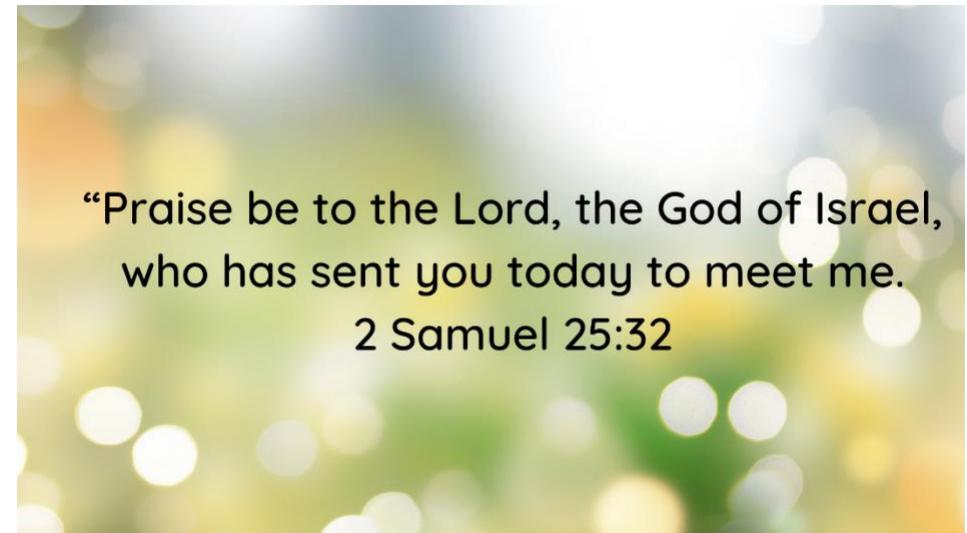


2 Samuel 25:39-42

Then David sent word to Abigail, asking her to become his wife. His servants went to Carmel and said to Abigail, "David has sent us to you to take you to become his wife."

She bowed down with her face to the ground and said, "I am your servant and am ready to serve you and wash the feet of my lord's servants." Abigail quickly got on a donkey and, attended by her five female servants, went with David's messengers and became his wife.



**"Praise be to the Lord, the God of Israel,
who has sent you today to meet me.**

2 Samuel 25:32

Welcome to St. Giles Sarnia

Sunday July 16, 2023

Today we welcome

The Rev'd Pieter Van Haarten

*Wherever you are in your journey of faith there is a place for you here at St. Giles.
We are a vibrant gathering of individuals united in our desire to follow Jesus.*

*Following the service you are encouraged to join us in the Gathering Place
for a time of connection and refreshment.*

Order of Worship
St Giles Presbyterian Church, Sarnia
July 16, 2023

Call to Worship: Isaiah 40:31

Those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength.

They will soar on wings like eagles;

They will run and not grow weary,

They will walk and not be faint.

Song: Breathe

Marie Barnett

This is the air I breathe

This is the air I breathe

Your holy presence

Living in me

This is my daily bread

This is my daily bread

Your very Word

Spoken to me

And I, I'm desperate for You

And I, I'm lost without You

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Prayer of Approach

Confession of Sin

Assurance of Pardon: Adapted from Ephesians 2:14, 18

Hymn #740: Make Me a Channel of Your Peace

Children's Time: Song: God Is So Good

Insert

Sermon: David's Wives – Abigail

Scripture: 1 Samuel 25:2-42

Reader: This is the Word of God for the People of God.

People: Thanks be to God!

Hymn: When Peace Like a River

Insert

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.**

Offering Invitation

Offering Music

Prayer of Dedication

Hymn #560: Put Peace Into Each Other's Hands

Closing Words

Closing Music: Hallelujah – Lucy Thomas

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ST GILES ANNOUNCEMENTS: July 16, 2023

Welcome to St. Giles! It is a joy to gather for worship. Our community is committed to helping people grow into hope-filled followers of Jesus.

If you are a guest, or have recently started attending, we are grateful for your presence here, and look forward to getting to know you better. To connect with us further, you can **text the word "Welcome"** to **226-894-1486**, or check out ways to connect on the back of these announcements.

Role	Today	July 23
Greeter	Shirley B	Bernice F
Reader	Joyce N	Don Jones
Sunday School	Summer Students	Summer Students
Tellers	John V & Mary O	Bernice, Susan L, Kathy E
Fellowship Hosts	Felicity & Don	Joyce N

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

GET CONNECTED AT ST GILES

- You can text the church at **226-894-1486** to introduce yourself and/or get involved. Text the word WELCOME for an initial contact, CONNECT to ensure your contact information is correct and VOLUNTEER to consider opportunities available.
- 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"**.
- A **weekly podcast** of the sermon & scripture are on Spotify, TuneIn, and Apple.
- Visit youtube.com/stgileschurchsarnia for livestream, or on demand services.
- To receive **offering envelopes**, arrange **pre-authorized donations**, or to get a **mail file** in our mail drawers, please contact Nicole, our Office Administrator.

PASTORAL CARE AND PRAYERS

George Wilson
Lee Wilson as he recovers at home
Desiree (daughter of David Barrett)

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

Cards for those who are in the hospital or a LTC home may be dropped off in the folders outside the office. Please indicate the recipient's name on the envelope.

Bulletin prayer requests can be emailed to: stgilespresbyterian@cogeco.net
 Private prayer requests are welcomed by Rev. Roushorne or your Elder.

THIS WEEK AT ST. GILES

Monday-Friday 9am-4pm Showtime Camp

OPPORTUNITIES TO CONNECT

John is turning 90!
 Please help us celebrate Dad's (John Collins) 90th birthday on July 17th by sending him a card. John has been an important part of the St Giles community for many years. He was involved in almost every aspect of this community from music to the Board, was Clerk of Session and worked on some special committees. John's presence and his wisdom remain a gift to those who know him. Let us help him celebrate by sending best wishes on this important birthday!

John Collins
Rm 1-121A
Lambton Meadowview Villa
3958 Petrolia Line, R.R. #4
Petrolia, ON, N0N 1R0

WORLD CHANGERS IN JULY

Snacks for Summer Monetary Donations

Monetary donations are being accepted to help create summer snack kits through St. Vincent de Paul. **Please indicate “Sumer Snack Program”** on your donation.

INN OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD COLLECTIONS

Let's fill our barrel! The Inn of the Good Shepherd continues to have needs and their clients are currently in need of items that they don't have to give, such as:

Large size soups/stews	Kids snacks	Canned Pasta
"Just add water" Pancake Mix / Syrup	Dog Food	Baby Formula
Meal replacement drinks	Cat Food	

DISCIPLING YOUTH

Youth Camp (Grade 6-9)

There are 24 spots for youth in our Leadership Training Camp - August 16, 17 from 9-3:30 pm. This is geared towards grade 6-9 and we will have worship music time, bible message, leadership training, games and art time, as well as an afternoon of archery lessons at Sarnia School of Archery. Sign up while there's still room!

Vacation Bible Camp

Our summer VBS camp is full and we've started a wait list. We have 46 campers signed up and six kids on the wait list.

Please consider volunteering to help at camp or donating money specifically to the VBS program.

Neighbourhood Nights - Tuesday 6-7 PM

Come and run an obstacle course, make crafts, and play pick up sports with us while learning to follow Jesus “here, there and everywhere”

Youth Night - Tuesdays 7-8:30 pm

You don't want to miss this night if you're in grades 6-9!!! Worship music by Sour Keys and Kit Kat, bible message from Firefly, snacks, games and hang out time at the church!!!

ELDER ELECTION

Most decisions about the life and work of the congregation are made by the Session. The session works together in leading fellowship and mission of the congregation. Any person who is a member of the church and who seeks to grow in their Christian faith might be a suitable elder and they are not expected to be perfect. They are expected to be committed to their faith, regular participants in the life of the community and show concern for others. It is also important that they work well in a team and have the time and energy to give to the role. We would ask that you prayerfully consider who you think might be a good fit for this role from the members of our community. You may choose up to 4 members that you think would be suitable elders. **Ballots are available on the table in the sanctuary. An online option is also available and has been emailed out to the AV mailing list.**

FELLOWSHIP HOSTS NEEDED

Hosts are needed **for the month of August** to keep this time or conversation and connection going year-round. *Lemonade and goodies only for the summer.* Please take a moment and sign up in the Gathering Place today.

THANK YOU

Thank you to Kern Water for donation of Canada Day water for Canada Day Parade participants! Very much appreciated!

VACATION

Rev. Becky will be on vacation from July 3-August 1. In case of pastoral emergency, please contact Rev. Dan Roushorne at 519-381-5585. For pastoral visits, please contact Don Burnard at 519-490-0316.

The Church Office will be closed from July 25-August 7.

COMMUNITY NEWS AND EVENTS

St. Joseph's Hospice 2nd Annual Fashion Show will be held on Wednesday July 26 in the Gathering Place!! Admission is \$5.00.