

St Giles Church News



Sunday 11th August 2024

Morning Worship (all age)

Service 10am: Josh Thorne | Craig Macpherson

Reading: 1 Samuel 20

Theme: Summer Series - Trusting our Community

Service 7pm: Josh Thorne | Hans-Jurgen Wienkamp

Holy Communion will be offered after the morning service in the Lady's Chapel

Join us for Thursday Tea & Toast at 11am in the Parish Centre
(Mid-week Holy Communion Service will resume on 5th September)

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 note that the morning services during the summer series will not be livestreamed.

Many of you will be aware of the long-standing links St Giles has with the Manna House

Counselling Service. You may also be aware that they have moved premises and are now located at the Innovation Centre (University of Northampton), Green Street (opposite the train station). More info can be found [HERE](#). Please continue to pray and support this much loved counselling charity as they make this transition.

Please find here our [Prayer Diary](#) for August. Please do take a look at the prayer needs of our church and wider community and commit them to prayer.

For those of you who support the Lighthouse Trust, please do read the end of year news letter from Leah [HERE](#).

This Sunday we will be serving refreshments with breakfast from 9.30-10am and after the service. Please remember to bring your own cup (with a lid, if possible) for refreshments.

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



Summer Series and Breakfast

Our Summer Series continues at St Giles with the theme 'Running the Race'. This will run until Sunday 1st September. The church will be set up *cafe style* and we will be serving breakfast from 9.30am to 10am. It would be helpful to book on ChurchSuite if you plan to come for breakfast. Click on the image.

We look forward to seeing you there!



Refreshments

Refreshments will be served at the **earlier time of 9.30am** with breakfast from 28th July-1st September for the duration of the summer series and not after the service. There will be an exception *this Sunday* when coffee and tea will also be served after the service.

Please join us for refreshments even if you don't wish to have breakfast.



Giving Day

Josh has previously shared our current financial challenges as a church and that we are predicting a deficit of £35,000 for 2025. In order to continue with the ministry and mission that we believe God is calling us to do, we are going to hold a **Giving Day on Sunday 22nd September** to raise £35,000. Following this we will be having an **international themed meal** after the morning service to celebrate all that God has done for us as a church (click on image to book, contact the office 01604 628623 or email [Helen](#)).

Please put these dates in your diary (*further details will follow*). We also hope to encourage home groups to discuss and pray for our finances during this season which will form part of our teaching series in September. We will have more details on that soon. Please continue to uphold St Giles in your prayers.

Mon 16th Sept – Prayer evening led by the PCC, 7.30pm

Sat 21st Sept – Day of Prayer and Fasting

Sun 22nd Sept - Giving Day and International Meal



Qualified First Aider - *Can you help?*

Thank you to those who have already offered their help. We are putting a list together of qualified first aiders within our congregation to cover Sunday and midweek services. This would be available so that if there was an incident, the church wardens/service leader would know who might be able to support. If you are a qualified first aider and would be happy for your name to be on this list, please could you email the church office: office@stgilesnorthampton.org.uk.



Men's BBQ Social

Friday 16th August, 7-9pm

Hurry up and book if you want to come along on Friday 16th August for a BBQ at the Parish Centre. Weather permitting we will be sitting outside in the courtyard enjoying the summer evening sunshine and sharing a BBQ together.

No cost to attend but donations towards food are welcome.

Feel free to bring a beer or non alcoholic drink on the night. Please click on the image to book.



Deputy Wardens

Being a deputy warden is a great way to get involved in church life and to help ensure the smooth running of our Sunday services here at St Giles.

Training is provided by shadowing an experienced warden. Can you join the team? Commitment is about once a month on a Sunday evening and occasional morning.

Please email the office if you can help:
office@stgilesnorthampton.org.uk



Save the Date

Monday 16th Sept, Prayer evening
Saturday 21st Sept, Day of Prayer and Fasting
Sunday 22nd Sept, Giving Day

You may be interested in...

Unsung Hero Film, Thurs 15th August (60+) at the Arc Cinema, Daventry. More info [HERE](#)

Sunday 18th August 2024 **Morning Worship (all age)**

Service 10am: Beth Whites I Josh Thorne

Reading: Jonah

Theme: Summer Series - Failing and Persevering
Service 7pm: tbc I Josh Thorne

Holy Communion will be served during the evening service

The old promise still stands: "He that goeth forth *and weepeth*, bearing precious seed, shall doubtless come again with rejoicing, bringing in his sheaves with him. L Ravenhill

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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