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NOVEMBER WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Sunday, November 3

Celebration of All Saints Christian Education: 9:15am Worship: 10:30am

Sunday, November 10

Christian Education: 9:15am Worship: 10:30am

Sunday, November 17

Christian Education: 9:15am

Worship: 10:30am

Sunday, November 24

Christ the King Sunday Christian Education: 9:15am

Worship: 10:30am

Thanksgiving Luncheon 12:00pm

A Message from Katherine

Friends,

"We plough the fields, and scatter the good seed on the land, but it is fed and watered by God's almighty hand; God sends the snow in winter, the warmth to swell the grain, the breezes and the sunshine, and soft refreshing rain: All good gifts around us are sent by heaven above; then thank the Lord, O thank the Lord, for all God's love." (Matthias Claudius (1740-1815), tr. Jane Campbell (1817-1878)

I cannot count the number of times I sang this hymn while I was serving in England. Seemingly every congregation had a Harvest Festival in September or October and, in my experience, every Harvest Festival included this hymn. This hymn calls us back to our agrarian roots and invites us to consider the human work involved in ploughing, planting and harvesting as well as God's work in the gift of seasons. The refrain broadens this idea of gifts from harvest gifts to "all good gifts" and proclaims that all we have is a gift from God. As you look back on this year, on this decade, even on the span of your life, what "good gifts" have you received? How have you thanked God for these gifts and for God's love?

"Let all things now living a song of thanksgiving to God our Creator triumphantly raise; who fashioned and made us, protected and stayed us, by guiding us on to the end of our days...We too should be voicing our love and rejoicing; with glad adoration, a song let us raise, till all things now living unite in thanksgiving: to God in the highest, hosanna and praise!" (Katherine Davis, 1892-1980)

We live in a culture obsessed with individuality and differentiation. We are quick to point out what makes us unique. We jump at the opportunity to create categories and assign places. We do very little, if anything, as a united group of living beings. What would it sound like for "all things" to raise a song of thanksgiving to God? What would be different if "all things" could unite in thanksgiving?

Saint Giles Presbyterian Church has received God's "good gifts" in countless ways: in talented and generous members and friends, in a hunger to know God's vision and pursue God's kingdom, in a commitment to love our neighbors and grow in discipleship. We rely on God's love and grace, we acknowledge the Source of all Gifts and we celebrate the transforming presence of God in our lives. We come together in worship, fellowship, service, and in giving time, talent and treasure. We strive to embody the unity God envisions while taking time to acknowledge the particular ways we experience God in one another.

Thanks be to God!

Peace, Katherine

COMMUNITY CARE

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please Pray for these Members, Relatives and Friends

Pat Lindsay, Rachel Williams, Sandra Richbourg, Charolette Brown, Libby Morton, Dan Grassi, Dick Grassi, Earl MacCormac, Paula Hagler, Dave Smith, Robert "Mac" Hanks, Carol Pope, Aleta Wheeler, Marie Minani, Inez Ruchte, Andrew Scharfe, **Janet Wherry**

- Sallie Taylor's sister, Janet
- Jan Morgan's daughter, Anna
- Betty Fetvedt's sister, Peggy
- Marti Ranney's friend Sherrill
- Teresa Johnson's cousin, Kaitlyn
- Charolette Brown's friend, Jaqueline
- Janet Wherry's sons David and Stephen, and her sister Fran
- Rachel & Rodney Williams' daughter, Rene
- The Tatum-Carter family's friend, Matthew
- Pat and Bob Lindsay's granddaughter, Rebecca
- Chris Zaineddin's sister Holly, aunt Phyllis, friend Peggy, niece Sourour Dehnadi, and friend Paul Hutter and family
- Dave & Rita Hart's friends Bernie, Terry, & Gerhard, neighbor Mary and her family
- Roberta Dibble's friend Margaret Rothman
- Mary Ellen Jackson's cousin Betty Turner
- Carmen Rosa, along with Tania Valentine and Maurice Kersey
- Friends of Hess and Hart families, Max & Leatha Carey and family, and Mark Christensen and family
- Jo Lourens' father Flip Viviers
- Kimberly and Chad Craven's friend and her family
- Lisa, coworker of Koreen Thomasson, and Lisa's husband Ed, as he enters hospice
- Sara Monazah's grandmother Zary
- Carol Pope's brother, David
- Elizabeth Norris's grandson
- Kathy & Bob Wolinski's daughter, Amy
- Nathan Whittle's girlfriend's daughter Jen
- John Lavender's brother Don Allen Lavender, and John and Susie's niece's husband Ben Cooper
- Nicole Goolsby's mother Lyn Rion

*requests in **bold** have been recently added or are in need of special prayer.

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- 4 Robert Hanks Jr.
- 5 Carol Pope
 - Philemon Emmanuel
- 7 John Hall Jr.
 - Grace Kuvuna
- 8 Jean Smith
- 10 Chuck Thomasson
- 12 Sherry Rand
- 13 Bill McClenny
 - Inez Ruchte
- 17 Sallie Taylor
- 18 Iris Morris
- 19 Paula Hagler Dave Smith
- 21 Jack Boyd
- 24 Laure Ingabire
- 25 Yvonne Hanks
- 26 Charolette Brown Clayton Knudsen
- 27 John Iager
 - Wiley Patterson Nora Patterson

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND INFORMATION

Stewardship Update

WE INVITE & GROW.

A key part of that is the invitation, an invitation for others to join with us as a faith community. To assist in that effort, we created a short video that introduces and celebrates the mission of Saint Giles. That video is both on the front page of our website and on our Facebook page. Check it out if you haven't already done so. We hope that you will not just "Like" it, but will also share it and forward it to your friends. We believe this is an easy way for you to celebrate the many great things happening here & tell the story of Saint Giles to your friends and neighbors and INVITE them to GROW with us.

INVITE & GROW is much more than just the number of members. It's also an INVITATION for members of Saint Giles to GROW as disciples of Christ. Part of that discipleship is financial support. Thank you to those who have returned your Estimates of Giving. We appreciate those many wonderful gifts. If, however, you have not returned your Estimate of Giving card, please consider doing so at your earliest convenience. Your Estimate of Giving provides Saint Giles with the information necessary to wisely apply the church's resources to our many and varied missions and helps the Session plan for 2020. Please mail them to or drop them off at the Church office. Thank you.

Yours in Christ, The Stewardship Ministry Team

Senior Adult Ministry

On Sunday, November 17, following our morning service, we will be privileged to have a representative from Quail Ridge Books meet with us in Fellowship Hall to provide information on several books in each of four categories: religious themes, environment and climate change, new & old fiction and childrens' books. Sandwiches, along with our regular coffee hour selections will be provided. This event is designed to appeal to all age groups in our church and is an opportunity to order books as gifts for the holiday seasons. Orders can be made at this event with pick-up and payment made at the book store. You are invited to come and bring a friend or family member.

Habitat for Humanity

You can still help build six new homes in Habitat for Humanity's Faith Build!

Saint Giles is helping Habitat for Humanity of Wake County go bigger this year by building a 6-unit townhome. An ambitious project that includes our donation of funds, builders, and food, we will partner with Habitat and other congregations to complete a home for six families in just 16 weeks! We're asked to provide six workers on our building days and to provide lunch for teams of 20 builders on one of those days. **Saint Giles is building on 11/23, and 12/14.** Please contact Tom Augspurger (jillandtom@aol.com, 919-744-8510) to volunteer for building or feeding the builders (or just to learn more) -- you'll be part of an impactful partnership as Habitat Wake built 83 homes and completed 66 home repair projects last year alone!

Children's Ministry

The Children's Ministry is excited to offer a structure of faith formation, planned to support the children's spiritual growth, as well as reflect what they will learn in Worship. Please feel free to reach out to Vanna Fox, vanna@saintgiles.org or Karen Patterson, karenp27612@gmail.com with any questions.

November schedule for the Children

November 3

9:15-9:45 Music Time

9:45-10:15 Craft

November 10

9:15-9:30 Music Time

9:30-10:15 **Joy Journeys** - Exodus with Rita Hart/Teresa Johnson

Whirl - The Sadducees Question, Luke 20:27-38 with Peg Forester/Roberta Dibble

November 17

9:15-9:30 Music Time

9:30-10:15 **Joy Journeys** - 10 Best Ways to Live with Erin Tracy/Jennifer Gospodarek

Whirl - Working Together, 2 Thessalonians 3:6-13, with Karen Patterson/Roberta

Dibble

November 24

9:15-9:30 Music Time

9:30-9:45 Kids4Missions - Creating Centerpieces for the Thanksgiving Luncheon with the

Children's Ministry Committee

Leadership Teams 2019-2020

Music - Pat Lindsay/Elizabeth Norris

Crafts - Elise Stiles/Joyce Vollmer/Mary Byrd Pettenati/Sarah Monazah

Nursery - Jordan Dickerson/Kathy Matthews

Younger Children - Rita Hart/Teresa Johnson, Erin Tracy/Jennifer Gospodarek Older Children - Karen Patterson/Roberta Dibble, Peg Forster/Roberta Dibble

Worship Bags - Elizabeth Abernathy

Kids4Missions - Rita Hart-Lead/Children's Ministry Committee

Substitutes - Chris Zaineddin, Caroline Tatum-Carter

Youth Ministry

This month we have lots of fun planned!

Please join us this month! This November we have some special events planned including making tie dye t-shirts, cooking for the Thanksgiving Luncheon, and the first of the Presbytery's Faith & Sexuality sessions for Middle School Students. Please see the weekly Youth Update for more, or reach out to James: jamesbrown@saintgiles.org

	<u>Sunday School</u>	Youth Group
Nov 3	ETS Lesson	No YG
Nov 10	ETS Lesson	Youth Group 5pm-7pm (Dinner)
Nov 17	ETS Lesson	Youth Group Lunch & Tie Dye Shirts—12pm
		MS Faith & Sexuality Session @ WMPC—5pm
Nov 24	Making Food for Luncheon	No YG

Adult Education Ministry

Saint Giles Book Group

The St. Giles Book Group will meet on Tuesday, November 19 at 11:30 in the Adult Center to discuss Born a Crime by Trevor Noah. Continuing our reading about South Africa, this is Trevor's story of growing up as a racially mixed child in South Africa. Leslie will lead our discussion.

Sunday Morning Weekly Bible Study

Meeting Sunday morning during the Christian Education hour, this class is a traditional bible study that explores the book of Acts. The study is written by Charles C. Williams.

The death and resurrection of Jesus are not the end of the Good News, but only the beginning. In Acts, Luke tells the story of workings of the Holy Spirit in the lives of the apostles and in the early church. The ascension of Jesus becomes, then, the beginning of the life of believers, who are empowered by the Spirit to follow their Lord and make known the message of God's saving acts in Christ.

Faith in Contemporary Life

This class meets in the Adult Center during Sunday Christian Education Hour. November 3: Presentation by Beloved Asheville

November 10: The surprising habits of original thinkers by Adam Grant

How do creative people come up with great ideas? Organizational psychologist Adam Grant studies "originals": thinkers who dream up new ideas and take action to put them into the world. In this talk, learn three unexpected habits of originals -- including embracing failure. "The greatest originals are the ones who fail the most, because they're the ones who try the most," Grant says. "You need a lot of bad ideas in order to get a few good ones."

November 17: Are you a giver or a taker? By Adam Grant

In every workplace, there are three basic kinds of people: givers, takers and matchers. Organizational psychologist Adam Grant breaks down these personalities and offers simple strategies to promote a culture of generosity and keep self-serving employees from taking more than their share.

November 24: Why some of us don't have one true calling by Emilie Wapnick What do you want to be when you grow up? Well, if you're not sure you want to do just one thing for the rest of your life, you're not alone. In this illuminating talk, writer and artist Emilie Wapnick describes the kind of people she calls "multipotentialites" -- who have a range of interests and jobs over one lifetime. Are

vou one?

Another Adult Education Opportunity

Do you drop your child off for Sunday School?

If you drop your child off but do not want to participate in formal adult Christian Education you can stop by the Fellowship Hall during the Sunday School hour for conversation and light refreshments. Jennifer Gospodarek is hosting this informal discussion group. Discussions may include parenting concerns but the content is entirely up to you!

Time and Talent - November 2019

	Sunday, November 3	Sunday, November 10	Sunday, November 17	Sunday, November 24
C. H. Host	Chris Gospodarek	Sondra Nevitt	Tim Hoyt & Martha Jennette	Thanksgiving Potluck Lunch
Nursery Volunteer	Jean Rick	Chris Gospodarek	Sallie Taylor	Kathy Matthews
Liturgist	Donald Ross	Jean Evans	Johanita Lourens	Peggy Forster
Offering Counters	Steve Allison Elizabeth Abernathy	Dave Pressel Susie Lavender	Karen Patterson Shirley Sprinkle	Dave Pressel Jean Smith
Usher	Jean Smith	Doug Bunn	Jean Rick	Steve Allison

November Communion:

Servers: Scott Vollmer, Mick Wilber, Cyndi Bunn, Cindy Hemminger, Chris Gospodarek, Jennifer Gospodarek

Communion Stewardship: Bob Lindsay

Katherine will be out of the office beginning following worship on November 3rd, and will return to the office on November 18th. For pastoral care concerns, please contact the Church Office.

Vanna will be away the 25th through the 2nd of December.

Notable Deadlines:

Monday, November 3 - November 10 Bulletin Deadline

Monday, November 11 – November 17 Bulletin Deadline

Tuesday, November 12 – November Session Packet Deadline

Wednesday, November 14 – December Newsletter Deadline

Friday, November 15 – November 24 Bulletin Deadline

Wednesday, November 20 – December 1 Bulletin Deadline

Monday, November 25 - Emmie Out of Office-Please call before coming to the office

Tuesday, November 26 - Emmie Out of Office-Please call before coming to the office

Wednesday, November 27 - Emmie Out of Office-Please call before coming to the office

Thursday, November 28 – Office Closed – Thanksgiving Day

Friday, November 29 – Office Closed

November 2019 Calendar

	THURSDAY,	TUESDAY, NOVI
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3	NOVEMBER 14	4pmVoices
Daylight Savings Time Ends	930amTLC Homeschool	430pmCommu
915amChristian Education	Group	6pmCHC Re
1030amWorship	430pmCommunity Hope	630pmGirl Sco
8pmAA	7 1	WEDNESDAY,
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 4	SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 17	NOVEMBER 27
9amĆhildren's Ministry	915amChristian Education	7amCentéri
6pmGirl Scouts	1030am Worship	930am Quilting
7pmBoy Scouts	12pmBook Presentation	730pmChoir P
8pmNA	by Quail Ridge	8pmAA
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5	Books	THURSDAY,
4pmVoices Together	12pmYouth Group Lunch	NOVEMBER 28
430pmCommunity Hope	5pmPresbytery Event—	Church Office Close
6pmCHC Rehearsal	Faith and Sexuality	Thanksgiving
7pmGirl Scouts	for Middle Schoolers	FRIDAY, NOVEN
WEDNESDAY,	8pmAA	Church Office Close
NOVEMBER 6	MONDAY, NOVEMBER 18	
7amCentering Prayer	6pmGirl Scouts	
930amQuilting Group	7pmSession Meeting	
730pmChoir Practice	7pmBoy Scouts	
8pmAA	8pmNA	
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 7	TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 19	
9amTriangle Recorder	1130am Daytime Book Group	
Society	4pmVoices Together	
930amTLC Homeschool	430pmCommunity Hope	
Group	6pmCHC Rehearsal	
430pmCommunity Hope	630pmGirl Scouts	
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 9	WEDNESDAY,	
10amGirl Scouts	NOVEMBER 20	
CHNDAY MOVEMBED 40	7amCentering Prayer	
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 10	930am Quilting Group	
915amChristian Education	12pm Newsletter	
1030amWorship	Article Deadline	
5pmYouth Group	630pmAA Business	
8pmAA	Meeting	
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 11 6pmGirl Scouts	730pmChoir Practice 8pmAA	
7pmBoy Scouts	THURSDAY,	
8pmNA	NOVEMBER 21	
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 12	930am TLC Homeschool	
1130am Women's Circle	Group	
4pmVoices Together	430pmCommunity Hope	
420pmCommunity Hope	SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 23	
6pmCHC Rehearsal	10amGirl Scouts	
630pmGirl Scouts	Tourism off Scouts	
WEDNESDAY,	SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 24	
NOVEMBER 13	915amChristian Education	
7amCentering Prayer	1030amWorship	
930amQuilting Group	12pmThanksgiving	
12pm Session Packet	Luncheon	
Deadline	8pmAA	
730pmChoir Practice	MONDAY, NOVEMBER 25	
8pmAA	6pmGirl Scouts	
	7pmBoy Scouts	
	8pmNA	

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TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 26 4pm Voices Together 430pm Cemmunity Hope 6pm CHC Rehearsal 630pm Girl Scouts WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 27 7am Centering Prayer 930am Quilting Group 730pm Choir Practice 8pm AA THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 28 Church Office Closed— Thanksgiving FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 29 Church Office Closed