



Sunday 16th January 2022

Service 10am: Ruth Alexander and Steve Kelly | Maggie Kelly

Reading: Luke 2:36-40

*"Coming up to them at that very moment, she gave thanks to God and spoke about the child to all who were looking forward to the redemption of Jerusalem."
Luke 2:38*

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St Giles YouTube Channel:

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCVLqKU_357NAwfRCqveKyVQ/videos

Hi everyone

This Sunday, Maggie will be sharing with us from Luke 2: 36-40 about the **prophetess called Anna**. Please do join us for the morning or evening service at 10am and 7pm.

Just a reminder that Steve will shortly be going on his sabbatical. Please pray for him and Maggie as they prepare for this season. Here is a reminder of what Steve shared with us last week ...

"Last week I shared with the church family that in February and March I will be taking the 2 months of sabbatical leave postponed and carried over from 2020. That feels like a long time ago and so many have been through so much since then. I'm grateful to everyone who will take up the reins during my sabbatical. A rhythm of rest, whether that is Sabbath, holidays, a retreat or an extended break is very much woven into the biblical story. I believe we all need to seek

out these patterns of rest for ourselves so that we can stay the course and keep 'running the race' with vigour and energy."

Our **Annual Parochial Church meeting** (APCM) is coming up in April. In order to stand for any PCC vacancy or take part in voting at the meeting you need to be on the **Electoral Roll**. If you have been worshipping at St Giles for six months or more and wish to join the roll, please complete an application form which will be available in church (from Sunday 23rd) or contact the church office: office@stgilesnorthampton.org.uk by **Sunday 13th March**.



Prayer at St Giles

It's been nearly 18 months since we started our mid-week prayer times on zoom and what a blessing it has been. You are welcome to join us any time. We meet every week-day at 8.30am and Thursday at 8pm.

As part of our deepening commitment to become a house of prayer, we will be spending three months experimenting with our corporate prayer in church. Details to follow.



Rotas are on their way...

Thank you to those of you who have put your unavailability dates on ChurchSuite.

Please keep your eye open for the rotas which will run from **6th Feb-24th April**. They will be emailed to you in the next week or so.

If you would like to join a team, let Helen in the office know.



It's a walk in the park!

On Sunday 6th Feb there will be a winter walk at Delapre. We will be meeting at 2pm in the car park. Everyone is welcome.

Please do come along and join in the fun!

Please dress appropriately (likely to be muddy and chilly!). The cafe will be open for refreshments.



Baby Basics

Thank you Catherine Macpherson for sharing a post on facebook thanking St Giles for the contributions to Baby Basics.

It was called 'Wow Wednesday!!!' "Today we had some more deliveries from our Christmas campaign, these amazing donations came from **St Giles Church** Northampton. Thank you to Carol for kindly delivering them all to us ❤️"

Thank you everyone!



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