

St Giles Church News



Sunday 12th January 2025

Morning Worship with Holy Communion

Service 10am: Ruth Alexander | Josh Thorne

Reading: Mark 12:28-34, Matthew 28:16-20

Theme: (Vision) Being with Jesus, Becoming like Jesus, Doing what Jesus Did

Service 7pm: Nicola Aylett | Josh Thorne

Mid-week Holy Communion Service: Thursday 11am, Church Centre

Pray With Us this week: Zoom meetings: 886 0781 8293 p/w: prayer321

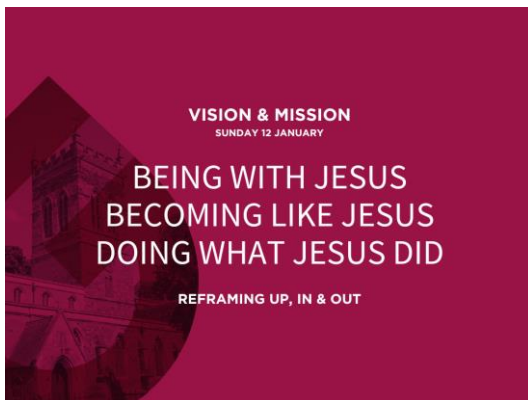
Every week-day morning at 8.30am and Thurs eve at 8pm

Please find attached our Prayer Diary for January [HERE](#) . Please do take the time to read it and commit the needs to prayer.

It's Panto Time! Our very own Alyth and Tony will be performing in **Aladdin, The True Story.**

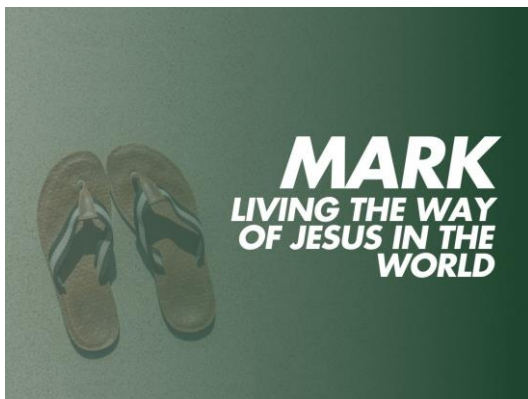
Thurs 27th, Fri 28th Feb at 7.30pm and Sat 1st March at 2.30pm.
St Andrews Methodist Church, Harlestone Road, Duston NN5 6AB
Contact Tony or Alyth for tickets 07751 354657

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



Vision and Mission

This coming Sunday we are going to be looking at part of our mission as a church, looking at how we put Jesus at the centre of the UP, IN and OUT dimensions to our life and ministry. Later in the year, we will also be looking at other parts of our mission in stand alone sermons.

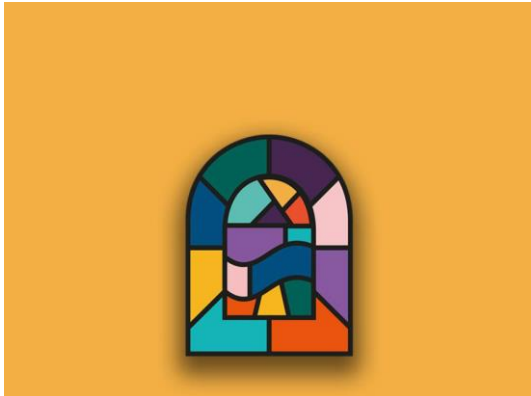


Upcoming Sermons

On Sunday 19th, we are going to be starting a new 6- part series called Mark: Living the Way of Jesus in the World. We are going to be drawing on a book from LICC of the same title. This book is part of the same series as the Ruth study we did last year.

One book per small group is on order, and if you want to buy a book yourself you are very welcome to, but they are not necessary to engage with the series. It is also possible to buy the book in ebook format. See the link below for more details.

<https://licc.org.uk/product/mark-living-the-way-of-jesus-in-the-world/>



Prayers of Love and Faith

Many will be aware of the suite of prayers called Prayers of Love and Faith, intended to be used to bless loving and stable same-sex relationships, was commended for use by the House of Bishops in December 2023. At the last APCM in May 2024, I was asked what my and St Giles' view on this topic is. Consequently, we have had conversations amongst the Exec (PCC Standing Committee) and the wider PCC, and we have decided on a process for how we will engage with this topic as a church. I have emailed out a letter today (Friday 10th January) explaining this process so I encourage you to check your inboxes and take time to read it. More details will be made available soon.



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.

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.

You may be interested in...

Crafting in the Community, Sat 25th Jan. More info [HERE](#)

Sunday 19th January 2025

Morning Worship

Service 10am: Bob Steele | Alison Steele

Reading: Mark 1:1-15

Theme: New Series

Service 7pm: Josh Thorne | Dan Blight

Holy Communion will be served during the evening service

James 5:13&14 – Is any among you in trouble? Let them pray. Is any among you happy? Let them sing songs of praise. Is any among you ill? Let them call the elders of the church to pray over them and anoint them with oil in the name of the Lord. And the prayer offered in faith will make the sick person well; the Lord will raise them up.

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

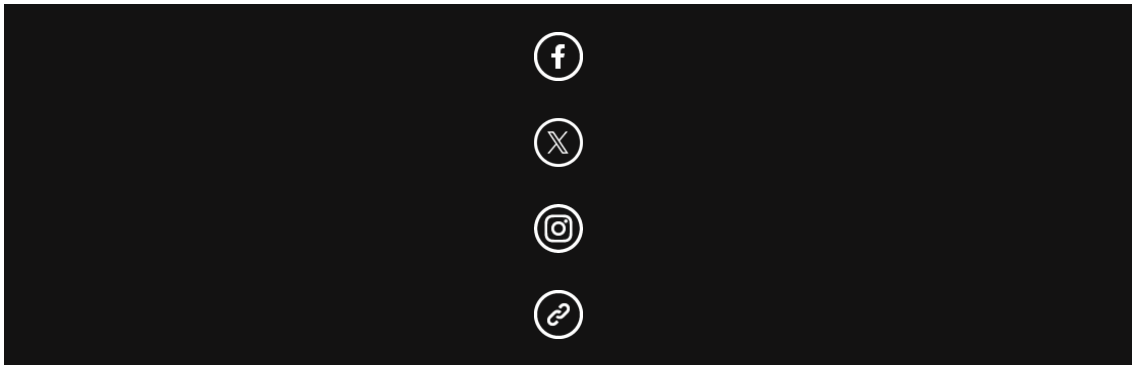
Apart from the first Sunday of each month, our morning services are livestreamed:
<https://www.stgilesnorthampton.org.uk/sunday-service-videos>

(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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