

St Giles Church News



Sunday 27th October 2024

Morning Worship with Holy Communion

Service 10am: Nicola Aylett | Peter Angus

Reading: Psalm 6

Theme: Grief

Service 7pm: Cat Nichol | Beth Whaites

THIS IS A TWO-WEEK NEWS SHEET

In our current series we are looking at the Psalms. We are thinking about how we deal with the emotions of the human heart as followers of Jesus. See attached the series outline [HERE](#).

Mid-week Holy Communion Service: Thursday 11am, Church Centre

Pray With Us this week: Zoom meetings: 886 0781 8293 p/w: prayer321
Every week-day morning at 8.30am and Thurs eve at 8pm

Please join us on **Saturday 26th October** between 2.30 and 4.30pm in the Church Centre to pray. It's a wonderful opportunity to listen to what God is saying to us and pray for our nation, our church and ourselves. We would love to see you.

Clocks go back one hour on Sunday at 2am - so we get an extra hour in bed!

Missing Tokens! We have been offering the little giving tokens to everyone who attends the morning/evening services over the last few months and our supplies have significantly depleted. Could you check your pockets, bag, car and perhaps washing machine (!) to see if you have accidentally taken one home. If so, please can you pop them back in the baskets in church. Thank you!

Accommodation for a school term-time lodger - A friendly, tidy, self-catering professional Christian married man working away from home, who works long hours and attends St Giles throughout most of the year, is seeking a room with a view to rent (with a bed, desk and wardrobe), and with occasional access to a kitchen and bathroom, in a Christian home, during most weeks in school term time. Please contact the church office if you have such a room available and would be interested in having a conversation. All offers would be gratefully appreciated.

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



Prayer for UoN
Churches of Northampton coming together in prayer for students
29th October
7-8pm
Multi-Faith Centre, Waterside Campus



'They are like a tree planted by streams of water which yields its fruit in season and whose leaf does not wither, whatever they do prospers.'
Psalm 1v3

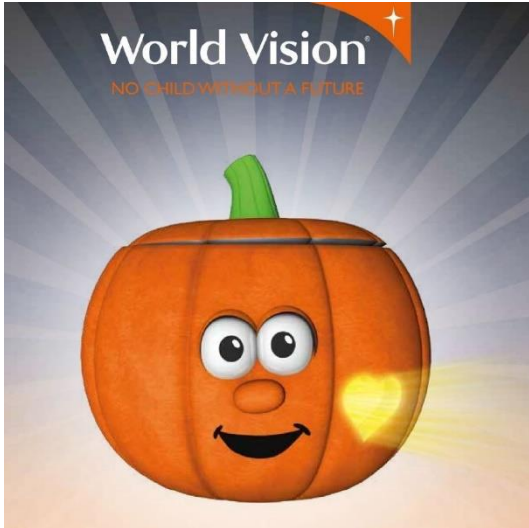
If you would like to attend, please email Ruth at ruth@stgilesnorthampton.org.uk

Prayer for UoN

Tuesday 29th October, 7-8pm

Join others to pray for the students and staff at the UoN on Tuesday 29th.

Let Ruth know if you would like to attend.
(ruth@stgilesnorthampton.org.uk)



Pumpkin Heroes Party

Thursday 31st October, 5.15pm

We enjoy running our Pumpkin Heroes Party every year on Hallowe'en, 31st October from 5:15-6:30pm

The parties are always lots of fun, but to run them **we need a team** who are able to host games on the evening or mingle and chat with the families who come to the party. If you might be able to help please speak to Beth.



Open Dining Room

November to March

Last year from November 2023-March 2024 every Friday night we ran **Open Dining Room**. This was an event we put on for families in our local community, where we offered a safe warm space, activities and a free warm meal. We would like to be able to offer Open Dining Room to our local community again this year to offer some respite, friendship and community for those who attend.

There are two ways you can be involved, firstly you can pray for Open Dining Room, last year it felt surrounded in prayer and it would be great for that to happen again. And secondly you could volunteer, we will need volunteers in two shifts (4-6pm and 6-8pm) on Friday nights, every Friday from November until March (including the School holidays). You can sign up for as few or as many Fridays as you would like.

Volunteering this year will be under three set roles: cooking, washing up, and hall supervisor. You will be able

to sign up for the Fridays that suit you, and choose which role you want to sign up to. Role descriptions are available for you to look at before you sign up.

If you would like more information or to sign up to help please email Beth.



Men's Breakfast

Saturday 30th November, 8.30am

Come along for a Full English breakfast followed by a talk from our very own Paul Cooper on Faith and Science.

There is no cost to attend the breakfast although donations are welcome towards the food. It'd be great if you can book on ChurchSuite (click on image) so we have an idea of numbers.

Any questions feel free to contact Pete Day.

We look forward to seeing you there!



Christmas Orchestra

It has been a real blessing to have a choir helping lead at the carol service these last few years, and for this year we'd love to have a small orchestra to accompany it.

I've been told that Northampton has a proud musical tradition so if this is something that you might be able to join in with then please let [David Lidbetter](#) or [Stephen Hewitson](#) know.

Practices will be taking place in the run up to Christmas, and times of these will be available soon.



St Giles Community Group Award

This week The Community Group picked up an Outstanding Award in its "Your Neighbourhood Awards" at the Guildhall.

Well done to Rocky and the team who work hard all year round. If you would like to get involved, please see Rocky or contact the church office.

You may be interested in...

Job Vacancy, Social Media Coordinator, NAYC & Action Centres UK, More info [HERE](#)

Men's Conference, Sat 16th Nov at Moulton Parish Church, More info [HERE](#)

An evening with Rob Parsons, Care for the Family, Thurs 28th Nov, Kettering. Info [HERE](#)

Sunday 3rd November 2024

Morning Worship (all age)

Service 10am: Beth Whaites | Craig Macpherson

Reading: Psalm 4

Theme: Joy

Service 7pm: Ruth Alexander | Dan Blight

Sunday 10th November 2024

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

Morning Worship with Holy Communion

Service 10am: Alison Steele | Bob Steele

Reading: Psalm 40

Theme: Sadness

Service 7pm: Helen Lidbetter | Hans-Jurgen Wienkamp

"To strive in prayer means to struggle through those hindrances which would restrain or even prevent us entirely from continuing in persevering prayer. It means to be so watchful at all times that we can notice when we become slothful in prayer and that we go to the Spirit of prayer to have this remedied." Dr O Hallesby

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.stgilesnorthampton.org.uk/sunday-service-videos>

(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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