



**Welcome to St. Giles Sarnia**

Sunday March 5, 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  
March 5, 2023**

**Opener:** Psalm 121

**Prelude:**

**Announcements and Welcome:**

**Responsive Call to Worship Psalm 121**

I lift up my eyes to the mountains –  
where does my help come from?

**My help comes from the Lord,  
the Maker of heaven and earth.**

He will not let your foot slip –  
he who watches over you will not slumber;  
**indeed, he who watches over Israel  
will neither slumber nor sleep.**

The Lord watches over you –  
the Lord is your shade at your right hand;  
**the sun will not harm you by day,  
nor the moon by night.**

The Lord will keep you from all harm –  
he will watch over your life;  
**the Lord will watch over your coming and going  
both now and forevermore.**

**Opening Hymn:** Throughout these Lenten Days and Nights

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**Prayer of Adoration and Confession  
Assurance of Pardon**

## Children's Time

**Video:** Seeing Jesus

**Scripture:** Genesis 12:1-4a

Romans 4:1-5, 13-17

John 3:1-17

Leader: This is the word of God for the People of God.

**People: Thanks be to God!**

**Hymn:** The Lord is my salvation

**Sermon:**

**Prayers 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.

**Invitation to the Offering**

**Offertory Music**

**Prayer of Dedication**

**Closing Words**

**Commissioning and Benediction**

**Closing Song:** Baptised

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Role	Today	March 12
<b>Greeter</b>	Shirley B	Joyce N
<b>Reader</b>	Don Jones	Susan L
<b>Sunday School</b>	Leanne B Joyce N	Leanne B Isobel C
<b>Tellers</b>	Avis & Jim	John V & Bernice F
<b>Fellowship Hosts</b>	Liz & Scott	Joyce N & John Vollmar

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

## **ST GILES ANNOUNCEMENTS: March 5, 2023**

### **GET CONNECTED AT ST GILES**

For the **weekly email and quarterly newsletter**, contact [stgilesav@gmail.com](mailto:stgilesav@gmail.com)

For **Sunday School/Family Ministry** emails, contact [lorraine.dolbear@gmail.com](mailto: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](https://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](mailto: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

**Wanda James**, Vison Nursing Home

**Ruth Leitch**, North Lambton Lodge

**John Collins**, Meadowview Villa

**Bette Fitzpatrick**, Twin Lake Terrace

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](mailto: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 [stgilespresbyterian@cogeco.net](mailto:stgilespresbyterian@cogeco.net)

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

### **THIS WEEK AT ST. GILES**

Monday March 6th: Congregational Life Meeting

Tuesday March 7th: Zoom Bible Study at 9:30 am

Tuesday March 7th: Board of Managers Meeting at 6:30 pm

Thursday March 9th: Coffee and Toddler time from 10:00-11:30

Sunday March 12th: Worship

### **UPCOMING AT ST GILES**

**Spiritual and Religious by NT Wright Book Study:** A new study on this book will begin on March 21st at 9:30am over zoom. If you would like to join our study, copies of the book are available at the Bookkeeper behind the desk under Rev. Becky's name. Please register with Rev. Becky to ensure you get the zoom link at [broushorne@gmail.com](mailto:broushorne@gmail.com).

**Holy Week Services:** Maundy Thursday 7:00pm

Good Friday 10:00am

Easter Sunday 10:30 am.

**Membership at St. Giles:** If you are interested in learning how to become a member at St. Giles and what that means for you please contact Rev. Becky at [broushorne@gmail.com](mailto:broushorne@gmail.com).

*Fasting confirms our utter dependence upon God, by finding in Him  
a source of sustenance beyond food.*

Dallas Willard

## WORLD CHANGERS

**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.

## OUR THANKS

**Annual Meeting:** Thank you to everyone who attended our Annual General Meeting last Sunday. From making sandwiches to writing reports, assembling the information for distribution and the faithful attenders there were a lot of people who worked to ensure it was successful. We are grateful!

**Make Waves:** Thank you to those who volunteered and made VBC yesterday a great success! In sharing your time and energy with our children you created space for them to enjoy themselves and learn a little more about their faith. This is a wonderful gift and we are grateful.

## COMMUNITY EVENTS AND VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

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