloads. (Some were formerly available on able at the Northbrook Public Library.)

are an enormous help in reducing the tedium of courses in history, literature, music, economics, taking one of the religion courses, *History of the* early stages of the course, but I've already learned

The Northbrook Public Library has a number of the Teaching Company courses, including more than a dozen on religion. They're on the third floor, in the Multimedia Department. (A leaflet is available that lists and locates the library's Teaching Company collection.) The Teaching Company itself can be reached on line at [www.thegreatcourses.com](http://www.thegreatcourses.com) or by phone at 800-832-2412. They have frequent sales, and it is advisable to wait for a sale before purchasing.

— Doug Downey

## Wondering what this is?

Hint: Ask your smart phone.





# ST. GILES EPISCOPAL CHURCH ~ AUGUST

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b> Campanella Choir, 7 - 8 PM	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b> <b>Office Closed</b>	<b>6</b> Campanella Choir 9 AM – 1 PM Overeaters Anonymous 10:30 -11:45 AM Wilder-Nowosel Wedding, 11:00 AM
<b>7</b> <b>8 Pentecost</b> 8 AM: Holy Eucharist, Rite I 9 AM: Formation 10:15 AM: Holy Eucharist, Rite II	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> Cathedral Shelter Pick-Up Campanella Choir, 7 - 8 PM	<b>10</b> Hunger Resource Network Director's Meeting, 6:30 PM	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> <b>Office Closed</b>	<b>13</b> Campanella Choir 9 AM – 1 PM Overeaters Anonymous 10:30 AM-1PM
<b>14</b> <b>9 Pentecost</b> 8 AM: Holy Eucharist, Rite I 9 AM: Formation 10:15 AM: Holy Eucharist, Rite II	<b>15</b> September <i>Bells</i> Submissions Due	<b>16</b> Campanella Choir, 7 - 8 PM Vestry Meeting, 7:30 PM	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b> <b>Office Closed</b>	<b>20</b> Campanella Choir 9 AM – 1 PM OA 10:30 -11:45 Paul Corona, Angela Mannino Concert, 7:30 PM
<b>21</b> <b>10 Pentecost</b> <b>Healing &amp; Anointing</b> 8 AM: Holy Eucharist, Rite I 9 AM: Formation 10:15 AM: Holy Eucharist, Rite II	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> Campanella Choir, 7 - 8 PM	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b> <b>Office Closed</b>	<b>27</b> Campanella Choir 9 AM – 1 PM Overeaters Anonymous 10:30 AM-1PM
<b>28</b> <b>11 Pentecost</b> 8 AM: Holy Eucharist, Rite I 9 AM: Formation 10:15 AM: Holy Eucharist, Rite II	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b> Campanella Choir, 7 - 8 PM	<b>31</b>	<b>The calendar for the end of July is found on page 12.</b>		



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>10 4 Pentecost</b> 8 AM, Holy Eucharist, Rite I 9 AM, Formation 10:15 AM, Holy Eucharist, Rite II	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> Cathedral Shelter Pick-Up  Campanella Choir, 7 - 8 PM	<b>13</b> Campanella Choir, 6 - 8 PM	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b> <b>Office Closed</b>  McGuire-Tambourine Wedding Rehearsal, 3:30 PM	<b>16</b> Campanella Choir 9 AM - 1 PM  OA 10:30 - 11:45  McGuire-Tambourine Wedding, 3:00 PM
<b>17 5 Pentecost</b> 8 AM, Holy Eucharist, Rite I 9 AM, Formation 10:15 AM, Holy Eucharist, Rite II (Both services, Healing & Anointing)	<b>18</b> Finance Committee Meeting, 7:30 PM	<b>19</b> Campanella Choir, 7 - 8 PM  Vestry Meeting, 7:30 PM	<b>20</b> Campanella Choir, 6 - 8 PM	<b>21</b> Fanny Nelson Remembrance at Brandel Care Center, 2:30 PM	<b>22</b> <b>Office Closed</b>	<b>23</b> Campanella Choir 9 AM - 1 PM  Overeaters Anonymous 10:30 AM - 1 PM
<b>24 6 Pentecost &amp; 31 7 Pentecost</b> 8 AM, Holy Eucharist, Rite I 9 AM, Formation (July 24 only) 10:15 AM, Holy Eucharist, Rite II	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b> Campanella Choir, 7 - 8 PM	<b>27</b> Campanella Choir, 6 - 8 PM	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b> <b>Office Closed</b>	<b>30</b> Campanella Choir 9 AM - 1 PM  Overeaters Anonymous 10:30 - 11:45 AM