

St Giles' Bulletin



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

7th October 2018

Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity

9.00am Holy Communion

Revelation 21: 1-8 (p.1249)

Luke 9: 1-10 (p.1039)

10.00am Coffee and refreshments

10.30am All Age Harvest Celebration

6.00pm Choral Evensong (tea & cake from 5.30pm)

8.00pm First Priority Prayer

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 cards in the information carousels – one by the coffee hatch and one near the front door. 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 8 th	10.30am – 12noon	Bump and Baby in church
Tuesday 9 th	9.15am	Morning Prayer
	10.30am	Seniors' Coffee at Bradmore
	7.30pm	Real Life
Wednesday 10 th	9.30am – 12.30pm	Advice Centre in the church hall
	10.45am	Midweek Communion
	7.30pm	Celebration Service for the Friary
	8.00pm	Ladies' Night
Thursday 11 th	10.00 – 11.30am	Tiddlers in the church hall
Friday 12 th	7.30pm	Youth Night
Saturday 13 th	9.30am – 12noon	Youth Worship Day in church
Sunday 14 th	9.00am	Holy Communion
	10.00am	Coffee and Refreshments
	10.30am	Informal Worship

For our Prayers

Derek Gee Sheila Edwards Philip Smeeton baby Frances Mary

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.

Update from Andrew Barker

It looks like Claire will be home by the time that you read this. After a few setbacks she is looking forward to recovering at home. She thanks you all for your love, prayers and offers of help; having felt very upheld in prayer.

St Giles' Weekend Away 2019 – Booking Forms now available!

The next church weekend away will take place 29th – 31st March 2019. We will be returning to Hothorpe Hall, near Market Harborough, and hope that as many of you as possible will be able to come along to experience the joy and fellowship and deepening of faith that comes from spending time away together as a church family. An information leaflet and the booking form are now in church – please take one home with you and sign up as soon as you can. If you have any practical questions about booking please contact Claire Sheard in the church office. There is the option to pay in 6 monthly instalments to spread the cost but if you would like to discuss in complete confidence the possibility of financial assistance then please speak to Lee.

World Day of Prayer Coffee Morning on Saturday 10th November

The West Bridgford group of churches support the World Day of Prayer, which is held in early March every year and every autumn holds a coffee morning to support two chosen charities. St Giles' is hosting this year on Saturday 10th November, 10am – 12noon, in aid of the Friary and the Snowdrop Project, a Sheffield based charity which provides long-term support to survivors of human trafficking. There will be a number of stalls so please have a rummage at home and see if you've anything that you could donate - toys and games, books, cake, tombola/raffle prizes. Please give Anna Rich a ring if you need items collecting or storing: 0115 981 1295. And please do come along for a cuppa and a slice of cake on the day.

More Favourite Hymns - save the dates

The new series of Favourite Hymns is starting later this month:

- Thursday 25th October - Guide me O Thou Great Redeemer
- Thursday 1st November - He who would valiant be
- Thursday 8th November - Onwards Christian Soldiers

Each week we'll meet for refreshments from 1.30 p.m. (in the George Chapel) and then spending an hour studying (and singing) the hymn. No need to sign up - just come along to as many sessions as you can. For more information, please speak to Rachel White or Johanna Langheld.

First Priority Prayer

First Priority Prayer will take place in the George Chapel this Sunday 7th October, at 8pm. It is an hour long prayer meeting, which incorporates informal worship and focuses on intercession. Everyone is very welcome!

Seniors Outing to the Bell Foundry

The next Seniors' outing is to the Bell Foundry in Loughborough on Tuesday 16th October. The tour will last about 1.5 hours – for health and safety reasons stout shoes are required and you won't be allowed on the tour without them. Please also be aware that the tour will involve quite a bit of standing and that the floor is a bit uneven. We will leave the church car park at about 11.15 am and return about 4.00 pm. We will stop off for a pub lunch en route. The meal needs to be pre booked so please take a look at the menu at the back of church and make your selection on the tick list. Pre payment for this outing is required - £10 for the tour, and the cost of the meal. Please speak to Carole, Brendan or Doreen for any further information.

BBC's Songs of Praise is coming to Nottingham: 20th/21st October

On Saturday 20th October you are invited to come along to watch five gospel choirs sing in the Gospel Choir of the Year competition, and to hear a special guest performance from Karen Gibson and The Kingdom Choir who performed at the Royal Wedding earlier this year. On Sunday 21st, the congregation are invited to come along to sing traditional and contemporary hymns. The hymns will be used throughout the coming months on Songs of Praise so there will be plenty of opportunities to see yourself on TV! To book your free tickets for the Albert Hall, Nottingham, contact songs.of.praise@avantimedia.tv - there are a limited number of seats so don't delay!

Bump & Baby Group – Monday 8th October

Fortnightly this term, there is a new friendly, supportive group for Mums-to-be or anyone with a baby under 12 months old. Chat over tea, coffee and cake while your little one enjoys the baby sensory toys. £1 donation. The group will meet fortnightly 10.30am – noon. Please note that the venue is changing from this week to the George Chapel in church.

Seniors' Coffee

The next Seniors' Coffee Morning will be at Bradmore Garden Centre on Tuesday 9th October 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.

Job Vacancy: Nottingham Street Pastors Administrator

The award-winning Nottingham Street Pastors project is seeking an administrator to join their small, experienced and passionate team. This role will see them support the day to day running of the project which is overseen by the Malt Cross Trust and also acting as a representative offsite at events and training sessions. This role is based at the Malt Cross office usually working Tuesday-Thursday. There will be regular evening and weekend work to support events, training sessions and to work shifts alongside Street Pastor volunteers on shift, typically one Wednesday evening per month and one Friday or Saturday night per month. £17,000 - £18,500 per annum (24 hours per week - pro rata £10,200 - £11,100). Please email info@maltcross.com or recruitment@nottsymca.org to request an application form (no CVs), or call 0115 941 1048 for more details. Closing date: 17th October at 12noon. Date for interviews: 23rd October.

Patchwork Sale

On Sunday 14th October 2.00-4.30 pm there will be a patchwork quilt sale in the St Giles church hall, in aid of the Friary. There will be over 100 new and vintage handmade quilts on sale from £30-150 (cash or cheque only).

Volunteers required for transport to 9am Sunday service

Our friends Beryl Davis and Jean Clarke would be grateful for transport from the Wilford Hill area to our 9am service. If you are able to offer a lift occasionally or if you'd like to find out more, please speak to Daphne Carter during coffee time on Sundays or call her on 0115 974 3749.

Remembrance Sunday – a weekend of concerts

Sinfonia Chorale with the Helix Ensemble are performing a Concert for Peace at St Giles on Saturday 10th November, 7.30 pm. Tickets cost £15 (centre aisle), £12 (side aisles), £5 (full-time students under 21) and are available from Sandra Wakefield 0115 9606236.

Radcliffe Ladies' Choir are performing Faure's Requiem interspersed with poetry from the First World War at St Giles on Sunday 11th November, 7.30 pm. Free admission; there will be a retiring collection for the RAF Benevolent Fund.

The Choir of St Mary's and the Orchestra of the Restoration are performing Verdi's Requiem at St Mary's Church, Lace Market, Nottingham on Saturday 10th November at 7.30pm. Tickets £15 (£13 concessions) – from Windblowers on Derby Road, Nottingham Tourism Centre or www.trybooking.co.uk/FNR.

Book Groups

The Evening Group's next book is *Dry* by Jane Harper. The group will meet on Monday 15th October at 8pm at Claire Voce's house (59, Gertrude Road).

The Afternoon Group is reading *Owl Song At Dawn* by Emma Claire Sweeney and will discuss the book on Monday 29th October at 2.30pm in the church hall meeting room. New readers for both groups are always welcome - just turn up!

Festival of Theology

Ian Paul (Dean of Studies at St John's College, Nottingham) is hosting a Festival of Theology on Wednesday 17th October, 10.30am – 3.30pm at Christ Church, Chilwell. The festival address vital questions for Christian living, mission and discipleship– there will be short talks, and the chance for questions and discussion. Full details can be found at <https://www.psephizo.com/life-ministry/second-festival-of-theology-wed-17th-october-2018/>

It's Advent Calendar time at Traidcraft!

The Real Advent Calendar is back, with a daily Fairtrade chocolate and a booklet telling the story of Christmas. Still only £3.99! Last year the calendar was a sell-out so please would you place your orders at the Traidcraft stall on Sunday 14th October? Thank you for your support, Claire Voce.

All Age Orchestra

St Giles' All Age Orchestra is always looking for new recruits and welcomes anyone no matter how long you've been playing or how long it's been since you've played! Please speak to Hannah Crawford to find out what's involved.

St Giles' Mission Partners



If you forgot about the harvest collection for the Friary this Sunday, don't worry - there is always 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). Thank you.

The Friary's 30th Anniversary Celebration Service is taking place at St Giles on Wednesday 10th October at 7.30pm, with refreshments served afterwards. Everyone is welcome to come and celebrate all that has been achieved, as a community, for local homeless people.



Pray for Alice from Malaysia, a new Christian who cannot attend church at home. Pray that she will discover great joy in hearing God speak to her through the Bible. The three South East Asian countries sending the most students are: Malaysia (16,370), Singapore (7,300) and Thailand (6,175). Please pray for these students who are often coming from Muslim or Buddhist backgrounds.



Indonesia Tsunami Appeal

More than 1.5 million people have been affected by the earthquake and tsunami on the island of Sulawesi, Indonesia - at least 1,400 people have been killed and an estimated 48,000 displaced. Much infrastructure has been destroyed and the full extent of the damage is not yet clear. However, we need to respond now, so that immediate, life-saving needs are met. Christian Aid are working with their partners on the ground - Yakkum Emergency Unit, Church World Service, Pelkesi - to deliver food, shelter, clean water, sanitation and other relief supplies to Palu and Donggala. Survivors in more remote areas also desperately need food, water and medicine.

Please help the recovery effort and donate to the Indonesia Tsunami Appeal.
<https://www.christianaid.org.uk/emergencies/indonesia-tsunami-appeal>

Collect:
Faithful Lord,
whose steadfast love never ceases
and whose mercies never come to an end:
grant us the grace to trust you
and to receive the gifts of your love,
new every morning,
in Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Prayer after Communion
Holy and blessed God,
you have fed us with the body and blood of your Son
and filled us with your Holy Spirit:
may we honour you, not only with our lips
but in lives dedicated to the service
of Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

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