Local and Greater Community

In addition to planning and promoting the outreach activities listed above, the Outreach Division supports the following ministries in collaboration with other area churches and organizations. Currently, our budget provides financial support for the following in the Raleigh area:

- Presbyterian Campus Ministries
- Step-Up Ministries
- Triangle Pastoral Counseling
- Urban Ministries
- Community HOPE after-school tutoring program

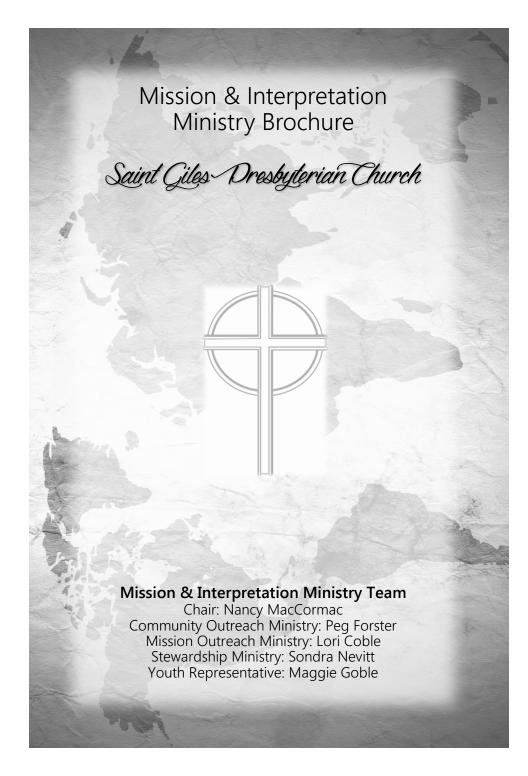
Neighborhood Outreach

In partnership with the A.E.Finley YMCA, St. Giles provides an after-school tutoring and mentoring program for elementary and middle school students living in Raleigh Gardens and Casa del Sol. This program, Community HOPE, is organized and directed by the YMCA and implemented by tutors from St. Giles and Providence Baptist Church. St Giles also supports the program's enrichment opportunities and special events.

St Giles continues to invite all our Oak Park neighbors to join us for various seasonal events (food trucks, yard sale, etc.) and a Sunday morning *Stop Hunger Now* food packaging event preceded by a worship service.

Stewardship

The Stewardship Committee promotes the Christian stewardship of time, talents and funds within the congregation throughout the year. This committee is responsible for providing education about benevolences within the Presbyterian Church and coordinating the special offerings we receive.



Outreach at Saint Giles

An important component of St. Giles ministry is its outreach activities near and far. Our outreach opportunities include:

- The CROP Walk
- Habitat for Humanity
- Gifts and food vouchers for individuals and families in need
- Urban Ministries clinic and food pantry
- In lieu of donating money for Easter lilies and Christmas pointsettias, we direct funds to outreach needs such as the Food Bank of Central and Eastern NC
- Alternative Gift Market to help relief and support agencies around the world
- Community HOPE, an after-school tutoring program for elementary and middle school children in Raleigh Gardens and Casa del Sol
- National and International mission trips: most recently to *The Center* in Baltimore and Jubilee House in Nicaragua.

In addition to the outreach activities supported by St. Giles as a congregation, our members are active volunteers for a variety of local agencies and organizations. They serve our community in many ways, including volunteering at local hospitals and transition programs, delivering Meals on Wheels, and helping at a soup kitchen.

St. Giles also helps a number of organizations by making its facilities available for their regular use, e.g. Alcoholics Anonymous, Narcotics Anonymous, the Boy and Girls Scouts. Our Youth Center is also available for overnight stays by visiting mission work groups.



Presbytery Missions

St. Giles also promotes the mission work of the Presbyterian Church, USA. We support the following special offerings:

- Theological Education Offering, in February
- One Great Hour of Sharing, for worldwide hunger, self development and disaster relief, on Easter Sunday
- Pentecost Offering, for youth and young adult outreach, on Pentecost Sunday
- Peacemaking Offering, for education about peace and justice in our public and private lives, on a fall Sunday.
 St. Giles retains twenty-five percent of the receipts for local peacemaking projects.
- *Christmas Joy Offering*, supporting older retired church workers in financial need on, Christmas Sunday
- Hunger Offering, to participate in the Pennies for Hunger program of New Hope Presbytery, on all Sundays when we celebrate the Lord's Supper

St Giles' Outreach (Mission and Interpretation) Division

The Outreach Division educates the congregation on St. Giles' many mission activities and encourages participation in our outreach ministries. This Division is divided into three committees: Local and Greater Community (Raleigh area, national and international programs, trips and activities), Neighborhood (Community HOPE tutoring program) and Stewardship. The Division ensures that the resources of this congregation are best used to meet the needs in our community and beyond.