

St Giles' Bulletin



10th September 2017
Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity

9.00am Holy Communion
Colossians 1 v 24-29 (p.1179)
Luke 24 v 36-49 (p.1062)
What's the story?

10.00am Coffee and refreshments

10.30am Informal Worship

Soon after the start of the 10.30 service, our children & youth groups begin:

- Sunbeams (ages 2½ - 4½) & Junior Church (primary age) meet in the hall.
- Youth meet in the church welcome area and then go over to Lutterell Hall.

At the rear of church is The Haven, a glazed room where parents can take babies or children who are too young to join the children's groups and need some space to wriggle, crawl or cry! There are toys and books in boxes underneath the seats to help keep babies and toddlers entertained, but please be aware that the room is not soundproof. The church hall can be found through the rear doors of the church. In the hall you will find toilets and baby changing facilities (in the disabled toilet).

If you have a notice for the bulletin, please send details by 10am on Thursday – either email admin@stgilesparish.com or call 07948 834250.

Diary for the Week

Tuesday 12 th September	9.15am 10.30am	Morning Prayer Seniors' Coffee at Bradmore
Wednesday 13 th September	9.30am – 12.30pm 10.45am 8.00pm	Advice Centre in Church Hall Midweek Communion Ladies' Night
Thursday 14 th September	10am – 11.30am	Tiddlers in the church hall
Friday 15 th September	7.30pm	Youth Night
Saturday 16 th September	1.00pm	Wedding in church
Sunday 17 th September	9.00am 10.00am 10.30am	Holy Communion Coffee and refreshments Informal Worship

For our Prayers

Don Robson Ken Nichol Jean Stevenson Trevor Rolt Eric Nelson
Soeharto and Djuarsih (parents of Chloe James)

He tends his flock like a shepherd: He gathers the lambs in his arms and carries them close to his heart; he gently leads those that have young.

If you or someone you know at St Giles would appreciate some pastoral support do talk to Daphne Carter in confidence.

Seniors' Rutland Outing

The Seniors will be taking to the water with a trip on the Rutland Belle on **Tuesday 19th September**. This is a minibus trip, so numbers are limited and we do need everyone to sign up in advance on the sheet in church. We will leave the church car park at 10am and expect to be back around 5pm. You can either bring a packed lunch to eat in Oakham or buy something from the many places there. There will also be a coffee and cake stop on the way home. The cost is £10, to cover the boat trip and the minibus.

Book Group

The evening book group is reading Joanna Courtney's *The Chosen Queen* and will be meeting to discuss the book on **Monday 2nd October** at 8.00pm. at Sheila's house (70 Gordon Road).

Seniors' Coffee

The next Seniors' Coffee Morning will be at Bradmore Garden Centre on **Tuesday 12th September** at 10.30am. If you would like a lift please meet at the Church car park at 10.15 or contact David Dunford on 981 6821 if you would like to be collected from home.

Ladies: Save the Date, in 2018!

After the first Women's Weekend last October, we have confirmed with Cliff College in Derbyshire for **19th – 21st October 2018**, for the whole weekend, from Friday evening through to Sunday lunchtime. Hold the date in your diaries – there will be more details in the autumn, including the option of spreading the cost of the weekend over the next year – just £12 a month for a weekend away!

Molly's Children - a dream come true

Molly's Children is a book recording the history of St Giles' Fellowship, compiled by Jean Bowes, with contributions from other original members (including Derek & Sylvia James). The Fellowship ran from 1948 to 1983 and many friendships have endured to this day. As Bishop Paul has observed, "It is an inspirational account of a remarkable woman who was used by God to create a powerful experience of community for a generation of young people in West Bridgford". Copies are available, priced £6.50, from Sylvia James, and there is a copy available to borrow from Claire in the Church Office.

Four Favourite Hymns

Starting on **Tuesday 24th October** for four weeks, a new daytime series entitled *Four Favourite Hymns* thinking about what these hymns mean to us and what they have to teach us. Come along and bring a friend All are welcome. . Coffee/tea and cake from 1.30pm ready for a 2pm start. For more information please speak to Johanna Langheld or Rachel White.

Revd Canon Philip Humphreys

Many of us remember Philip Humphreys, who died in January after a long illness. He was Rector of West Bridgford from 1982 to 2000. There will be a memorial service held at St Giles at 12 noon on **Saturday 7th October**. (Note the time change – no longer at 2pm as in the Term Card).

Traidcraft Stall - Sunday 17th September

The Traidcraft stall will be held before and after both services on **Sunday 17th September**. All the usual goodies, and we now stock chocolate chip cookies as well as our very popular stem ginger cookies. Please continue to support farming communities in the world's poorest countries. Thank you, Claire Voce

Mums of Little Ones (MOLOs) service

Next month we are holding a special afternoon tea/worship service for mums amongst us who have little children. We recognise that having pre-school children is a particular season of life where it can be really hard to have peace and quiet

time with God, and Sunday mornings can be spent chasing them around the church! So please come along to the George Chapel, without children, on **Sunday 1st October** at 3pm for a relaxing afternoon tea, a time of peaceful worship, some teaching and the chance for quiet prayer. If you have a young baby then, of course, bring them along if you would like to and if you need help with babysitting to allow you to come on your own, please speak to Sally Proudlove or Ellen Dann.

Help with Mums of Little Ones (MOLOs) service

We would love it if those of us not in the 'with little ones' stage of life any more (or ever have been!) would be willing to help support our young mums through serving them tea and/or offering prayer. Offers for delicious cakes would also be very welcome. Please speak to Sally Proudlove or Ellen Dann if you can help.

Ladies' Night

The next ladies gathering is taking place this **Wednesday 13th September** at 8pm at Mud Crab – come along for a drink and a chat. Hope to see you there.

Knitting and Sewing Group

The next meeting is on **Monday 18th September** at 2pm in the Church Hall Meeting Room. Just bring along some knitting, crochet or sewing.

St Giles' Parochial Church Council (PCC)

The next meeting of the PCC is on **Wednesday 20th September**. Its members are: Jonathan Ashton, Marian Bestwick, Tim Chambers, Martin Crew, David Davis, Alistair Ferraro, Barry Hayman, Jude Hill, Chris Lane, Johanna Langheld, Roger Ottway, Alison Place, Sally Poon, Dizzy Prentice, Lee Proudlove, Graham Rooke, Brendan Sprakes, Rosy Sutcliffe, Mark Townshend and Sheila Wheaton. Please feel free to talk to any of them, should you have any issues you would like to raise.

Tim Runs a Half Marathon to Raise Funds for Sierra Leone

Not content with subjecting himself to a Holiday Club gunge-ing, our curate, Tim Chambers, has had his arm twisted to run the Robin Hood Half Marathon on Sunday 24th September! He's running to raise money for Home Leone (www.homeleone.org). Tim says, "You probably saw the TV news images last month, of the dreadful landslide in Freetown, Sierra Leone, which killed over 400 people. Sierra Leone is a country for which Clare and I have a particular heart - Clare's sister, Suzanne, has lived & worked there for several years as a pharmacist & educator in Connaught Hospital, Freetown. Home Leone is working to change the lives of many people in Freetown's very poorest slums, by building good, basic homes to which these people can move & start a better life, alongside community, education, health & employment infrastructure. If you would like to sponsor me, the best way to do so is at my fundraising webpage, <https://mydonate.bt.com/fundraisers/revtimchambers>, where you can Gift Aid your donation too. I'll also have a couple of sponsorship clipboards doing the rounds in St Giles over the coming couple of weeks. Please do give generously to support Home Leone's amazing work! Thank you so much."



Upcoming Worship Night

Everyone is welcome – come along to church on **Sunday 24th September** at 7.30pm for an evening of worship and prayer.

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“To serve and equip young people on their journey of faith in Christ.”

Youth Nights are held on Fridays from 7.30 to 9.30pm. All youth are very welcome and please do bring friends along too. Coming up.....

Friday 15 th September	Quiz Night
Friday 22 nd September	Youth Cafe
Friday 29 th September	Walking Meal

Any questions, please speak to Andy Wright, after the 10.30 service on Sundays, or his contact details are on the back of the bulletin.

World Homeless Day – Winter Survival Event 2017

Sadly homelessness in Nottingham is at its highest level in 20 years. Street Pastors are partnering with Framework to host a free event on World Homeless Day to try to raise the profile of homelessness in Nottingham and highlight those organisations that are working hard to do something about it. The event will provide a great opportunity to network, learn more and discover how you can help tackle homelessness too. It's being held on **Tuesday 10th October**, 12-2pm at St Nic's Church, Maid Marian Way. For more information go to www.homeless-survival.co.uk or call 0115 970 9528. If you are interested in attending you can register online at <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/world-homeless-day-2017-tickets-37454300822>.

Alpha Starts 26th September - Whom Could You Invite?

The Alpha Course starts at St Giles on **Tuesday 26th September**, at 7.30pm: join us to explore some of the big questions about life, faith and meaning! Each Tuesday evening until early December, we'll meet in the church for dinner, followed by a short film and discussion time. Alpha's a great opportunity to hear from others and to share your own perspectives on life and faith in a friendly, fun and open environment. Think and pray about whom you could invite. Or if you're new to St Giles, or exploring the Christian faith yourself, come along as well. Take some of the Alpha postcards from the back of church to hand out - all the details are on them. Help make Alpha a key part of how we make Jesus known to the people of West Bridgford! Want to know more? Please contact Tim Chambers (curate@stgilesparish.com or 07946 526569) or Katie Conley (kconley@btinternet.com).



St Giles' Mission Partners



URGENT: South Asia Floods Appeal

Two months of persistent monsoon rains have caused widespread flooding in India, Nepal and Bangladesh. These are the worst floods to hit South Asia for years. Tens of millions of people have had their homes and livelihoods destroyed. They are in desperate need of shelter, food and clean water. Please donate to the Christian Aid South Asia Floods Appeal so we can reach survivors with essential supplies. Go to <https://www.christianaid.org.uk/>



From the Friends International Prayer Diary: as the new academic term draws near, some international students arrive early in order to visit tourist sites, settle in before their course starts or to

start reading around their subject. We thank God for these brilliant individuals, who are committed to diligent study, and who present a wonderful opportunity to the UK church to welcome and befriend international students from the very beginning of the term until the end. Pray that we would all be God's witnesses to both our neighbours and the strangers in our land.



Please continue to bring your donations into church (box near the front door) or take them to the Friary at their depot at Unit 6C Ludlow Hill Road, NG2 6HF (open Tue & Thu 10am – 3pm). Please see below for details of the items that are particularly needed at the moment. Thank you for your ongoing generosity.

Sleeping Bags
Rucksacks & Holdalls
1-2 man tents
Groundsheets
Torches & batteries
Tin Openers
Pots & pans
Small Radio
Watches

Household:

Bedding – duvets, duvet covers
Sheets & pillow cases, pillows
Towels
Saucepans
Plates, bowls & mugs
Cutlery & Utensils
Washing up bowls / liquid

Jeans, Joggers & Leggings
Socks & hiking socks
T-shirts & shirts / blouses
Jumpers, Hoodies & Fleeces
Waterproofs, Coats & Jackets
Underwear (new if possible please)
Pyjamas
Trainers, flat practical shoes / boots
Belts, gloves & wool hats

Toiletries:

Soap, & shower gel.
Toothbrushes & Toothpaste
Deodorants (roll on & spray)
Razors & shaving foam
Shampoo & Conditioner
Nail clippers
Talc

**Almighty God,
you search us and know us:
may we rely on you in strength
and rest on you in weakness,
now and in all our days;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

Monday 11th Psalm 126; Prov 25: 1-14; Mark 8: 11-21

* Sheffield - (York, England) Vacant

Tuesday 12th Psalm 132; Prov 25: 15-end; Mark 8: 22-26

* Shinyanga - (Tanzania) The Rt Revd Charles Kija Ngusa

Wednesday 13th Psalm 119: 153-end; Prov 26: 12-end ; Mark 8:27 – 9:1

* Shyira - (Rwanda) The Rt Revd Laurent Mbanda

Thursday 14th Psalm 146; Gen 3: 1-15; John 12: 27-36a

* Sialkot - (Pakistan) The Rt Revd Alwin John Samuel

Friday 15th Psalm 144; 30: 1-9, 24-31; Mark 9: 14-29

* Singapore - (South East Asia) The Rt Revd Rennis Ponniah

Saturday 16th Psalm 147; Prov 31: 10-end; Mark 9: 30-37

* For those affected by recent hurricanes

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