

St Giles Church News



Sunday 1st September 2024

Morning Worship (all age)

Service 10am: Jo Smith | Beth Whaites

Reading: 1 Samuel 17

Theme: Summer Series - Standing up for God

Service 7pm: Sapphire-Haze | Ruth Alexander

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 (but NOT on Thurs 5th Sept)

Please note that the morning services during the summer series will not be livestreamed. **The evening services are livestreamed.**

We very much encourage you to **join us in prayer on Saturday 31st August** in the Church Centre. We will be meeting from 2.30-4.30pm. Come for as little or as long as you are able. We have so much to pray and give thanks for.

You will find attached our [Prayer Diary](#) for September and [Mission in Touch](#). Many thanks to those who work hard to put these useful updates and resources together. Paper copies are available in church if you prefer a hard copy.

Please note, Josh is on leave from Sat 31st Aug to Sat 7th Sept. For any pastoral emergencies please contact the office (01604 628623) and we will direct you to the appropriate person. For out of office hours, please contact Nicola Aylett whose details are available on ChurchSuite. For any safeguarding issue please contact Louise safeguarding@stgilesnorthampton.org.uk

Please note: Road closures are expected on Sun 1st September between Victoria Promenade and St Giles Street for resurfacing (9am-5pm). This may affect some of you as you travel to St Giles for the morning service.

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



Giving Day

Sunday 22nd September

At our **Giving Day** on **Sunday 22nd September** we hope to raise **£35,000** so we can continue with the ministry and mission we believe God is calling us to do. Prior to that we will be holding a **prayer evening** and a **day of prayer and fasting**. More details will follow but please put the dates below in your diary.

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

Sat 21st Sept – Day of Prayer and Fasting, 10-4pm

Sun 22nd Sept - Giving Day and International Meal

There will be an opportunity to make a **pledge** which may be in the form of a one-off gift, increasing your regular giving or starting a new regular giving commitment. In the meantime please prayerfully consider what you may be able to give in preparation for Sunday 22nd. Thank you!

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. Homegroup leaders should receive an email about this shortly.



Let's do Lunch

Welcome Lunch for Newcomers
20th October 12pm - The Church Centre

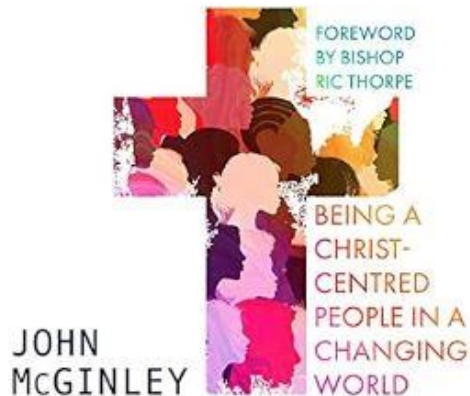
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Welcome Lunch - Save the Date *Sunday 20th October, 12 noon*

If you are new (ish) to St Giles and have not yet come along to one of our welcome lunches please join us in October. You can sign up now by clicking on the image. We would be delighted to see you!

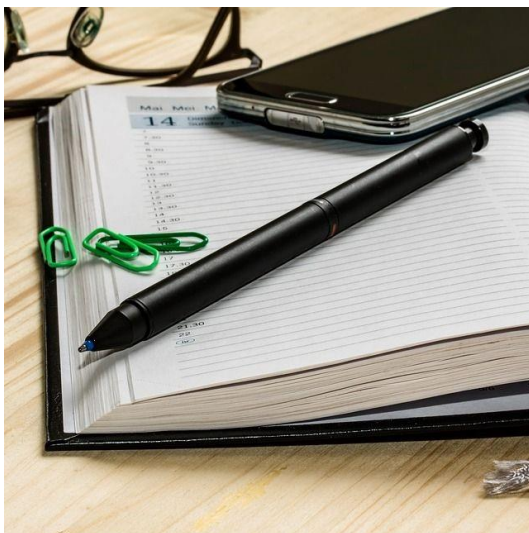
THE CHURCH OF TOMORROW



The Church of Tomorrow *Feedback*

It was great to be able to engage with the series The Church of Tomorrow and we hope that you found it an encouraging series as well as a challenging one.

You should have received an email from Josh asking for your feedback. We would really value hearing from you about what you felt God was putting on your heart individually or for St Giles. The most helpful way for you to give feedback is via email to vicar@stgilesnorthampton.org.uk. You can do that individually, or if you are part of a home group, it would be great if you could have a discussion as a group and feedback your reflections.



Save the Date

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

Sunday 20th Oct, Welcome Lunch for Newcomers

You may be interested in...

The Eternal Wall of answered prayer. More info [HERE](#)

Sunday 8th September 2024
Morning Worship with Holy Communion
Service 10am: Nicola Aylett | Josh Thorne
Reading: Leviticus, 2 Corinthians 9:6-15
Theme: Giving Series - Giving in Scripture
Service 7pm: Bob Steele | Josh Thorne

Lord, I don't want to carry burdens others make for me, nor burdens the devil makes for me, nor burdens the church wants to put on me, nor burdens from myself. But I do want to carry the burdens *You* make for me" – Molly McPherson, nurse

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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