

PRAYER PARTNERSHIP: DAILY PRAYERS

Sunday, January 4 We pray for the Church Doctrine Committee as it continues to reflect on reconciliation within the Church and with Indigenous peoples. May their study and dialogue deepen our collective understanding.

Monday, January 5 We pray for Knox College students as they begin the Winter semester. We pray that they may be guided with wisdom and perseverance, and that they may continue to find joy in learning and strength in community.

Tuesday, January 6 (Epiphany) Source of Wisdom and Creator of the heavens who led the Magi to worship the Christ child, guide us so that we may find our calling and journey's end in Jesus Christ.

Wednesday, January 7 We pray for the eight new French-speaking students in Practical Theology at The Presbyterian College, Montreal as they complete the second week of orientation to the program.

Thursday, January 8 We pray for Sophia Kim as she begins an internship with the Korean Christian Church in Japan.

Friday, January 9 We pray for interim moderators and search committees as they serve congregations calling new ministers.

Saturday, January 10 We pray for the Rev. Sumarme Goble, Chaplain at St. Andrew's Hall, as she provides hospitality, pastoral care and witness to staff and students at St. Andrew's Hall and across the UBC campus at this busy time of year.



Welcome to St. Giles Sarnia

Sunday January 4, 2026

The Epiphany of the Lord

Today we welcome

Rev'd Dan Roushorne

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
January 4, 2026

Opener: This is the New Year

Prelude:

Welcome and Announcements:

Call to worship: Psalm 72:1-7, 10-14;

Endow the king with your justice, O God,
the royal son with your righteousness.

**May he judge your people in righteousness,
your afflicted ones with justice.**

**May the mountains bring prosperity to the people,
the hills the fruit of righteousness.**

May he defend the afflicted among the people
and save the children of the needy; may he crush the oppressor.

**May he endure as long as the sun,
as long as the moon, through all generations.**

**May he be like rain falling on a mown field,
like showers watering the earth.**

In his days may the righteous flourish
and prosperity abound till the moon is no more.

May the kings of Tarshish and of distant shores bring tribute to him.

May the kings of Sheba and Seba present him gifts.

May all kings bow down to him and all nations serve him.

For he will deliver the needy who cry out,
the afflicted who have no one to help.

**He will take pity on the weak and the needy
and save the needy from death.**

**He will rescue them from oppression and violence,
for precious is their blood in his sight.**

Opening Hymn: What Star is This

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Prayer of Adoration and Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Children's Time

Video: A New Year Focused on Jesus

Scripture: Isaiah 60:1-6

Matthew 2:1-12

Hymn: We Three Kings

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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.

Offertory Invitation

Offertory Music

Offertory Prayer

Closing Words

Benediction

Closing Hymn: When heaven's bright with Mystery

Role	Today	January 11
Greeter	Paul K	Liz C
Reader	Michael B	Pam W
Sunday School	Leanne	Isobel, Emma
Nursery	Sara	Lilah
Tellers	Susan L, Suzanne B	Pete & Paul
Fellowship	Felicity, Barbara B	Needed

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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: January 4, 2026

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, Cynthia Rawana as she recovers from surgery.

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

THIS WEEK AT ST. GILES

Mon Jan 5: Georgian Singers 4:00 pm
Special Olympics Yoga 6:30 pm
Tue Jan 6: Beavers 6:15 pm
Board of Managers 6:30 pm
Cubs 7:00 pm
Wed Jan 7: Scouts 7:00 pm
Oak Acres Group 7:30 pm
Thu Jan 8: Coffee 10:00 am in the Gathering Place
Sun Jan 11: Worship Service 10:30 am
Roller Skating 6:00 pm

ST. GILES IN THE WORD

Readings for January are now available on the table at the back of the sanctuary. If you prefer to listen to the readings they are posted daily at youtube.com/stgileschurchsarnia, on Spotify and through Apple Podcasts.

NEW YEAR....NEW STUDIES!

Our **Tuesday Morning Zoom Study** will dive into “The Gospel of Mark”. We will walk through the Bible’s earliest source for the life of Jesus together. Study resumes on Tuesday January 13th at 9:30am. For more information and the zoom link please contact Rev. Becky. Our **Wednesday Group, will begin “A Way in the Wilderness”**. We will discover in this study that in those seasons of wilderness, God is with us. Study resumes on Wednesday January 14th at 10:30am. For more information please contact the office.

CHRISTMAS GIVING PROGRAM

Thanks to everyone that so generously donated to the Christmas Giving program this year. We were able to provide \$3,150 in gift cards to 15 families in need in our community. This included 9 children! The cards are used to purchase food, gifts and other needs individual to each family.

The cards were distributed on Saturday December 21 with an abundance of thanks from the recipients. Thank you again for supporting this traditional community support during the Christmas season.

A NOTE FROM VALDENE WAGER

Thank you to you all, my church community, for the warmth and love you have shown me and my family as we are coping with Wayne’s passing. Your care and support - prayers, cards and messages and phone calls, food and cookies, coffee and hugs - have been a strength to us at this difficult time.

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

The Church Office will be closed from January 12-16 2026. Thank you to Suzanne for covering for the week!

FELLOWSHIP HOSTS

We are in need of volunteers to host Fellowship for January and beyond. Please sign up on the sheet in the Gathering Place Kitchen.

THURSDAY COFFEE

You are invited to join us in the Gathering Place for coffee and a chat 10-11:30 am each Thursday, January through March starting Thursday January 8.

2026 OFFERING ENVELOPES

The 2026 offering envelopes are now available in the Gathering Place. Each one is labeled with names and envelope number. Please feel free to pick up yours today.

DONATIONS OF GENTLY USED CLOTHING

The St. Joseph’s Church Divine Mercy Free Store are seeking winter coats, hats, mitts, scarves, blankets, sheet sets, towels, personal care products, backpacks, purses and duffel bags.