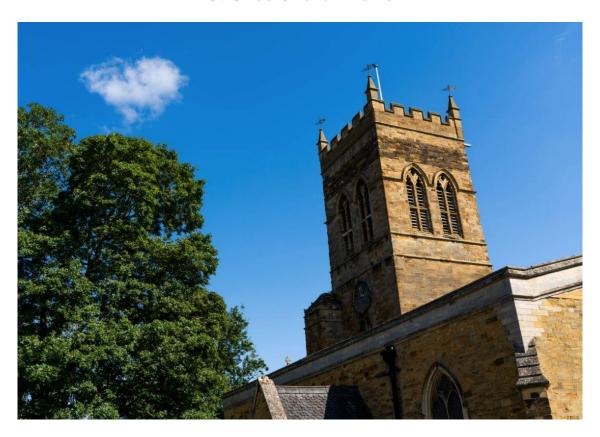
### St Giles Church News



## **Sunday 17th November 2024**

SAFEGUARDING SUNDAY

#### **Morning Worship**

Service 10am: Alison Steele I Nicola Aylett

Reading: Psalm 91 Theme: Safe

Service 7pm: Cat Nichol I Ruth Alexander

Holy Communion will be served during the evening service

In our current series we are looking at the Psalms. We are thinking about how we deal with the emotions of the human heart as followers of Jesus. See attached the series outline HERE.

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*  The **Christmas season** is approaching and we look forward to this joyful time when we contemplate and give thanks for the coming of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ. Please do pick up an invitation available in church to see the dates and times of our own Christmas services.

An event called **'Care for our Creation'** is being held this Sunday at St Peter's Church Weston Favel from 4pm with keynote speaker Ruth Valerio. More information can be found <u>HERE</u> if you are interested in attending.

If you have been coming along to St Giles for six months or more, or perhaps have been with us for some time and have not joined the **Electoral Roll**, please consider doing so. At our Annual Parochial Church Meeting (usually held in May) there is an opportunity to join the PCC but you need to have been on the Electoral Roll for at least six months. Forms are available in church or contact the office.

Accommodation for a school term-time lodger - A friendly, tidy, self-catering professional Christian married man working away from home, who works long hours and attends St Giles throughout most of the year, is seeking a room with a view to rent (with a bed, desk and wardrobe), and with occasional access to a kitchen and bathroom, in a Christian home, during most weeks in school term time. Please contact the church office if you have such a room available and would be interested in having a conversation. All offers would be gratefully appreciated.

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



#### **Christmas at St Giles**

Our Christmas invitations are now available in church and outline our Christmas services this year.

Please do take what you need to invite neighbours, friends and family members.

You can also view what's on, on our website.



#### **Christmas Decorations**

It's a lovely time of year when we get to decorate our beautiful church for Christmas. The two dates are:

<u>Sat 7th Dec</u> - 9.30am - 12 noon <u>Sat 14th Dec</u> - 9.30am - 12 noon

You can come for as long or as little as you like. There will be some jolly Christmas songs and refreshments provided.

Please sign up on ChurchSuite (click on dates above) or drop Helen a line: office@stgilesnorthampton.org.uk



#### **Christmas Orchestra and Choir**

Budding singers and musicians are needed for our Carols by Candlelight service on Sunday 15th December, 7pm. It has been a real blessing to have a choir helping lead at the carol service these last few years, and for this year we'd love to have a small orchestra to accompany it.

If this is something that you might be able to join in with then please let <u>David Lidbetter or Stephen</u> <u>Hewitson</u> know.

Practices will be taking place in the run up to Christmas, and times of these will be available soon.



### Men's Breakfast Saturday 30th November, 8.30am

Come along for a Full English breakfast followed by a talk from our very own Paul Cooper on Faith and Science.

There is no cost to attend the breakfast although donations are welcome towards the food. It'd be great if you can book on ChurchSuite (click on image) so we have an idea of numbers.

Any questions feel free to contact Pete Day on 07845 247846.

We look forward to seeing you there!



# **Open Dining Room**November to March

We are in urgent need of more help at Open Dining Room. If you can help please speak to Beth.

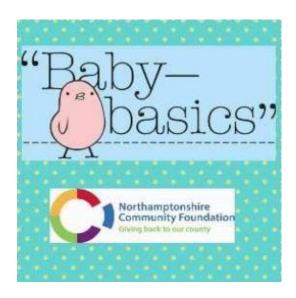
We have started open dining room this Friday, but are doing so in faith that we will have enough help to keep it running every week.

Open Dining Room is an incredible way that we can support our community, through providing a warm space, a hot meal and friendly volunteers. Open Dining Room is greatly valued by those who come along and we are thrilled to have received a grant to cover the cost of running Open Dining Room this year.

We need people to help cook, to wash up, to set up and pack away tables and chairs, to chat to those who come along, and to run crafts/activities for children.

If you are able to help with any of the above please contact Beth as soon as possible. You will be able to sign up for as many or as few sessions as you like. Sessions run on a Friday evening from 4-8pm, with the possibility of helping from 4-6, 6-8 or for the whole session.

This role does require a DBS check.



# Baby Basics Can you help?

There is a box under the table by the noticeboard in church for donations for Baby Basics - a charity who provides Moses Baskets of baby items and treats and essentials for new mums in need. A suggestions list is on the box lid or click on the image to find out more.

Thank you!

You may be interested in...

**Men's Conference,** Sat 16th Nov at Moulton Parish Church, More info <u>HERE</u> **Christians in Education Prayer Breakfast,** Sat 23rd Nov, Wellingborough. More info HERE

An evening with Rob Parsons, Care for the Family, Thurs 28th Nov, Kettering. Info HERE

Sunday 24th November 2024 Morning Worship with Holy Communion Service 10am: Nicola Aylett I Peter Angus

Reading: Psalm 118
Theme: Thankful

Service 7pm: Ruth Alexander I James Howson

We build physical muscle by constantly working our limbs. We build spiritual muscle by constantly working at prayer.

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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