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Please use this slip if you are new to the church, and/or you require more information about some or all of the items listed on the reverse of this slip.

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- (a) Email to office@stgileschurch.co.uk
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New to St Giles'?

It's great that you have been able to worship with us today. You might be just visiting Ickenham, but if you are living in the locality and are looking for a church to be part of, would you please fill in your contact details on this slip and place in the box in the porch.

Bible readings

Today: Psalm 16; Luke 18.35-43

Next Week: Psalm 93; Luke 19.1-10



Prayer

Please include these people and situations in your daily prayers this week.

Residents of The Avenue

People who are ill, in hospital or in need:

The family and friends of the recently departed.

Heather John Anne Piper

Those whose lives we remember at this time.

Kay Morrish

The Missions & Charities we support. Child and Adolescent Bereavement Service – CABS is part of Harlington Hospice. It supports children and young people aged 4-17 through art therapy, helping them through their sad losses.

More notices...

CLICK Rukiga Fundraiser Concert – next Saturday 23 November 8.00pm at Ickenham URC. Harrow Apollo Male Voice Choir will perform songs from many genres. Tickets £15 from Shirley Gledhill, AVK i-Care, Bikewise, Derek Hughes on 07793 727259, or Stephanie has a small supply of tickets in the church office.

Rector – Revd Christine Britton
01895 622970 / rector@stgileschurch.co.uk
Lay Reader – David Thould
Lay Minister – Sally Blackman
Church Wardens – Linda Varley & Geoff Edwards
Administrator – Stephanie White
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Welcome

to our services today; if you are visiting for the first time, please make yourself known to one of the staff team or churchwardens.

Services today 17 November 2024

Second Sunday before Advent

08.00 **Holy Communion** Sermon: Sally
09.30 **Family Praise**
10.30 **Holy Communion** Sermon: Sally
(with baptism of Jude William Hill)

Please join us for refreshments in the church hall after the 10.30am service. If you would like prayer for any matter, please speak to the staff.

08.00 service is also livestreamed via the church Youtube Channel: search for St Giles Ickenham on Youtube

Sunday children's activities

09.30 Family Praise in church *Except for 1st Sunday of the month when we join together at 10.30am for all-age service and some school holidays.*

Midweek Services

Thursday 21 November
10.00 Communion

Next Week

08.00 Communion
09.30 Family Praise
10.30 Communion

following Christ | growing together | reaching out

This week at St Giles'

Monday 18 November 2.00-3.30pm Drop-in for the bereaved in the hall

Tuesday 19 November 11.00am Coffee, cake and prayer in church – all welcome; 7.30pm PCC meet upstairs in the hall

Thursday 21 November 10.00am Communion Service & coffee – all welcome

Friday 22 November 1.15pm Funeral of Heather John in church

Notices

Ordinand at St Giles' - St Giles' has the pleasure of receiving an Ordinand, Helen Wolstencroft, to be on placement with us. We have been identified as being able to provide a supportive learning environment for Helen as she studies at St Mellitus College and broadens her experience of the Church of England. Helen started with us the week beginning Monday 11 November and will be at St Giles' on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Sundays, with her placement coming to an end in the Summer of 2026. Helen comes to us with many years of experience in church leadership and I look forward to introducing her to you soon. Please join me in praying for Helen as she begins her time with us and in welcoming her wholeheartedly into our church community. *Christine*

Heather John - our thoughts and prayers are with David and the family following Heather's recent death. Heather's funeral will take place in church at 1.15pm on Friday 22 November.

Pre-Christmas Big Church Clean - there will be a pre-Christmas clean on Saturday 14 December from 9.00am. If you can spare some time to help please do join us. Thank you.

St John's Chapel Update - finally, the Diocese have approved a grant of £30,000 for the Chapel restoration appeal. This together with the very generous donations we have received to date (a magnificent total of £23,000) means we are now able to apply for grants for the remaining £20,000. Thank you so much to everyone for your support and prayers. The sum of money raised by the Congregation towards this restoration was a very strong factor in the Board approving the grant.

Orchard Window Repair - We have finally received approval to apply for a faculty to repair this window using Leonie Seliger,

a stained-glass window expert from Canterbury Cathedral. The required 28-day notice is displayed on the notice board outside the Church and after the expiration of this we will apply for the faculty. Hopefully restoration will begin in the New Year.

Thank you to everybody who contributed to Navina's farewell collection – we have been able to give Navina a very generous gift.

CHRISTMAS AT ST GILES'

Ickenham Festive Night Friday 6 December 6.00-9.00pm

(1) Tables available for hire in the Church Hall for groups / local traders at £12 per table. To book, please contact Alison Summerfield via stgileschurchhallbookings@gmail.com

(2) We are hoping to repeat last year's success with our Tombola stall. We would be very grateful for any donations (tins, bottles, toiletries, confectionery, gift items - our usual plea to ensure food items are in date!). There will be a box for donations in the porch. Many thanks. Any queries to Geoff Edwards.

(3) As part of the Festive Events in the church hall there will also be a Christmas Raffle - tickets will be available to buy on the evening.

(4) The Tree of Remembrance – the yew tree on the churchyard path will feature as the Tree of Remembrance again this year. More details to follow but stars will be available to hang all evening.

Christmas Card Design Competition – Calling all young artists to enter the joint St Giles' and Ickenham URC Christmas card design competition; see full details on the poster in the porch. Closing date is Sunday 1 December.

Christmas Tree Festival in St Giles' Church, Friday 6 December 6.00-9.00pm and Saturday 7 December 10.00am-4.00pm. Why not enter a decorated tree of your own? Pick up an entry form from the middle of church or download from the home page of the church website at www.stgileschurch.co.uk

Scratch Choir - this year we kick off Advent season with our 6pm Advent Carols service on Sunday 1 December. This service will have a contemporary feel with a band and will include a Scratch Choir. The Choir will meet in St Giles' at 3.30pm on Sunday 1 December to learn the song that they will then perform during the service at 6pm. You do not need to be a seasoned performer to participate, just enjoy singing with others. If you would like to be a part of the Scratch Choir please email Christine on rector@stgileschurch.co.uk.

Do you need more information?

Please complete this section if you require further information about any of the following, then fill in your details on the reverse and return to the box in the porch.

I would like to know more about: Please tick as applicable:

Arranging a baptism ()

Children's activities ()

Women's Groups ()

Men's Activities ()

Small groups for Bible study and prayer ()

Sport/leisure groups ()

Cleaning, flowers, & churchyard teams ()

Planned financial giving ()

I would like someone to visit me at home to talk about ways in which I use my time and talents at St Giles' Church ()

Coffee, Cake and Prayer – Coffee, Cake and Prayer –

11am every Tuesday in church. All welcome. If you would like to ensure a group or person is in the cycle of prayer, please let Rachel know. This week our focus is the ICN Team and our Bible Readers.

Book Launch Party – there will be a book launch party for Jane Upchurch's new book 'The bones of love: the way of Jesus' next Saturday 23 November from 3-5pm in the Bernard Chapman Hall (rear church hall) at St Giles'. All are welcome. Any queries to Jane on janeupchurch@virginmedia.com

Let's Pray Together – join in on the third Wednesday of the month, Wednesday 20 November, 2pm in the Hardwick Room at the URC. All very welcome.

For more information, contact the church office or visit our website: **www.stgileschurch.co.uk**