

St Giles Church

# Newsletter

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



Vicar: Revd Josh Thorne

Sunday 22nd February 2026



## 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 28<sup>th</sup>  
2.30pm- 4.30pm  
Church Centre

## Sunday 22nd February 2026

MORNING WORSHIP  
with Holy Communion

**10am:** Nicola Aylett | Daniel Blight

Series: Lent 1 Prayer and Devotion

Reading: John 17:20-26

Theme: What does it mean to belong?

**7pm:** Daniel Blight | Edward Churchill

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

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

Open Dining Room Friday evenings  
(until the end of March)

Prayer for UoN  
28<sup>TH</sup> FEB MULTI FAITH CENTRE WATERSIDE CAMPUS  
7pm-8pm

**Mid-week Holy Communion service**  
Thursday 11am, Church Centre

If you are not already on our **Electoral Roll** and you have been worshipping at St Giles for six months or more, please fill in an application form (available on the leaflet stand in church) and leave in one of the offering boxes or drop into the parish office (envelopes will be available from next week). Being on St Giles' electoral roll enables you to take part in any vote at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting in May (exact date to be confirmed).

This age, blinded by its god, has not revoked the tragic decree "we will not that this man reign over us" - Luke 19:14

## Prayer for UoN

Churches of Northampton coming together in prayer for students

28th February  
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 1v3



If you would like to attend, please email Ruth at [ruth@stgilesnorthampton.org.uk](mailto:ruth@stgilesnorthampton.org.uk)

## Loving Our Grandchildren Well

...how the 'Five Love Languages' shape love and prayer

Saturday 21st March 2026  
10 am - 12.30 pm  
Moulton Parish Church



Please register in advance at [christiangrandparents@btinternet.com](mailto:christiangrandparents@btinternet.com)



## Let's do Lunch

Welcome Lunch for Newcomers  
8th March 12pm - Church Centre

scan QR code to sign up or contact the church office  
01604 628623



## Supporting mums in vulnerable situations this Mother's Day



Baby basics Northampton



We recognise that not every mum will receive cards and gifts this Mother's Day. But we believe every new parent deserves to feel appreciated. That's why our starter packs are packed full of the love and generosity of the local community.

This coming Sunday we will be introducing the new **Lent project!**

The Lent Project for this year is Action for Arise Africa. This is with Open Doors for persecuted Christians in sub-Saharan Africa.

As many of you will know, Helen, our office administrator is stepping down from her post at the end of February. We are so thankful for all the ways that she has served St Giles over the years in her role and some have mentioned that they would like to contribute to a gift to Helen.

If you would like to contribute towards this, you can either go onto the website and go onto ChurchSuite Giving and select the 'Leaving Gifts' option from the Funds dropdown menu, and choose how much you would like to give. The link for that can be found here:

<https://stgilesnorthampton.churchsuite.com/donate>

Alternatively, you can speak to Duncan Holliday, our treasurer and give him the gift in an envelope. The deadline for gifts will be the end of February.

### Sunday 1st March

Morning Worship  
10am: Beth Whaites | Karolin Richards  
Series: Lent 2: Belong  
Theme: You belong  
Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:12-31

7pm: Josh Thorne | Sophie-Tia Bean

### Pray with Us 2026 dates

February 28th	July 25th
March 28th	August 29th
April 25th	Sept 26th
May 30th	Oct 31st
June 27th	Nov 28th

2.30-4.30pm Church Centre  
(unless otherwise stated)

### Church Office Hours

Monday: 1-3pm  
Tues - Fri: 10-3pm

Staff days off  
Josh: Saturday  
Beth: Saturday  
Ruth: Saturday

**Church Warden: Stephen Hewitson**  
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You may be interested in...  
Northampton 221 divorce support group. Info at [www.221.org.uk](http://www.221.org.uk)  
The group will meet on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month from 7-9pm on 11<sup>th</sup> March, The meet will be held at St Francis Church in Duston.

**News sheet/announcement deadline:** All items must be with the church office by the preceding Tuesday at the latest and will be included for a maximum of 3 weeks (if possible) at the discretion of the church office.