

Joint Summer Service
At
St Giles Presbyterian Church



*Claesz, Pieter, 1596 or 7-1660. **Still: Life with Stoneware Jug, Wine Glass, Herring and Bread**, from Art in the Christian Tradition.*

August 11, 2024

St Giles Presbyterian Church

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 available. Please speak with an usher, if you have any questions. 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: *Adagio* by Baldassare Galuppi

Welcome

Introit Dona nobis pacem adapt. By M. Haugen

Dona nobis pacem, pacem. Dona nobis pacem.

Call to Worship

One: Let us bless God at all times;

All: We will praise God's holy name.

One: Let us look to God, and be radiant;

All: For God has delivered us from all our fears.

One: Jesus has promised whoever comes to him will never be hungry, those who believe in him will never thirst.

All: Let us taste the Bread of Life in scripture and song as we worship God!

****Hymn:** Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

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Prayer of Adoration

Living, giving God, you are the source of all good things. Your love reaches wider than the expanding universe, and your kindness embraces the tiny sparrow. In Christ, you offer us the Bread of Life to

sustain us day by day. Through the Holy Spirit, you are present in every situation, our daily tasks and demanding challenges. And so, we gather to worship you, to offer our utmost for your highest, for surely you are worthy of our praise, and deserving all we can offer, heart, body, mind, and soul, our living, giving God.

Unison Prayer of Confession

Living, forgiving God, in Christ you promise us new life. Yet we often cling to bitter disappointments; anger can hold us hostage for years. We say one thing to someone's face and something else behind their back. Forgive us. Free us from old habits and resentments; and renew us to live according to your mercy.

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

God is tender hearted and gracious to all, offering forgiveness in Christ Jesus. Trust in God's grace, be kind to one another, and forgive others as God has forgiven you. **Amen.**

Scripture

First Reading: Ephesians 4:25–5:2

So then, putting away falsehood, let each of you speak the truth with your neighbor, for we are members of one another. Be angry but do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, and do not make room for the devil. Those who steal must give up stealing; rather, let them labor, doing good work with their own hands, so as to have something to share with the needy. Let no evil talk come out of your mouths but only what is good for building up, as there is need, so that your words may give grace to those who hear. And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with which you were marked with a seal for the day of redemption. Put away from you all bitterness and wrath and anger and wrangling and slander, together with all malice. Be kind to one another, tender hearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you. Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children, and walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

Psalm 34:1–8 (*with refrain 3*)

I will bless the Lord at all times;

God's praise shall continually be in my mouth.

**My soul makes its boast in the Lord;
let the humble hear and be glad.**

O magnify the Lord with me,

and let us exalt God's name together.

I sought the Lord, who answered me
and delivered me from all my fears.

**Look to God, and be radiant,
so your faces shall never be ashamed.**

This poor soul cried and was heard by the Lord
and was saved from every trouble.

**The angel of the Lord encamps
around those who fear God and delivers them.**

O taste and see that the Lord is good;

blessed are those who take refuge in God.

Second Reading: John 6:35, 41–51

Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty. Then the Jews began to complain about him because he said, "I am the bread that came down from heaven." They were saying, "Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How can he now say, 'I have come down from heaven'?" Jesus answered them, "Do not complain among yourselves. No one can come to me unless drawn

by the Father who sent me, and I will raise that person up on the last day. It is written in the prophets, 'And they shall all be taught by God.' Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me. Not that anyone has seen the Father except the one who is from God; he has seen the Father. Very truly, I tell you, whoever believes has eternal life. I am the bread of life. Your ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever, and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh."

Reader: This is the word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God.

Solo Panis Angelicus (by César Frank)

Vocalist: Lawrence Cumming

Heavenly bread
That becomes the bread for all mankind;
Bread from the angelic host
That is the end of all imaginings.
Oh, miraculous thing!
This body of God will nourish
Even the poorest,
The most humble of servants.
Even the poorest,
The most humble of servants.

Sermon The Jesus Diet

Prayers of the People

****Hymn:** You satisfy the hungry heart

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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:** Guide me, O thou great Redeemer

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Benediction

Postlude *Choral Song*

by Samuel Wesley



Schedule of Joint Summer Services, 2024

A warm Welcome to our summer visitors from
Glebe St James and Southminster.

July 07	Joint Services at St Giles	10:00 a.m.	181 First Ave.
July 14	Joint Services at Glebe St James	10:00 a.m.	650 Lyon St.
July 21	Joint Services at Southminster	10:00 a.m.	15 Aylmer Ave.
July 28	Joint Services at Southminster	10:00 a.m.	15 Aylmer Ave.
Aug 04	Joint Services at Southminster	10:00 a.m.	15 Aylmer Ave.
Aug. 11	Joint Services at St Giles	10:00 a.m.	181 First Ave.
Aug. 18	Joint Services at Glebe St James	10:00 a.m.	650 Lyon St.



Holy Communion

Up coming Holy Communion is scheduled for Sunday, August 25, 2024. Please prepare your heart to attend.

Session Meeting

Session members are reminded to attend the upcoming meeting which is scheduled for Wednesday, August 28, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.

Update from Finance & Maintenance Committee

A number of projects are expected to be carried out by the committee over the summer, including cement parging of the front steps, waxing of the banquet hall floor, and backflow plumbing installation. Please keep these works in your prayer, and with thanks to members of the F&M.

St Giles Presbyterian Women

In June and December of every year, the St. Giles Presbyterian Women choose and donate to two missions. This year we chose to give to the Well, a drop-in center for women in crisis. Supplies and women's necessities are always needed. We also chose to give to the St. Giles Benevolent Fund.



Mallard Family by Eddy Cobines

Mission Moment

"I decided to participate in order to differentiate between traditional farming methods and new farming techniques facilitated by Churches Action in Relief and Development (CARD) staff," shares Lucius, a 45-year-old farmer from Malawi. "In previous years, my house experienced food insecurity, but after hearing about this type of conservation farming, my family and I were interested in starting to practice it." Lucius adds, "I feel that this project wants us farmers to farm in the way God intended since it is teaching us how to farm while taking care of the biodiversity. The project is teaching us how to fish, not giving us fish. It addresses the real needs of our communities." Working with local partners, PWS&D aims to strengthen the production ability and capacity of smallholder farmers so that they can withstand climate change and be more resilient when disasters hit.



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