

UPCOMING EVENTS

Nov. 27- Advent begins-Communion

Dec 11-Celtic Christmas

Dec 18-Communion, Intergenerational Service

Dec 24-Christmas Eve 7:00 pm

Dec 25-Christmas Day 10:30 am

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This Week	Next Week
Greeter/Usher Graham R.	Greeter/Usher Shirley B.
Scripture Suzanne B	Scripture John Vollmar
Sunday School Rainie	Sunday School Leanne
Teller Avis & Jim	Teller John V & Suzanne
Fellowship Suzanne, Betty C, Janis	Fellowship Margo G.

THIS WEEK AT ST GILES **Sunday November 20, 2022**

You are invited to a time of fellowship and refreshments
in The Gathering Place following the service.
May you feel welcomed and encouraged today.

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.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Jo-Anne who is healing in hospital

Carol as she continues to recover

Sydney and her family as she continues to navigate health challenges

Those in hospital: **John Collins, George Wilson, Bette Fitzpatrick, Jo-Anne MacMillan**

Those in LTC Homes: **Bill Blake, Wanda James, Ruth Leitch**

Iain wishes to thank everyone for their prayers. They are much appreciated.

NEW! If you would like to send a card to someone from our list above who is in the hospital, there is a Pastoral Care basket outside the office to drop one off. Please indicate the recipient's name on the envelope.

If you have a prayer request for the bulletin please call the office at 542-2253 or email stgilespresbyterian@cogeco.net Private prayer requests are welcomed by Rev. Roushorne or your Elder.

This week Dr. Moore, Ontario's Chief Medical Officer of Health, issued a **strong recommendation** that we wear masks in indoor settings as there are three separate viruses circulating. We would ask that you give consideration to masking when we gather for worship together on Sunday. This is one tool we can use to better protect our most vulnerable in the community, including our children

PASTORAL CARE

Barnabas Fund 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.”

OPPORTUNITIES TO LEARN

Zoom Tuesday Morning Study Group 9:30-11:00 am.

Study will resume on Tuesday November 22.

New! Potential Monthly Book Study

There has been some interest in beginning our study on **Sabbath as a Resistance: Saying No to the Culture of Now** by Walter Brueggemann, and this will begin in **January**. Stay tuned for more details. To sign up, please contact Nicole in the office.

MISSION AND OUTREACH

Winter Warm Up donations are being accepted in the World Changer donation bin. **Coffee** and **sugar** will go to the Inn. Tarps, hats and mittens will also be collected. Thank you! Any questions/suggestions: contact Leanne or Valdene

“Christmas Community Sharing” St. Giles will be participating in the community Christmas hamper program this year by giving Christmas grocery gift cards to 16 families in our community. We are asking for donations of \$25 towards this outreach program. Please help families in our Sarnia community. Donations can be made by marking “Community Sharing” or “Christmas Hampers” on your offering envelope or e-transfer.

CONGREGATIONAL LIFE

It’s that time of year again! The Congregational Life Committee is looking for volunteers to bake cookies for our Christmas Cookie tins. These will be given to members of the congregation who are shut in or in need of a little extra

something at this time of year. The date for assembly is the morning of Wednesday December 14 so we will need your cookies by 9 am that day. You can leave them in the office or the kitchen (labelled please) before then. If you are able to help or would like more information about this annual project, please call Joan McPhedran at 519 336 4913 or email at joanmcphebran@gmail.com. Donations of small Christmas cookie tins would also be appreciated. Thank you so much!

Save the Date! **Sunday 4th December**, the Congregation Life Committee will be hosting a CHRISTMAS LUNCH (ham-scalloped potatoes) for our church family. Tickets are \$10. Please see Doreen Blake.

VOLUNTEERS

We are **still in need of Shepherds** if you’d like to sign up outside the office.

COMMUNICATION

Photos. Please send to shirleyberdan1@gmail.com, and joyceneill3@gmail.com, for possible use in upcoming newsletters. Many thanks in advance. For the **weekly email and quarterly newsletter**, please email stgilesav@gmail.com. For **Sunday School/Family Ministry emails**, contact lorraine.dolbear@gmail.com

REMINDER

Building Security: It is essential when we leave the building that everything is locked and secured. This helps to protect our people, and the facilities. When locking up, please check both door handles at the West entrance.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Movie Night. On Friday November 25, at 7pm, the Down Syndrome Association of Lambton will be hosting a movie night at Redeemer Christian Reformed Church. All are welcome, and the event is free of charge. The church is located at 5834 Blackwell Sideroad.

Christmas Skating Party

You are invited to a family Christmas Skating Party on Saturday, November 26, from 6:30 to 7:30 at the Pat Stapleton Arena (formerly Sarnia Arena). Dressing rooms will be open for 30 minutes before and 30 minutes after. Hope you can come to have some fun with family and friends.

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