



St. Charles Episcopal Church



"Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid." John 14:27

INFORMATION, CALENDAR, AND PRAYER LISTS October 9, 2025 - October 11, 2025



2026 Stewardship Testimonial

Laura Ingalls Wilder once said, "Home is the nicest word there is." We all love our home — a place where family bonds, enjoys good times, finds comfort and solace, and shares responsibilities. St. Charles Church provides us with a home for all the same reasons.

We bond through our similar beliefs, our concern and caring for each other and for the community of St. Charles, and our desire to share good times. When you want a place to socialize, our parish offers coffee hours, Free Spaghetti Dinners, Adult Bible Study, and Ladies Day Out. Comfort and solace are to be found in our library, the Labyrinth, our beautiful church, and one-on-one time with a caring priest.

When responsibilities are shared, our committees are able to accomplish many projects for our church and the community. The choir and other music add greatly to our services, and joining the Vestry is a fulfilling way to become involved. We show our community spirit by offering support to Lazarus House, the Giving Tree, and Carroll Towers among others. We don't forget our "shut-ins" either.

As with maintaining our own home, it's readily apparent that our Church home requires financial stability in order to survive and enjoy growth. We need St. Charles Episcopal and St. Charles Episcopal needs us. Obviously, this is the time of the annual stewardship request. Our people, the Vestry, staff and committees work tirelessly for our parish. Please join me in helping with our financial responsibilities, and pledge what you are able. If you can increase your pledge beyond what you have given previously, that would be a greatly appreciated gift. After all, we do love our home.

~Larry Dirst

View the 2026 Stewardship Campaign Letter [HERE](#)
View the 2026 Pledge card [HERE](#)

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:

YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/@StCharlesEpiscopalChurchStChar>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/StCharlesEpiscopalIL>

View prior services [HERE](#)



CHURCH SERVICE BULLETINS

Please click [HERE](#) to access our Sunday, Oct 12, 2025 service bulletin.
The service bulletins are also on our [website](#).

SCRIPTURE LESSONS FOR October 12, 2025

https://www.lectionarypage.net/YearC_RCL/Pentecost/CProp23_RCL.html

• Jeremiah 29:1, 4-7 • Psalm 66:1-11 • 2 Timothy 2:8-15 • Luke 17:11-19

Holiday Greenery Sales - Deadline this Sunday!

Oliver Ulaszek is selling fresh holiday greenery from Heinz Brothers to benefit his scout troop. **All orders are due this Sunday, October 12.** Payment will be collected when items are delivered over Thanksgiving weekend or the following week.



Please see the sign-up sheet in Ludke Hall for more details and to place your order or contact Lisel Ulaszek at ulaszek.lisel@gmail.com. Click [HERE](#) to view the information sheet with pricing. Thank you for your support!



Taizé Prayer Service Cancelled

The October 19th Taizé Prayer Service has been cancelled. It will be rescheduled for a future date to be determined.

Adult Education to Continue With 3-week Series

Genesis 1:31 – 2:2 And there was evening and there was morning the sixth day. Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all their multitude. And on the seventh day God finished the work that he had done...

Wait a minute, didn't God finish creation on the sixth day?? Is the Bible contradicting itself?

The author of *The Sabbath* contends that God did actually finish the work of creation on the seventh day because he created rest, tranquility, serenity, peace, and repose AND he made it holy.

Our adult education will continue with a 3-week series of discussions based on the book, *The Sabbath* by Abraham Joshua Heschel. This is a small book but filled with much wisdom.

Please join us in the library at 11:30 on October 19th for the first session.



Anti-Racism Training to be held at SCEC

The National Episcopal Church has mandated that all lay leadership at the congregational level be required to take anti-racism training. To that directive, the Anti-Racism Commission of the Episcopal Diocese of Chicago will be hosting a half-day training pilot here at St. Charles Episcopal Church on **Saturday, October 25th at 9:30 am**. The training is approximately 4-5 hours long and includes a working lunch. The Commission will pick up the entire cost of the training and lunch. We currently have 4-5 openings available.

If you would like to avail yourself of this wonderful opportunity, please contact Melinda Oakey, Kathy Heikkinen, or Edward Manning for more information.



Bakers and Drivers Needed for Free Spaghetti Dinner

Bakers and Drivers are needed for Lazarus House & Carroll Towers for Oct, Nov and Dec. No one had signed up for baking in Sept. Please sign up to help out with this important outreach. Thank you from the FSD ministry.

Women's Lunch November 10th

All women of St. Charles Episcopal Church are invited to join us at the next Ladies Lunch:

- Monday, November 11th at 11:30 a.m.
- Nosh in Geneva - 22 North 3rd Street
- RSVP to Carole Woods at cararsieca@att.net, text or call 630-463-2507



Upcoming Job Fairs

If you have a friend or family member who is unemployed or underemployed, please make them aware of these upcoming job fairs, and SCEC's jobs ministry. For info on the jobs ministry contact Bo Smith at 630-263-9512 or bosmith99@aol.com.

Wednesday, Oct. 15

Kendall County Career and Resource Fair

Fox Valley YMCA

3875 Eldamain Rd.

Plano

1-3 p.m.



OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

Zoe Ulaszek, Regan Jancauskas, Chris Robinson, Jody Rullman, Larry Dirst, Lydia Downey, Carol Foster, Marcia Priddy, Lisel Ulaszek, Katie Anderson, Hugh Robinson

If you have an October 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.

CHURCH CALENDAR

Thursday, Oct 9

"The Pulse" is emailed

3:00 p.m. Cleaning company

8:30 p.m. Compline on Zoom

[Zoom Link](#) Meeting ID: 829 1768 3846 Passcode: 619810

Friday, Oct 10

5:30 p.m. Al Anon

7:30 p.m. AA Meeting

Saturday, Oct 11

8:00 a.m. AA Meeting

Sunday, Oct 12

9:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist Service with The Rev. Maureen O'Connor

11:30 a.m. Adult Formation - Ludtke Hall

Monday, Oct 13

5:30 p.m. AA meeting

Tuesday, Oct 14

11:00 a.m. Scripture Study on Zoom (contact: [Deacon Steve](#))

[Zoom Link](#) Meeting ID: 865 3516 0570 Passcode: 702460

5:00 p.m. AA Meeting

7:00 p.m. Finance Committee Meeting

Wednesday, Oct 15

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 a.m. Choir Rehearsal - Ludtke Hall

Thursday, Oct 16

"The Pulse" is emailed

9:00 a.m. FRVI Meeting - Ludtke Hall

3:00 p.m. Cleaning company

8:30 p.m. Compline on Zoom

[Zoom Link](#) Meeting ID: 829 1768 3846 Passcode: 619810

This information may also be found on the church [calendar](#).

PRAYERS FOR THE COMING WEEK

For Healing and Intercession

Scott J., Tom & Sharon M., Tina B., Judy M., Betsy B., Julia R., Drew P., John E., Carol K., Philip D., Willow, Alfredo S., Jackie F. & her husband, Shirley, Wink B., Judy K., and Jess L. We also include all those being prayed for by the Daughters of the King.



For Our Search Committee

We pray especially for our Search Committee that they will be unified together with love, that they may be guided by the Holy Spirit, receiving guidance and wisdom from God and the courage to act where God leads, and that they may undertake this work with joy.

We pray for our parish during this time of our search for a new Priest, that we may show forth patience and trust for those chosen to lead the process.



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

***All are welcome here!
You are loved - no exceptions!***

St. Charles Episcopal Church is part of the Diocese of Chicago, the Episcopal Church of the USA, and the international Anglican Communion. We are listed as an Affirming Church on gaychurch.org



*Pulse submissions are due to the Parish Office by noon on Wednesday.
All submissions are subject to editing.*

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