

St Giles Church News



Sunday 9th March 2025

Morning Worship with Holy Communion

Service 10am: Peter Angus | Josh Thorne

Reading: Genesis 5: 1-16

Theme: Conversation with God

Service 7pm: Dan Blight | Josh Thorne

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

Staff days off this week

Josh: Fri

Beth: Sat

Ruth: Sat 8th-15th

Church Office hours this week:

Monday: 12pm - 3pm

Tues, Wed, Thurs, Fri: 10am - 3pm

There is a hymn, by William Cowper (from Olney), called 'O for a closer walk with God'. Lent is a season for leaning in to God, and longing for a closer walk with him. We're starting a **new series** this Sunday for this season called **Prayer and Listening**. We'll be looking at the different ways in which we can pray and seek God for ourselves and for others, and our prayer is that, for us as a church, we long for and find a closer walk with God.

This is a 6-week study which we will be exploring in church and in our homegroups. For homegroup leaders there is a study book which you can pick up from the church office, if you haven't done so already.

Please find attached [HERE](#) our **Prayer Diary** for March. Please do take time to include the prayer points in your daily prayers. Thank you to Liz who faithfully puts this together each month.

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



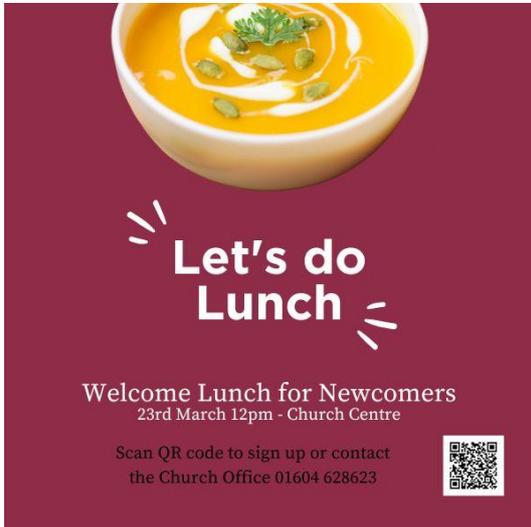
Lent Project 2025

Help us to 'Raise a new Roof'

One of our mission partners, Ann Fursdon, invites us to share in building a new church in a town called Tuum in Chad. You will have seen information about this in our recent Mission in Touch article (copy [HERE](#) to remind you).

If you are able to donate you can do so by **cheque** (St Giles PCC - Lent Project) or **cash** and putting it in one of the offering boxes in church using a labelled envelope provided, or you can donate on **ChurchSuite** (make sure you scroll down and click on 'Lent Project'), through the Parish Giving Scheme or by bank transfer. Further information can be

found on the table next to the kitchen in church or please contact the parish office. Thank you!



Welcome Lunch

Sunday 23rd March, 12 noon

If you are new (ish) to St Giles and have not yet come along to one of our welcome lunches please join us in the Church Centre after the morning service at 12 noon.

You can sign up now by clicking on the image. We would be delighted to see you!



Celebrate Easter

Invitations to our Easter services will be available in the next couple of weeks and we encourage you to start thinking about who you might invite. We would love to see a full church as we share the wonderful message of Easter.

If you can serve on team during this season, please let

Helen know:

office@stgilesnorthampton.org.uk



Complete revision

Sign up now!

Electoral Roll

Under the Church Representation Rules a new Church Electoral Roll is being prepared. Every person who wishes to have his or her name entered on the new Roll*, whether on the present Roll or not, is requested to apply **no later than Friday 18th April.**

* You need to have been attending St Giles regularly for 6 months or more before your name can be entered on the Electoral Role.

Please click on the image for a digital copy and send the completed form to [Helen](#) in the office or pick up a paper copy in church and put the completed copy in one of the offering boxes or through the Parish Office letterbox.



Open Dining Room

November to March

We are in urgent need of more help at Open Dining Room. If you can help please speak to Beth.

Open Dining Room is an incredible way that we can support our community, through providing a warm space, a hot meal and friendly volunteers. Open Dining Room is greatly valued by those who come along and we are thrilled to have received a grant to cover the cost of running Open Dining Room this year.

We need people to help cook, to wash up, to set up and pack away tables and chairs, to chat to those who come along, and to run

crafts/activities for children.

If you are able to help with any of the above please contact [Beth](#) as soon as possible. You will be able to sign up for as many or as few sessions as you like. Sessions run on a Friday evening from 4-8pm, with the possibility of helping from 4-6, 6-8 or for the whole session.

This role does require a DBS check.

You may be interested in...

Craft in the Community, Sat 15th March, more info [HERE](#)

Lighthouse Trust, Admin Vacancy, more info [HERE](#)

Sunday 16th March 2025

Morning Worship

Service 10am: Alison Steele | Bob Steele

Reading: Psalm 74: 1-23

Theme: Praying with Authenticity

Service 7pm: Josh Thorne | Ann Fursdon

The lack of prayer in the UK church is the single biggest reason for the struggles we are facing. Maybe if we get prayer back in its proper place, there is a move of God waiting to happen: Dave Kemp, premier

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

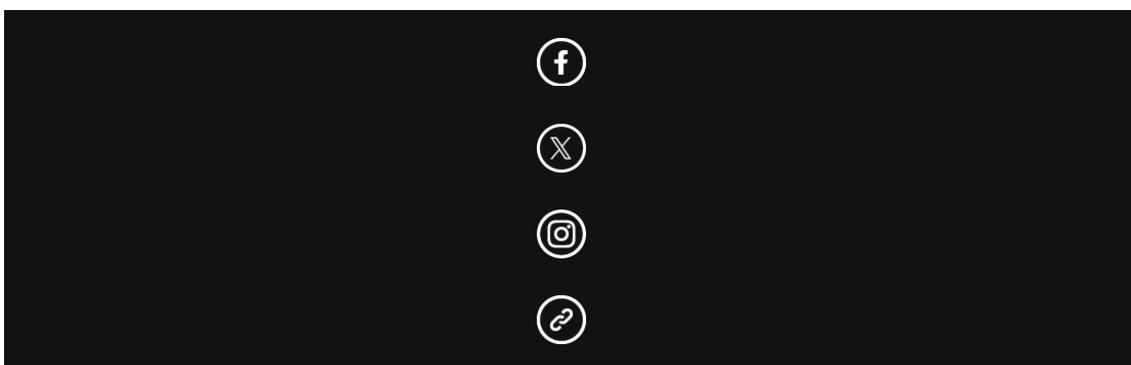
Apart from the first Sunday of each month, our morning services are livestreamed:
<https://www.stgilesnorthampton.org.uk/sunday-service-videos>

(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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