



## St. Luke's Church, Maidenhead

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**Week commencing: 8th October 2017**

**Trinity 17**

### WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP

**8.00 am Holy Communion**

**10.00 am Parish Communion**

President: Revd Sally Lynch

Preacher: Revd Sally Lynch

6.00pm Sundays at Six: Holy Communion of Wholeness and Healing  
at All Saints Church

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 will be served in the community hall.

#### **You might like to know that...**

... our Baby and Toddler area is at the front with quiet toys and books. 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 in the community hall and there is a portaloo behind the porch

... if you would like to receive an intincted wafer at communion please come to the south side of the altar and indicate to the minister.

... 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](mailto:admin@stlukeschurchmaidenhead.org.uk) and we will add you to the list.

**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 the Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity:**

### **A Reading from Paul's Letters to the Philippians**

If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless.

Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on towards the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

*Philippians 3. 4b-14b*

### **A Reading from the Gospel of Matthew**

Jesus said to the chief priests and the elders of the people: 'Listen to another parable. There was a landowner who planted a vineyard, put a fence around it, dug a wine press in it, and built a watch-tower. Then he leased it to tenants and went to another country. When the harvest time had come, he sent his slaves to the tenants to collect his produce. But the tenants seized his slaves and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. Again he sent other slaves, more than the first; and they treated them in the same way. Finally he sent his son to them, saying, "They will respect my son." But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, "This is the heir; come, let us kill him and get his inheritance." So they seized him, threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him. Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?' They said to him, 'He will put those wretches to a miserable death, and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the produce at the harvest time.'

Jesus said to them, 'Have you never read in the scriptures:

"The stone that the builders rejected  
has become the cornerstone;

this was the Lord's doing,  
and it is amazing in our eyes”?

Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that produces the fruits of the kingdom. The one who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces; and it will crush anyone on whom it falls.’  
When the chief priests and the Pharisees heard his parables, they realized that he was speaking about them. They wanted to arrest him, but they feared the crowds, because they regarded him as a prophet.

*Matthew 21.33-46*

**Collect**

Almighty God,  
you have made us for yourself,  
and our hearts are restless till they  
find their rest in you:  
pour your love into our hearts and  
draw us to yourself,  
and so bring us at last to your heav-  
enly city  
where we shall see you face to face;  
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**

Lord, we pray that your grace  
may always precede and follow us,  
and make us continually to be given to  
all good works;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*Gradual hymn*

As the deer pants for the water  
So my soul longs after you  
You alone are my heart's desire  
And I long to worship you

*You alone are my strength, my shield  
To you alone will my spirit yield  
You alone are my hearts desire  
And I long to worship you*

I want you more than gold or silver  
Only you can satisfy  
You alone are the real joy giver  
And the apple of my eye

You're my friend and you are my Father  
Even though you are my King  
I love you more than any other  
So much more than anything

## RE-ORDERING UPDATE/ IMPORTANT INFORMATION

**Please note that the church is now out of action during the day** – this is for cleaning, office access etc. the exceptions are: Sunday services Morning and Evening Prayer (usual times days), Tuesday evening 7.15pm Holy Communion, Thursday evening Teaching series.

Please note that the Wednesday Morning communion services WILL NOT take place during October. We will let you know about November nearer the time. However, as our actual Patronal Feast day is a Wednesday, everyone is invited to a service of Holy Communion at 8.15 pm on 18th October, followed by light refreshments.

The office will still be contactable by phone, or in person by appointment only. The prayer area will be available before and after services only. We hope this will be just for a couple of months.

Progress report...

This appears to have been a slow week when not much seems to have happened. However, all the plastering is now completed and dried. The architraving around all the doors has been finished as well as the boxing in of the pipework in the toilets. The units in the kitchen have been replaced and all that needs to be fitted now is the replacement worktop.

When visited on Thursday morning the floors in the kitchen, toilets and passageway area were being skimmed and levelled ready for the vinyl flooring to be put down. This work should be completed by the end of Friday. More pictures on our website.

*Kitchen with new hatch*



*Lobby towards vestry*



The floodlighting has been sponsored this week by:  
**Joan Harnby**

*In loving memory of Gordon*



**What's happening...? See below, and check out our website too [www.stlukeschurchmaidenhead.org.uk](http://www.stlukeschurchmaidenhead.org.uk)**

## **WORSHIP AND SPIRITUALITY**

**Quiet day:** There will be a pre-Advent Quiet Day on **Saturday 18th November**, from 10.15 am until 4.00 pm at Ascot Priory. Cost £7.50 per person. This replaces the Ladies Breakfast calendared for that day (which may not be possible given the building work) and also replaces the Advent pilgrimage calendared for 2nd December (now a wedding that day).

**Patronal Festival:** We will celebrate the Feast Day of St Luke on **22nd October** with a Parish Communion at 10am and a family celebration from midday-4pm in the community hall with a bring and share lunch and a variety of activities. There will be no 6pm service on this day.

On **15th October** we have a Choral Evensong as a part of Sundays at Six.

**Mini teaching series:** What do Christians believe? has now started. Everyone is warmly invited to any of the remaining sessions, on Thursdays, at 8.00 pm, in church:

- 12th October: who is the Holy Spirit?
- 19th October: what do we mean by Trinity?
- 26th October: why suffering?
- 2nd November: what is salvation?

**Messy Church:** Our final two sessions of Messy Church this year are on Saturday 4th November (theme: parable of the bridesmaids) and Friday 1st December (theme: light). Everyone is warmly invited to join this family and child centered time of craft, simple worship and a two course tea. 3.30 – 5.30 pm. £1 per person. Please do come along – and tell others too!

**Memorial service:** our annual service at which we remember and give thanks for all those we have loved and lost is on Sunday 5th November at 4.00 pm in church, followed by tea. If you would like the names of any loved ones read out please add them to the list in church, or email the office.

## **SOCIAL and FUNDRAISING**

**Charities Fair, Saturday, 4 November:** We are planning to have a stall at the Combined Charities Fair and I am hoping that people will have some jams, chutneys, pickles, lemon curd etc. to donate for sale. I shall make Christmas cakes. We usually manage to raise about £300.00 for general fund, which makes it well worth the effort. Items can be brought to me at your convenience before the event and if you are able to offer help with pricing and labelling before the day or on the Friday evening or Saturday, please let me know. Contact 01628 783618. Sally Somerville

**Moonlight Walk 2nd, 4th or 5th October**– This is the time of the full Harvest Moon and we hope to have a walk from Cookham Dean of about 3m. at 7.15pm on one of these dates. Park near the church opposite the Jolly Farmer (GR871851). If you are interested please let us know by 1st October 10am Service latest, what dates you could come and, having considered the weather forecast, we will let you know which date the walk will take place. Roger & Jilly Bevitt T.633464

**Children's society boxes:** This year, Kristina Smith would like to collect your Children's Society Boxes earlier than usual and is asking that you bring them into church handing to either Kristina or to Ben Darracott throughout September. Boxes will be counted and returned during October. Many thanks.

**Red Carpet!** We have had a very generous donation towards replacing the red dais and chancel carpet (still red) and that will happen once the building work is complete. We are a little short of the full cost so if anyone would like to contribute to this as a thank offering please speak to Richard, our treasurer.

**Chocoholics and Coffee Evening:** Thursday November 16th. In order to raise money for two local charities - People to Places and Alzheimer's Dementia Support, I am having a coffee evening with all sorts of chocolate novelties on sale. Prices range from 20p tree decorations to large lush boxes of beautifully packaged chocolates. The chocoholics party (with full display and samples!) is on Thursday November 16th at 7.30pm at 30 Mallow Park. Everyone is welcome and I have chocolate catalogues available for anyone who would like to pre-order. All the money raised and all the commission goes to the two charities. Ann Burdett (631486)

**Sheep...** we plan to send our knitted nativity round the parish as usual during Advent. We usually send a flock of knitted sheep and invite families to keep and house a sheep from the flock. Our flock needs to breed so if you are able to knot a sheep or two before the end of November, please do. Patterns are available from the back of church.

**Christmas Tree Festival:** it's that time again! Out CTF this year is from 8th – 10th December and to make it the greatest success we need everyone on board! If you, you family, business, charity, someone you know, would like to sponsor and decorate a tree please contact the parish office for details and a form. More details of help needed will be coming soon, for now please save the dates, put aside some time when you can help to staff the church and think about how you might help with publicity.

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



- The ministry and mission of this church
- Our re-ordering of the church, for forbearance during the work to take place, and fundraising / grant applications
- Those whose anniversary of baptism fall in October: Willow Brudenall Taya-Macie Davies-Elsbury, Dylan Darienzo, Georgia Percival, Lily Jones, Amelia-Lilly Caldwell-Brudenall
- Those baptised here recently: Leo and Chloe Samuel-Gibbon, Eva Monello-Whittaker, Archibald Shaw, Aurelia, Elsie, Harriet and Rupert
- For Russell and Susan married here recently
- All those who live and work in Laggan Square
- The sick and those who care for them: Nick Morris, Ben Francis, Stephen Sands, Tim Williams, John Francis, Sheila Tallent, babies Albert and George, Rose Dolan
- Those who have died recently, and those who mourn them: Lisa Plummer
- Those whose anniversary of death falls in October: Thomas Yates, Eileen Rance Albert Harvey, Ruth Roberts, Marian Brooks, Walter Suckling, Phyllis Clayden, Vera Swadling, Albert Harris, Ernest Philips, Royston Woodruff, Frederick Williamson, Gilbert McKenna, Molly Lewis, Roy Baldry, Joyce Wilkins, Ivy Sparks, June Wells, Barbara Prior, Michael Adamson, Vera Velvick, Alice Webb, Bessie Molin, Malcom Gavin, David Garnett, Richard Burrows, Rennie Jones, Gordon Harnby

### **Choir and Music dept.**

Lord, we celebrate and give thanks for the music in this place. We pray for the members of the choir and music group under the direction of Adam. We are mindful of their commitment to meet and practise each week so that they may support our singing, and so that the anthems, hymns and songs offered during our worship may be to the glory of God.

**Amen**



## Next Sunday, 15th October

Trinity 18

8.00 am Holy Communion

10.00 am Parish Communion

President: Revd Sally Lynch

Preacher: Sonya Clarke

6.00pm Sundays at Six: Choral Evensong, here

### Next week's readings at 10am:

Phil 4. 1-9 Matt 22. 1-14

**Next week's rotas under Duty Warden:** Don Luff

**Reader: NT:** Sue Harbour

**Intercessor:** Phyllis Sigsworth **Chalice:** Sue Harbour, Jean Tyrwhitt-Drake

**Acolytes:** Mikaela Murwisi, Roger Clarke

**Server:** Ralph Hinchliffe **Crucifer:** Nicola Buckland

**Elements:** Jill and John Cotterill

**Coffee:** Ann Hockham, Julianne Grobler, James Ellins

**Welcomers: 8.00 am:** Richard Hannam

**10.00 am:** Ralph and Sue Hinchliffe, Ann Darracott, Shula Tajima  
Ben Darracott

### Monday 9th October

*Office by phone*

Tuesday 10th

NO Morning Prayer

*Office by phone*

7.15pm Holy Communion

Wednesday 11th

8.30am Morning Prayer

*Office by phone*

No Holy Communion

Thursday 12th

8.30am Morning Prayer

*Office closed*

2.00pm Thursday Teas (Community Hall)

5.00pm Evening Prayer

8.00pm Teaching series

Friday 13th

8.30am Morning Prayer

*Office closed*

1.30pm School Celebration Service

5.00pm Evening Prayer

Saturday 14th

No Morning Prayer

St. Luke's Church Office is open Mon Tues, Weds, 9.30 am - 11 am  
Deadline for entries for this weekly pew sheet is 9.00 am on Tuesdays.

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