

UPCOMING EVENTS

FRI
SEP
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ANNIVERSARY BONFIRE
5:00 PM AT ST. GILES

SUN
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ANNIVERSARY SUNDAY
10:30 AM AT ST. GILES

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COMMUNITY LUNCH
12:00 PM AT ST. GILES

SUN
SEP
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ORANGE SHIRT DAY
10:30 AM AT ST. GILES



Welcome to St. Giles Sarnia

Sunday September 7, 2025

The Fourteenth 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
September 7, 2025

Opener: It’s Time for Church

Prelude:

Welcome and Announcements:

Call to worship: Psalm 24:7-10

Lift up your heads, you gates;
be lifted up, you ancient doors,
that the King of glory may come in.

Who is this King of glory?

The Lord strong and mighty, the Lord mighty in battle.
Lift up your heads, you gates;
lift them up, you ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in.

Who is he, this King of glory?

The Lord Almighty – he is the King of glory.

Opening Hymn: Joyful, Joyful, We Adore You

#410

Prayer of Adoration and Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Scripture: Deuteronomy 30:15-20
Luke 14:25-33

Hymn: Will You Come and Follow Me

#634

Sermon

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory Music

Offertory Prayer

Hymn: Behold the Lamb

Invitation to the Table

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving *followed by the Lord’s Prayer*

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Lift up your hearts.
We lift them up to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give God thanks and praise.

...Therefore we lift up our praise...who forever sing to the glory of your name:

Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

...Great is the mystery of faith

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

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.

The Breaking of Bread and the Distribution

Prayer after Thanksgiving

Closing Words

Benediction

Closing Hymn: I Set My Hope

Role	Today	September 14
Greeter	Graham R	Lynn F
Reader	Pam W	Donna G
Sunday School	Karen, Margo	Leanne, Nicole
Nursery	Janice	Needed
Tellers	Honour M, Susan L	Needed
Fellowship Hosts	Rally Sunday	Needed

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A **weekly podcast** of the sermon &
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Visit **youtube.com/stgileschurchsarnia**
for livestream, or on demand services.

Find us on the web.
www.stgilessarnia.ca

ST GILES ANNOUNCEMENTS: September 7, 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

ST. GILES IN THE WORD

The September edition of St. Giles in the Word is available at the back of the sanctuary. Also, recordings of these readings are also available on Spotify, iTunes or Apple podcasts and Youtube!

STUDY OPPORTUNITIES

Our Zoom Bible study will start on **Tuesday September 23, at 9:30 am.** Our Wednesday morning Bible study will start on **September 24 at 10:30 am.**

ST. GILES FALL NEWSLETTER

Please forward any articles or photos to Shirley Berdan shirleyberdan1@gmail.com for inclusion in the Fall Newsletter no later than **September 15.** We are hoping the compiled newsletter could be emailed to congregants by September 21. Thank you for your submissions in advance.

LUNCH RALLY SUNDAY AFTER THE SERVICE

Traditionally, the first Sunday after the start of school is our day to rally everyone together to get ready for a new year of learning and growing together. To celebrate this year, a light lunch of ham and cheese buns, veggies and dessert (with alternate items for those with dietary restrictions) will be served in The Gathering Place.

WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

The Women's Missionary Society of the Presbyterian Church of Canada is sponsoring come together events this fall. 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, or phone 519-542-2253, so that we have enough treats for everyone.

COMMUNITY LUNCH

Our next Community Lunch will be held on **Friday September 26 at 12pm.** The menu is bangers and mash, and peach cobbler! If you wish to attend, there is a sign-up sheet in the hall, or you can contact Nicole 519-542-2253 to register. **Deadline for registration is Wednesday September 24.**

ANNIVERSARY BONFIRE & PIZZA

Congregational Life invites you to our Anniversary Bonfire and Pizza Night on **Friday September 19 at 5:00 pm!** We will be serving pizza as well. If you would like to attend, there is a sign up sheet in the hall, or you can contact Nicole in the office either by phone 519-542-2253, or email office@stgilessarnia.ca by Wednesday September 17 so we know how much pizza to order.

CUTTING BOARD

We have misplaced a large white cutting board. If you or someone you know has seen it, we would love to return it to the kitchen.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Downstairs in Sunday School, we're learning all about the Holy Spirit and memorizing scripture with our Bible Memory Buddy Pogo the Dart Frog. The Nursery is staffed with a Caregiver and is ready for attendees. Youth Class will take place once a month. Stay tuned for more details.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Please prayerfully consider how you can serve on Sunday mornings. Sign up to be a Nursery Caregiver, Teacher or Shepherd to support our young generation build their faith. Leanne will provide you with all you need and support you along the way. You can try just one day or more. Apprentice with a current Fellowship Time Host to see if this is your niche.

Hospitality is important at St Giles and Fellowship Time is a way for us to build Christian community which is crucial for our faith journey. Sign up to apprentice with a current Teller after the service to learn how to record givings. This role is arranged as a team rotation so you would be acting as a Teller partner about once every month. You are also invited to sign up as Greeter or Scripture Reader.