



## St. Luke's Church, Maidenhead

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**Week commencing: 11th September 2016**  
**Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity**

### WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP

**8.00 am Holy Communion**

**10.00 am Parish Communion**

President: Revd Sally Lynch

Preacher: Revd Sally Lynch

**Sundays at Six:** Evensong & Benediction at All Saints

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 in the Parish Centre.

#### **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](mailto: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 the Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity are:

### A Reading from the First Letter of Paul to Timothy

I am grateful to Christ Jesus our Lord, who has strengthened me, because he judged me faithful and appointed me to his service, even though I was formerly a blasphemer, a persecutor, and a man of violence. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief, and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners – of whom I am the foremost. But for that very reason I received mercy, so that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display the utmost patience, making me an example to those who would come to believe in him for eternal life. To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honour and glory for ever and ever. Amen.

*1 Timothy 1. 12-17*

### A Reading from the Gospel of Luke

All the tax-collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to Jesus. And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, 'This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them.'

So he told them this parable: 'Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he finds it? When he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders and rejoices. And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbours, saying to them, "Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost." Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance.

Or what woman having ten silver coins, if she loses one of them, does not light a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds it? When she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbours, saying, "Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost." Just so, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents.'

*Luke 15. 1-10*



## Collect

O Lord, we beseech you mercifully to hear the prayers of your people who call upon you; and grant that they may both perceive and know what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to fulfil them; 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

Almighty God,  
you have taught us through your Son that love is the fulfilling of the law: grant that we may love you with our whole heart and our neighbours as ourselves; through 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 been sponsored this week by**

*Ann Hockham*

*In fond and grateful remembrance of Mabs*



**What's happening...? See below, and check out our website too**  
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## **WORSHIP AND SPIRITUALITY**

**Prayer List::** To add anyone to the prayer list on this pew sheet please notify the office -with permission of the person to be prayed for.

**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: Friday 23rd September, Sunday 6th November and Saturday 3rd December. All sessions run from 3.30 pm - 5.00 pm.

**Quiet Day, Wednesday 28th September:** Our next quiet day will be based in and around church starting with Holy Communion at 10 am, which will include a short address. There will then be a time of silence and space in the church/vicarage garden (weather permitting) with lunch at 1.15 pm and an afternoon address and quiet space, concluding with tea and Evening Prayer at 3.30 pm. You are welcome to any or all of the day. Please sign up to help with numbers for catering.

**Morning Prayer:** Please note there will be no service of Morning Prayer on Wednesdays 14th & 21st September

**Harvest festival** this year will take place on Sunday 25th September with an All Age Holy Communion service at 10 am. Our children and young people will play a key part in the service. Gifts of food etc are invited for Foodshare and you are also invited to bring a small plant for local elderly people. We will provide plant saucers for them and children at Messy Church will make sweets to go with them. Everyone is invited to join us for a bring and share lunch at midday in church.

**Music in church:** as stated in the Summer Supplement, our choir will be meeting less frequently on a Friday evening this term and so we are offering the opportunity for an open sing-along with **'Beer and Hymns'** from 8pm – 9.30 pm on Friday 23rd September. Come along with something you'd like to drink and choose your favourite hymns to sing. All welcome.

**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.

**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 to meet at Vision meetings, with a brief to get them started.

The groups will meet next at 8.00pm in church on Tuesday

**13th September:**

*Sunday Midday Worship/Weddings/Music /Bereavement/Social Media*

**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

**Special services coming up:** *Harvest festival, 25th September.* See earlier note.

*Pet service, 2nd October:* This will be an All Age Word service to which everyone is warmly invited to bring along (well behaved and / or in cages) pets of all shapes and sizes.

## INFORMATION

**PCC Meeting:** The PCC met on Tuesday 6th September 2016 and commenced its meeting by thanking God for the safe arrival of Luke Alan Hulks. It also did lectio divina with Psalm 27 before going on to deal at the following matters:

- \* It was agreed a faculty would be applied for so that the 150th Birthday banners produced by the Arts Project can be displayed in church. It was felt by the meeting that the response to the Arts Project this time was disappointing.
- \* The treasurer produced his latest budget forecast which showed our year end deficit could be slightly higher than due to a drop in the amount raised by Fund Raising (no Music Festival). Planned Giving is however up this year and our expenses for choir and organ are down.
- \* The boiler will be serviced in September and a safety cut-off switch as recommended in the Quinquennial will be installed, this will cost £2,700 including VAT.
- \* Re-Ordering – the notice for the revised faculty was displayed and the faculty submitted. This is now all done on line so there are no longer any hard copies of it. There have been a number of objections to the revised faculty. The Chancellor has written to all the objectors of the revised faculty under the Faculty Jurisdiction Rules 2015 asking them if they wish to become formal objectors and if so to complete a form and return to him by 26th September. So nothing further will now happen until after this date.
- \* We looked at the new Mission Action Plan and how the ten task groups would work within Vision Meetings
- \* It discussed the next part of our 150th birthday celebration which takes place in October. Further details in Pew Sheet
- \* The PCC agreed to adopt the diocesan Social Media guidelines
- \* It looked at future services and services over the Christmas period.

**Photos:** The embryonic Social Media Group wishes to build up a library of photos. If you have any you are happy for us to use, save them to a disc/memory stick and bring them into the office. Please remember we must have the permission of those (or the parents/guardians of those) in the photos prior to their use.

## **150th BIRTHDAY & ARTS PROJECT**

**Exhibition:** We intend to have an exhibition of the history and work of the church in October. If anyone has any items that they think would be ideal, please speak to Revd Sally or Dave. We promise to take good care of valuable items.

**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. Please make cheques payable to 'St Luke's PCC'.

## **SOCIAL and FUNDRAISING**

**Ride & Stride:** Thank you and well done to our team of cyclists. Details of the ride will be given in next week's pew sheet. Thank you also to all those who have already sponsored the team to raise money for our own church and for the Berkshire Churches Trust, which gives grants for repairs to needy churches. It's not too late to sponsor our team, so please see Rachel Harris, Peter Goford, Anne Burdett or myself who will have sponsorship forms for at least another 2 weeks. Roger Bevitt

**Heritage Open Day:** Thank you to all those who staffed the church yesterday and helped provide refreshments.

**Stitch-up:** Come along tomorrow, Monday 12th September, to stitch together knitted squares to make blankets for Kori in Sierra Leone. We meet at 2pm in the Parish Centre. Contact Gill Curry on 01628 625196 for more details.

**Wycombe Swan Friday 25th November 7pm Gangsta Granny:** The most popular of David Walliams' children's books has been made into a play which is being performed at Wycombe Swan. We have managed to book tickets (in excellent seats) at a heavily discounted price (£12.50 a person instead of £24) for the 7pm performance on Friday 25th November. David Walliams is the UK's best-selling children's author and the play is produced by the producers of Horrible Histories. If you would like to join our group (whatever your age) and/or bring children or grandchildren please let Ann Burdett know asap and give cheques payable to St. Lukes PCC by September 12th. (We may combine the show with tea in High Wycombe beforehand.) Ann Burdett 631486

**Spire Brand Marmalade:** This is on sale again after the 10am service at £1.20 a jar. Jilly Bevitt. *Calling jam and pickle makers:* A stock of empty jam jars has built up in the wooden box under the table near the main church door. Please help yourself.

**St Luke's Relatively Young People:** SLRYP will next meet at The Bear tonight at 7.30pm. For more details please see James Ellins.

**Wycombe Swan Pantomime:** Names and payment are required urgently as the theatre needs to know numbers. If you would like to join a group from St. Luke's going

to see Cinderella on Thursday 29th December at 7pm, please let Ann Burdett (631486) know by Sunday 25th September. We have reserved a wheelchair space if it is needed. Tickets are £17.50 each.

## WIDER COMMUNITY

**Windsor & Maidenhead Community Forum:** The next meeting of the WAMCF Women's Group will take place at 7.30pm on Monday 26th September at St Joseph's RC Church. Women of all faiths or none are welcome to come along and share refreshments and hear Sarbjit Atwal talk about her work 'True Honour'.

**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.

## COMING UP AT ST. LUKE'S

**Harvest Festival followed by bring & share lunch:** Sunday 25th September

**150th Birthday Celebration Weekend:** 14th-16th October

*Friday & Saturday:* Church open from 9.30am-6pm - exhibition

*Sunday 10am:* Holy Communion with the Bishop of Reading

*4pm:* Choral Evensong

**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



- Revd Nicola and Ben as they celebrate the arrival of Luke
- 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
- Tim & Laura - married here recently
- George & Claire Thompson, as they celebrate their wedding anniversary
- Those whose anniversary of baptism falls in September: Elizabeth Harris, Bessie Wright, Toby Mace, Amelia Martin, Bethany Langran, Toby Langran
- Those who live and/or work in Alexandra Road
- 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: Dorothy Webster, Peggy Brett



## Next Sunday, 18th September

**8.00 am Holy Communion**

**10.00 am Parish Communion with Baptisms**

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**Sundays at Six:** International Taize Service, here

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

*Luke 16. 1-13*

**Next week's rotas under Duty Warden:** Dave Sopp

**Elements:** Eileen & Peter Goford

**Chalice:** Sue Hinchliffe, Tony Lane

**Reader:** Gospel only

**Intercessor:** Phyl Sopp

**Coffee:** Julienne Grobler, Sue Harbour

**Welcomers: 8.00 am:** Richard Hannam

**10.00 am:** Emma Shenton, Sue Hinchliffe, Ralph Hinchliffe  
Phyl Sopp, John Cox

### This week at St. Luke's

Everyone is welcome to all of our services and activities

Monday 12th

Tuesday 13th                      8.30 am      Morning Prayer

Office 9.30-11                      7.15 pm      Holy Communion

8.00 pm      Vision Meeting

Wednesday 14th                      NO Morning Prayer

Office 9.30-11                      10.00 am      Holy Communion

Thursday 15th                      8.30 am      Morning Prayer

Office 9.30-11                      2.00 pm      Thursday Teas

5.00 pm      Evening Prayer

Friday 16th                      8.30 am      Morning Prayer

Office 9.30-11                      5.00 pm      Evening Prayer

Saturday 17th                      9.00 am      Morning Prayer

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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