

# The Bells of St. Giles

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

St. Giles  
Episcopal Church  
Northbrook, Illinois

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## Dear Friends,

This year we will celebrate All Saints' Day on November 3rd. All Saints' Day is a Principal feast, right up there with Easter, Ascension, Pentecost, Trinity, Christmas, and Epiphany. What does that mean for us as a matter of Christian belief? At least three things stand out for me: First, the bond between those who are in "the nearer presence" of God and we who are in this life, spoken of by Jesus in John 14:1-6, wherein he says that he shall receive us and bring us into a place prepared; second, the life of faithfulness to which we are called through our baptism, a life which we learn to live through the church and actually carry on in our relationships and out dealings with the wider world; third, the companionship we have with those who "have gone before us" as witnesses and examples of faith to us. In short, we are not alone in this life and not without examples and direction for how to live. As the great hymn, "O sacred head sore wounded" puts it, "we fight befriended" by Christ and all the saints. We stand in fellowship with the saints who pray for us and cheer us on, as the Letter to the Hebrews memorably says.

Taken a little farther, we may understand All Saints' as an opportunity to be grateful for all the blessings and examples we have received from those who "stand upon another shore and in a greater light", and to resolve to express that gratitude by being more diligent examples of Christian living in our own time, place, and life situation. By how we live, by what we give, and all we do. Thereby, in our turn, taking our place with the saints in light.

God's peace and joy,

TCHS

Tom Scott, Priest-in-charge



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## Our Schedule

### Sundays

Choral Eucharist - 10:15 AM

### 2nd Sundays of the Month

Community Breakfast - 9 AM

### 3rd Sundays of the Month

Healing & Anointing

### Thursdays

Evening Prayer — 4:30 PM

(prayer room, ed. bldg.)

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**Office Hours**

Monday: Office closed  
Tues-Thurs: 9 AM - 2 PM  
Friday: Office closed

**Diocese of Chicago**

The Rt. Rev. Jeffrey D. Lee,  
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**Vestry**

James Brooks, Sr. Warden  
Kay Okoli, Jr. Warden  
Ted Chabreja  
John Hanzel  
Glenn Hunt  
Lewis Kirkwood  
William Perley  
Leslie Ruttenberg

Jocelyn Turner, Clerk  
Gloriann Harris, Treasurer  
Ned Libby, Bookkeeper  
Tom Page, Chancellor

**Team Leaders**

*Building & Grounds (Facilities) -*  
Bob Schultz

*Communications -* John Hanzel

*Fundraising -* Huw Williams

*Green -* Sue Uelmen

*Hospitality -* Jan Hutchins-DeWitt

*Newcomers -* George Miller

*Pastoral Care -* Mary Reid, and  
Leslie Ruttenberg

*Social Justice -* Jocelyn Turner

**Staff**

The Rev. Thomas Scott  
Priest-in-charge

The Rev. Charles Hensel  
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**~Parish Profiles~**

*(Interviewed by Jim Brooks)*

**Meet William "Bill" Perley**

I have been attending St. Giles since August 1989. I have served on the Vestry a few times; this is my third term, and I think it has been a total of 12-15 years. I kind of go through phases in my life where I really enjoy doing certain things and then I don't do them for a while. I was kind of thinking that it was time for me to serve on the Vestry again when Cynthia called me and asked whether I would consider filling a vacancy. I agreed and here I am.

The company I worked for in New York was bought by a Chicago company, and they asked if I would relocate to Chicago. I "took the bait," and we moved here in 1989. I was an engineer for this metal processing company until I retired. My job involved a lot of traveling, and it kind of morphed into systems engineering. I earned a B.A. in mechanical engineering at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute (in Troy, New York).

Our kids were basically raised as Midwesterners, complete with the local accent that Barb and I gained also.

I chose to attend St. Giles because I could walk or bike to it. I also like the fact that it's a small, intimate group of people, though we do have a number of parishioners who come from some distances.

Three items always in our fridge:

- cold cuts (sandwich makings: mayo, lettuce, meat, cheese)
- plain kefir
- Beer

Three "fun facts" about me:

1. I very much like to play in water: swimming, sailing, canoeing
2. I enjoy teaching swimming (to all ages) and being a lifeguard at the YMCA.
3. I used to enjoy computer programming, until Windows came along.

Another avocation I am currently enjoying is teaching sailing at the Highland Park Yacht Club and sailboat racing. I also enjoy being outside "in nature" more today, watching birds and wildlife.

***Come talk to me if you have any questions about Vestry or church issues. You're always invited to any of our Vestry meetings (7:00 p.m. on the third Tuesday of each month).***



## November Birthdays

- 4 Ted Chabraja
- 18 Bob Schultz
- 20 Christine Schultz
- 30 Pat Miller



## *All Saints' Sunday*

Our customary liturgy for the Sunday after All Saints includes lighting of votives from the Paschal candle in memory of departed loved ones, a litany for All Saints, and the reading of the necrology\* (names of those who have died). Incense will be used, and the beloved hymn "For all the saints" will be sung.

\* Please send names of the departed to Cathy ([admin@saint-giles.org](mailto:admin@saint-giles.org)) by October 29 for inclusion in the bulletin.

## November Lectionary Readings

### November 3 — All Saints'

Daniel 7:1-3, 15-18  
Psalm 149  
Ephesians 1:11-23  
Luke 6:20-31

### November 10 — 22 Pentecost

Haggai 1:15b-2:9  
Psalm 145:1-5, 18-22  
2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17  
Luke 20:27-38

### November 17 — 23 Pentecost

Isaiah 65:17-25  
Canticle 9  
2 Thessalonians 3:6-13  
Luke 21:5-19

### November 24 — Last Pentecost

Jeremiah 23:1-6  
Canticle 16  
Colossians 1:11-20  
Luke 23:33-43

## Music Notes:

### **Sunday, November 3 at 5:00 p.m.—All Saints Evensong and Duruflé's Requiem**

The choir is working diligently to prepare wonderful music for All Saints – both for the morning Eucharist celebration on November 3 – but especially for Evensong at 5:00. At the conclusion of Evensong, Maurice Duruflé's sumptuously beautiful "Requiem" will be offered. David Jonies, Associate Organist/Director at Holy Name Cathedral, will accompany on the organ.

The Duruflé work is in nine movements and is based on the traditional Gregorian chant melodies for the Mass for the Dead. It is very much in the tradition of Fauré's Requiem. There are solos for mezzo-soprano (Pie Jesu) and baritone (Offertory and Libera me). The elaborate organ accompaniment is rich and colorful, requiring a first-rate organist.



This is a wonderful opportunity to invite friends and neighbors to St. Giles. Mark your calendars and plan to attend!

**Save the date! Sunday, December 22 at 3:00 p.m.—Christmas Lessons and Carols**



## Second Sunday Community Breakfast, November 10

9–10:30 a.m. in the undercroft; Free and open to all! Join us for food, conversation, and fun. Our invitation is open to everyone, so be sure to invite your family, friends, and neighbors!

## “Men’s Night Out” is Tuesday, November 12

All St. Giles men, and their male friends and family, are invited to gather at Grandpa’s in Glenview, at 7:00 pm, for Men’s Night Out. To arrange for transportation, contact Bill Perley, 847-272-6114.

## Senior Warden Report:

Greetings All Saint Gileans:

The expression, “Time flies when you’re having fun,” has taken on new meaning for me because I’ve added a clause to it: Time flies when you’re having fun and searching for a new minister.

I cannot report on the progress that our Minister Search Committee is making, but I can report that Fr. Tom Scott seems to be fitting in well with our parish. Tom has agreed to take on more ministerial duties until we call our next rector. He will guide us in our efforts to create a balanced budget, and help us with our Stewardship Campaign, which was launched at the end of October.

Thanks to Martha McGuire, we now have newer office furniture in our rector’s office and in our business office. Thanks also to Bob Schultz and his “moving crew” who loaded these heavy desks, cabinets, and chairs onto his truck, then unloaded all of it at St. Giles and moved it into the two offices. This recent movement of office furniture is actually an appropriate metaphor for our parish. When we need something done at St. Giles, our members band together and talk and coordinate and load and unload and get the job done.

Our community garden celebrated its 11<sup>th</sup> year of growing, and everybody seemed to have a good time at our annual Harvest Festival. We enjoyed homemade dishes and local musical talent, and some of us even got on the floor and did some square dancing!

I’m looking forward to our new liturgy format (and possibly start time) and to a mild, short winter.

*Respectfully Submitted, James Brooks, Senior Warden*

## September 2019 Vestry Re~cap: *(submitted by Ted Chabraja)*

The vestry meeting opened and adjourned in prayer. The initial agenda item was a discussion of accumulated interactions between repairmen, diocesan staff, and community-at-large personages. Without a full-time rector, this task falls upon the vestry; most notably our able wardens, Jim Brooks and Kay Okoli. Additionally we conversed about issues directed to the vestry by congregants.

We welcomed an agreement to have the Rev. Tom Scott as our continuing priest-in-charge for a mutually acceptable term along with certain extended responsibilities. Tom has been overwhelmingly popular with fellow members in leading our services in the absence of a full-time rector.

The Tree of Life congregation who use our church and undercroft on Sunday afternoons have extended their contract with us for another year.

It was approved to contract for new shingles, flashing and underlayment wood replacement for the rectory roof. A recent inspection indicated a critical need to replace the roof prior to this winter, lest we bear the elevated risk of greater damages within the rectory.

Kay Okoli was selected to be the alternate nominee for the upcoming diocesan convention, joining Meredith Brooks and John Hanzel.

Bill Perley, Glenn Hunt, and Ted Chabraja were appointed to oversee the organization and administration of the memorial garden. Again, this is a task that previously has been handled by our full time rector.

John Hanzel is researching solutions for a new printer/copier for the administrative office. Our current machine was bought refurbished some twenty years ago.

August financials and vestry minutes were approved as corrected.





## October Vestry Re~cap:

The October 2019 vestry meeting was opened with a prayer and ended with the compline led by Bill Perley. Tom Scott led a brief discussion on the importance of communication and methods of communication in regards to letting our parishioners know what we are doing and what we need from them to continue the ongoing mission of St. Giles.

The next item on the agenda was a discussion of how to designate & clarify budget & financial information in order to present it to the parish in a way that everyone will understand. The idea being that the financials of our church should be presented in a way that the average laymen would understand. We also felt that the new rector should be informed of our current financial status as part of the presentation made by the search committee. Ted & Kay will draft a proposal on this to advise the search committee.

The meeting continued with a discussion of how to gather ideas from the congregation regarding changes that they may want to see for future services. It was decided at this time it will be done as informal talks with people rather than a regular survey. Once we get some ideas, a survey by paper or email will be conducted, compiled & acted upon.

Brief discussions were also held concerning replacing the office copier, clean up of obsolete materials & items from office & other areas of the church. Possible masonry repairs to the top of the bell tower were brought up, but we need more information from Bob Schultz on this matter.

Respectfully submitted, *Glenn R. Hunt*

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## Communion of Saints Art Exhibit at Saint James Commons

"Communion of Saints," an art exhibit featuring the water-based work of Marcia Whitney-Schenck, will be held from Nov. 3-30th at St. James Commons, 65 E. Huron St., Chicago. The artist offers a fresh interpretation of a familiar subject, using such techniques as collage, watercolor, acrylic fluid on water, abstract, and symbolism. Whitney-Schenck, based in Chicago, is the former editor and publisher of the journal Christianity and the Arts and has been a long-time supporter of the Chicago Chapter of the International Thomas Merton Society. For five years, she performed one-woman dramatizations of saints utilizing images, sound, and movement. The exhibit, sponsored by St. James Cathedral and the Episcopal Diocese of Chicago, commemorates All Saints Day, Nov. 1. A public reception will be held from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 3 in St. James Commons. Admission is free and the exhibit can be viewed from 9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Monday through Saturday or by appointment. Because the gallery is occasionally used for other events, please call 312-787-7360 to confirm availability. The artist is available for a gallery tour. Contact: chnarts@aol.com.





## Our friends at Holy Family share their peace exchange trip experiences with other schools in Chicago:

Our seven 2019 Peace Builders are currently engaging neighborhood youth as part of the final phase of their one-year leadership program. They're sharing tips on peaceful practices, talking about their Peace Exchange experiences, and screening Amahoro | The Peace Exchange in Rwanda, the Free Spirit PRO-produced documentary of their summer trip. Like their predecessors, the young peace leaders will meet with a minimum of 1,000 children.

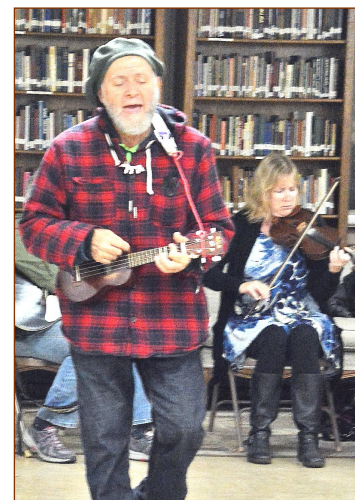
Our Speaking Peace instructional team kicked off the 2019/2020 school year with sessions at the Academy for Global Citizenship in Archer Heights, Daniel Webster Public School in North Lawndale, and Perspectives Charter School in the Near South Side.

Peace Builders, Holy Family School grads, and high school seniors Micah Baker and Jaylan Coleman-Tutt appeared in a recent episode of Different Drummers. In their interview with host LaShondra Stephens, the young leaders talked about attending Rwanda's 25th commemoration of the 1994 genocide. They shared stories about some of the extraordinary Rwandans they met, including youth peacemakers and residents of a "reconciliation village." Micah and Jaylan ended the segment by recapping some of the lessons they brought back to Chicago.

Amahoro | The Peace Exchange in Rwanda will air on WTTW/Channel 11 at 10 p.m. on Thursday, November 14.

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*Photos from the Harvest Festival*



*Photos courtesy of John Hanzel*



# ST. GILES EPISCOPAL CHURCH • NOVEMBER

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>Sundays:</b> <i>Tree of Life Community Church uses the church 12:30-3:30 p.m.</i> <i>Campanella Choir uses the church on Sundays from 4:00-6:00 p.m.</i>					<b>1</b> <b>Office Closed</b>  Campanella 5:00–6:35 PM	<b>2</b> Overeaters Anonymous, 11 AM – 12:15 PM Campanella 9 AM – 3:00 PM  <i>Change clocks back one hour!</i>
<b>3</b> <b>All Saints'</b> 10:15 AM: Choral Eucharist  <i>Evensong and Duruflé's Requiem 5:00 PM</i>	<b>4</b> <b>Office Closed</b>	<b>5</b> Yoga Class 9AM  Campanella 5:15–7:15 PM	<b>6</b>  Campanella 5:30–8:00 PM	<b>7</b> Yoga Class 9 AM  Evening Prayer, 4:30 PM (Prayer Rm)  Campanella 5:30–9:30 PM Choir Rehearsal 7:30 PM	<b>8</b> <b>Office Closed</b>  Campanella 5:00–6:35 PM	<b>9</b> Overeaters Anonymous, 11 AM – 12:15 PM  Campanella 9 AM – 3:00 PM
<b>10</b> <b>18 Pentecost</b> 9 AM: Community Breakfast 10:15 AM: Choral Eucharist	<b>11</b> <b>Office Closed</b>	<b>12</b> Yoga Class 9AM  Campanella 5:15–7:15 PM  <i>7 PM—Men's Night Out (at Grandpa's in Glenview)</i>	<b>13</b> ReVive Pickup  Campanella 5:30–8:00 PM	<b>14</b> Yoga Class 9 AM <i>Sassy Stitchers 9:30-12:30</i> Evening Prayer, 4:30 PM (Prayer Rm) Campanella 5:30–9:30 PM	<b>15</b> <b>Office Closed</b>  Campanella 5:00–6:35 PM  <i>November Bells submissions due</i>	<b>16</b> Overeaters Anonymous, 11 AM – 12:15 PM  Campanella 9 AM – 3:00 PM
<b>17</b> <b>19 Pentecost Litany of Healing</b> 10:15 AM: Choral Eucharist  <i>Pledge Ingathering</i>	<b>18</b> <b>Office Closed</b>	<b>19</b> Yoga Class 9AM  Campanella 5:15–7:15 PM  <i>7 PM—Vestry Mtg.</i>	<b>20</b>  Campanella 5:30–8:00 PM	<b>21</b> Yoga Class 9 AM  Evening Prayer, 4:30 PM (Prayer Rm) Campanella 5:30–9:30 PM	<b>22</b> <b>Office Closed</b>  Campanella 5:00–6:35 PM	<b>23</b> Overeaters Anonymous, 11 AM – 12:15 PM  Campanella 9 AM – 3:00 PM And Party 5-8:00 PM
<b>24</b> <b>Last Pentecost Christ the King</b> 10:15 AM: Choral Eucharist	<b>25</b> <b>Office Closed</b>	<b>26</b> Yoga Class 9AM  Campanella 5:15–7:15 PM	<b>27</b>  Campanella 5:30–8:00 PM	<b>28</b> <b>Office Closed</b>   No Choir	<b>29</b> <b>Office Closed</b>	<b>30</b> Overeaters Anonymous, 11 AM – 12:15 PM  Campanella 9 AM – 3:00 PM And Party 5-8:00 PM





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Time-Sensitive Material



## Time Change!

Daylight Saving Time ends at 2 a.m.  
on Sunday, November 3.

Please set your clocks back one hour  
before retiring on Saturday night!

*Don't forget:  
Pledge Ingathering is  
Sunday, November 17!*