



St GILES
CHURCH

Where lives are being changed

An exciting opportunity

St Giles is a large Anglican church in the centre of Northampton. We are committed to New Wine values and we are passionate about transformation.

We are looking to recruit someone to the post of **Senior Youth and Children's Pastor** who will oversee all our ministries to the next generation and their



families. The person appointed would be part of our **Ministry Leadership Team**, responsible for making strategic decisions concerning the life and future of the wider church family. The person could be ordained or lay but would come with experience of a thriving youth and/or children's ministry.

We are looking for someone with vision, energy, great organisation and excellent communication skills. You will be an inspirational and passionate leader who will be committed to growing other leaders enabling our young people to become disciple-making disciples who are equipped to live for Jesus and share Him with others.

Vision

At St Giles, we don't want to settle for simply coming to church or doing church. We want to see lives changed, we want to see communities impacted and we want to see the town of Northampton being transformed. We believe that it can happen as people commit themselves to following Jesus and joining His mission to change the world.

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Worship at St Giles

We believe that worship can be an encounter with the living God! It's a joy and a blessing to come together on a Sunday to offer praise to God and to pray for one another and the wider world. We seek to be open to the power and presence of the Holy Spirit when we gather and to make room for spiritual gifts, prophecy and prayer ministry. The music is usually contemporary and led by a band but draws on a wide repertoire of songs and hymns. Our bible teaching aims to connect the deep, enduring truths of Scripture with our lives today. We make time for stillness, personal stories and the opportunity to reflect on what we've heard and respond personally.



Existing activities

There are activities for children and young people throughout the week where they can be encouraged to grow as disciples of Jesus.

These include:-

- [Sundays](#) Age-appropriate groups to grow as young disciples
- [Toddle In](#) A toddlers group on Tuesday mornings at 10am
- [Uniformed Groups](#) Including, beavers, cubs, scouts, brownies and guides.
- [Holiday Clubs](#) Holiday clubs at Easter and during the summer
- [Just Girls](#) An evening group, just for girls
- [Together](#) A language group for parents and carers with small children
- [Youth Cell Groups](#) Small groups for 14-18 year-olds, consisting of worship, Bible study and conversation about topical issues.

Priorities

At St Giles church, we give priority to four different aspects of discipleship.

***Growing Up:** This is about growing into mature followers of Jesus and seeking to know God more deeply through worship, prayer and reading the bible. It is about taking responsibility for our own spiritual growth and development.*

***Joining In:** This is about being an active member of St Giles church, learning to serve, bless and support one another and participate fully in the life of the community.*

***Spreading Out:** This is about going out and taking the Good News we have to the places we live, work and socialise. It's about reaching out to others with love, compassion and kindness.*

***Giving Away:** This is about being generous with what God has blessed us with personally and as a church. It's about our time, money and resources. It's about using our gifts and abilities to support, serve and bless others.*

The new Senior Youth and Children's Pastor would be joining St Giles at an exciting time, as we begin to explore and pray about our future as a 'Resource Church.' In line with our priorities of 'Spreading Out' and 'Giving Away' we are keen to see the whole church inspired to think big and discern God's vision for the transformation of Northampton and beyond. As we embark on this new chapter, we want everyone to play their part – from the youngest to the oldest. We are committed to finding ways of expressing that we are an intergenerational church family in our worship, our outreach and in 'being church' together.

Is God calling you to join us?

We are prayerfully asking the Holy Spirit to lead someone to come and join our team. The job description for this exciting new role is set out overleaf but this can be tailored to suit the gifts and skills of the person we appoint.