

# St Giles Church

# Newsletter

*Lives being changed by the power of Jesus one person at a time*



Vicar: Revd Josh Thorne

Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> August 2025



## Pray With Us

Meet us on Zoom  
Week day mornings  
8.30-9am

Thursday evening  
8-9pm  
ID: 886 0781 8293  
p/w: prayer321

Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> August  
2.30-4.30pm  
Church Centre

## Sunday 17th August

MORNING WORSHIP *cafe style*

Summer Series Breakfast 9.30-10am

(Refreshments will be served with breakfast)

**10am:** Jo Smith | Beth Whaites

**Reading:** Judges 4: 4-24

**Theme:** The Armour of God - The Shield of Faith

**7pm:** Ed Churchill | Hans-Jurgen Wienkamp  
(Evening Services will be livestreamed until 7/9)

**Mid-week Holy Communion Service**

Thursday 11am, Church Centre

## What's on at St Giles in AUGUST?

Take a Break  
every Wednesday

Various events for Young Adults

Church Family Bonanza & Summer BBQ  
Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> August

*Save the Date:* Bishop John (Sun 7<sup>th</sup> Sept)  
Bishop Debbie (Sun 28<sup>th</sup> Sept)

Please check the calendar on our [website](#) for full details



Holy Communion will be served **after** the morning service on 27<sup>th</sup> July, 10<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> August in the chancel for those who wish to participate. Arrangements for the evening service will remain the same (3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday).

**Please note:**

**There will be no Wellbeing Cafe on 11<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> August.**

The church will suffer defeats today if you and I do not pray– Selwyn Hughes 1998



## SEXUALITY CONVERSATIONS

AUTUMN 2025

You should have all received an email from Josh in the last couple of weeks inviting you to some guided discussions on Living in Love and Faith. There will be three groups with an opportunity for each group to meet twice.

You will need to book your place on ChurchSuite (you only have to book for the 1st session which will add you automatically onto the 2<sup>nd</sup> session) or you can contact the office 01604 621628.

### SUMMER SERIES

Our summer series is well under way now. We have 2 more Sundays serving breakfast. Please do join us for from 9.30-10am. This will be followed by a short service from 10-11am.

Tea and Coffee will be served with breakfast **NOT after the service.**

### SUMMER BONANZA & BBQ

We need a team of volunteers to run this popular annual event on **Sun 31<sup>st</sup> Aug, 11-1.30pm**. Typical jobs will include setting up and packing away, making cakes, refreshments, running games etc. Please email Beth by 10<sup>th</sup> Aug if you can help. Thank you!  
beth@stgilesnorthampton.org.uk

Please also let us know if you can attend, by booking on ChurchSuite or contacting the office T: 628623.

**Prayer for UoN**  
Churches of Northampton coming together in prayer for students  
27th Aug  
7-8pm  
Multi-Faith Centre, Waterside Campus



'They are like a tree planted by streams of water which yields its fruit in season and whose leaf does not wither, whatever they do prospers.'  
Psalm 133

If you would like to attend, please email Ruth at ruth@stgilesnorthampton.org.uk

### TAKE-A-BREAK

Take-A-Break has started and will run every Wednesday during the school holidays (in church). It will include crafts, games, activities and lots of cake! **We still need help to run this each week. For more information please contact Beth.** You will require an enhanced DBS check.  
beth@stgilesnorthampton.org.uk

**Bishop John** is visiting us on 7th September and will be preaching in our Worship Together service that morning. Before he preaches we will be inviting the children to ask him some questions. If you have a child or young person that would like to ask a question, or would like to send in a question for us to ask please speak to Beth or Josh.

### Sunday 24th August

Summer Series Breakfast 9.30-10am

MORNING WORSHIP *cafe style*

10am: Karolin Richards I Jo Smith

Reading: John 3: 1-21

Theme: The Armour of God - The Helmet of Salvation

7pm: Karen Jongman I Peter Angus

Communion will be served **after the morning service**



Parking down the centre of St Giles' car park is **not permitted** as this blocks other cars in, preventing exit in the case of an emergency. The Ridings car park next door is free for 2 hours.

### SUNDAY 31<sup>ST</sup> AUGUST

Please note, we will **not** be having an evening service on 31st. Please inform others who may not receive the news sheet.

#### Church Office Hours

Monday: 1-3pm,  
Tues - Thurs Fri: 10-3pm  
Office closed Wed 20th

Staff days off  
Josh: on leave until 25/8  
Beth: Saturday  
Ruth: Saturday

**Church Warden: Stephen Hewitson**  
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**Safeguarding Lead: Louise Whaites**  
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**Treasurer: Duncan Halliday**  
treasurer@stgilesnorthampton.org.uk

### You may be interested in...

Prayer Spaces in Schools Training event, 30<sup>th</sup> Sept. More info [here](#)

Care for the Family, Left to Their Own Devices (Tech-savvy kids). More info [here](#).

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