



### Welcome to St. Giles Sarnia

Sunday February 23, 2025 The Seventh Sunday after Pentecost 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 February 23, 2025

**Opener:** Welcome Home

Prelude:

Welcome and Announcements:

**Call to worship:** Psalm 37:1-11, 39-40

Do not fret because of those who are evil or be envious of those who do wrong; for like the grass they will soon wither, like green plants they will soon die away. Trust in the Lord and do good; dwell in the land and enjoy safe pasture. Take delight in the Lord, and he will give you the desires of your heart. Commit your way to the Lord; trust in him and he will do this: He will make your righteous reward shine like the dawn, your vindication like the noonday sun. Be still before the Lord and wait patiently for him; do not fret when people succeed in their ways, when they carry out their wicked schemes. Refrain from anger and turn from wrath; do not fret – it leads only to evil. For those who are evil will be destroyed, but those who hope in the Lord will inherit the land. A little while, and the wicked will be no more; though you look for them, they will not be found. But the meek will inherit the land and enjoy peace and prosperity. The salvation of the righteous comes from the Lord;

he is their stronghold in time of trouble.	
The Lord helps them and delivers them;	
he delivers them from the wicked and saves them,	
because they take refuge in him.	
Opening Hymn: Joyful, Joyful, We Adore You	#410
Prayer of Adoration and Confession	
Assurance of Pardon	
Children's Time	
Video: Love Actually Is	
Scripture: Luke 6:27-38	
Hymn: Brother, Sister, Let Me Serve You	#635

#### Sermon

**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.

Invitation to the Offering Offertory Music Offertory Prayer Closing Words Benediction Closing Hymn: To God Be the Glory

Role	Today	Mar 2
Greeter	Jo Ann	Paul K
Reader	Pam Weager	Joyce N
Sunday School	Leanne, Sarah	Leanne, Sarah
Nursery	Mel, Lilah	Mel, Lilah
Tellers	Jim & Avis	Pete & Paul
Fellowship Hosts	Joyce, Ken	Annual Meeting

# CONNECT WITH US

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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: February 23, 2025

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; Brittanae Carey; Tyler, the family of Sydney Vrolyk, Rick Smith

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.

**Tips for a Vibrant Prayer Life:** 

- 1. Keep it simple.
- 2. Keep it real.
- 3. Keep it up.

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

Mon Feb 24-Georgian Singers 4:00 pm Special Olympics Floor Hockey 6:30 pm Tue Feb 25-Zoom Bible Study 9:30 am Aaron Project 1:00 pm Beavers 6:15 pm Wed Feb 26-Scouts 7:00 pm Thu Feb 27-Brain Tumor Association 7:30 pm Ruby Walker Room Fri Feb 28-Community Lunch 11:30 am Sun Mar 2-Worship Service 10:30 am

# A THANK YOU FROM THE GANDER FAMILY

On behalf of our families, we want to thank the St. Giles community for all they have done for us over the past few weeks. We appreciate the cards of faith and encouragement, delicious food, gifts of music, time and talents as we mourn the loss of our beautiful son and brother Matthew. We are so blessed to be part of this Christian family. Sincere appreciation. Love Craig, Jilliann and Lilah

## **COMMUNITY LUNCH**

Our next Community Lunch will be held on **Friday February 28 at 11:30 am.** Please sign up on the sheet in the hall if you wish to attend.

### **ANNUAL MEETING**

Our annual meeting will be held on **Sunday March 2** after the 10:30 am service. If you wish to have a hard copy of the report, they are on the table at the back of the sanctuary.

## PANCAKE SUPPER

Mark your calendars! Come for our annual Pancake Supper on Tuesday March 4 from 5-6:30 pm. Free will offering. Invite your friends!

# WORLD DAY OF PRAYER 2025

*I Made You Wonderful* DATE: Friday, March 7 at 2:00 pm PLACE: St. Giles Presbyterian Church, 770 Lakeshore Road Join with worshippers from other Sarnia churches as we celebrate our faith in unity. The 2025 World Day of Prayer has been written by the Committee of the Cook Islands. EVERYONE IS WELCOME!

# FILL THE FREEZER IN FEBRUARY

Your challenge, should you choose to accept it, is to **help fill a freezer downstairs.** Just bring in your donations every Sunday in February and drop them off in the box. If you would like to donate through the week, please ensure that you drop off directly into the labelled freezer downstairs! These donations will be picked up by the Inn of the Good Shepherd at the end of the month.

## ROCK YOUR SOCKS

Our church family continues the tradition of rejoicing in differences by wearing unique socks the Sunday before World Down Syndrome Day, March 16an opportunity to educate the world on what Down syndrome is and how individuals with Down syndrome need to be valued in their communities. We



will have a freewill offering and **proceeds raised will go to the Sydney Vrolyk Memorial Scholarship Fund**