

## Welcome to St. Giles Sarnia

Sunday December 15, 2024 The Third Sunday of Advent 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 December 15, 2024

**Opener:** Advent

**Prelude:** Go Tell It

Welcome and Announcements:

Call to worship: Isaiah 12:2-6 Surely God is my salvation; I will trust and not be afraid.

The Lord, the Lord himself, is my strength and my defense; he has become my salvation."

With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation.

In that day you will say:

"Give praise to the Lord, proclaim his name; make known among the nations what he has done, and proclaim that his name is exalted.

Sing to the Lord, for he has done glorious things; let this be known to all the world.

Shout aloud and sing for joy, people of Zion, for great is the Holy One of Israel among you."

Opening Hymn: Gabriel's Message

**Advent Candle Lighting** 

**Prayer of Adoration and Confession** 

Assurance of Pardon

Children's Time

**Video:** The Anticipation of Joy

Scripture: Luke 1:26-56

**Hymn:** Angels We Have Heard on High

**Sermon:** Journeying with Joy

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.

**Offertory Invitation** 

**Offertory Music** 

**Offertory Prayer** 

**Closing Words** 

**Benediction** 

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Closing Hymn: Once in Royal David's City

Role	Today	December 22
Greeter	JoAnne	Paul K
Reader	Donna G	Pam W
Sunday School	Leanne, Margo	Rainie
Nursery	Mady	N/A
Tellers	Dave & Kathy	Pete & Paul
Fellowship Hosts	Shelagh, Doreen, Margo	Suzanne & Nancy

# **CONNECT WITH US**

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To receive **children's program emails**, contact office@stgilessarnia.ca

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

A weekly podcast of the sermon & scripture can be found on Spotify, Tuneln, and Apple.

Visit youtube.com/stgileschurchsarnia for livestream, or on demand services.

Find us on the web. www.stgilessarnia.ca

#### ST GILES ANNOUNCEMENTS: December 15, 2024

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.

**Babies and toddlers** are welcome before and during the service in our staffed Nursery downstairs to the left. **Children of all ages** are invited to join our Sunday School that begins after the Children's Time in the service.

#### PRAYER REQUESTS

George Wilson, Lee Wilson Bobby (son of David Barrett,) Brittanae Carey (daughter of Dana Carey), Tyler, the family of Sydney Vrolyk

John Collins, Meadowview Villa Bette Fitzpatrick, Twin Lakes Terrace Ruth Leitch, North Lambton Lodge Ralph Dick, Vision Nursing Home

For the **gathering of God's people** in this place.

Bulletin Prayer Requests can be emailed to: office@stgilessarnia.ca

The **PASTORAL CARE TEAM** works in partnership with the Ministry team to provide visitation, encouragement, and connection to members of our church family. If you feel called to this ministry, please email Rev Becky.

#### THIS WEEK AT ST. GILES

Monday Dec 16	Special Olympics Floor	Hockey 6:30 pm
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Tuesday Dec 17 Zoom Bible Study 9:30 am

Aaron Project 1:00 pm

Beavers 6:15 pm

Wednesday Dec 18 Advent Study 10:30 am

Scouts 7:00 pm

Sunday Dec 22 Service 10:30 am with Communion

#### WORLD CHANGERS DONATION BINS

We are now accepting fall and winter clothing for all ages to supply the St Joseph's Free Store. Tarps and sleeping bags will go to Nightlight. Milk bags for sleeping mats are also being collected.

#### SIGN CHANGERS AND TELLERS

Our sign on the front lawn is an important way of sharing both our events happening at St. Giles with our community, and, by adding an encouraging note, it can brighten a day for those passing by. We are in need of volunteers to take on the task of changing the sign. Please contact the office if you would like to be part of this ministry.

Our Tellers are an integral part of ensuring that donations from our church community are tallied properly, so that we can continue our mission and service not just within our doors, but out in the community as well. We are looking for volunteers to assist with this ministry. If this is something that you would be interested in, please contact the office. Training will be provided.

#### **CHRISTMAS GIVING PROGRAM**

THANK YOU to our community of St. Giles for your generous donations!! We have raised a total of \$3,220.00 for our Christmas Giving Program this year!

## DR. GRAHAM'S HOMES

**IMPORTANT NOTICE - Dr. Graham's Homes Sponsors:** The Canadian Council of Dr. Graham's Homes will be winding up the activities of the Council in the Spring of 2025. St. Giles is sponsoring one student at this time, Sophia Stockman.

If any of Sophia's sponsors wish to support her in her final year, **please** make your donation before December 31, 2024. Tax receipts will be issued until December 31, 2024 ONLY.

### **UPCOMING SERVICES**

Please see below for upcoming services at St. Giles.

