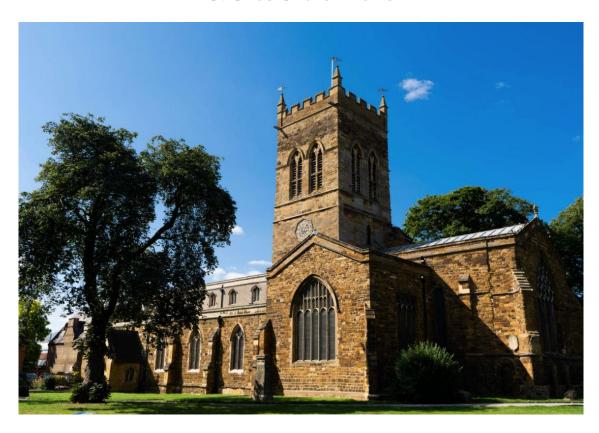
St Giles Church News



Sunday 8th September 2024

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

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

On Thursday 12th we will be praying for our young people, schools, the Lighthouse Trust and our Sunday groups. Please join us on Zoom if you can.

Please note, with the exception of the first Sunday of each month, our morning services are livestreamed.

As we begin our **Giving Season**, please take the opportunity to pick up a **pledge form** and **leaflet** in Church over the next couple of weeks. We will be asking you to prayerfully consider responding financially towards our target of £35,000. We will be using pledge forms as a way of seeing what people are giving towards our target amount. On this form, you will be able to write down what you are pledging to give, and how you are planning to give it. Then, on Sunday 22nd September, there will be a time of bringing our offerings and pledges. These pledge forms will be available in church from 8th September and will only be read by Duncan Halliday, our treasurer, who will be able to reconcile the pledge with the gift coming in. You can put your completed pledge form in one of the offering boxes in church or give directly to Duncan. Please continue to pray.

Do you have a couple of hours to spare to help out on **Saturday 14th from 10-12 noon** to be available at Church for the **Ride and Stride Heritage Day**? Please let Helen in the office know.

Please note: Further road closures are expected on Sun 8th and

15th September around town for a <u>music festival</u> and <u>running event</u>. This may affect some of you as you travel to St Giles for the morning or evening service so please allow plenty of time.

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



Fond farewell to the Hunter Family

On Sunday morning we will be saying 'goodbye' to Dave, Jacqui and Abi. They have been coming to St Giles for over 30 years and have contributed so much to the life and service of St Giles church. We are hugely grateful to them and they will be sorely missed.

We will be praying for them on Sunday but we ask that you hold them in your own prayers over the next few weeks and months as they

move from Northampton and for Abi as she starts University.



Gatherings for Prayer Monday 16th and Saturday 21st

The PCC will be leading a time of prayer on Monday 16th at 7.30pm in the Church Centre which will be aimed at teenage years upwards and on Saturday 21st from 10am – 4pm in Church there will be a day of Prayer and Fasting which will include ways to pray for all ages throughout the day - including crafts, prayer spaces, activities, quiet spaces and prayer walks.

Please do join us at one or both of these prayer gatherings. If you are coming to the day of Prayer and Fasting you may like to bring some food to break the fast at 4pm or visit the fish and chip shop on Abington Street!



Giving Day and International Meal Sunday 22nd September

We hope that you will join us at the morning or evening service on Sunday 22nd September as we give thanks for all that God is doing amongst us and as we pray and give towards the vision that God has given us. Following the morning service we will be celebrating God's goodness to us by sharing an International-themed lunch in the Church. Please sign up by clicking on the image.

We would be delighted if you could bring a dish to share from your own

culture (including British) or from a culture you love or have lived in before. Please remember NO NUTS!

After the <u>evening</u> service there will be an opportunity to enjoy some delightful puddings! There is no need to book for this.



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!



Save the Date

Sunday 20th Oct, Welcome Lunch for Newcomers

You may be interested in...

The Eternal Wall of answered prayer. More info HERE

Sunday 15th September 2024 Morning Worship

Service 10am: Josh Thorne I Stephen Hewitson **Reading**: 1 Timothy 6:11-19

Theme: Giving Series - Generosity
Service 7pm: Josh Thorne I Stephen Hewitson
Holy Communion will be served during the evening service

It is said of Rubinstein that he said "if I miss my piano practice one day, I know it; if I miss practicing two days, my friends know it; if I miss these exercises three days, the world knows it" The church both knows and feels if we miss our secret prayer. 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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