



St. Luke's Church, Maidenhead

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Week commencing: 2nd October 2016
Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity

WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP

8.00 am Holy Communion

10.00 am Pet Service

Officiant: Revd Sally Lynch

Preacher: Revd Sally Lynch

3.00 pm Seeking Solace

6.00 pm Sundays at Six: Harvest Songs of Praise at Church of the Good Shepherd, Cox Green

If you are new to St. Luke's please do make yourself known to the ministers or a member of the Welcome Team, who can give you a contact card to complete. Please do join us after the 10.00am service for coffee, which today is served at the back of church.

You might like to know that...

... our Baby and Toddler area is at the front with toys and books for restless little people. Do feel free to sit there with your children. For older children we have activity bags so that they can sit with you in the pews, just ask a sidesperson for one.

... we have large print orders of service and hymn books. If you would like one please ask someone wearing a name badge.

... we have a loop system for those using hearing aids.

... the toilets are through the double doors at the front of church.

... if you would like to receive an intincted wafer at communion please let one of the ministry team know before the service and come to the south side of the altar.

... we have many activities going on during the week. For a full list please ask a person with a name badge - or take a Parish Directory from the leaflet trolley.

... we send out a weekly email update. If you would like one please email the Parish Office on admin@stlukeschurchmaidenhead.org.uk

Pastoral Care: If you have or know of any particular pastoral need (visiting, home communion, etc) please speak to our Pastoral Coordinator, Sue Hinchliffe in the first instance (01628 784724).

The readings for today are:

A Reading from the Book of Genesis

And God said, "Let the waters bring forth swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the dome of the sky." So God created the great sea monsters and every living creature that moves, of every kind, with which the waters swarm, and every winged bird of every kind. And God saw that it was good. God blessed them, saying, "Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth." And there was evening and there was morning, the fifth day.

And God said, "Let the earth bring forth living creatures of every kind: cattle and creeping things and wild animals of the earth of every kind." And it was so. God made the wild animals of the earth of every kind, and the cattle of every kind, and everything that creeps upon the ground of every kind. And God saw that it was good.

Then God said, "Let us make humankind in our image, according to our likeness; and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the wild animals of the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth."

So God created humankind in his image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them.

God blessed them, and God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth and subdue it; and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth." God said, "See, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit; you shall have them for food. And to every beast of the earth, and to every bird of the air, and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food." And it was so. God saw everything that he had made, and indeed, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.

Genesis 1. 20-31

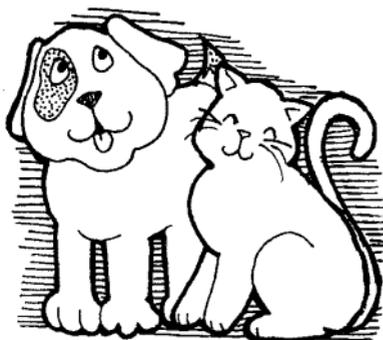
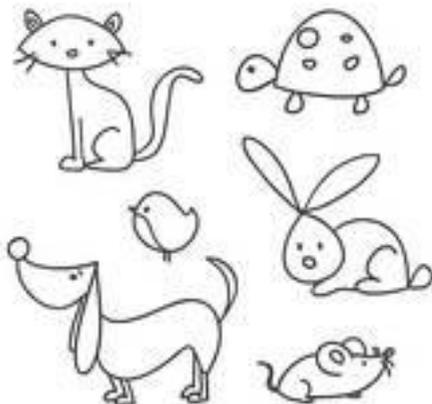
A Reading from the Gospel of Luke

Jesus said to his disciples, 'Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat, or about your body, what you will wear. For life is more than food, and the body more than clothing. Consider the ravens: they neither sow nor reap, they have neither storehouse nor barn, and yet God feeds them. Of how much more value are you than the birds! And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life? If then you are not able to do so small a thing as that, why do you worry about the rest? Consider the lilies, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin; yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, how much more will he clothe you – you of little faith! And do not keep striving for what you are to eat and what you are to drink, and do not keep worrying. For it is the nations of the world that strive after all these things, and your Father knows that you need them. Instead, strive for his kingdom, and these things will be given to you as well.

Luke 12. 22-31

Collect

O God, forasmuch as without you we are not able to please you; mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.



Post Communion Prayer

Holy and blessed God, you have fed us with the body and blood of your Son and filled us with your Holy Spirit: may we honour you, not only with our lips but in lives dedicated to the service of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Yesterday, Today and Forever (Hebrews 13.8) ... our 150th Birthday

This year St. Luke's celebrates the 150th birthday of the church's founding.

We have a variety of events planned across the year, including:

14th – 16th October: Patronal Celebration weekend

Tuesday 18th October: Celebration Dinner

Don't forget you can find key events for the whole year on the church website – listed by event and also on the web calendar.

There is a hard copy sheet of events by the church door.

The floodlighting has not been sponsored this week



**What's happening...? See below, and check out our website too
www.stlukeschurchmaidenhead.org.uk**

WORSHIP AND SPIRITUALITY

Advent Pilgrimage: This year's Advent Pilgrimage - including an Advent Carol Service - will be to Christ Church Cathedral on 26th November from 2pm. Further details to come. A few copies of 'What's on at Christ Church Cathedral' can be found at the back of church.

Holy Land pilgrimage: following the success of our trip to the Holy Land in February I have arranged to lead another group in February 2017 (14th – 23rd). If you are thinking of coming, let Sally know now as we need to confirm places.

Messy Church: The dates for Messy Church - a time of craft, worship and food for all ages - for the remainder of this year are as follows: Sunday 6th November and Saturday 3rd December. All sessions run from 3.30 pm - 5.00 pm.

Grave Talk café: We are holding another opportunity to talk about big questions of life and death at this informal meeting over coffee from 10.30 am on Tuesday 8th November in the Parish Centre. Do invite anyone you think would like to come along – it isn't morbid at all, just a chance to talk about stuff we don't normally do – and to share thoughts.

Prayer Group: All are very welcome to our monthly prayer meeting which will take place this coming Wednesday, 5th October at 3pm in church

Memorial Service: Please note that we have had to change the date of our annual Memorial service from that published in the Sundays at Six sheet to the previous Sunday, 23rd October, at 4.00 pm. As well as remembering all who have died in the last year we will this year also give thanks for all who have played a part on the life of this church over the last 150 years. If you would like the name of a lost loved one read out at the service please email the office with the name by 16th October.

Readers and intercessors: We would love to extend the number of people reading in the main Sunday service, and leading intercessions. If you think you might be called to this ministry please speak to Sally. If you are worried about writing prayers we can always provide them for you to read.

Vision meetings: As part of our ongoing mission, and to help us work on our new MAP, we are establishing some task groups to explore, monitor and support key areas of mission. These are not committees but working groups with a focus. Some groups met briefly at the last Vision meeting and the aim is for the groups have already met. The following groups will meet next at 8.00pm in church this coming Tuesday, 4th October

Christenings/Social Gospel/ Our Older Members/ Children & Young People/ Lettings

There is no chair person but at each meeting someone needs to agree to take brief notes (ideally electronically) which can be copied after the meeting to myself and all present. Every member of the PCC is on at least one group. It would be great if every member of the congregation were also on one. Please do come along as above. Sally

Book Share: Now that the Winter season is almost upon us, it is time for the Book Share Group to meet again. The first meeting will be on 19th October (3rd Wednesday) at 2pm at 42 Ray Lea Road. Do come and join us to discuss your recent good 'God' reads. For the November meeting we will share the same book. Johanna.

Seeking Solace: This monthly opportunity for the bereaved to meet for chat and prayer will next happen this afternoon at 3pm

150th BIRTHDAY & ARTS PROJECT

Exhibition: We intend to have an exhibition of the history and work of the church in October. Although we have had some response, we really do need a lot more if the exhibition is to be a success. If anyone has further items that they think would be ideal, please speak to Revd Sally or Dave. We promise to take good care of valuable items. If anyone is able to help set up on Wednesday 12th October come along between 11am-4pm, the more the merrier. If anyone has (or knows a source of) any display boards we could borrow please let us know. Thank you

Invitations: Invitations for our Birthday Weekend are now available. Please do feel free to take some to pass on to family, friends or neighbours. We would love to celebrate with as many people as possible!

Bags & Mugs: The bags and mugs are still available. You will have the opportunity to buy - £5 per mug and £5 per bag - after the 10am service.

Anniversary Dinner: On the evening of Tuesday 18th October, we will be having a two course formal meal, followed by coffee at Bisham Abbey. Tickets priced at £30.00 per person are available now from the parish office or on sale after church . Please make cheques payable to 'St Luke's PCC'.

INFORMATION

Brown Coat: A brown cord coat has been found in church. Please contact the office if it is yours, or you know who it may belong to. If it is not claimed by 9th October, it will be donated to one of the many charity shops in town.

SOCIAL and FUNDRAISING

Charities Fair - Saturday 5 November: We are planning to have a stall at this event and I have already had offers of marmalade and jam and chutney from some reliable stalwarts of the St Luke's chefs. More offers would be much appreciated, especially as we want to make much of our 150th by having a really zingy stall. Programmes and raffle tickets will be on sale from Sunday 25 September. Sally Somerville

Wycombe Swan Pantomime: TODAY is the deadline for names and payment: If you would like to join us to see Cinderella on Thursday 29th December at 7pm, please let Ann Burdett (631486) know. Tickets are £17.50 each - cheques payable to 'St Luke's PCC'

Children's Society: Kristina Smith is taking over as box co-ordinator in October. The boxes need to be sent off by mid-November and the money needs to be counted, so please hand them in to her. Cheques are most welcome too, made payable to The Children's Society. In the mean time I am happy to help with any questions. Ruth Sheppard.

Moonlight Walk 7.15 pm: The next full moon (the Hunter's Moon) occurs around the time of our Patronal/150th celebrations. Several people have expressed an interest, so can others who may wish to come. please let us know today if possible, which dates from 15th-17th October could suit you. We also have to fit in with the weather! Details to follow on next week's pew sheet. Roger & Jilly T.633464

Film Night: On Saturday 8th October at 6pm, we will be having a 'Film Night' for our children and young people where we will be showing The Lion, The Witch & The Wardrobe. Food and drink will be provided - please let us know before next Saturday about any dietary requirements.

WIDER COMMUNITY

Bach to Baby: We are delighted to let you know that Bach to Baby - the critically acclaimed classical concerts for babies and young children - will be visiting us again. The concerts will be held on Tuesdays at 11am on 25th October and 22nd November. There will also be a special Christmas concert on Tuesday 20th December at 3pm.

Baby and Toddler Group: has now started again on Thursday from 9.30 – 11.15 am in the community hall. All welcome, £1.50 per family. We'd love it if a small number of adults could offer to help set out the chairs in the hall either later on Wednesday evening or early Thursday morning. The more volunteers the less often on the rota! Please let the church office staff know if you can help. This is a lovely simple way of serving the community. Thank you.

A Military Man's View of Faith: Major General Tim Cross was a Commander of the British forces in Iraq during the last war there. He will be speaking about his life and beliefs at Maidenhead Synagogue on Tuesday 1st November at 8pm. All queries to admin@maidenheadsynagogue.org.uk or phone 01628 673012.

COMING UP AT ST. LUKE'S

150th Birthday Celebration Weekend 14th - 16th October 2016

Friday 14th	10 am - 5 pm	Church open - Exhibition <i>light refreshments available</i>
	Midday 1.30 pm	Holy Communion St. Luke's School service
Saturday 15th	10 am - 5 pm	Church open - Exhibition <i>light refreshments available</i>
	Midday 1.30 pm	Lunches on sale Free concert
Sunday 16th	8.00 am	Holy Communion (said)
	10.00 am	Festal Holy Communion, President & Preacher: The Bishop of Reading followed by cheese and wine reception
	12.30 - 4 pm	Church open - Exhibition <i>light refreshments available</i>
	4.00 pm	Choral Evensong

Everyone is warmly invited to any or all of the above events

Formal Dinner: Tuesday 18th October at Bisham Abbey – tickets now available

More details of events taking place in the summer and autumn can be found in the 'Summer Supplement'

For your prayers (to add anyone to the list, notify the office but please have the permission of the person being prayed for)



- Give thanks for 150 years of St Luke's
- Those who will receive our Harvest offerings
- The ministry and mission of this church and our offering of ourselves
- Those caught up in the refugee crises and those affected by terrorism
- Our plans to re-order the church, for funding, and wisdom in the plans and practical work
- Louie and Lacey, baptised here recently
- Dina, Rebecca, Rhidian, Monique and Hilary, to be confirmed on 16th October
- Those whose anniversary of baptism falls in October: Ieuan Cox, Emilia Baines, Felicity Pearce, Taya-Macey Davies-Elsbury, Willow Brudenall, Dylan Darienzo, Amelia-Lilly Caldwell-Brudenall, Georgia Percival
- Those who live and/or work in High Street & Market Street
- The sick and those who care for them: Nick Morris, Katharine Morris, Ben Francis, Steven Sands, Tim Williams, Chris Sawyers, John Francis, Sheila Tallent, Marian Brooks, Vivienne Holland
- Those who have died recently, and those who mourn them: Violet Ferguson



Next Sunday, 9th October

8.00 am Holy Communion

10.00 am Parish Communion

President: Revd Sally Lynch

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12.00 pm Baptism

6.00 pm Sundays at Six: Service for Prisoners' Sunday, here

Next week's readings at 10am:

2 Timothy 8-15 Luke 17. 11-19

Next week's rotas under Duty Warden: Don Luff

Elements: Sue & Ralph Hinchliffe

Chalice: Tony Lane, Sue Hinchliffe

Reader: Ralph Hinchliffe

Intercessor: Roger Clarke

Coffee: Phyl & Dave Sopp and Rachel

Welcomers: 8.00 am: Joan Harnby

10.00 am: Peter Goford, Eileen Goford, Ann Burdett
Phyllis Sigsworth, Dorothy Strack-Hankey

This week at St. Luke's

Everyone is welcome to all of our services and activities

Monday 3rd

Tuesday 4th	8.30 am	Morning Prayer
Office 9.30-11	7.15 pm	Holy Communion
	8.00 pm	Vision Meeting

Wednesday 5th	8.30 am	Morning Prayer
Office 9.30-11	10.00 am	Holy Communion
	3.00 pm	Prayer Group

Thursday 6th	8.30 am	Morning Prayer
Office 9.30-11	5.00 pm	Evening Prayer
Friday 7th	8.30 am	Morning Prayer
Office 9.30-11	5.00 pm	Evening Prayer

Saturday 8th	9.00 am	Morning Prayer
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St. Luke's Church Office is open Tues, Weds, Thurs, Fri, 9.30 am - 11 am

Deadline for entries for this weekly pew sheet is 9.00 am on Tuesdays.

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