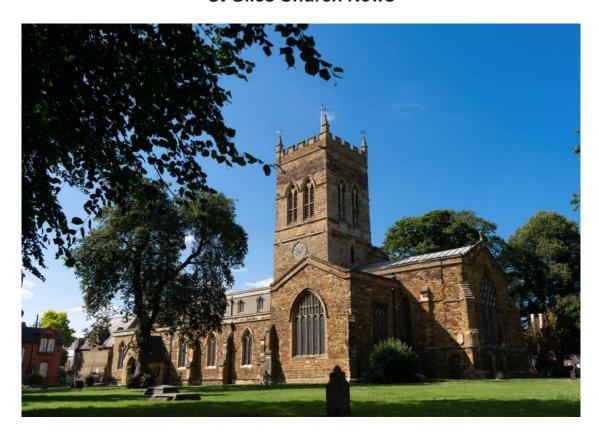
St Giles Church News



Sunday 15th October 2023

Morning Worship

Service 10am: Bob Steele I Alison Steele Reading: Phil 4: 1-9, Matt 22: 1-14 Theme: Exhortations! Service 7pm: Josh Thorne I Tom Burditt

THIS IS A 2-WEEK NEWS SHEET

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

Ever wondered what an exhortation is ? This morning is your chance to find out why it's so important as part of being a Christian.

You will have read in the news sheet in the last couple of weeks that we are planning to run **Open Dining Room** again for families in our local community, offering a safe, warm space, a free warm meal and activities.

There are two ways we would love you to be involved. Firstly you can pray for Open Dining

Room and secondly you can volunteer to help on Friday nights (there are two shifts: 4-6pm and 6-8pm). Open Dining Room will be running from 27th October until the 31st March (including the School holidays). You can sign up for as few or as many Fridays as you like. Volunteering includes various roles such as cooking, setting up tables, washing up, monitoring an activity, and also having dinner with everyone that attends. You will be able to sign up for the Fridays that suit you, and choose when you are available.

If you would like more information or to sign up to help please email Beth at: youthandchildren@stgilesnorthampton.org.uk

Please note: the church office will be closed on Thursday 12th and 19th October.

To find out more about what's going on at St Giles go to Events on MyChurchSuite or <u>click</u> here.



24-7 Virtual Weekend of Prayer for Northampton

Friday 13th 7pm- Sunday 15th 7pm October

We would like to invite you to join us as Northampton Churches come together again as the people of God with one voice praying Lord let **Your** kingdom come, let **Your** will be done on earth (in Northampton) as **Your** will is done in heaven. In these ongoing challenging times, we know that our hope for our lives, our neighbours, our town and our world is found in God. It is time to pray!

You can find the 24-7 prayer sign-up sheet <u>HERE</u>.



Prayer for UoN Thursday 26th October, 7-8pm

Join others to pray for the students and staff at the UoN on Thursday 26th October.

Let Ruth know if you would like to attend.



Hymns, Tins and Testimonies *Friday 27th October, 7.30pm*

The men at St Giles will, weather permitting, be sitting round a firepit in the church centre courtyard singing hymns, sharing a beer (or non-alcoholic drink) and sharing testimonies together. Food will be provided on the evening. No cost to attend.

Please book on ChurchSuite or contact the church office.



Pumpkin Heroes Party Tuesday 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.



Welcome Students

Please continue to welcome new students who come into church on a Sunday, letting them know that there is a welcome gift for them, plus give them my contact card which is located at the table by the refreshments area.

We would love to encourage you to also invite the students for a meal and get to know them! If you would like to talk more about this, please contact our student and young adults missions leader, Ruth Alexander at ruth@stgilesnorthampton.org.uk.



Church Family Lunch

Sunday 5th November, 12 noon

Please join us after the morning service on Sunday 5th November when we will have the opportunity to share a simple lunch together in the Hughes Hall.

Newcomers, families and students are particularly welcome. It would be great to get to know you and welcome you into our church family.

It is essential that you book on ChurchSuite (click on image) or contact the church office (01604 628623). There will be an opportunity to donate towards the cost of lunch on the day.



Save the Date

Sat 11th November, Men's Breakfast, Church Centre

Sun 3rd December, Wreath making, St Giles Church

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

Sunday 22nd October 2023 Morning Worship with Holy Communion

Service 10am: Josh Thorne I Philip Evans
Theme: Faith and Example
Reading: 1 Thess 1: 1-10, Matt 22: 15-22
Service 7pm: Cat Nichol I Josh Thorne

Before "Pentecost was fully come", the disciples prayed; and as they were praying, the Spirit fell upon them. L Ravenhill

Apart from the first Sunday of each month, our morning services are livestreamed: 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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