

Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.
1 Thessalonians 5:16-18



Welcome to St. Giles Sarnia
Sunday September 10, 2023
The Rev'd Rebecca Roushorne-Lau

*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
September 10, 2023

Call to Worship: Selected verses from Psalm 145

Great is the Lord and most worthy of praise;
his greatness no one can fathom.

The Lord is gracious and compassionate,
slow to anger and rich in love.

The Lord is trustworthy in all he promises
and faithful in all he does.

The Lord is righteous in all his ways
and faithful in all he does.

The Lord is near to all who call on him,
to all who call on him in truth

My mouth will speak in praise of the Lord.

Let every creature praise his holy name
for ever and ever.

Opening Hymn: Morning Has Broken

Prayer of Adoration and Confession
Assurance of Pardon

Children's Time

Video:

Scriptures: Romans 11:33-36; 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18; Hebrews 13:15-16; James 3:9-12;
Matthew 12:34-37

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

People: **Thanks be to God!**

Hymn: How Great Thou Art

Sermon: Life as a Christian: Words Matter

Invitation to Offering

Offertory Music

Offertory Prayer

Invitation to the Table

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

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 God thanks and praise.

...who forever sing to the glory of your name:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he 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 Words:

Benediction

Closing Hymn: Come Thou Fount (I Will Sing)

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ST GILES ANNOUNCEMENTS: September 10, 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	Sep 17
Greeter	Joyce N	Jo-Anne
Reader	Donna G	Susan L
Sunday School	Leanne & Joyce	Rainie & Isobel
Tellers	Suzanne, Kathy & Dave	Susan L & Bernice
Fellowship Hosts	Donna & Helen	Anniversary Sunday

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](https://www.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.

PRAYER REQUESTS

For our people:

George Wilson
Lee Wilson as he recovers at home
Desiree (daughter of David Barrett)
Dana Carey for healing as he recovers from surgery

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

For our mission:

For the **leadership team at St. Giles**, as they discern which opportunities our community should provide to encourage growth in faith, in connection with the Word and with others in this community.

For the **gathering of God's people** in this place, that we might grow in faith and in witness to God's as we seek to serve Jesus Christ wherever we are.

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

Tuesday: Beavers 6:30 pm
Board of Managers 6:30 pm

Wednesday: Scouts 7:00 pm

Thursday: Bluewater Wind Ensemble Practice 6:30 pm

Next Sunday: Anniversary Sunday

LAKESHORE LIFE FALL NEWSLETTER

Attention all contributors for St. Giles Newsletter:

Please forward all articles, photos, etc. to Shirley Berdan via email shirleyberdan1@gmail.com before September 15, for inclusion in the Fall issue of the St. Giles newsletter. Thank you for your continued support.

ST GILES BAZAAR

It's that time of year again! Our Bazaar will be held on Saturday November 4! We have several opportunities available for volunteers, which we will highlight in coming weeks.

Soup Table. We are looking for people to donate to the soup table. The soups are:

Split pea and ham
Butternut squash
Beef and barley
Chicken noodle
Minestrone

We will provide the recipe and containers. If you have any questions, please see Felicity Burnard.

WORLD CHANGERS

Our mission and outreach focus this September is Indigenous Truth and Reconciliation. Orange Shirt Day, Saturday September 30th, is a day to remember the more than 150,000 indigenous children who were taken by their families and placed in residential schools, many of them church-run. As a church family, we are working towards understanding the truth of our Canadian history to inform better choices in the future. Our Reconciliation garden in the courtyard holds 3 plants sacred to the indigenous people- cedar, sage and sweet grass. Our brand new pollinator garden is full of plants native to this place. They are visual reminders to us that we are all asked by God to be good stewards of the land and appreciate His gifts.

ST GILES CHOIR

Paul's letter to the Ephesians encourages us to speak "...to one another with psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit. Sing and make music from your heart to the Lord." (Ephesians 5:19) Music is an important part of our weekly worship gatherings as it is a source of encouragement, prayer and praise. Our worship team seeks to lead us in exceptional music each week and we are grateful. This year, the St. Giles Choir season will begin on Sunday September 17th. We welcome interested singers who would like to lead the congregation in hymns weekly and provide special music at scheduled intervals. Please contact Dan Sonier at dansonier@hotmail.com to sign up or for more information. A short info session will be held after church on Sunday September 10th for all who want to know more, as well as current members of the choir.

UPCOMING CONCERT:

You are invited to "An Afternoon of Inspirational Music" with Dan Sonier and Guests, a fundraiser for the music program at St. Giles. The concert begins at 2pm and will be filled with a wide range of music presented by special guests, friends of St. Giles and our very own choir. All are invited to come. Tickets begin at 20\$ and refreshments will be provided. Invite your friends and make an afternoon of it!

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