

Welcome to St. Giles Sarnia

Sunday May 4, 2025 The Third Sunday of Easter 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 May 4, 2025

Opener: Psalm 33

Prelude:

Welcome and Announcements:

Call to worship: Psalm 30 I will exalt you, Lord, for you lifted me out of the depths and did not let my enemies gloat over me. Lord my God, I called to you for help, and you healed me. You, Lord, brought me up from the realm of the dead; you spared me from going down to the pit. Sing the praises of the Lord, you his faithful people; praise his holy name. For his anger lasts only a moment, but his favour lasts a lifetime: weeping may stay for the night, but rejoicing comes in the morning. When I felt secure, I said, "I will never be shaken." Lord, when you favored me, you made my royal mountain stand firm; but when you hid your face, I was dismayed. To you, Lord, I called; to the Lord I cried for mercy: "What is gained if I am silenced, if I go down to the pit? Will the dust praise you? Will it proclaim your faithfulness? Hear, Lord, and be merciful to me; Lord, be my help." You turned my wailing into dancing; you removed my sackcloth and clothed me with joy, that my heart may sing your praises and not be silent. Lord my God, I will praise you forever.

Opening Hymn: Sing a New Song Unto the Lord
Prayer of Adoration and Confession
Assurance of Pardon
Children's Time
Video: A Vibrant Unity
Scripture: Acts 9:1-20
Hymn: Amazing Grace/Chains are Gone
Sermon:
Prayer of Thanksgiving and Intercession *followed by the Lord's Prayer* These things we pray in and though the name of Jesus Christ our Lord who taught us when we pray to say together... Our Father, who art in

These things we pray in and though the name of Jesus Christ our Lord who taught us when we pray to say together... 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: I Set My Hope

Role	Today	May 11
Greeter	Lynn F	Paul K
Reader	Jackie McLellan	Bonnie N
Sunday School	Janice, Liz	Liz
Nursery	Lilah	Madysson
Tellers	Pete & Paul	Suzanne, Honour M
Fellowship Hosts	Margo & Ken	Needed

CONNECT WITH US

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Dan Sonier Music Director

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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: May 4, 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.

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 <u>revbecky@stgilessarnia.ca</u> 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; Brittanae Carey; Tyler, the family of Sydney Vrolyk, John Collins, Bette Fitzpatrick, Ruth Leitch

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

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THIS WEEK AT ST. GILES

Monday May 5	Georgian Singers 4:00 pm
Tuesday May 6	Turkey Pies 9:00 am
	Zoom Bible Study 9:30 am
	Beavers 6:15 pm
	Board of Managers 6:30 pm
	Cubs 7:00 pm
Wed May 7	Turkey Pies 9:00 am
	Bible Study 10:30 am
	Scouts 7:00 pm
Thursday May 8	B Turkey Pies 9:00 am
	Group Committee Meeting 7:00 pm
Sunday May 11	Worship Service 10:30 am

STUDY OPPORTUNITIES

Our study "An everyday ordinary walk with God" will continue this week. We explore faith and how we live it in our everyday lives through the study of scripture and weekly reflections. 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.

FUN FRIDAY

Our next Fun Friday will be held on May 16 at 1:00 pm. This month, we will have a planting and gardening demonstration by Grace Carver. She will walk you through the steps of planting herbs and colourful flowers in containers, perfect for any type of home. For the day we would ask that each person bring a pot to be filled, and a lawn chair if you have one, as we hope to do this in the coutyeard. Soil, herbs, and flowers will be provided. It will be \$8 per person, and the finished planter will help repel ants and mosquitoes from your seating area. If you wish to participate, please sign up on the sheet in the hallway so we can make sure we have enough supplies for everyone!

ST GILES SPEAKER SERIES

Tammy Vandenheuvel, founder and supporter of OHANA LANDING in Sarnia, will present a visual story on **Thursday May 29 at 7:00 pm in the Sanctuary**, about this supportive, transitional housing for young people aged 16 to 25 who are homeless or without a stable home. The organization began in 2017 with a vision to create a safe, nurturing environment where youth can build skills, find stability, and start their journey toward self-sufficiency. A voluntary free will offering is gratefully accepted.

TURKEY PIES

Turkey pies will be made this week, and will be for sale **starting May 13 for \$6 each**. This is first come, first serve, so get your orders in quickly! Please contact Nicole 519-542-2253, or via email <u>office@stgilessarnia.ca</u>, and she will reserve pies for you.

CONGRATULATIONS DAN SONIER!

Congratulations to Dan Sonier! On Tuesday evening the Grade 9 band from St. Patrick's High School competed in the Sarnia Lambton Music Festival. Under the direction of Mr. Sonier, the band won a gold level certificate for their performance! The grade 2 choir from L'Ecole des Rapides was awarded a score of 83 at the Lambton County Music Festival. They also performed under the direction of Dan Sonier, whose



daughter Faye is a member of the choir. Congratulations!

WELCOME BABY VIOLET

Congratulations to the Bruce family-Andrew and Sarah (Roushorne) William, Elliot and Elijah **on the safe arrival of spring baby Violet.** We will have a lot of happy Roushornes and Laus in our midst!