

NEWSLETTER

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News and Notes

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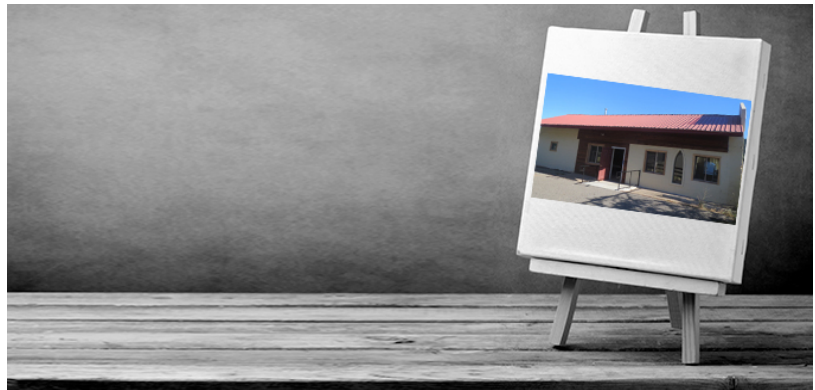
Fr. Matt would like to thank all our parishioners who helped make Sunday's Rededication of St. Giles' Hall such a wonderful day! The work party on September 27th was proof that "Many hands make light work!"

Fr. Matt and Pat Return to CCD

Pat Heck and Fr. Matt return to Santa Rosa from Oct. 8-11th to continue their College for Congregational Development Training. Please keep them in your prayers.

Sunday School Teachers Training Oct. 24th

Fr. Matt will hold a training for those interested in teaching Sunday School Saturday October 24th from 1-2pm. Our Lego Sunday School Curriculum is designed for "drop-in" teaching—so all you'll need is a smile and a kind heart to prepare!



Our new canvas

How will we utilize St. Giles' Hall?

Every week as I begin writing my sermons, I meet a familiar friend: the blank page. While some see a blinking cursor as a form of electronic taunting, I see an opportunity for imagination. For me, an empty page is just like a black canvas—an invitation to create and explore.

In many ways, St. Giles' Hall represents a similar opportunity for ministry.

All along, our goal in renovating St. Giles' Hall was to create an attractive, flexible space which could serve as a resource for our community. In that regard, St. Giles' exceeds even my expectations! Our new space can host lectures, movies, performances, and parties. I'm confident that this new space will ably serve as an introduction and invitation to our parish life and family.

New Parish Programs

For years, I have been anxiously awaiting an unthreatening and neutral program space to host events outside of our sanctuary. Now that we have just such a space, you'll see a lot more programs being offered here at Christ the King.

BBQ: Bible, Beverages, & Questions is a new class format

Bible, Beer, and Questions (BBQ) Series begins Oct. 14th

Fr. Matt will be leading a six week course investigating the question "Who wrote the Bible?" this fall. The course will trace the development of the Biblical canon from the earliest oral traditions of the Hebrew Scriptures all the way through to the Revelation of John. The style of the course will be relaxed, fun, and informative. No prior biblical knowledge is required. The course will be hosted in St. Giles' Hall, and is open to the public. Visitors and guests are encouraged!

Christ the King to Host Sierra Deanery Convocation October 24th

In preparation for our Diocesan Convention in November, Christ the King will be hosting the Sierra Deanery's Convocation on Oct. 24th from 9AM-1PM. We are looking for a volunteer to help provide hospitality for this event. If you are able to deliver doughnuts (already paid for) and help make coffee ahead of the meeting, please see Fr. Matt.

based on the Theology on Tap Series. The course kicks off with a 5-week class that looks at "Who wrote the Bible?" This class begins October 14th and runs Wednesday nights until November 18th. Following that, our BBQ class will function more as a monthly Inquirers' Class.

Lego Sunday School begins on October 18th. We are very excited about being able to offer a Sunday School, and we hope that this will help us attract new families to join our parish family. Children will listen to a Bible story, then recreate the story with Lego bricks. Their creations will be brought up and displayed in front of the altar during the Peace.

Family Films on Faith will start in November. We will screen a family movie and use that as an opportunity to talk about faith. Movies like Disney's *Big Hero 6* will allow us to talk about death, grieving, and forgiveness while Disney/Pixar's *Inside Out* will open up conversations about growing up and dealing with our emotions. Through this monthly series, we hope to bring families closer together through conversation and community.

Faith Stepping Stones is a parental support and educational curriculum aimed at helping parents understand the physical, mental, and spiritual development of their children through various age groups. We hope to launch this program in the New Year and partner with local health agencies to build awareness of this new program.

How else will YOU use St. Giles' Hall?

All of these are wonderful programs, but I am more excited about how you, our parishioners will utilize St. Giles' Hall as we develop new ministries.

Back in February, we brainstormed all sorts of ways parishioners could use St. Giles' Hall to promote Christ the King as a community partner. Everything from Music Groups to After School tutoring to Widow/Widower support groups were mentioned as possible ways in which we cater to the needs and interest of the wider community.

In the coming weeks, the Mission Committee will be creating policies and procedures to establish how parishioners and outside groups can reserve space in St. Giles' Hall, and what costs, if any, will be requested to off-set utility and cleaning costs.

In the mean time, if you have an idea for a new way to utilize St. Giles' Hall, we'd love to hear it!

-Fr. Matt

Prayer List

Birthdays:

Kristy

Anniversaries:

For those expecting a child:

In thanksgiving for newborns:

For those in the hospital:

For those in need of healing:

Chris
Margaret
Torrey
Klytia
Leila
Quincy
Robin
Joseph
Betty

For those who have died:

For those in need:

For those who travel:

Ken
Emily
The Hoovers

Special Concerns:

Christians in the Holy Land
Syrian Refugee Crisis

For those about to be Baptized

CTK Mission Priorities

St. Giles' Hall Renovations:

St. Giles' Hall is finished! Our first use of the program space will be for our new BBQ Class, followed by Sunday School beginning on the 18th, and the Sierra Deanery Convocation on the 24th!

Weekly Attendance:

Here is a comparison of our September attendance reports from 2014 and 2015:

Monthly Attendance	September 2015	Previous Year
Week 1	11	15
Week 2	9	11
Week 3	17	20
Week 4	19	9
Year to Date	621	504

Anglican/Episcopal Brand Awareness:

As the fall approaches, Fr. Matt has been actively promoting our new Lego Sunday School. In addition to online advertising, we've also had a tremendous amount of positive feedback from shoppers at Little People Toy Store in Quincy. The owner, Matt Kitchens, has been a wonderful partner, placing our Lego Sunday School cards in the store, and he reports a number of parents and children are excited about ! If you shop at Little People, be sure to thank him!

Our Website is showing an increase in popularity. We now average over 33 page views per day!

Budget Update

	2015 Budget	2015 Received	Difference
Pledge Income	\$15,600	\$13,850	-\$1,750
Restricted Pledge	\$7000	\$5250	-\$1750
St. Giles' Hall Capital Campaign	\$8000	\$4260	
	\$30600	\$23360	-\$3500

October Worship Schedule

Date	Reader	Chalice	Coffee	Sunday School	Lessons
Sunday October 4 St. Giles Celebration					II Kings 22:3-20; Canticle 22; Matthew 7:14-15, 22-27
Sunday October 11 Pent. 20 Pr. XXIII	McNett		Batson		Amos 5:6-7, 10-15; Psalm 90:12-17; Hebrews 4:12-16; Mark 10:17-31
Sunday October 18 Pent. 21 Pr. XXIV	Way	Way	Way	Warren	Isaiah 53:4-12; Psalm 91:9-16; Hebrews 5:1-10; Mark 10:35-45
Sunday October 25 Pent. 22 Pr. XXV	Muñoz	Muñoz	Muñoz		Jeremiah 31:7-9; Psalm 126; Hebrews 7:23-28; Mark 10:46-52

November Worship Schedule

Date	Reader	Chalice	Coffee	Sunday School	Lessons
Sunday November 1 All Saints' Day (Daylight Savings)	Hoover	James	Hoover	Warren	Ecclesiasticus 44:1-10, 13-14; Psalm 149; Revelation 7:2-4, 9-17; Matthew 5:1-12
Sunday November 8 Pent. 24 Pr. XXVII	McNett	Gimbel	Batson		I Kings 17:8-16; Psalm 146; Hebrews 9:24-28; Mark 12:38-44
Sunday November 15 Pent. 25 Pr. XXVIII	Way	Way	Way	Warren	Daniel 12:1-3; Psalm 16; Hebrews 10:11-25; Mark 13:1-8
Sunday November 22 Christ the King Sunday	Muñoz	Muñoz	Muñoz		Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14; Psalm 93; Revelation 1:4b-8; John 18:33-37
Sunday November 29 Advent I	Gimbel	Gimbel	Warren	Warren	Jeremiah 33:14-16; Psalm 25:1-9; I Thessalonians 3:9-13; Luke 21:25-36

December Worship Schedule

Date	Reader	Chalice	Coffee	Sunday School	Lessons
Sunday December 6 Advent II	McNett	James	Watson	Warren	Malachi 3:1-4; Canticle 16; Philippians 1:3-11; Luke 3:1-6
Sunday December 13 Advent III	Way	Way	Way		Zephaniah 3:14-20; Canticle 9; Philippians 4:4-7; Luke 3:7-8
Sunday December 20 Advent IV Children's Church	Muñoz	Muñoz	Muñoz		Micah 5:2-5a; Canticle 15; Hebrews 10:5-10; Luke 1:39-45
Thursday Dec. 24 Lessons & Carols with Communion	TBA				TBA
Sunday December 27 Christmas I	Gimbel	Gimbel	Warren		Jeremiah 26:1-9, 12-15; Psalm 31:1-5; Acts 6:8-7:2a, 51c-60; Matthew 23:34-39