



Listening - Growing - Responding

Weekly update from St Giles Church

Greetings from St Giles!

In this email you'll find the usual information about upcoming services at church as well as notices and other information that might be of interest.

Services this week

Trinity 7

Sunday 19th July

9:30am Morning Worship

6:30pm No team evening service

Readings for this Sunday

Isaiah 44.6–8

Romans 8.12–25

Matthew 13.24–30, 36–43

Upcoming services

Sunday 26th July

9:30am Eucharist

6:30pm Team Confirmation Service, 6:30pm St Mary's Welwyn

Readings for next Sunday

1 Kings 3.5–12

Romans 8.26–end

Matthew 13.31–33, 44–52

St Giles Notices

Team Confirmation Service: Next Sunday (26th), 6:30pm, St Mary's Welwyn -

Please do come along to this service and support candidates from St Giles who are being baptised and confirmed. All welcome!

Village Day: Tomorrow! Thanks to all who have signed up to help with village day, many hands make light work so do help out where you can, even if you don't have a specific job! We would especially appreciate help with tidying up.

Morning Worship: As we wait for the installation of our new sound system, we are pleased to welcome a variety of musicians to lead our sung worship. This Sunday we are looking forward to welcoming Tim Bechervaise, who some will recognise from cafe church, to lead our singing.

Summer Evensongs - The confirmation service will be the first of our summer evensongs, and on the five Sundays after there will services at the following churches, all 6:30pm:

2nd August at All Saints Datchworth: Rev'd Dr David Munchin on Reconciliation

9th at St Peter's Tewin: Catherine Jupp, Reader, on Marriage

16th at Woolmer Green: Colin Hull, Reader, on Last Rites

23rd at Ayot St Peter: Rev'd Sulu. Pike on Ordination

30th at St Giles Codicote: Rev'd Susannah Underwood on the Eucharist

PCC Meeting: The PCC will meet on Tuesday (21st) at 7:30pm in the parish centre.

New Treasurer: Stephen Jupp has now taken over as treasurer of St Giles so please do direct all cash and queries to him. You can contact him at treasurer@stgiles-church.org.uk. Thanks very much Stephen for taking on this role!

Tots and Tinies: We will meet for the final time this Tuesday before taking a break for the summer holidays, after which we will be meeting at the new time of **Wednesdays at 10am**. Thank you to all who come along and all who help with this lovely group!

New AV System - We are pleased to announce that the much-needed new system will be installed towards in the second half of September. Thank you Stephen and team for getting this organised.

Notices from around the team

Our team of churches is made up of: St Giles Codicote, St Mary's Welwyn, St Peter's Tewin, St Michael's Woolmer Green, All Saints Datchworth and St Peter's Ayot Green. You can find information about the [team by clicking here](#)

Poetry Pilgrimage Saturday 8th August 10am - 3pm. A pilgrimage walk from All Saints Datchworth to St Peter's Tewin, including stops for poetry and short reflections on our own spiritual journeys. £12 includes lunch. 4.5 miles walked at a gentle pace. We will arrange together lifts back to Datchworth at the end of the day. To book a place email: susannahunderwood1@gmail.com

Pattern of prayer

Each day, people gather to pray in one of our churches. All are welcome to join in with any of the following:

Monday 5pm Evening Prayer at St Peter's Tewin

Tuesday 8:30am Morning Prayer at St Giles Codicote

Wednesday 8am Bible study over breakfast followed by **9am** Morning prayer at St Mary's Welwyn

Thursday 5pm Evening Prayer at All Saints Datchworth

Friday 8:30am Morning Prayer at St Michael's Woolmer Green

The **St Giles Tuesday Prayer group** meets in the chancel every week from 11am for an hour to read, talk and pray about issues in the upcoming readings for next Sunday. All are welcome.

For your prayers

Please do be praying for our whole church community at St Giles, as well as the following things:

- For the mission of St Giles, and how God is calling us to serve our community
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- For the children and young people in our village
- For those among us who are unwell, or recovering from illness at this time.
Especially: Philippa Thompson, Jonny Thompson, Jan Raper, Barbara Hearn, Margaret Snowdon.
- For +Andrew Rumsey, the Bishop elect of St Albans

St Giles is open for prayer every day, and there is a basket on the server table in which you may leave prayer requests. These are prayed for at Morning Prayer every Tuesday at 8:30am, all are welcome to join us.

Core Values Prayer:

Loving God,

We thank you for our community.

Give us hearts which are open to listening to one another and to you.

Empowered by the spirit, may we grow in love, respond to need and share the love of Christ with those around us.

Amen.
