

St Giles Church News



Sunday 5th November 2023

Morning Worship (All Age) and Thanksgiving Service

Service 10am: Beth Whaites | Alison Steele

Reading: Matt 13: 45-46

Theme: The precious pearl

Service 7pm: Tom Burditt | Ed Churchill

Reading: Luke 20: 9-19

Pray With Us this week: Zoom meetings: 886 0781 8293/prayer321
Every week-day morning at 8.30am and Thurs eve at 8pm - Click [here](#) to join

On Sunday we will be looking at Matt 13.....'But I still haven't found what I'm looking for..'
famous song lyrics which our story this morning, that Jesus told , has some answers to!!

We **welcome the Hoare family and friends** to our service this morning as we give thanks for

Ethan and Naomi. Please pray for this family and that the children will grow to know Jesus as their personal Saviour.

After the service on Sunday morning we will be **sharing lunch together**. We particularly welcome those of you who are new to St Giles - its a wonderful opportunity to tell you more about our church and to help you to become more involved. Further details are given below.

Open Dining Room will be starting on Friday 3rd November in the Church Centre, offering a safe, warm space and a free warm meal for families in our local community. Can you get involved? We need people to pray and we need people to help out in a practical way (on Fridays 4-6pm or 6-8pm). For more information and to sign up, please email Beth at: youthandchildren@stgilesnorthampton.org.uk

Our **prayer diary** for November is available [HERE](#). Please do take the time to pray for the life of our church including our missionary partners, both overseas and local. Thank you to Liz who prayerfully puts this all together.

And from Jess Newlove...

Just a little note to say a big thankyou for all your prayers, kind words and support as I have moved away for training in Durham. I have a lovely room and housemates to live with and have a placement that I am being well supported in and lots of opportunities to learn. (all answers to prayer!) I'm feeling settled and getting into the rhythm of learning again!

I don't plan on being a stranger and will be popping back in the holidays, but if anyone would like a bit more detail on what I'm doing, I'm planning to send out an occasional e-newsletter with a bit of an update and prayer requests, just send me an e-mail jessmnewlove@gmail.com if you'd like that. Jess x

To find out more about what's going on at St Giles go to Events on MyChurchSuite or [click here](#).



Church Family Lunch

Sunday 5th November, 12 noon

Please join us after the morning service this Sunday when we will have the opportunity to share a simple lunch together in the Hughes Hall. Please get in touch with Helen in the office if you can help.

Newcomers, families and students are particularly welcome. It would be great to get to know you and welcome you into our church family.

It is essential that you book on ChurchSuite (click on image) or contact the church office (01604 628623). There will be an opportunity to donate towards the cost of lunch on the day.



Wanted! Singers and musicians

Budding singers and musicians are needed for our Carols by Candlelight service on Sunday 17th December, 7pm. Please contact Penny Ballard in person or by email: pennyb41@tiscali.co.uk if you want to be involved.

In the next couple of weeks we will be updating you all on our Christmas services (I know it seems a little early, but it is November!). So do

keep your eyes peeled!



Baby Basics - support needed

Baby Basics is so grateful to churches for their continued support which is making such a difference! Statistically, 1 in 25 babies born in Northamptonshire in 2022 received a starter pack from Baby Basics Northampton. The impact was recognised this month at the 2023 NNBN awards, where the charity received a Highly Commended award in the Charity of the Year category, for outstanding achievement. Thank you for being part of that. We need your help again. Our stocks are very low and currently most in need of:

- Baby Soft Toys/Comforters
- Socks
- Babygrows (Newborn & 0-3 mths)
- Newborn clothing
- 0-3 neutral clothing
- Coats & jackets
- Baby Shampoo and Baby Bath
- Baby Toothbrushes and toothpaste
- Breast Pads
- Shampoo & Conditioner

There will be a collection box in church. Thank you!

Can you help with Scouts?

St Giles Scout group may be faced with the decision to close. There are currently vacancies for a group scout leader and either a chairperson or treasurer. The latter is an essential

**WELCOME TO
SCOUTING AT ST GILES!**

role. If you have 15 minutes per week you can spare please contact Craig Macpherson.

Equally, our numbers are critically low. If you know anyone with an interest in joining scouts please point them to our [website](#) or again have them contact Craig, Josh Richards or Mark Cookman

Finally if anyone would like to volunteer to assist in groups, even just once a month we would love to hear from you.



Save the Date

Sun 3rd December, Wreath making, St Giles Church

Sat 9th December, Men's Breakfast (new date)

You may be interested in...

Stand Against Injustice, Fri 10th Nov, 7.30pm, Heyford Books/Mount Pleasant Church

Love After Marriage, Wed 15th-Sat 18th, New Life Church. More info [HERE](#)

Men's Conference, Sat 18th Nov, 9-4pm at Moulton Church. More info [HERE](#)

A Very Gospel Christmas, Sat 9th Dec, Birmingham. More info [HERE](#)

Job Vacancy, Church Administrator, Towcester. More info [HERE](#)

Sunday 12th November 2023
Remembrance Sunday with Holy Communion
Service 10am: Helen Lidbetter | Josh Thorne
Theme: The coming of the Lord
Reading: 1 Thess 4: 13-end, Matt 25: 1-13

Service 7pm: tbc | Josh Thorne

“Get up, get up for Jesus, ye soldiers of the Cross; a lazy Sunday morning surely means harm and loss; The Church of God is calling; in duty be not slack; you cannot fight the good fight while lying on your back” CT Studd

There are many ways to give financially to St Giles. The preferred and most cost effective way to give is via the Parish Giving Scheme. Details of all the options can be found [HERE](#). Please note, there is a small surcharge when giving via ChurchSuite.

Contactless giving is now available in church

Apart from the first Sunday of each month, our morning services are
livestreamed: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCVLqKU_357NAwfRCqveKyVQ/live

(If you are unable to attend in person on the 1st Sunday of each month, please follow links to HTB, St Aldates, Oxford or All Souls, London for morning worship.)



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