



St. Charles
Episcopal Church

THE PULSE



"Why do seek the living among the dead? He is not here, but is risen!" ~ Luke 24:5b-6

INFORMATION, CALENDAR AND PRAYER LISTS
For April 25 - May 2, 2024



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A Change in the Vestry

The vestry would like to thank Kathy Mertes for her dedication to serving on the vestry, leading Pastoral and Congregational Care for the last two and a half years. Kathy has decided to step down due to recent health concerns. At this month's vestry meeting we approved Chris Robinson to fill Kathy's seat for the rest of her term, ending in January of

next year. Our heartfelt thanks to both Kathy and Chris!

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](#) (You must "subscribe" to be able to view)

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!

Worth Repeating - Last Week's Service

Due to technical difficulties we were unable to livestream the April 21st service. We hope to have next week's service for you on Sunday.



We experienced technical difficulties recording last week's service. A hardcopy of Rev. Fran's sermon can be found [here](#).

Minutes from March's vestry meeting, approved at this month's meeting, can be found using this link: [Vestry Minutes March 2024](#). Paper copies of minutes from all meetings can be found in the binders in our library.



Free Spaghetti Dinner

This Sunday, April 28th, our Free Spaghetti Dinner celebrates 15 years of serving our community! Started in 2008 by Joe Ryan and Matt Rhead during the financial crisis, Kathy Hari and Dallas Heikkinen have joyfully continued this ministry through the pandemic with their team of volunteers. Those who choose to dine in this month can choose from the regular spaghetti dinner or a special lasagna. Join us from 4 - 6 pm, either dining in or take-out.

Anti-Racism Training

On Saturday, May 11 from 9am to 5pm, the Anti-Racism Commission of the Episcopal Diocese of Chicago will sponsor a one-day training entitled, Animated Anti-Racist Ways of Being. The training - which will take place at St. Mark's Episcopal Church in Glen Ellyn - will be presented by Crossroads Anti-Racism Organizing and Training. Cost for the training will be \$20 to any member of an Episcopal Diocese of Chicago congregation.

This training is an opportunity to begin to honor the commitment we as a diocese made when at the Chicago convention in 2022, we overwhelmingly passed Resolution F-185. It is also a required pre-requisite to more intensive 3-day training with Crossroads. We hope that all Wardens and Vestries, Racial Justice Committees, and clergy, as well as other members of our congregation that are interested in the journey to Becoming Beloved Community will attend. Click [HERE](#) for a description of the workshop.

To register go to: <https://episcopalchicago.wufoo.com/forms/r1kx6xaa0r3cuiu/>
For more information contact Ed Manning: ekmanning5@gmail.com
To talk to a member of the Anti-Racism Commission email Lukas Sweitzer:
arc@episcopalchicago.org



APRIL BIRTHDAYS

Larry Engel, Katie Thomson, Connor Anderson, Carol Kampf, Linda Green,
Fay Viverito, Kathy Heikkinen, Fran Holliday, Carol Townsend

*If you have an April 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.

Lessons For April 28, 2024

Acts 8:26-40; Psalm 22:24-30; 1 John 4:7-21; John 15:1-8

Parish Administrator Leave of Absence

Our Parish Admin, Shellie, will be taking a personal leave of absence beginning on April 3, 2024. The leave will extend through May 2nd, with Shellie returning to regular office hours on May 6th.

During this time **the Parish Office will remain open**. Emails and phone messages will be checked daily, so please feel free to leave a message. If you will be sending emails for the Pulse, Weekly Whispering, and the church calendar, please continue to send your emails to parishadmin@stcharlesepiscopal.org. There will be people appointed to cover the Parish Admin job duties during this time.

If you have any questions, please contact Rev. Fran at 630-584-2596 or
revfran@stcharlesepisopal.org

CHURCH CALENDAR

Thursday, April 25

"The Pulse" is emailed

9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Yellow House Artists in Ludtke Hall

3:15 p.m. Coverall Cleaning Service

8:30 p.m. Compline

Zoom Link Meeting ID: 829 1768 3846 Passcode: 619810

Friday, April 26

5:30 p.m. Al Anon

8:00 p.m. AA Meeting

Saturday, April 27

8:00 a.m. AA Meeting

Sunday, April 28

9:30 a.m. Sunday Service with the Rev. Fran Holliday

4:00 - 6:00 p.m. Free Spaghetti Dinner (15th Anniversary!)

Monday, April 29

5:30 p.m. AA Meeting

Tuesday, April 30

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, May 1

11:15 a.m. Staff 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

Thursday, May 2

"The Pulse" is emailed

10:30 a.m. Prayer Shawl Ministry

3:15 p.m. Coverall Cleaning Service

5:00 p.m. Lazarus House Supper

8:30 p.m. Compline

Zoom Link Meeting ID: 829 1768 3846 Passcode: 619810



Car Boot
Rummage Sale

SAVE THE DATE!
Car Boot Rummage
and Bake Sales
June 8th, 9:00-1:00

Questions?
Ask **Chris Robinson**

PRAYERS FOR THE COMING WEEK

For Healing and Intercession

Scott J., Tom and Sharon M., Laura S., Tina B., Joyce M., Judy M., Betsy S., Kathy M., Meredith W., Deacon Steve L., and

Deb. We also include all those being prayed for by the Daughters of the King.

For the Repose of the Soul of Marilyn Wicks, Alexander E. (friend of Bill Y.) and Andy (friend of Laura Graf)

For Those Seeking Employment
Bo S., Colin B., and Jake D.



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
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Shellie Morgan, Parish Admin ParishAdmin@stcharlesepiscopal.org

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