

	<h1>Newsletter October 2020</h1>		
	<h2>Services in October</h2>		
	4th Oct	10.30 am	Café Church via Zoom*
	11th Oct	9.30 am	Holy Communion in Church
	18th Oct	9.30 am	Morning Service via Zoom*
	25th Oct	9.30 am	Holy Communion in Church
	<p>Evening Prayer is taking place in Church every Wednesday at 5.00pm - open to all.</p>		
	<p>An updated weekly sheet of readings and prayers can be found via www.stgiles-church.org.uk</p>		
<p>*Links for Zoom Services are sent out via the mailing list</p>			
<p>Rev Liz Lavelle can be contacted at: revliz@stgiles-church.org.uk</p>			

<h3>Dates for your Diary</h3>		<h3>Annual Parochial Church Meeting</h3> <p>This year's APCM was postponed from April because of the suspension of all church gatherings under the lockdown. It will now take place in Church on Sunday 11th October at 3 pm in a socially-distanced manner. Please come along and join us as we review the year 2019 and take a look ahead. There will be time for questions and discussion - and refreshments (we hope). We are grateful that several church members have continued to hold office beyond their normal term, due to the impossibility of holding this Meeting.</p> <p>We need to elect/appoint people to important roles in the life of the Church.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Church Wardens 4 PCC members 2 Deanery Synod members 1 PCC Secretary (you do not need to be on the PCC to fulfil this role) <p>Nomination Forms are available at the back of church and via the website.</p>	
11 th Oct 3.00pm	<p>Annual Parochial Church Meeting in Church. A key moment for us as a church to reflect on our shared life and to look to the future. The Meeting has an important function in enabling members to help steer the direction taken by the Church. Members elect people to serve as Church Wardens and as members of the Parochial Church Council. The PCC governs and guides the Church alongside Philip as Vicar. We really want to keep the PCC membership as open as possible to people of different backgrounds and ages, so that we can be inclusive of all views. Do consider offering yourself for election. In addition, we need to elect two new members of the Deanery Synod, which is the next level of Church government up from the parish. If you are elected to the DS, you automatically become a member of the PCC.</p>		
1 st Nov	8.00am	Said Communion in Church	
	10.30am	Café Church via Zoom*	
8 th Nov	9.30 am	Holy Communion in Church	
15 th Nov	9.30 am	Morning Service via Zoom*	
22 nd Nov	9.30 am	Holy Communion in Church	
29 th Nov	9.30 am	Holy Communion in Church	
<p>Discussions are ongoing about a possible Memorial Service for those who have experienced bereavement, and also about the precise nature of commemorations on Remembrance Day (8th November). Please look out for further notices about these events later this month.</p>		<h3>Harvest Festival</h3> <p>Many thanks for the generous gifts of foodstuffs which went to Codicote Foodbank and the monetary donations which went to the Farming Community Network, a Christian charity that seeks to support farmers and their families with a listening ear and advice. Your generosity for both causes is especially appreciated in these difficult times.</p>	
<p>The Revd Jim Smith is currently residing in Knebworth Care Home, following a fall early in September and a short spell in hospital. Sadly, his physical and mental condition have both deteriorated. However, he would love to hear from anyone connected to Codicote, and St. Giles in particular. It has been suggested that people drop him a line c/o Knebworth Care Home, 59 London Road, Woolmer Green, Knebworth, Herts, SG3 6JE</p>		<h3>Staffing Update</h3> <p>October will be the last month that the Revd Liz Lavelle guides the ministry and mission of St. Giles, and we are very grateful for the contribution she has made in the past several months. From 1st November, Philip will be resuming his half-time role within the parish, and reducing his Diocesan role accordingly.</p> <p>A big thank you to Jo Martin for all her hard work over the last couple of months on church admin. This has been very much appreciated. Emily will be returning to work from 1st October.</p>	