



**Welcome to St. Giles Sarnia**

Sunday August 17, 2025

The Tenth 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**  
**August 17, 2025**

**Opener:** Today We Worship Jesus

**Prelude:**

**Welcome and Announcements:**

**Call to worship: Psalm 46: 1-5, 10-11**

God is our refuge and strength,  
an ever-present help in trouble.

**Therefore we will not fear, though the earth give way  
and the mountains fall into the heart of the sea,  
though its waters roar and foam  
and the mountains quake with their surging.**

There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,  
the holy place where the Most High dwells.

**God is within her, she will not fall;**

**God will help her at break of day.**

He says, "Be still, and know that I am God;

I will be exalted among the nations,

I will be exalted in the earth."

**The Lord Almighty is with us;**

**the God of Jacob is our fortress.**

**Opening Hymn:** Sing a New Song Unto the Lord

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**Prayer of Adoration and Confession**

**Assurance of Pardon**

**Children's Time**

**Hymn:** Lord, the Light of Your Love is Shining

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**Scripture:** Hebrews 6:17-20

Hebrews 11:29-12:2

**Sermon:** Living By Faith

**Hymn:** I Set My Hope

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**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:** Will Your Anchor Hold?

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Role	Today	Aug 24
Greeter	Summer Staff	Summer Staff
Reader	Grace C	Jackie M
Sunday School	Summer Staff	Summer Staff
Nursery	Summer Staff	Summer Staff
Tellers	Pete & Paul	Jim & Avis
Fellowship Hosts	Needed	Needed

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ST GILES ANNOUNCEMENTS: August 17, 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 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; Brittanae Carey; Tyler, the family of Sydney Vrolyk, John Collins, Bette Fitzpatrick, Ruth Leitch

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

### AARON PROJECT

We are in need of a few **volunteers for the Aaron Project for September**. If you wish to volunteer, there is a sign up sheet next to the office door.

### DONATION BINS

THANK YOU to our summer's unsung heroes- Isobel for bringing snacks (and whatever else she does that we don't see!), Laurel, Honour and Jean for being "sew" amazing, Ken and Jim for sharing their coveted carpentry skills, Greg for some pro ukulele training, Nancy S. for supporting our summer staff whenever needed and all of our summer mentors who continue to share their time and wisdom with the staff- Jennie and John D., Geoff G., Honour, Donna G., Nancy S., Graham D., Michael B. and Rev. Becky.

### WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

The Women's Missionary Society of the Presbyterian Church of Canada is sponsoring come together events this fall. Each month there will be a guest speaker, and we will gather together in person at St. Giles to watch the presentation online while enjoying this time of worship and education. We will also indulge in coffee, tea, and treats. Join us for the first gathering on September 10 at 12:45 pm. The talk begins at 1:00 pm and we will hear from the Rev'd Dr. Dorcas Gordon who will speak on her research about ministry in Cuba and have a lively discussion. If you wish to attend, please contact Nicole either via email [office@stgilessarnia.ca](mailto:office@stgilessarnia.ca), or phone 519-542-2253, so that we have enough treats for everyone.

### BARNABAS FUND

Did you know that we have a fund called the Barnabas Fund that helps those in our local community with needs such as groceries, gas, and personal items? We keep gift cards for several local stores on hand so that when there is someone in need, we can help them. Donations to this fund are always gratefully accepted, and we thank you for helping with the needs of our wider community. To donate you can use etransfer, a donation envelope, or cash. Please specify "Barnabas Fund."

### CHURCH OFFICE

Nicole will be assisting with VBS from August 18-22, and will be in and out of the office. You are welcome to call and leave a message, or to email, and she will get back to you. The Church office will be open on Monday August 25, **and closed on Friday August 29.**

### COMMUNITY NEWS

We have had a request from someone who has just gotten a new apartment and is in need of some furnishings. This is a new beginning for them, and it would be wonderful if we could help them begin well. If you have any of the following items in good condition and are willing to share, please let Nicole in the office know and she will connect you with a member of our leadership team working on this: Electric stove, Washer, Dryer, New mattress, and Bedding. Monetary donations are always welcome. Please specify "Apartment Needs" on your donation.

Emmanuel Presbyterian Church is holding their annual free clothing event on August 23<sup>rd</sup>. They would like more children's clothing to be available this year and have asked us to help with the collection. **Please bring any children's clothing you're willing to share in a clearly labeled bag in the west entrance hallway.**

