

Palm Sunday  
April 13  
10:30 am

Maundy Thursday  
April 17  
7:00 pm

Good Friday  
April 18  
10:00 am

Easter Sunday  
April 20  
10:30 am

**Holy Week Services 2025**



**Welcome to St. Giles Sarnia**

Sunday April 6, 2025

The Fifth Sunday in Lent

The Reverend 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**  
**April 6, 2025**

**Opener:** Worship PreRoll Video

**Prelude:**

**Welcome and Announcements:**

**Call to worship:** Psalm 126

When the Lord restored the fortunes of Zion,  
we were like those who dreamed.

Our mouths were filled with laughter,  
our tongues with songs of joy.

**Then it was said among the nations,**

**“The Lord has done great things for them.”**

**The Lord has done great things for us,  
and we are filled with joy.**

Restore our fortunes, Lord,  
like streams in the Negev.

Those who sow with tears  
will reap with songs of joy.

**Those who go out weeping,  
carrying seed to sow,  
will return with songs of joy,  
carrying sheaves with them.**

**Opening Hymn:** Morning Has Broken

**Prayer of Adoration and Confession**

**Assurance of Pardon**

**Children’s Time**

**Video:** Psalm 126

**Scripture:** Isaiah 43:16-21  
John 12:1-8

**Hymn:** Because He Lives

**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:** The Old Rugged Cross

**ST GILES ANNOUNCEMENTS: April 6, 2025**

Role	Today	April 13
Greeter	JoAnne	Lynn Fischer
Reader	Grace C	Pam W
Sunday School	Janice, Sarah	Leanne
Nursery	Madysson	Lilah
Tellers	Pete & Paul	Honour M, Susan L
Fellowship Hosts	Cheryl G, Margo G	Palm Sunday Sandwiches

**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**



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.

**ST. GILES CARE MINISTRY**

We seek to care for each other in a way that supports and encourages all who are part of our community.

**Visits:** If you would like a visit from the Minister please email Rev. Becky at revbecky@stgilessarnia.ca or call the office to book a time that is good for you.

**Elders:** Our Elders have “districts” within our community that they pray for and connect with. If you don't know who your Elder is, or would like to request one, please connect with Rev. Becky to get connected with yours.

**Meal Ministry:** If you are in need of support as you recover from illness or surgery and think meals would help, please call the office or connect with Felicity.

**Prayer Needs:** If you’d like confidential prayer, please call the office to speak with Rev. Becky or or send it via email to [revbecky@stgilessarnia.ca](mailto:revbecky@stgilessarnia.ca) and she will inform the prayer team.

Please join us in praying for those who have requested prayer from the greater community: George Wilson, Lee Wilson; Bobby; Brittanee Carey; Tyler, the family of Sydney Vrolyk, John Collins, Bette Fitzpatrick, Ruth Leitch

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

### THIS WEEK AT ST. GILES

Mon Apr 7 Congregational Life 1:00 pm  
Georgian Singers 4:00 pm  
Special Olympics Floor Hockey 6:30 pm  
Tue Apr 8 Zoom Bible Study 9 :30 am  
Beavers 6:15 pm  
Board of Managers 6:30 pm  
Cubs 7:00 pm  
Wed Apr 9 Lenten Study 10:30 am  
Scouts 7:00 pm  
Thu Apr 10 4 Cooks in the Kitchen 2:30 pm  
Sun Apr 13 Palm Sunday Worship Service 10:30 am

### STUDY OPPORTUNITIES

Our Lenten Study "C.S. Lewis and the Delightful Diabolical Daring of Lent" will continue on **Wednesday April 9, at 10:30 am** in the Ruby Walker Room.

After Easter, a new study will begin called "An everyday ordinary walk with God." Every week we will explore faith and how we live it in our everyday lives through the study of scripture and weekly reflections. Drawing on materials from Celtic Christianity and other great Christian thinkers, it will be a time of growth and discovery. Two sessions are available for those who would like to join in group discussions. We will meet online Tuesday at 9:30am and in person on Wednesdays at 10:30am. Private study materials will be available as well for those who would like to participate independently. All are welcome to join.

### WORLD CHANGERS

We are collecting donations for the Women's Interval Home. Items needed are:

Gas Gift Cards; Umbrellas; Full size bath towels; Non perishable food items  
Full size shampoo and conditioner; and Cell phone chargers

Items can be dropped off in the World Changers bin in the hallway. Gas cards can be dropped off in the Church office, and we will make sure these generous donations go to those in need.

### THAK YOU TO OUR COMMUNITY

A big THANK YOU to the community of St. Giles for your generous donations to the Rock Your Socks Campaign. St. Giles **raised a total of \$560.25**. The Georgian Singers also hosted a concert at the end of March. The amount raised at the concert after expenses was \$465.00. These funds will be directed to the Sydney E. Vrolyk Memorial Scholarship Fund!

### 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.

### FUN FRIDAY

Our next Fun Friday will be held on **Friday April 11 at 1:00 pm**. The theme is "Playing with Paints." We will be making greeting cards, bookmarks, or if you wish, you can design a small painting. If you wish to attend, please sign up on the sheet in the hall so that we can make sure we have enough supplies for everyone.

### PALM SUNDAY LUNCH

The Congregational Life Committee will be preparing a light lunch of sandwiches after our Palm Sunday Service next Sunday April 13. **Please RSVP** by either calling the office 519-542-2253, or by signing up on the sheet in the hallway. **On Good Friday**, the Congregational Life Committee will be serving Hot Cross Buns after the service. All are welcome!

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Holy Saturday Online  
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### ST. GILES SPEAKER SERIES

Gauchos, Glaciers, and Great Views! John and Jennie Das will take you on a safe and entertaining excursion to the south of South America. Over 45 minutes or so, they will transport you to the city of Eva Peron, the countryside of the gaucho, the trauma of the Falklands, and much more! Come and enjoy being transported to another part of this amazing world on **Wednesday April 23, at 7:00 pm!**