

St Giles Church News



Sunday 2nd February 2025

Morning Worship (all age)

Service 10am: Jo Smith | Beth Whaites

Reading: Mark 8: 27-38

Theme: Revealing Identity

Service 7pm: Sapphire-Haze Widdison | Hannah Puddefoot

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

Staff days off this week

Josh: Friday
Beth: Saturday
Ruth: Saturday

Church Office hours this week:

Monday: 12pm - 3pm
Tues- Fri: 10am - 3pm

Please find attached [HERE](#), our **Prayer Diary** for February. Please do take time to read it and include the prayer point in your daily prayers. There are a few paper copies in the leaflet stand in church if you prefer a hard copy.

Electoral Roll. Please see below for information concerning the Electoral Roll. This year we have a completely new Roll and everyone (whether on the current Roll or not) must complete a new form if you wish to be on the Electoral Roll.

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



Complete revision

Sign up now!

Electoral Roll Complete Revision

Under the Church Representation Rules a new Church Electoral Roll is being prepared. Every person who wishes to have his or her name entered on the new Roll*, whether on the present Roll or not, is requested to apply no later than Friday 18th April.

* You need to have been attending St Giles regularly for 6 months or more before your name can be entered on the Electoral Roll.

Please click on the image for a digital copy and send the completed form to [Helen](#) in the office or pick up a paper copy in church and put the completed copy in one of the offering boxes or through the Parish Office letterbox.



Pancake Party

Tuesday 4th March, 5.15pm

We are planning to run our Pancake party again this year on pancake day at 5.15pm. To do this we need adults to help run games, lead crafts, make tea/coffee or chat to those who attend.

Adults will need to be available from 5-7pm on Tuesday 13th Feb. If this is something you would like to help with **please speak to Beth as soon as possible, by 10th February**, so we can advertise to school.



Schools Outreach

Our school's work has grown in the last couple of years, and we would love to build a team to support this work.

At the moment we have a number of schools booked in to visit the church during the run up to Easter. We would also love to offer year 6 transitions prayer spaces to more schools in our local area.

If you are available during the school day, and would be willing to help with occasional school work **please contact Beth as soon as possible**, or contact Beth if you have any questions.

This role will require an enhanced DBS.

Can you help with
our Senior Ministry?



We need help with:

Scripture Readings

Prayer Readings

Keyboard Playing

Preaching

Helping to Plan and Lead Services

Praying alongside people

Can you help with the Senior Ministry?

From February 2025 we will be leading a short service at the Venton Centre on the first Monday and following Friday each month at 11-11.30am

If you want to get involved, please contact contact Peter Angus on 01604 757144 or the Church Office.



2nd St Giles Scouts

We are excited to be planning to re-launch a Beaver Scout unit sometime in September 2025

This group is for 6 – 8 year girls and boys but if you have children from age 5 we would love to hear from you. Please check out the national website about Beaver

Scouts www.scouts.org.uk/beavers to look at the fun activities and opportunities that Beaver Scouts can provide.

We already have some volunteer helpers on board but need a few more to make it work. This is a great way of bringing families into the body of the Church. For further information **Richard Poole 07955 329415 (contact email is on ChurchSuite)**



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.



Save the Date

Wed 5th March - Ash Wednesday

You may be interested in...

Women's Conference, Sat 1st March, More info [HERE](#)

The BIG Parenting Questions, Tues 11th March, Northampton. More info [HERE](#)

Sunday 9th February 2025

Morning Worship with Holy Communion

Service 10am: Ruth Alexander | Josh Thorne

Reading: Mark 10:14-16, Acts 2: 17-18

Theme: Intergenerational Church

Service 7pm: Bob Steele | Hans-Jurgen Wienkamp

Reading: Mark 10: 17-31

Theme: Challenging Allegiance

Prayer was never meant to be incidental to the work of God. It is *the* work of God (R
Arthur Matthews, Born for Battle 1978)

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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