

Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, ²¹ to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever!

All Things New



Ephesians 3: 20-21



JOIN US ONLINE

<https://stgilesnorthampton.online.church/>

10am with Steve Kelly and Adam Eakins

Bible Reading: Hebrews 13: 10-15, Romans 8: 6-11

Theme: Living in a broken world with resurrection power

Join us at 11am for Together '21 on zoom. Everyone is welcome.
886 0781 8293/prayer321



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7pm with Steve Kelly and Adam Eakins

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7.45-8.15pm Coffee, chat and catch up on Zoom (all welcome)
816 7271 1469/gather123



Families at St Giles are looking at the topic of "The darkness of night and the dawn of a new day". The activities and resources have been included in the covering email to this news sheet.

Roadmap out of lockdown ...

The approach proposed by our government is *cautious, phased and guided by data not dates*. If you want to read the Roadmap out of lockdown you can do so here [on the gov.uk page](#)



At the moment the 'stay at home' instruction will be lifted on **Monday 29th March**, at the start of Holy Week!

The clergy team have had their first discussion this week about re-opening our buildings, Holy Week including Good Friday and Easter Sunday. The Easter story and message is the pivot point in human history and in God's story of salvation and 'making all things new' so we are looking forward to the opportunity to joyfully celebrate together. Watch this space for news to follow!

Is the vaccine safe?

Because of articles and posts still circulating, I feel I need to say again that when offered the vaccine, **you should have it**.

John Wyatt is a doctor, author, speaker and research scientist. And he's a Christian. In this article he addresses some common questions in respect of both the safety and the ethics of the vaccination programme. I commend the article to you and will say again, when you are offered the vaccine, have it.

<https://johnwyatt.com/2020/12/21/faq-coronavirus-vaccines-frequently-asked-questions/>

What's On...

Wellbeing Zoom

The Wellbeing Café is meeting online on Zoom at 2-3.30pm every Monday.

There will be a mixture of chat and games and an optional time for prayer and reflection.

The Meeting ID: 811 0846 9192
Passcode: Wellbeing

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81108469192?pwd=OTdXeEE5aTB0RlJ6S1hmQjN2ZVc4Zz09>

Thursday Fellowship Zoom

There will be a series of six 'Thursday Fellowship' times during Lent, to be held on **Thursdays at 11am, from 18th February to 25th March**.

Anyone is welcome to join, for an hour which will include some devotional reflection and prayer, as well as time for coffee and chat.

The Meeting ID: 827 5651 7492
Passcode: Thursday11

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82756517492?pwd=QS9XTk04SHp1U0tqRENJZmxmK25ZZz09>

What's On...

Adam Eakins, Lead Pastor at Broadmead Community Church

We look forward to hearing what God has to say to us through Adam on Sunday. Adam has been Pastor of Broadmead since 2010. He is married to Karen and they have three children.

Please pray for Adam, his family and Broadmead Community Church.

Together '21—Join us on Sunday after the morning service

At the start of the year, I felt there were 3 priorities for St Giles this term:-

Becoming a **House of Prayer for all Nations** – we're moving forward and it's so encouraging.

Joining with other churches to read **All Things New** – we're on course!

Exploring how respond to the needs of our community including **Loving our Neighbour** – the conversation has just started.

In some ways 'Together 21' encompasses all of these. We are coming together **to pray, to read and share**, coming together **to offer our ideas**, to think about **gifts and talents and what we can contribute** and coming together to **walk forward as one** as we emerge from the pandemic.

After the morning service on Sunday, we are all invited to stay for **a whole church zoom**. It will be around 45 minutes and your ideas and thoughts about Finances and 'closing the gap' will be warmly welcomed. So please 'put your thinking caps on' and come prepared to contribute. **EVERYONE** will be able to share their idea(s) via the breakout rooms and the online zoom chat feature.

As we come together **in unity**, the Lord promises blessing, Psalm 133:1-3. We need that blessing for ourselves and for our broken and hurting world. Please come!! Zoom details are in the covering email.



All Things New - An evening with Pete Hughes, author of All Things New



A Call to Act by Pete Hughes

Join us on **Wed 10th March at 7.30pm** for a zoom Q&A with Pete Hughes the author of All Things New. We are grateful to Broadmead Community Church who will be hosting the evening. Here is the link to book your place:

<https://broadmead.churchsuite.co.uk/events/ig0yzexq>

When you sign up you will receive a confirmation email with the zoom details and the opportunity to submit your questions.

We hope it will be a great evening and are delighted that Pete has offered his time for this event.



Lent Project 2021 Launch

Every year St Giles supports a project for Lent and this year we will be focussing on severely persecuted Christians, especially those in North Korea. The project will run through March. We will be encouraging you to pray and, for those who can, give financially.

More details will follow next week.

Opportunity– could this be you?

Student ministry update

Over the last few weeks Beth has taken the lead in conversations with Stuart Mousir-Harrison (the chaplain at the University) and with Louise Rawlins and Catherine MacPherson from FISH. These conversations have been to build an updated picture of what is needed and what kind of person we are looking for. The role will require forward thinking, innovation and an ability to build connections with the various stakeholders at the university.



We have funding in place including £10K grant funding.

We hope to begin recruiting by Easter, to interview in May and to have someone in post by July.

Do you have a passion for evangelism? Are you good at building relationships and connecting? Please do pray about whether God might be calling you or someone in our congregation to apply. Contact Beth if you'd like to have a conversation.

St Giles Prayer Diary

This week, in our cycle of prayers, we are praying particularly for:
Alf and Hilary Cooper, St Columba Church in Collingtree and FISH
(Friendship International Students and Hosts).

Funeral of Julia Tonge, Tues 2nd March at 11.45am in church and at 3 Counties Crematorium at 1.15pm. If you have not booked with the church office, you will be able to view the service online: <https://www.facebook.com/stgilesnorthampton/live>

Funeral of Barbara Little, Wed 3rd March at 11.45am at the 3 Counties Crematorium (please let Liz Kitwood know if you wish to attend as numbers are limited). This will also be available to view online. Please contact Liz Kitwood for the details.

Please remember Derek and Margaret Bish in your prayers. You may be aware that Margaret's mum passed away and her funeral will be held on 5th March at Breakspear Road Crematorium, Ruislip.

We continue to pray for others in our congregation, our neighbourhood, our families and friends at this time.

