



ST GILES'

CHURCH, OXFORD

16 NOV 2025 | 2ND SUNDAY BEFORE ADVENT

BCP: Twenty-second Sunday After Trinity

Welcome to St Giles', especially if you are visiting or worshipping with us for the first time.

The church is equipped with a loop system: please switch your hearing aid to "T" position.

NOTICES

Benefice Quiet Morning on Saturday 22 November at St Margaret's Church. Contact Claire for information.

Guess the chocolates in the tub for £1 at the back of church.

Bring and Buy Christmas Tabletop Sale – contributions needed to Jane Finnerty or Helen Dodd.

Hope Street Consort Concert on Sat 22 November at 4.30pm – tickets and info at bit.ly/47Jk8Qg

Daily Prayer:

- Morning Prayer

Tue-Fri 8:30am at the Vicarage

- Individual quiet prayer

Mon-Fri 12-2pm at St Giles'

- Evening Prayer

Mon-Sat 5.30pm at St Giles'

Services on Sunday 16 November

8:00am – **Holy Communion**

10:30am – **Holy Communion**

6:30pm – **Choral Evensong**

More at: www.StGilesStMargarets.org

8:00am

HOLY COMMUNION

(Book of Common Prayer, said)

The text of the collect and readings are in the brown Book of Common Prayer.

President: Revd Daniel Walters

Epistle: Philippians 1.3–11

Gospel: Matthew 18.21–end

10:30am

HOLY COMMUNION

(Common Worship, sung)

President and Preacher:

Revd Claire Browes

Opening Hymn 234

Christ, whose glory fills the skies

Collect

Heavenly Father,
whose blessed Son was revealed to
destroy the works of the devil
and to make us the children of God and
heirs of eternal life:
grant that we, having this hope,
may purify ourselves even as he is pure;
that when he shall appear in power and
great glory
we may be made like him in his eternal
and glorious kingdom;
where he is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Malachi 4.1–2a

4 See, the day is coming, burning like an oven, when all the arrogant and all evildoers will be stubble; the day that comes shall burn them up, says the LORD of hosts, so that it will leave them neither root nor branch. ²But for you who revere my name the sun of righteousness shall rise, with healing in its wings.

Psalm 98 (see overleaf)

2 Thessalonians 3.6–13

6 Now we command you, beloved, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to keep away from believers who are living in idleness and not according to the tradition that they received from us. ⁷For you yourselves know how you ought to imitate us; we were not idle when we were with you, ⁸and we did not eat anyone's bread without paying for it; but with toil and labour we worked night and day, so that we might not burden any of you. ⁹This was not because we do not have that right, but in order to give you an example to imitate. ¹⁰For even when we were with you, we gave you this command: Anyone unwilling to work should not eat. ¹¹For we hear that some of you are living in idleness, mere busybodies, not doing any work. ¹²Now such persons we command and exhort in the Lord Jesus Christ to do their work quietly and to earn their own living. ¹³Brothers and sisters, do not be weary in doing what is right.

Gradual Anthem

John Goss (1800-1880)

O Saviour of the World

O Saviour of the world,
who by thy Cross and precious Blood
hast redeemed us:
Save us, and help us,
we humbly beseech thee, O Lord.

Luke 18.9–14

5 When some were speaking about the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and gifts dedicated to God, he said, ⁶'As for these things that you see, the days will come when not one stone will be left upon another; all will be thrown down.'

7 They asked him, 'Teacher, when will this be, and what will be the sign that this is about to take place?' ⁸And he said, 'Beware that you are not led astray; for many will come in my name and say, "I am he!" and, "The time is near!" Do not go after them.

9 'When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified; for these things must take place first, but the end will not follow immediately.' ¹⁰Then he said to them, 'Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; ¹¹there will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and plagues; and there will be dreadful portents and great signs from heaven.

12 'But before all this occurs, they will arrest you and persecute you; they will hand you over to synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors because of my name. ¹³This will give you an opportunity to testify. ¹⁴So make up

your minds not to prepare your defence in advance; ¹⁵for I will give you words and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to withstand or contradict. ¹⁶You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, by relatives and friends; and they will put some of you to death. ¹⁷You will be hated by all because of my name. ¹⁸But not a hair of your head will perish. ¹⁹By your endurance you will gain your souls.

Offertory Hymn 57

The race that long in darkness pined

Communion Anthems

William H. Harris (1883-1973)
Behold the Tabernacle of God

Behold, the tabernacle of God is with you,
and the Spirit of God dwelleth within you;
for the temple of God is holy.
Which temple are ye,
for the love of whom ye do this day
celebrate the joys of the temple
with a season of festivity. Alleluia.

Post Communion

Gracious Lord,
in this holy sacrament
you give substance to our hope:
bring us at the last
to that fullness of life for which we
long;
through Jesus Christ our Saviour.

Final Hymn 490

Judge eternal, throned in splendour

*Please do stay behind for refreshments
after the 10:30 service, served at the
back of church*

6:30pm

CHORAL EVENSONG

(Book of Common Prayer, sung)

Officiant: Revd Daniel Walters

Hymn 476: *Ye servants of God*

Psalm: 97 (p. 189)

Old Testament: Daniel 6

Canticles: Alfred Herbert Brewer
(1865-1928) *Magnificat and Nunc
Dimittis in E flat major*

New Testament: Matt. 13.1-9, 18-23

Anthem: Edward Bairstow
(1874-1946) *The King of Love my
Shepherd is*

Hymn 254: *Come, let us with our Lord
arise*

PRAYER REQUESTS

Sick: Alison, Chris Henry

Year's Mind:

16th – Joan Spencer (2005)
17th – Yvonne White (2023)
19th – Islay Doncaster (2015)
20th – Ossie Haworth-Booth (2002)
21st – Margaret Croft (2018)
22nd – Neville Wilkinson (2002)
22nd – Joan Peacock (2014)

PSALM 98

- 1 O sing unto the | Lord a • new | song :
for | he hath • done | marvel-lous | things.
- 2 With his own right hand, and with his | ho-ly | arm :
hath he | gotten • him- | self the | victory.
- 3 The Lord de- | clared his • sal- | vation :
his righteousness hath he openly | shewed • in the | sight of • the | heathen.
- 4 He hath remembered his mercy and truth toward the | house of | Israel:
and all the ends of the world have seen the sal- | va-tion | of our | God.
- 5 Shew yourselves joyful unto the Lord | all ye | lands :
sing, re- | joice and | give — | thanks.
- 6 Praise the | Lord up-on the | harp :
sing to the | harp • with a | psalm of | thanksgiving.
- 7 With trumpets | also • and | shawms :
O shew yourselves joyful be- | fore the | Lord the | King.
- 8 Let the sea make a noise, * and all that | there-in | is :
the round | world and | they that | dwell therein.
- 9 Let the floods clap their hands, * and let the hills be joyful together be- |
fore the | Lord :
for he is | come to | judge the | earth.
- [10] With righteousness | shall he | judge the | world, • and the | people • with |
equity.

Glory | be • to the | Father :
and to the Son, | and • to the | Ho-ly | Spirit ;

As it was in the beginning, * is now, and | ever • shall | be :
world without | end, A- | — | men.

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