

St Giles Church News



Sunday 7th April 2024

Morning Worship (all age)

Service 10am: Josh Thorne | Craig Macpherson

Reading: Ruth 1: 1-22

Theme: Ruth - Loving in terrible times

Service 7pm: Cat Nichol | Ed Churchill

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.

This Sunday we are starting a 6-week series on the book of Ruth - Drawing on a Deeper Love. You can find the weekly themes and Bible passages [HERE](#). If you are a homegroup leader there is a resource book in the church office that you may wish to use for your weekly meetings.

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.

Our **Prayer Diary** for April is now available [HERE](#). There are a few copies on the leaflet stand in church if you prefer a paper copy. Let's keep praying for the needs outlined in this valuable resource.

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

Call for T-towels! If you have kindly taken t-towels home to wash either from the church centre or church, please could you return them. Thank you!

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



CHURCH MEETINGS ARE BRILLIANT

Annual Parochial Church Meeting *Sunday 12th May, 10am.*

Our annual church meeting will form part of our morning service on Sunday 12th May. We have a number of vacancies for the **Parochial Church Council (PCC), Deanery Synod and Deputy Wardens**. Please talk to a PCC member or churchwarden (see noticeboard near the information point) to see what's involved. As always it will be great to have some new people taking up this important role in the life of our church.

There are nomination forms and role descriptions near the main (north) entrance in church. Nominees must be on the St Giles' electoral roll and a baptised member of the church. Those nominated are asked to

provide a photo and a short paragraph of 100 words about themselves - to be emailed to the [church office](#) by 9am by Wednesday 8th May at the latest.



Games Night

Friday 19th April, 7-9pm

We are hosting our second St Giles' Men vs Women Games Night filled with fun, competition and fellowship in church.

It will be great if you are able to attend and team up with your fellow men/women and compete in a series of 'minute-to-win-it' games to see who will be crowned champions!

Please bring and share food (and bring your own drinks).

Sign up via ChurchSuite (click on image) or ring the Parish office to book a place.



24-7 Prayer Weekend

Fri 19th April - Sun 21st April

Northampton churches are holding a virtual 24-7 prayer weekend from 6.00pm **Friday 19 April** to 6.00pm **Sunday 21 April 2024**.

Sign up at [THIS LINK](#) for your slot (if another person is there, rejoice that we are praying with another person from another church)

24-7 Prayer GB have declared 2024 a year of prayer for the nations of the world. We are taking our place.

'Prayer is the great work of God'
- Oswald Chambers.

COME ALL WHO ARE WEARY AND
OUR LORD JESUS WILL GIVE YOU REST.



221 Divorce Support Group *Tues 14th May - 18th June*

The Women's Ministry is again hosting a 6 week 221 Divorce Support Group course for women who are divorced or whose long term relationship has ended and would like to be supported. This will be held in St Giles church centre from 7pm - 9pm.

The course dates : Tuesdays 14 May; 21 May; 28 May; 04 June; 11 June and 18 June.

As this is a support group, spaces are limited. Please sign up via [ChurchSuite](#) or ring the Parish office on 01604 628623.



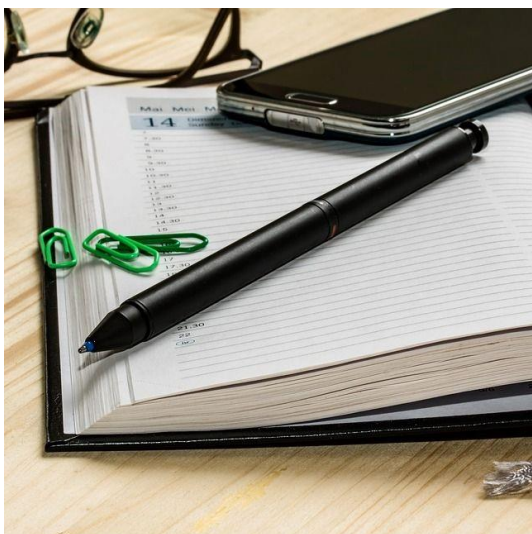
Help Needed!

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)



Save the Date

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

You may be interested in...

Gospel Choir Concert - Sat 27th April, 7.30pm at Park Avenue Methodist Church. More info [HERE](#)

Sunday 14th April 2024
Morning Worship with Holy Communion
Service 10am: Josh Thorne | Jess Newlove
Reading: Ruth 2:1-23
Theme: Loving at Work
Service 7pm: Josh Thorne | Jess Newlove

“The less I pray, the harder it gets, the more I pray the better it goes” (Martin Luther @1500)

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

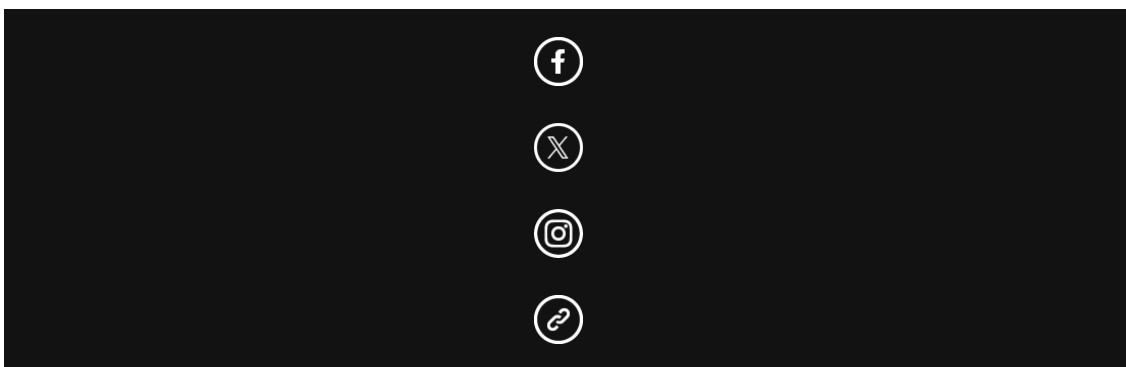
Apart from the first Sunday of each month, our morning services are
livestreamed: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCVLqKU_357NAwfRCqveKyVQ/live

(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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