St Giles Church News



Sunday 17th March 2024 Morning Worship WELCOME LUNCH AFTER THE MORNING SERVICE Service 10am: Josh Thorne I Philip Evans Reading: John 12:20-33, Acts 7:2-6, 11-16 Theme: Approaching Easter Service 7pm: Josh Thorne I Bob Steele Holy Communion will be served during the evening service

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

Pray with Us (in person) Saturday 23rd March, 2.30-4.30pm Church Centre

This week we welcome Philip Evans who will be talking on 'The death of a seed produces many seeds. If we feel a failure, frail, or a foreigner ... God can bring forth fantastic fruit.'

Please find attached <u>HERE</u> Mission in Touch (part 1) where we can read about the Summer Camps (by Catherine Macpherson).

If you have signed up to our **Welcome Lunch**, please take the opportunity to have a coffee and chat in church after the morning service and head over to the church centre across the road at 12 noon. Please ask one of the welcomers if you are unsure of where to go. We are so looking forward to sharing a meal together and getting to know each other!

Please note that Spencer Parade will be closed next Sunday 24th March from 9-11.45am.

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 table near the kitchen in church) and leave in one of the offering boxes in church or drop it into the parish office (envelopes available). Being on St Giles' electoral roll enables you to stand for any PCC vacancy and take part in any vote at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting in May. A list of those currently on the ER is on the noticeboard in church.

Please remember to bring your own cup (with a lid, if possible) for refreshments after the morning service. Thank you!

To find out more about what's going on at St Giles go to Events on MyChurchSuite or <u>click</u> <u>here</u>.



Easter at St Giles

Please take some Easter service invitations available in church and share with your family, friends, neighbours and work colleagues. We would love to see a full church as we share the wonderful message of Easter. **If you can serve on team eg welcome or refreshments, please let Helen** know: office@stgilesnorthampton.org.uk

Palm Sunday - 24th March, 10am and 7pm

Maundy Thursday - 28th March, 7pm

Good Friday - 29th March, 11am (Family), 2pm (Reflective)

Easter Sunday - 31st March,10am NO evening service



Sunday Service Rotas

If you currently serve on a team, including service leaders and preachers, please look out for an email next week which will include the rotas from April-July. If you have not added your unavailability on ChurchSuite, please do so ASAP!

We are so grateful to you all for faithfully committing your time and talent to the work of our Lord, Jesus Christ, here at St Giles. If you are not serving in any capacity and would like to, we would love to hear from you. Please get in touch with Helen

(office@stgilesnorthampton.org.uk or

01604 628623). Thank you!



RSVP to Beth

Prayer for UoN Thursday 21st March, 7-8pm

Join others to pray for the students and staff at the UoN on Thursday 21st.

Let Ruth know if you would like to attend. (ruth@stgilesnorthampton.org.uk)

Primary School Easter Party Saturday 16th March, 3-5pm

This will be held in the Church Centre.

Please let Beth know if your child would like to come. (beth@stgilesnorthampton.org.uk)

Help Needed!

We would love to bring back Take-A-Break during the next two school holidays. Last year we saw an average of 50 people coming into church during the school holidays for crafts, games, activities, face painting and lots of cake.

Take-A-Break will be every Wednesday afternoon during school holidays, starting on 29th May from 12-3pm.

To run Take-A-Break we need a large team. There are numerous roles within this team.

For more information please contact Beth. (beth@stgilesnorthampton.org.uk)



Unite Youth event Sunday 24th March, 6.30pm

We are planning to take a group to a youth event on Sunday 24th March, 6:30-9pm. Unite is a gathering for church youth across Northamptonshire to come together for Worship, Friendship and Fun.

Fun activities at this event include Gladiator Duel, Wakka Mole, Holein-one, crafts and other activities. £3 per person.

Please contact Beth to sign up. (Beth@stgilesnorthampton.org.uk)



Save the Date

Friday 19th April, 7-9pm - Games Night Men & Women. Info <u>HERE</u>

Sunday 12th May - APCM (Annual Parochial Church Meeting)

You may be interested in...

Good Friday Town Centre Witness and Worship, 10am 29th March from Sheinman Opticians/BBC Radio Northampton. 24-7 Prayer. Sign up HERE

> Sunday 24th March 2024 PALM SUNDAY Morning Worship (no communion) Service 10am: Alison Steele I Bob Steele Reading: John 12: 12-16 Theme: Palm Sunday Service 7pm: Cat Nichol I Nicola Aylett

Prayer is taxing. Prayer is exacting. Prayer means enduring. Prayer means denying self, a daily dying by choice. L Ravenhill

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 <u>HERE</u>. 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.youtube.com/channel/UCVLqKU_357NAwfRCqveKyVQ/live

(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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