

**ST. GILES PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
**The Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost**  
**September 18, 2022**  
**The Reverend Rebecca Roushorne-Lau**  
**Director of Music – Mr. Dan Sonier**

*Welcome to St. Giles! We want you to feel at home! If there is something you need or have any questions, please reach out to the usher at the door and we will assist you in any way we can.*

**Announcements**

**Call to Worship:** Psalm 84:1-4

How lovely is your dwelling place, Lord Almighty!  
My soul yearns, even faints, for the courts of the Lord;  
**my heart and my flesh cry out  
for the living God.**

Even the sparrow has found a home,  
and the swallow a nest for herself,  
**where she may have her young –  
a place near your altar,**

Lord Almighty, my King and my God.

**Blessed are those who dwell in your house;  
they are ever praising you.**

**Opening Hymn:** Praise my Soul the God who crowns you

**Prayer of Adoration and Confession**

**Assurance of Pardon**

**Children's Time**

**Video:** Cast your cares

**Scripture:** Jonah 1:4-15  
Matthew 8:23-27

This is the world of the Lord for the people of God  
**Thanks be to God**

**Hymn:** How great thou art

**Sermon**

**Prayer of Thanksgiving and Intercession followed by the Lord's  
Prayer**

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom  
come, thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day  
our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.  
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is  
the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.**

**Offertory Invitation**

**Offertory Music**

**Offertory Prayer**

**Closing Words**

**Benediction**

**St. Giles Presbyterian Church**

**Minister** Rev. Rebecca Roushorne-Lau

**Office Administrator** Nicole Grieve

**Hours** Tues – Thurs. 8:45 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.

**Pianist and Choir Director** Dan Sonier

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

Sept. 25- 76th Anniversary of St Giles

Oct. 2- World Communion, Youth Sunday School begins

Oct. 9- Thanksgiving

Nov. 4- Bazaar set up

Nov. 5- Bazaar

Nov. 27- Advent 1, Communion

Dec 1-Celtic Christmas

Dec 18-Communion

Dec 24-Christmas Eve

Dec 25-Christmas Day

<b>This Week</b>	<b>Next Week</b>
<b>Greeter/Usher</b> Shirley Berdan	<b>Greeter/Usher</b> Suzanne B
<b>Scripture</b> Rev. Becky	<b>Scripture</b> Helen V
<b>Sunday School</b> Rainie	<b>Sunday School</b> Rainie
<b>Teller</b> John V & Suzanne B	<b>Teller</b> Avis & Jim Fisher
<b>Fellowship Hosts</b> Marilyn Maderey	<b>Fellowship Hosts</b> Barb, Marilyn

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**PRAYER REQUESTS**

Please pray for **Carol** as she continues treatment.

Please pray for **Carol Barrett**, as she recovers from surgery.

Please pray for **George Wilson**, as he continues to recover from surgery.

Please pray for **Pam Weager**, as she recovers from knee surgery.

Please pray for **John Collins**.

Please pray for **Pat McLean**.

Please pray for **Sydney and her family**, as she continues to navigate through health challenges.

Please pray for **Deb Stewardson**, as she continues to recover at home.

**Christie** wishes to thank everyone for their prayers-it is very much appreciated.

**If you have a prayer request** that you would like shared with our community here at St. Giles, please contact Nicole in the office and your request can be put in the bulletin.

**OPPORTUNITIES TO LEARN**

**We will begin** our study over zoom on September 13th at 9:30am and are going to start the year with a study on Bob Goff's book "Undistracted". His book can be purchased at major book sellers. If you are planning to order from The Bookkeeper it is a 14 day delivery date as they don't keep it in store. I recommend the full book as opposed to the study guide.

**New!** If you are interested in a monthly study of the book "Sabbath as Resistance: Saying No to the Culture of Now" by Walter Bruegemann please contact Nicole in the office. Our study would meet once a month in different homes to study one chapter and enjoy a time of connection with refreshments.

**On Saturday September 24**, we will hold a memorial service to celebrate the life and work of Dick and Isabelle Ford at 11:00 am. All are welcome to attend.

**George Wilson** is an Elder and long-time member of St. Giles. Currently he is at Bluewater Health recovering from spinal surgery. He would love visitors! If you would like to learn more about George's health journey, you can go to GoFundme.com and search "Julie Nixon George's Health Journey." We will be accepting donations through our St. Giles Barnabas Fund. If you would like to donate this way, please indicate "Barnabas Fund George Wilson" on your e-transfer, cheque, or envelope.

### **Did You Know?**

St. Giles has an emergency fund called the Barnabas Fund. This is for emergencies for our members, or people in the community who need support in times of crisis. Our fund is low at the moment. If you would like to donate, please indicate "Barnabas Fund."

### **DISCIPLING**

On Sunday, Oct. 2nd, the children will lead us in celebration of the final totals of our Water First donations. September 30th will mark the 2nd annual National Day for Truth and Reconciliation when Canadians honour those children who suffered in residential schools. You are invited to wear an orange shirt that day and Sunday, Oct. 2nd. Donating to Water First is an action St Giles has chosen to respond to the current needs of indigenous communities.

### **FELLOWSHIP TIME**

Choose a friend and host the enjoyable after-church Fellowship Time. Directions are available. Congregational Life Team members are happy to help you. Wanda and Murray buy the coffee, milk, cream, cookies. Barb makes the coffee; Brad sets up the tables/chairs.

Let Marilyn know you are willing to do this 519-542-2733, or Nicole in the office 519-542-2253, or sign up on the easel chart.

### **INVITATION FOR ST. GILES CHOIR!**

We are excited to welcome back our St. Giles choir in the fall. Our choir will take on a new form this upcoming season! Instead of weekly rehearsals and weekly services, our choir will be participating in a total of 5 Sunday services throughout the year. Interested singers will be required to attend 2 mandatory Tuesday rehearsals at 8:00 pm prior to the scheduled Sunday you have signed up for. We are inviting any singer interested in participating in the following Sunday services to email [dansonier@hotmail.com](mailto:dansonier@hotmail.com) for further information. Please indicate the Sunday(s) interested and Dan will email you music and any other details. You can sign up for one or all Sundays depending on your interest and availability! We are looking forward to hearing from you!

Sunday September 25, 2022

Sunday October 30, 2022

Saturday December 24, 2022

Sunday April 9, 2023 (Easter Sunday)

Sunday June 4, 2023

### **BAZAAR-SAVE THE DATE! NOVEMBER 5, 2022 9.00am - noon**

**Bazaar countdown:** 7 WEEKS!!! Lots of preparations are in progress! **Needed: any Christmas fabric.** There are crafters who can and will make beautiful items to sell at the bazaar but they need some materials.

**Your already crafted items.** What have you been making? You can bring your items to the church the week of October 22-29.

Do you have anything we can borrow to **help display crafted items**? A stuffed animal to model knitted hats? An 18" doll to model doll clothes? A mannequin to display hats or scarves or aprons?

**Jewelry donations** for the Vintage Jewels table.

Please consider how YOU can help with this major fundraiser for St. Giles.

**Trunk or Treat – SIGN UP by Sunday Sept 18th!** *We need at least eight cars to make it happen!!* **Purpose:** Shine the light of Christ into the community through a fun and positive event for kids/families/friends. We would like to host **“Trunk or Treat” at St. Giles on Saturday October 29th from 5:30 - 7 pm.**

This event involves church members dressing up their trunk in fun and creative ways, lining up together in the parking lot, and inviting kids (from St. Giles, the neighbourhood, VBS etc) to go trunk-to-trunk to enjoy the scenery and collect treats (toothbrush, chocolate bar, whatever you choose!). We are asking people to use a Christian theme or non-scary theme. To sign up or get more information **email Rainie by Sunday Sept 18<sup>th</sup>**

[lorraine.dolbear@gmail.com](mailto:lorraine.dolbear@gmail.com) or Nicole [stgilespresbyterian@cogeco.net](mailto:stgilespresbyterian@cogeco.net)

**Pakistan is currently** being devastated by widespread flooding and landslides caused by severe monsoon rains. There has been significant loss of human life, property, and infrastructure. Join us in praying for safety and security for the millions of people affected by the ongoing crisis. PWS&D is planning an emergency response that would provide monthly cash assistance to over 2,000 families for a three-month period. This cash will help families affected by the flooding to meet their immediate food needs. You can support this life-saving assistance by donating to PWS&D through the church office. **Please mark donations as Pakistan Relief.**

On Saturday October 1st, Grace Fowler and her daughter Tanya will be joining thousands of other walkers, riders and volunteers across Canada in the **Ride For Refuge**. It is a family-friendly cycling and walking event that supports charities working with the displaced, vulnerable, and exploited around the world - including a charity that's close to my heart - Nightlight ([nightlightcanada.com](http://nightlightcanada.com)) to help support Nightlight Sarnia which opened on February 28, 2022. Nightlight Sarnia reaches out to the relationally poor of our community through our local centre located at 181 North Christina Street.

There, our volunteers host our guests while seeking to build meaningful relationships. In this friendly and safe environment our guests can enjoy snacks, beverages, chat, play games or work on a puzzle. We're excited to be involved and we need people like you to help! Will you please be a donor and help us to reach our fundraising goal? To make a secure online donation in support of our efforts, please visit [www.rideforrefuge.org/location/sarnia](http://www.rideforrefuge.org/location/sarnia) and select the "donate to participant/team" button. Search for either Grace Carver or Tanya Carver. Select the name under the Participants list. Then select the "donate now!" button. Your support is greatly appreciated! If you have any questions please contact Grace Carver at 519-312-0363 or [egfowler.11@gmail.com](mailto:egfowler.11@gmail.com). Thank you.

**THANK YOU** to everyone who has signed up as a SUNDAY MORNING VOLUNTEER. You can visit our website [stgilessarnia.ca](http://stgilessarnia.ca) to see the most up-to-date schedule by clicking “Calendar” at the top right and choosing “Sunday Schedule”. We are still in need of Shepherds and some Fellowship Time Hosts if you’d like to sign up outside the office.

**You have raised \$3,897.15** for WATER FIRST so far! Wow! We will be wrapping up our donation drive this month. The change bucket and \$15 gift cups will be available until Sunday the 25th. St Giles generosity at work again.

**Grant Bournier** would like to sincerely thank the congregation of St. Giles for their financial support as he participated in the Walk for Parkinson’s on September 11 at Canatara Park. Grant’s original goal was \$7500 and he surpassed that with a total of \$7586 going towards the cause. He would also like to thank his wife Janice and her family, his granddaughter and Isobel Culbert who accompanied him on the walk. Congratulations Grant!