



Welcome to St. Giles Sarnia

Sunday March 16, 2025

The Second Sunday in Lent

Today we welcome

Nicole Grieve

*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
March 16, 2025

Opener: A Place to Call Home

Prelude:

Welcome and Announcements:

Call to worship: Selections from Psalm 31: 1-5, 24

In you, Lord, I have taken refuge;

let me never be put to shame;

deliver me in your righteousness.

Turn your ear to me,

come quickly to my rescue;

be my rock of refuge,

a strong fortress to save me.

Since you are my rock and my fortress,

for the sake of your name lead and guide me.

Keep me free from the trap that is set for me,

for you are my refuge.

Into your hands I commit my spirit;

deliver me, Lord, my faithful God.

Be strong and take heart,

all you who hope in the Lord.

Opening Hymn: O God, Our Help in Ages Past v 1-3 #330

Prayer of Adoration and Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Children's Time

Video: Second Sunday of Lent

Scripture: Genesis 37:3, 23-28, 45:1-3, 25-28

Hymn: Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise #290

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: In Christ Alone

ST GILES ANNOUNCEMENTS: March 16, 2025

Role	Today	Mar 23
Greeter	Jo Anne	Paul
Reader	Nancy S	Donna G
Sunday School	Rainie, Margo	Rainie, Margo
Nursery	Sara	Sara
Tellers	Pete & Paul	Jim & Avis
Fellowship Hosts	Joyce N	Needed

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; Brittae 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.

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, TuneIn, and Apple.

Visit [youtube.com/stgileschurchsarnia](https://www.youtube.com/stgileschurchsarnia) for livestream, or on demand services.

Find us on the web.
www.stgilessarnia.ca



THIS WEEK AT ST. GILES

Mon Mar 17- Afternoon Book Club 3 pm
Georgian Singers 4 pm
Special Olympics Floor Hockey 6:30 pm
Mar 18 Zoom Bible Study 9:30 am
Beavers 6:15 pm
Session 6:30 pm
Cubs 7 pm
Mar 19 Open Sanctuary 9:30-11:30 am
Lenten Bible Study 10:30 am Ruby Walker Room
4 Cooks in the Kitchen 3 pm
Scouts 7 pm
Mar 20 Open Sanctuary 9:30-11:30 am
Cubs Parents Meeting 7 pm
Mar 22 Georgian Singers Concert 7 pm
Mar 23 Worship Service 10:30 am

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 21). It is a chance to learn more about Down Syndrome and have a conversation with others about why you're wearing the socks.

Donations are being accepted in memory of our beloved Sydney who taught us about Down Syndrome but even more about the power of love and how much one individual can change the world.

Ways to donate:

1. Write a cheque payable to Sarnia Community Foundation (memo: Sydney Vrolyk Memorial Scholarship)
2. Submit cash in the Special Offering envelope marked Sydney VMS.
3. Donate online at sarniacommunityfoundation.ca, marked Sydney Vrolyk Memorial Scholarship.
4. E-transfer office@stgilessarnia.ca and type "Sydney" in the Notes section.



SPEAKER SERIES

On Thursday March 27 at 7:00 pm, Congregational Life will be hosting "CARE, COMPASSION, COMMUNITY", a presentation by Maria Muscadere, Director of Fund Development & Community Relations for St. Joseph's Hospice. For those who wish, there will be a free will offering for the Hospice.

COMMUNITY LUNCH

Our next Community Lunch will be held on **Friday March 28 at 11:30 am**. We will be serving beef stew! Please sign up on the sheet in the hall. A freewill offering will be gratefully accepted. All are welcome!

THE GEORGIAN SINGERS PRESENT MUSIC FROM THE HEART

On Saturday March 22 at 7:00 pm, the Georgian Singers present "Music from the Heart" everything from Pachelbel to the Beach Boys! An offering will be taken at the door with the proceeds benefitting the Sydney Vrolyk Memorial Scholarship Fund.

STUDY OPPORTUNITIES

Our Lenten Study "C.S. Lewis and the Delightful Diabolical Daring of Lent" will start on **Wednesday March 19 at 10:30 am** in the Ruby Walker Room.

On Wednesday April 22nd a new Bible Study, "Delivered out of Empire: Pivotal Moments in the Book of Exodus" will begin. We will meet at 10:30am in the Ruby Walker Room and all are welcome to join us. If you would like to join, please sign up in the office so we can ensure you have the materials you need.

SANCTUARY OPEN FOR PRAYER DURING LENT

During the season of Lent, the Sanctuary will be open for prayer on **Wednesdays and Thursdays from 9:30-11:30 am**. Refreshments and conversation will be available in The Gathering Place.

SANCTUARY DECORATION

A big thank you to Sharon Woodman for the donation of the beautiful Amazing Grace wall hanging that is at the front of the church.. It is greatly appreciated.