

St Giles' Bulletin



A community of disciples seeking to witness to Jesus and serve him in West Bridgford and beyond

12th May 2019

4th Sunday of Easter

9.00am Holy Communion

Acts 9 v 36-43 (p.1103)

John 10 v 22-30 (p.1077)

10.00am Coffee and refreshments

10.30am Informal Worship

Welcome to St Giles

We are a growing community of people of all backgrounds and all ages, and we are convinced that God wants to do great things here in West Bridgford, in Nottingham, and beyond. If you would like more information – about who we are, what we do and what’s going on - then please speak to whoever is leading today’s service, and help yourself to the postcards in the information carousels. At the rear of church is The Haven, a glazed (but not soundproofed!) room where parents can take unsettled babies or children who are too young to join the children’s groups. The church hall can be found through the rear doors of the church. In the hall you will find toilets and baby changing facilities.

At St Giles we are committed to safeguarding as an integral part of the life and ministry of the Church. We take our safeguarding responsibilities seriously, and have policies and procedures in place that contribute to our safeguarding commitment. These can be viewed on our website. Our Safeguarding Co-ordinator is Dizzy Prentice and can be contacted on 07951 538670 or dizzy.prentice@btinternet.com.

Diary for the Week

Monday 13 th	3.45pm	Messy Church
Tuesday 14 th	9.15am	Morning Prayer
	10.30am	Seniors’ Coffee at Bradmore
Wednesday 15 th	9.30-12.30	Advice Centre in the church hall
	10.45am	Midweek Communion
Thursday 16 th	10 – 11.30am	Tiddlers in the church hall
Friday 17 th	10am – 12noon	Friday Cake Break for Christian Aid
	7.30pm	Youth Night
Sunday 19 th	9.00am	Holy Communion
	10.00am	Coffee & Refreshments
	10.30am	Informal Worship
	6.00pm	Choral Evensong (5.30pm tea & cake)

For our Prayers

Derek Gee

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 please do talk to Daphne Carter in confidence

Messy Church – TOMORROW!

The next Messy Church will take place in church on Monday 13th May (a week later than usual due to the bank holiday). Come along straight after school, from 3.45pm until 5.15pm - join in all the action and then share tea together. Do invite your friends with families along!



Confirmation Service & Preparation

Bishop Paul Williams will be leading a confirmation service at St Giles on June 16th at 7pm. Confirmation is an opportunity for individuals to confirm for themselves the promises that were made at their baptism. It is an opportunity to make a public commitment to follow Christ for the first time, or a renewed commitment to follow him again. Lee will lead three preparation sessions for adults on Thursdays - May 9th, 16th, 23rd - 8pm at the Rectory and Andy will be leading preparation sessions for our young people. If you are interested in finding out more about confirmation please speak to Lee, Tim or Andy.

Jonathan Mole's Ordination

Jonathan's ordination will take place in Southwell Minster on Sunday 30th June at 11am. All are welcome! It's worth arriving a bit early as it may be busy. The farewell service for the Moles at St Giles will be on Sunday 23rd June, followed by a bring and share meal for all who would like to stay. If you more information from Kristine her number is 07989 292459.

Seniors' Coffee Morning

The next Seniors' Coffee Morning will be at Bradmore Garden Centre on Tuesday 14th May at 10.30am. If you would like a lift please meet in the church car park at 10.15 or contact David Dunford on 981 6821 if you would like to be collected from home.

New Baby

Congratulations and much love to Emma, Jonny and Benjamin on the arrival of Thomas Richard Ayers on Thursday 2nd May.

Please remember them all in your prayers and do speak to Claire Sheard if you could offer a meal for either family.

As I have loved you, so you must love one another.

Beauvale Priory

The next Seniors' event is the annual outdoor communion service and afternoon tea at Beauvale Priory on Ascension Day, Thursday 30th May. The cost of the delicious afternoon tea is £8.00pp. If you would just like to come to the service and tea the minibus will leave the church car park at 1.30pm. For those of you who would like to build up your appetite before the service, a minibus will leave the church car park at 12.45pm for a short 1km walk round Colliers Wood before going on to Beauvale Priory. Please bring a folding chair, if you have one, to sit on during the service; there will be some spares if you don't have one. Please sign up on the sheet at the back of church. Everyone, not just seniors, is welcome to come and experience the beautiful, spiritual surroundings of the ruined Priory where monks worshipped for hundreds of years.

Holiday Club Update

This year St Giles and St Luke's will again be running a joint holiday club, based at St Luke's Church. We're trying something a bit different this year – the holiday club will be held during the second week of the October half term, rather than in the summer holidays. There will be more details to follow in the coming months.

Godspell comes to West Bridgford!

A cast of 30 talented local singers and musicians will be performing Godspell at West Bridgford Baptist Church on Friday 14th June, 7.30pm and Saturday 15th June, 2.00pm and 7.30pm. This musical by three time Grammy and Academy Award winner Stephen Schwartz includes lots of great songs and uses New Testament parables to bring Jesus's messages of kindness, tolerance and love vibrantly to life. Refreshments will be available in the interval. For tickets (£10 / £8 under 16s) please visit ticketsource.co.uk or contact Jill on 07968 711534 or david.hemington@sky.com



Bakers – we need cakes!

It's our Christian Aid Cake Break this Friday 17th May – if you could make something tempting for the table of cakes please let Claire Sheard know.

Family Rich travel with Mission Direct

Mike, Anna, Dylan and Lucy are travelling as a family with Mission Direct to Kenya this summer. We are aware that many of you will have been supporting the Youth group trip to Zambia, but we thought we would just let you know that we too are fundraising for our trip. Mike is running 100 miles in 4 days along the Cotswold Way on 10-13th May; then Dylan is doing his first 'Tough Mudder' on Sat 18th May, and Lucy is helping arrange a 5 a-side football tournament on Sunday 19th May. Finally Anna is running her first 1/2 marathon in 18 years on 6th July. Any donations would be welcome on our JustGiving page (<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/anna-rich1>). Many thanks.

Fundraising Fashion Show

Save the date for this year's Fashion Show – it's on Monday 17th June at 7.30pm. Tickets cost £5 and will soon be on sale - proceeds to the Friary & Ha Fusi.

Nottingham Street Pastors

Have you ever thought of becoming a Street Pastor? Or know of anyone who would be interested? If you missed the talk given by Lynda Blakeley and Debbie Keown last Sunday, watch this video for an insight into what's involved <https://vimeo.com/163917944>. Roles and responsibilities training is taking place on Saturday 15th June so it's an ideal time to sign up. For more information or to explore observing a Friday or Saturday night shift, contact streetpastors@maltcross.com.

Westdale Retirement Home - Open Day

The Westdale Home on the Melton Road is holding an Open Day on Monday, 20th May, 2-4 p.m. Whether you are a potential future resident, a carer for someone who may need residential care or simply interested in what is on offer, do come along for a tour, a chance to chat with residents and refreshments in their lovely conservatory. The Westdale is Quaker run and St. Giles is a frequent visitor, holding monthly services, visiting residents and also involved in the Management Committee. For more information, please ask Johanna Langheld.

Actions Team Needed!

If you feel you and/or your child could be a part of the actions team for All Age services and Junior Church worship (both once a month) then we need you!. The week before a service you will be sent the songs we will be doing along with the actions video to learn. We are looking for people who are not already involved in the music. Please speak to Hannah Crawford (crawfordh19@yahoo.co.uk).

Recital in Ruddington

Katharine Dryden, who works as our Deanery Administrator, is also a professional singer (Mezzo – Soprano), and she will be performing next month to raise funds for the West Bridgford and South Nottingham Debt Centre. The recital takes place on Saturday 15th June at St Peter's Church, Ruddington, starting at 6pm. Tickets cost £10 including refreshments (concessions £7.50) and are available on the door or from katharine.dryden@hotmail.co.uk.

Friends International Celebration Evening

Friends International is holding a Celebration Evening on Wednesday 15th May, 7:15 – 9:30pm, at Cornerstone Church. There will be testimonies about God's work in the lives of international students interspersed with brief updates giving a flavour of the last year and times of praise & prayer. The FI National Director Alan Tower will be there to talk about the strategic nature of ministry with international students in the UK. If you would like to come, please contact rachel.chard@friendsinternational.uk (so that appropriate arrangements for planning and light refreshments can be made).

Sweet Music & Strawberries

What could be more relaxing than to listen to our very own Reformation Early Music Group (voices and lute) and to enjoy strawberries & cream with Prosecco, while raising money for Ha Fusi School in Lesotho? The afternoon concert will be at 4pm on Saturday 15th June in church. Save the date now; tickets (£10) will be available soon. More details from Elizabeth Dunford or Paul Bracken.

Book Groups

Evening Group - this month's book is *Educated* by Tara Westover and they will be meeting to discuss it on Monday 20th May at 8pm at Liz's house (17, Barnfield).

Afternoon Group - the May choice is Maggie O'Farrell's *This Must Be The Place* and they will be discussing the book on Monday 27th May at 2.30pm in the Church Hall Meeting Room. New readers always welcome at either group.

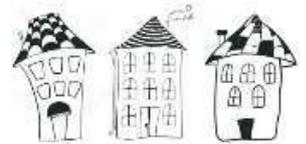


Christian Aid Week 12th- 18th May We're taking a break this year from the Christian Aid Big Event, but there are number of other fundraising events taking place.....

Friday Cake Break – come along to the George Chapel on Friday 17th May, 10am – 12noon, for a well-earned Friday Cake Break - tea, coffee and lots of delicious homemade cake!



House to House Collection - is this something that you could spare a couple of hours to do? Last year the collections raised over £3,000!



Plant Sale - Averyl & Dizzy are again growing tomato & other veg plants & a selection of flowers. The stall will be in church on **Sunday 12th May**, and the week after.



Meals through May is back! Could you host a meal to raise funds for Christian Aid? It could be anything you like – a weekend brunch, a light lunch, afternoon tea, a curry night or a fancy dinner party! Whether you raise £20 or £500 it is all vital for Christian Aid's work. Entertain friends & family, or open up your event to church members. You could set a price for coming along, or ask for donations. If you might be able to host a meal please speak to Rachel Gregory in church between the services or 0115 923 4782 or rachelsgregory@btinternet.com.



There is a box for donations at the back of church or you can take them to the Friary at their depot at Unit 6C Ludlow Hill Road, NG2 6HF (Tue & Thu 10am – 3pm).

Fundraising Sale for the Friary

Saturday 18th May, 11am - 1pm, at West Park, Loughborough Road, NG2 7JE
Stalls include Adult & Children's Clothes, Household & Electrical items, Toys, Bric-a-brac and Jewellery. Refreshments are available. Entrance fee - 50p

Collect

Risen Christ,
faithful shepherd of your Father's sheep:
teach us to hear your voice
and to follow your command,
that all your people may be gathered into one flock,
to the glory of God the Father.
Amen.

Prayer after Communion

Merciful Father,
you gave your Son Jesus Christ to be the good shepherd,
and in his love for us to lay down his life and rise again:
keep us always under his protection,
and give us grace to follow in his steps;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

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