

## St Giles Church News



### **Sunday 12th November 2023**

**Remembrance Sunday with Holy Communion**

**Service 10am:** Helen Lidbetter | Josh Thorne

**Reading:** 1 Thess 4: 13-end, Matt 25: 1-13

**Theme:** The coming of the Lord

**Service 7pm:** Ruth Alexander | Josh Thorne

**Reading:** 1 Thess 4: 13-end, Matt 25: 1-13

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*

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As we observe Armistice Day and Remembrance Sunday, a prayer for World peace.

O God of the nations,  
as we look to that day when you will gather people  
from north and south, east and west,

into the unity of your peaceable Kingdom,  
guide with your just and gentle wisdom all who take counsel  
for the nations of the world,  
that all your people may spend their days in security, freedom and peace,  
through Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen**

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Please find attached November/December's edition of [Mission in Touch](#). There are a few paper copies in church on the leaflet stand.

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

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### **Wreath-making Workshop**

*Sunday 3rd December, 12 noon*

Here is your opportunity to get crafty this Christmas and make your own Christmas wreath! All materials will be provided although you may wish to forage for some fresh greenery (holly, berried ivy, etc). The cost is £15 per person\* and all you need is your own packed lunch. Refreshments and cake will be provided.

Please book on ChurchSuite by 26th November. Click on image.

For more information please contact Karolin.

\*If you are unable to make this payment, please do contact Karolin.



## Christmas at St Giles

We are hoping invitations will be available next week so please do think about who you can invite to this year's celebrations at St Giles.

Sun 10th, 3pm - **Service of Healing and Hope**

Sun 17th, 7pm - **Carols by Candlelight**

Sun 24th, 3.30pm - **All age Christmas Eve Service**

Sun 24th, 11.30pm - **Late Night Communion Service**

Christmas Day, 10am - **Christmas Celebration**



## 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](mailto:pennyb41@tiscali.co.uk) if you want to be involved.



## Calling all decorators!

It's a lovely time of year when we get to decorate our beautiful church for Christmas. The two dates are:

[Saturday 9th Dec](#) - 9.30am - 12.30pm.

[Saturday 16th Dec](#) - 1pm - 5pm

You can come for as long or as little as you like. There will be some jolly Christmas songs and refreshments provided.

Please sign up on ChurchSuite (click on dates above) or drop Helen a line: [office@stgilesnorthampton.org.uk](mailto:office@stgilesnorthampton.org.uk)

## Open Dining Room



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## Open Dining Room

Open Dining Room got off to a great start last week providing 40 people with a hot meal, warmth and company. There are still gaps in the rota especially 17th November (4pm-6pm) so if you can get involved, please email [Beth Whaites](mailto:Beth.Whaites).

Please pray for *all those involved* at St Giles who are donating their time and skills to serve others. We hope the space and a warm meal will be a real blessing to families in need.



## **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!



## **Save the Date**

*Sun 3rd December, Wreath making,  
St Giles Church  
Sat 9th December, Men's Breakfast  
(new date)*

You may be interested in...

**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](#)  
**Kingdom Keys Book**, by Cathy Wheeler. More info [HERE](#)

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### Sunday 19th November 2023

**Morning Worship** (Safeguarding Sunday)

Service 10am: Alison Steele | Bob Steele

**Theme:** The coming of the Lord, how do we prepare

**Reading:** 1 Thess 5: 1-11, Matt 25: 14-30

Service 7pm: Josh Thorne | James Howson

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There is no power like that of prevailing prayer. There is the cost of passion unto blood. Such prayer prevails. It brings power. It brings fire. It brings rain. It brings life. It brings God. Samuel Chadwick

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](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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