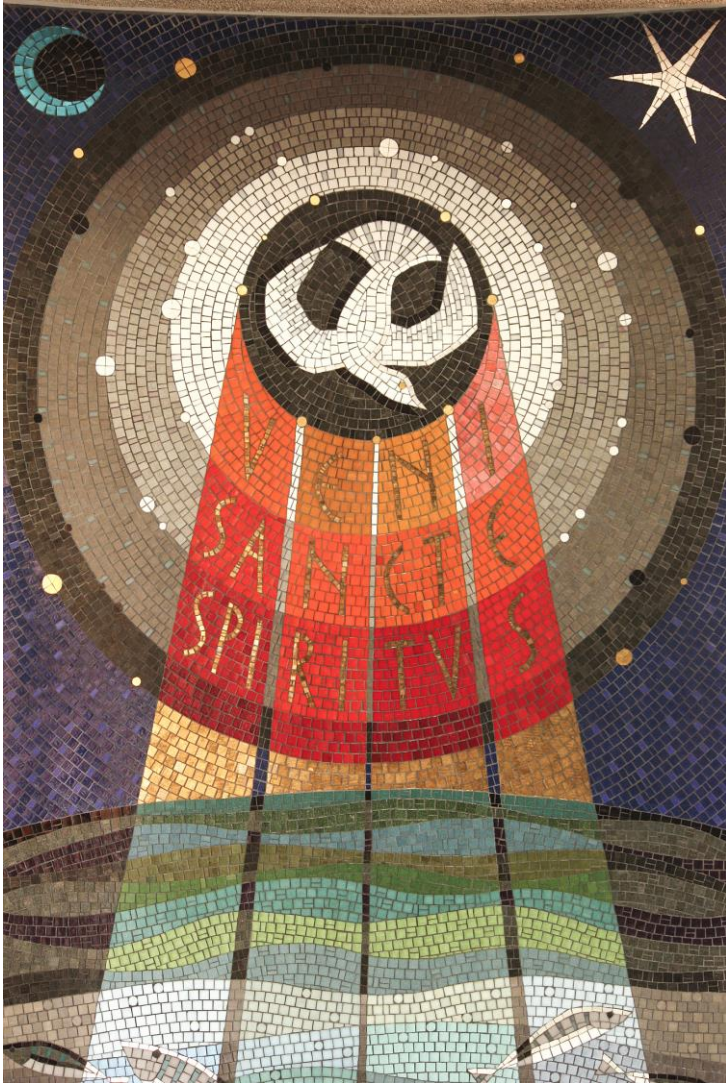


St Giles Presbyterian Church



*Kossowski, Adam, **Veni Sancti Spiritus** (1965),
Mosaic at the Roman Catholic Church of St. Aloysius*

May 28, 2023

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Greeting and Welcome

Leading in worship is our minister the Rev. Paul Wu. We extend a warm welcome to all our visitors. Let us together know the joy and wonder of worshipping God. There are sermon texts and large print bulletins available. Please speak with an usher. The church is fully accessible with an elevator, ramps and an accessible washroom.

A Note on Our Worship

The symbol ** means please stand if you are able

Forward in Faith — Our Vision

St Giles Presbyterian Church seeks to be a welcoming, fully-alive faith community, which shares Christ's vision for the world and responds in a Christ-like manner to the present-day challenges of our society and world in partnership with all who seek to make Christ's vision for the world a present reality.

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We acknowledge that the land on which we gather is the traditional unceded territory of the Algonquin Anishnaabeg People. The Algonquin peoples have lived on this land since time immemorial. We are grateful to have the opportunity to be present in this territory.

Prelude: *Send us your spirit*

by Dan Schutte

Welcome

Call to Worship

One: Breathe upon us, Holy Spirit,

All: and inspire our thoughts and actions.

One: Stir in our hearts, Holy Spirit,

All: and fill us with energy to spread joy in the world.

One: Breathe upon us, Holy Spirit,

All: and refresh our commitment to serve.

One: Stir in our hearts, Holy Spirit,

All: as we worship and witness to God's coming reign.

****Hymn:** In your Pentecostal splendour

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Children's Story

Prayer of Adoration

O Spirit of God, you move in us and through us to face each new day. You are as close to us as our breath, giving us life. You refresh us like a cool breeze on a warm afternoon. You challenge us also, like a strong wind, rousing our attention. O Holy Spirit, open our eyes to the wonder of God's mystery, and open our hearts to the warmth of Christ's mercy. To you, with God our Creator and Christ our Redeemer, we offer our prayers and praise. Unite us now in worship and witness by your presence and power.

Unison Prayer of Confession

O God of wind, flame and sometimes gentle whisper, at Pentecost your Spirit inspired followers of Jesus to dare great things in his name. But we confess that we lack daring or courage. We often question the flame of your Spirit among us, we sometimes ignore it all together. Forgive us for the sins we have committed by our actions or inactions. Send the Spirit to blow on the embers of our faith and reignite our passion for sharing your good news.

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors, and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, for ever. Amen

Assurance of Pardon

The mercy of our God is from everlasting to everlasting. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven and set free to live in the renewing power of the Spirit.

Thanks be to God for this most generous gift. **Amen.**

Scripture

First Reading: Numbers 11:24–30

So Moses went out and told the people the words of the Lord, and he gathered seventy of the elders of the people and placed them all around the tent. Then the Lord came down in the cloud and spoke to him and took some of the spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders, and when the spirit rested upon them, they prophesied. But they did not do so again.

Two men remained in the camp, one named Eldad and the other named Medad, and the spirit rested on them; they were among those registered, but they had not gone out to the tent, so they prophesied in the camp. And a young man ran and told Moses, "Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp." And Joshua son of Nun, the assistant of Moses, one of his chosen men, said, "My lord Moses, stop them!" But Moses said to him, "Are you jealous for my sake? Would that all the Lord's people were prophets and that the Lord would put his spirit on them!" And Moses and the elders of Israel returned to the camp.

Psalms 104:24–35 (with refrain 3)

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 12: 4–13

Now there are varieties of gifts but the same Spirit, and there are varieties of services but the same Lord, and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, to another the

working of powerful deeds, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

Reader: This is the word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God.

****Hymn:** We are God's people

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Sermon: Same Spirit, Many Gifts

Prayers of the People

****Hymn:** Breathe on me breath of God

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**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.**

Prayer of Dedication

****Hymn:** We are one in the Spirit

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Benediction

Postlude: *Allegro from Concerto in G* by J.S. Bach

St Giles Events

Monday, May 29 ~ 11:00 a.m.

Coffee Hour by teleconference.

Thursday, June 1 ~ 5:30 p.m.

Choir Practice - Come and join us in the singing.

Friday, June 2 ~ 10:00 a.m.

Bible Study by teleconference. The Book of Job (12-14)

Sunday June 4 ~ Immediately after service

Emergent Congregational Meeting

Wednesday, June 7 ~ 10:30 a.m.

Presbyterian Woman's meeting by teleconference

Wednesday, June 7 ~ 5:00 p.m.

Prayer Group (Lectio Divina) will be meeting in person at St Giles. All are welcome.

Saturday June 10 ~ 11:00 a.m.

Dr Pauline Brown Memorial Service.





From the Session

An emergent congregational meeting is being called by the authority of the Session, on the Sunday of June 4, 2023, immediately after the worship service, to discuss the amount to be pledged by St. Giles to the Presbyterian College for 2023. It should be noted the recommendation from the Session is \$5,000.

Memorial Service

St. Giles Presbyterian Church will be hosting the Memorial Service for **Dr. Pauline Brown**, on **June 10, 2023**, at **11:00 a.m.** The service is available by Zoom. Should you wish to attend in-person, please **RSVP before June 3 to office@stgilesottawa.org** (so to allow the family sufficient time to prepare catering).





Community Announcements

Ottawa Pastoral Care Training Program for 2023

Pastoral care helps to develop skills to become a compassionate and sustaining presence with others, and to support one another in ministry. OPCTP would like to highlight its up coming fall courses for 2023, in Basic Course, Advanced Course and a Continuing Education Event. For further information there are brochures on the Welcome table of St Giles or visit

www.ottawapastoralcare.com.

St Giles Art Exhibition ~ African Textiles

The next St. Giles art exhibition will feature textiles from Africa. They will be on display from July through to September. If you have any lengths of cloth from any country in Africa that we could select from for display in the Sanctuary, please drop it/them off at the church office with your name attached or contact Laura Brandon at laura@laurabrandon.ca to arrange a transfer time.

Thank you!

Mission Moment

With support from Presbyterians Sharing, Two Rivers Church in Guelph, Ontario, is exploring new and creative ways of being the church. This ministry is made up of “living rooms,” where people gather together in homes for meals and conversations that draw them deeper into friendship and spiritual formation



in Christ. Recently celebrating 10 years of ministry, Two Rivers Church has grown to include six living rooms where the

congregation meets together. At the same time, community engagement has expanded to include community gardening projects, neighbourhood cycling events, prayer walks, church retreats and an interactive “Stations of the Cross” walk through downtown Guelph during Holy Week.



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