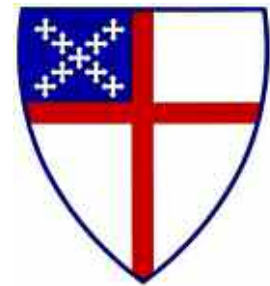




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## It's all about Outreach

The St. Giles' Outreach Ministry Team has some worthwhile and fun projects that we wanted to share with you all, projects for which we ask your prayerful and active support.

Since the end of February of this year, we are bringing non-perishable food offerings to church every Sunday. A representative sample of these food supplies are then brought to the altar to be blessed as part of our regular worship service. At the end of each month we take the food alternatively to the Jefferson or Whitefield Food Banks. We are planning to procure sturdy totes with the St. Giles' logo for parishioners to use on a weekly basis for this purpose. It is hoped that when we grocery shop, it will soon become a very routine practice to purchase an extra food item or two as we remember those families in our communities who are struggling with very basic needs, including how to feed their families.

Other projects underway for this year include: exploration of a youth project through Episcopalian Relief and Development of buying a "Hog for Haiti", perhaps setting a fund-raising goal that, once achieved, will provide the added benefit of a "clergy pig-kissing" event, supporting a planned return by some parishioners to Hurricane Katrina sites in Louisiana for continued home restoration, booth participation at the County Fair this summer and fall planning to once again join in an ecumenical effort with Lincoln County Episcopal and other churches for a February "Hearts for Haiti" dinner at St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Newcastle. (Last February this event, that included an auction and sale of art works, raised \$8000 for support of residents of Gros Morne who were sheltering large numbers of evacuees for Port au Prince. This



*The first of the three Christian Exploration and Discovery programs on Buddhism took place on April 25 following the coffee hour. Doris Balant, above, left, explained the basic tenets of this practice of faith.*

village has been long known to our friends from St. Andrew's Episcopal Church in Newcastle who have active church and educational ties to that village. Many of you will be in warmer climes next February, but there are still ways to support this exciting and fun time. We can talk more about it this summer!)

Please keep us in mind and prayer, as well as participating with us, as we

strive to be faithful to the task of serving our community with offerings of food for those who need this support.

*Raymond Anderson  
and Trudi Hodgkins, Co-facilitators  
St. Giles' Outreach Ministry Team*

## ECW

ECW met Tuesday, May 4th at Linda Brown's home in Windsor. We want to say a big thank you for all who pledged money for our Chair Challenge. We reached our goal and purchased forty new folding chairs. They are comfortable and good-looking. One more thank you for all who helped with the Easter Brunch. Your constant support makes our work easy.

— Dotti Meyer

## Pine Hill Nursery School

Our school year is coming to an end. We will finish the year with a favorite unit...dinosaurs. I always learn something new about dinosaurs from the children.

We will have our final days of school on May 25 & 26. The children will share songs, rhymes and gifts with their families on these two days.

Registration is looking good for next year so be sure to tell your friends to call soon if they are interested in enrolling a child.

— Dotti Meyer

## A Note from Heidi and Evy

Thank you all for your prayers these last 3 months. As you can see, Evy Dora Kokmeyer came into this world healthy and happy on April 14th, just a couple of weeks early. The prayer shawl was a constant reminder of the love from home and St. Giles'. She had it with her in the hospital to "wear" home and it is now in her crib. Thank you, thank you, thank you.



## Vestry News

The April 8 Vestry meeting focused on follow-up to the March 13 retreat of vestry and other parish members. Much of the discussion dealt with programs for young people, both Sunday Schoolers and older youths, both for their own sake and as a way to attract families with children to St. Giles.

One of the options looked at was hiring a Sunday School teacher, to bring stability and continuity to that program. Members decided to invite the members of the Youth Exploration and Discovery Ministry Team to the May 13 Vestry meeting for a discussion of youth program ideas. A highlight of the evening was a preview of one of Ken Marden's Country Fair lobster signs — destined to become part of advertising history.

## Time and Talent

As everyone knows, the St. Giles Fair is coming up on July 31. One of the most exciting aspects of the Fair is the auction. People come from all over to snap up bargains of antiques and furniture. But there are other treasures to be found there. How about a weekend at John and Pamm Van Siclen's Tidewater Retreat or at Deb King's camp? Those are examples of time and talent that were donated at last year's auction. Perhaps you don't have a Picasso painting that you would like to be relieved of. More realistically, maybe you are an ace gardener, or baker, or closet organizer? You can help St. Giles and have a good time at the same time by donating some of your hidden talent, for which others will eagerly bid.

Think of the possibilities: a candlelight dinner for two, cooked, delivered, served and cleaned up after; 5 batches of cookies; teaching knitting, crocheting, etc. If you own a gravel pit, how about auctioning off so many yards of gravel, loam, etc.? Another idea is an evening of babysitting or three hours of sewing/mending/alterations

This especially works well for people who do not want to help with the Fair in one of the traditional ways like setting up, taking down, etc. For the most part the items auctioned off happen at an agreed time by the seller and buyer (unless it is something baked, of course).

If you need another reason, the auction the church's largest fund raiser and the money goes towards our operating budget for the year.

Please contact Deb Lipton-Morin at 226-3787, 701-9770 or [deblipton@roadrunner.com](mailto:deblipton@roadrunner.com). Let your imagination run wild! The sky is the limit!

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# Ministry for May 2010

*Reminder: If you cannot fulfill your ministerial duties on the date specified, it is your responsibility to find a substitute.*

## May 2 Fifth of Easter

Celebrant/Preacher: Rev. Susan Kraus  
 Readers: Catherine Anderson & Cynthia White

Chalice/Intercessor: John Atwood  
 Oblationers: Tom & Wendy Eichler  
 Greeter: Kay Dale  
 Server: Jean Greenwood  
 Acolytes: Nicholas Huber & Gilbert Burbank

Nursery: Meegan Burbank  
 Coffee: Jean Miller & Betsy Lee  
 Altar: Nancy Saulniers & Lamar Carroll

## May 9 Sixth of Easter

Celebrant/Preacher: Rev. John Van Siclén  
 Readers: Tom Eichler & Wendy Eichler  
 Chalice: Charlene Donahue

Intercessor: Trudi Hodgkins  
 Oblationers: Jean Miller & Carolyn Gray  
 Greeter: George Jones  
 Server: Emily Huber  
 Nursery: Kevin/Christy Rousseau  
 Coffee: Carolyn & Joe Gray  
 Altar: Jean Greenwood

## May 16 Seventh of Easter

Celebrant/Preacher: Rev. Susan Kraus  
 Readers: Kay Dale & Trudi Hodgkins  
 Chalice: George Jones

Intercessor: Jean Miller  
 Oblationers: Nancy Saulniers & Charlene Donahue  
 Greeter: Cynthia White  
 Server: Roberta Anderson  
 Acolytes: Zachary Anderson & Gilbert Burbank

Nursery: Laura Lee  
 Coffee: Linda Brown & Debbie King  
 Altar: Dotti Meyer

## May 23 Day of Pentecost

Celebrant: Rev. John Van Siclén  
 Preacher: Rev. Lee Bruns  
 Readers: Ken Marden & Jean Greenwood  
 Chalice: Dotti Meyer

Intercessor: George Jones  
 Oblationers: The Anderson Family  
 Greeter: Jean Miller  
 Server: Betsy Lee  
 Acolytes: Nicholas Huber & Emily Huber  
 Nursery: Cathi Laweryson  
 Coffee: Jill Huber & Trudi Hodgkins  
 Altar: Cynthia White

With the guidance of the Holy Spirit, our mission is to bring all people to unity with God and each other in Christ, through worship, education ministry and service.

## May 30 Trinity Sunday

Celebrant/Preacher: Rev. John Van Siclén  
 Readers: Raymond Anderson & Liz Jones  
 Chalice: Pam Van Siclén

Intercessor: Dotti Meyer  
 Oblationers: Ken Marden & George Jones  
 Greeter: Wendy Eichler  
 Server: Laura Lee  
 Acolytes: Roberta Anderson & Zachary Anderson

Nursery: Catherine Anderson  
 Coffee: Lyndia Gould & Nancy Saulniers  
 Altar: Linda Pierpont

## June 6 Second after Pentecost

Celebrant/Preacher: Rev. Susan Kraus  
 Readers: Jean Miller & Kay Liss  
 Chalice/Intercessor: Jean Greenwood

Oblationers: Jane & Richard Pickering  
 Greeter: Trudi Hodgkins  
 Server: Dotti Meyer  
 Nursery: Meegan Burbank  
 Coffee: Liz Jones & Ken Mard  
 Altar: Tom & Wendy Eichler

## Birthdays in May

5th—Laura Lee  
 7th —Christy Rousseau  
 10th—Lucilla Archer  
 12th—Catherine Anderson  
 17th—Erin King  
 19th—Ed Grant  
 20th—Lamar Carroll  
 21st—Lyndia Gould  
 21st—Amber Saulniers  
 26th—Nicholas Huber  
 27th—Eric Jones

## Anniversaries in May

26th—Raymond & Catherine Anderson

## Lessons for May

### May 2 Fifth of Easter

First Lesson Acts 11:1-8  
 Psalm 148  
 Second Lesson Revelation 21:1-6  
 Gospel: John 13:31-35

### May 9 Sixth of Easter

First Lesson Acts 16:9-15  
 Psalm 67  
 Second Lesson Revelation 21:10,22-22:5  
 Gospel: John 14:23-29

### May 16 Seventh of Easter

First Lesson Acts 16:16-34  
 Psalm 97  
 Second Lesson Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21  
 Gospel: John 17:20-26

### May 23 Day of Pentecost

First Lesson Acts 2:1-21  
 Psalm 104  
 Second Lesson Romans 8:14-17  
 Gospel: John 14:8-1

### May 30 Trinity Sunday

First Lesson Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31  
 Psalm 8  
 Second Lesson Romans 5:1-5  
 Gospel: John 16:12-15

## Family Days for May

2nd—Jean Miller  
 9th—All Mothers!  
 16th—Linda Pierpont  
 23rd—Kevin & Christy Rousseau  
 20th—Bob & Nancy Saulniers

## Prayer List

### We hold in prayer:

<b>Sick/convallescent</b>	Home-bound/ Nursing homes
Brad Tait	Chronic illness
Cullen McReynolds	Mij & Bob Bradford
John Ohta	Bob Ferrier
Rosa Sinclair	Alice Hayden
Jennie St. Amand	MaryAnn Lounsbury
Michael Gunter	Judy Marden
Norman Burr	Betty Ross
Michael Duckworth	Keith West
Margaret Ellis	Rena Wynn
Blair Hodgkins	

In the Armed Services:  
 Mike Sprague