

Welcome to St. Giles Sarnia

Sunday February 26, 2023 The Rev Rebecca Roushorne-Lau

We are glad you came to worship with us today! We invite you to join us after worship in the Gathering Place for a time of refreshment and conversation.

Order of Worship St Giles Presbyterian Church, Sarnia February 26, 2023

Call to Worship: Based on Psalm 32

Blessed is the one

whose transgressions are forgiven,

whose sins are covered.

Blessed is the one

whose sin the Lord does not count against them

and in whose spirit is no deceit.

Therefore let all the faithful pray to you

while you may be found;

surely the rising of the mighty waters

will not reach them.

You are my hiding place;

you will protect me from trouble

and surround me with songs of deliverance.

I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go;

I will counsel you with my loving eye on you.

Rejoice in the Lord and be glad, you righteous;

sing, all you who are upright in heart!

Opening Hymn: Great is thy Faithfulness

Prayer of Adoration and Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Children's Story:

Video: Seeing Jesus: First Sunday in Lent

Scripture Lessons: Ecclesiastes 4:12; Matthew 4:1-11; Matthew 7:1-12

Hymn: It is well with my soul

Sermon:

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory music:

Prayer of Dedication:

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And with you also.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

... Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with celestial choirs and with all the faithful of every time and place, who forever sing to the glory of your name:

Holy, holy, Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Great is the mystery of faith...

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

...Amen.

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.

The Breaking of Bread and the Distribution

Prayer after Thanksgiving

Closing Hymn: Raise a Hallelujah

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Role	Today	March 5
Greeter	Paul K	Shirley B
Reader	John Vollmar	Don Jones
Sunday School	Leanne	Leanne Joyce N
Tellers	Pete B & Paul K	Avis & Jim
Fellowship Hosts	Annual Meeting	TBD

We request that **Bulletin submissions** be received by Wednesday at 10:30am. Submit your notices to Nicole through stgilespresbyterian@cogeco.net.

ST GILES ANNOUNCEMENTS: February 12th, 2023

GET CONNECTED AT ST GILES

For the weekly email and quarterly newsletter, contact stgilesav@gmail.com

For Sunday School/Family Ministry emails, contact lorraine.dolbear@gmail.com

If you are on Facebook request to join the "St Giles Sarnia Community Page".

We have launched a **weekly podcast** and we are on Spotify, TuneIn, and Apple. Stream anytime, anywhere on your device.

Please visit us at **youtube.com/stgileschurchsarnia** for livestream, or on demand services.

For **offering envelopes**, or to **sign up for PAR**, please see Nicole, our Office Manager at stgilespresbyterian@cogeco.ca

PASTORAL CARE AND PRAYERS

George Wilson as he continues recovery **Iain Baxter** as he receives palliative care at home- he is grateful for your prayers for peace, comfort and the Lord's presence

Bill Blake, Afton Park Place **Ruth Leitch**, North Lambton Lodge **Bette Fitzpatrick**, Twin Lake Terrace Wanda James, Vison Nursing Home John Collins, Meadowview Villa

If you would like to send a card to someone who is in the hospital or LTC home, 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.

ST GILES MAIL REMINDERS

Each person has a mail file in the hallway. If you do not have one and would like one, please contact Nicole, our office manager <a href="mailto:style="style-st

St. Giles Newsletter. Please forward articles to shirleyberdan1@gmail.com before March 15 to be ready for emailing by March 21. Thank you to all participants for your continued support.

EVENTS THIS WEEK

Tuesday Morning Zoom Bible Study 9:30. We are continuing our 4 week study of Matthew 6. For more information and the Zoom link, please contact Rev Becky at broushorne@gmail.com

Coffee Time Every Thursday from 10:00-11:30 am, you're invited to join us for coffee and conversation. It's a great chance to connect with people you haven't seen in awhile, and make some new friends. There will be a Toddler Time run by our Family Ministry Coordinator to let caregivers relax and give children time to connect with each other. Everyone is welcome and there is no cost.

Pancake Supper. This weeks return of our annual Pancake Supper was a huge success! St Giles served over 200 meals of sumptuous pancakes and sausages. It was so wonderful to see folks from our Community come together to share a meal and conversation again. It made our hearts sing! We are so grateful to our team of volunteers who made this happen. Whether baker, cook, flipper, server, ticket-seller, worker or clean-up crew, we could do nothing without you! Special mention to our youngest volunteers who served in all capacities throughout the evening. And to all of you, who enjoyed a sweet, sticky February tradition, we thank you for your support!

-Doreen and Suzanne, Coordinators.

Lent Devotional Immerse yourself in Sabbath thoughts and practices this Lenten season with a new Salt devotional contemplating scripture and the poetry of Wendell Berry. Pick up one in the hall and one for a friend. There is also a Lent resource that has been prepared for our community about the practices of Lent. If you'd like to learn more, please pick one up in the hallway.

Annual Meeting: Our AGM will be held today. Sandwiches and desserts will be provided by the Session and the Board.

WORLD CHANGERS

Dr. Graham's Homes: In 2023 St. Giles is sponsoring 2 students, Glenda and Sophia. Daniel and Elvis graduated in 2022. Sponsors will be contacted for the renewal of their sponsorship of \$88 dollars for the year.

An earthquake has caused devastation in southeast Turkey and northern Syria. PWS&D is responding quickly with their partnership with ACT Alliance. To support the response, you can donate through the Church office via e-transfer stgilespresbyterian@cogeco.net, or through offering envelopes. Please indicate "Syria-Turkey Earthquake".

World Down Syndrome Day is marked each year on March 21st. The 21st day of the 3rd month signifies the triplication of the 21st chromosome which causes Down Syndrome. On this day we seek to raise awareness for inclusion, rights and the well-being of people with Down Syndrome. One way we do this is by Rocking our Socks and making the public aware of this important day. At St. Giles this year we are going to celebrate on



Sunday March 19th. Come rocking your favourite socks and celebrate the wonderful gifts that people with Down Syndrome bring to our world.

WAYS TO SERVE

When we share our talents, time and presence we are demonstrating to others that we care. In our community there are some areas that require help. Children's Ministry and Hospitality are two key areas where the need is greatest. Please consider supporting our children as a shepherd or providing your expertise and welcome in the areas of greeting and fellowship after church.

COMMUNITY EVENTS & VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

World Day of Prayer will be held on Friday March 3 at 1:30pm at Emmanuel Presbyterian Church. The church is located at 120 Russell St in Sarnia

You are invited to a **Baby Shower for Fahmiyeh Al Kader**. Friday March 10 from 7:00 pm-9:00 pm. E-transfer <u>murraymint1944@gmail.com</u>. Please RSVP to Pat Whitton at 519 466-8264.