



St. Luke's Church, Maidenhead

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Week commencing: 16th April 2017

Easter Sunday

WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP

6.00 am Dawn Service in Kidwells Park

Followed by breakfast

8.00 am Holy Communion with Lighting of Paschal Candle

10.00 am All Age Holy Communion, blessing of Easter Garden

President: Revd Sally Lynch

Preacher: Revd Sally Lynch

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 at the back of church.

You might like to know that...

... our Baby and Toddler area is at the front with 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 through the double doors at the front of church.

... 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 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 Easter Sunday are:

A Reading from the Book of Acts

Peter began to speak to those assembled in the house of Cornelius. 'I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ – he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.'

Acts 10.34-43

A Reading from the Gospel of Matthew

After the sabbath, as the first day of the week was dawning, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. And suddenly there was a great earthquake; for an angel of the Lord, descending from heaven, came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow. For fear of him the guards shook and became like dead men. But the angel said to the women, 'Do not be afraid; I know that you are looking for Jesus who was crucified. He is not here; for he has been raised, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. Then go quickly and tell his disciples, "He has been raised from the dead, and indeed he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him." This is my message for you.' So they left the tomb quickly with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples. Suddenly Jesus met them and said, 'Greetings!' And they came to him, took hold of his feet, and worshipped him. Then Jesus said to them, 'Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me.'

Matthew 28. 1-10

Collect

Lord of all life and power,
who through the mighty resurrection of
your Son
overcame the old order of sin and death
to make all things new in him:
grant that we, being dead to sin
and alive to you in Jesus Christ,
may reign with him in glory;
to whom with you and the Holy Spirit
be praise and honour, glory and might,
now and in all eternity.

Amen.

Post Communion Prayer

God of Life,
who for our redemption gave your
only-begotten Son
to the death of the cross,
and by his glorious resurrection
have delivered us from the power
of
our enemy:
grant us so to die daily to sin,
that we may evermore live with
him
in the joy of his risen life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.



The floodlighting has been sponsored this week :

“To celebrate the life of Michael Hedges. Michael and Shelia were staunch members of St. Luke’s in a quiet way for many years. Michael moved to live with his son after Sheila died. He was a multi- talented man and well liked.”

&

By Robert Lewis:

*“To keep a light shining in memory of my mum,
Daphne, on the third anniversary of her passing.”*



What’s happening...? See below, and check out our website too

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WORSHIP AND SPIRITUALITY

Holy Communion: Please note that there will be no Holy Communion this Tuesday 18th April. Also on Wednesday 26th April Holy Communion will be at **9am** instead of 10am, to enable a school service at 11am, to which all are very warmly invited to stay.

A big thank you to everyone who decorated the church for Easter.

Godparents Sunday is a new CofE initiative and falls this year on 30th April. As a fifth Sunday this will be a simple Word service with hymns. We have invitations to parents to send to godparents of those baptised here in the last five years. Baptism contactors will be asked to deliver these. You may like to invite your own godparents to the service and if you are a godparent yourself please do make a point of being in church that day. And if you are not, then still come to thank God and pray for godparents.

Bishop Steven’s visit to the Deanery: +Steven will spend much of Tuesday 6th June in the Deanery. He will meet with clergy and will visit St. Luke’s school as well as town centre ministry in Windsor. Everyone is invited to ‘an evening with Bishop Steven’ at 7.30 pm at St. Stephen’s church Windsor. Please do make this a priority in your diaries, especially PCC members.

Ascension day: I have received the following invitation from Rabbi Jonathan Romain: I would be delighted if you – and any of your congregation – would be able to join us for the talk to be given by given by the (still relatively new) Bishop of Oxford on Thursday 25th May at 8.00 pm. He will be speaking on ‘Leadership and scripture – recovering confidence in our traditions’. It should be a fascinating evening. It would be great to go along and so our evening Ascension day service will be a shorter service at 7.00 pm, allowing those who wish to go together to the synagogue afterwards. If you’d like to go please let me know and I will reply for us all. Sally

INFORMATION

Helen Poynter RIP: Sadly Helen passed away on 5th April after a long illness. Please remember her family in prayer. Helen's funeral, to which all are welcome, will take place at Slough Crematorium at 2.00 pm on Tuesday 25th April. Everyone is warmly invited also to a Service of Thanksgiving for Helen's life on Friday 12th May at 6pm in church.

Chris Sawyers, RIP: The funeral of Chris Sawyers will take place on Thursday 20th April. A morning cremation service, for family only, will be followed by a thanksgiving service at 1.15pm in church, to which everyone is warmly invited.

Serena Tajima is to be ordained deacon on Saturday 1st July at 2pm in Christchurch cathedral, Oxford. Everyone is warmly invited to be there to support her - please do pray for Serena as she prepares for this important time. If you would like to contribute towards a gift for Serena please speak to the church wardens.

Social Media Talks: Next social media talk will be on web browsing next Sunday (23rd April) at 11.30 am.

Ministry Team: I am pleased to inform everyone that Phyl Sopp has accepted an invitation from me to join the Ministry Team. Please pray for us all as together we lead the church in furthering God's mission in this parish.

Can You Help to Give a Shine to Our Church? Several of the loyal volunteers on the brass cleaning rota have needed to retire leaving only 6 faithful helpers left. I'm pleased to say we've just had one new volunteer but we could do with several more, who will be able to see themselves in the brass they have worked on. One of the present volunteers has been doing it for 40 years, so young and old are welcome. It requires coming in for up to an hour about once every 2 months - day and time are flexible. Please contact me for details. Jilly Bevitt T.633464.

SOCIAL and FUNDRAISING

Andrew Gallacher concert: Andrew is giving a short half hour recital of music by Mozart and Liszt in the afternoon on the 19th of April at 3:00pm for half an hour followed by coffee, tea, and biscuits.

Local Walks: All are welcome on these walks of 2.5 to 4.5 miles, which we hope to have most weeks throughout the summer. Please let us know if you would be interested in an occasional easier, flat walk of 1.5 to 2.0 miles. If you wish to be certain that the walk is going to happen, particularly if the weather looks as though it could be wet, please phone the walk leader. Please share cars if possible. We meet as follows :

Wed 26 Apr 7.15pm: Meet at the Golden Ball (GR860830) on the A308 at Pinkneys Green for a 3m flatish walk through fields and a bluebell wood, and visiting the site of a crashed bomber. Leaders: Roger & Jilly Bevitt

Wed 3 May 7.15pm details to follow Roger & Jilly Bevitt T.633464.

Stitch up: Monday 24th April, 2-4pm Parish Centre. A shipment has just gone out to Sierra Leone, so all our recent donations will be there soon. Come along for a sociable two hours with refreshments. Bring your knitting needles, crochet hooks, some wool and bodkin. Contact Gill Curry 01628 625196

Theatre trip: Shirley Valentine at Wycombe Swan, Saturday matinee on April 22nd. at 2.30pm. The seats are very good ones and tickets cost £22.50 (providing we have a group of 12+); this means saving almost £10 each. If you would like to join in, please let Ann Burdett know asap. (Tel 631486)

WIDER COMMUNITY

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
- The Coptic Church facing extreme persecution
- All those affected by the recent atrocities in Stockholm, London, Syria and for peace in the world
- The work of Jeel Al Amal orphanage in Bethany
- Our plans to re-order the church, for funding, and wisdom in the plans and practical work and the outcome of the consistory court
- Those who were married here recently: Madeleine and Elliot
- Those whose anniversary of baptism fall in April: Millie Major, Lincoln Doyle, Jack Northover, Richard Hayes, Poppy and Zac Wood, Alicea Warren, Hendrix and Hunter Le Tissier-Gallagher, Oliver and Isabel Bolton, Sophie Hughes, Jasper Craig, Arthur Marshall-Pullin
- All those who live and work in Sandringham Road
- The sick and those who care for them: Nick Morris, Katharine Morris, Ben Francis, Stephen Sands, Tim Williams, John Francis, Sheila Tallent, babies Albert and George
- Those who have died recently, and those who mourn them: Helen Poynter, Chris Sawyers, Michael Hedges
- Those whose anniversary of death falls in April: Fiona Nunn, John Quinn, Anna Meredith, Penelope Lawrence, Rex Hugo, Leonard Reynolds, Audrey Eggleton, Paul Hill, Arthur Harris, Lesley Griffiths, Myra Ford, Brian King, Ernest Gammon, David Sherwood, Philip Agnew, Peter Brown, John Rogers, Lilian Vizard, Edgar Walford, Anthony Wright





Next Sunday, 23rd April

8.00 am Holy Communion
10.00 am Parish Communion and Baptism

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6.00 pm **Sundays at Six:** Service for St George's Day

Next week's readings at 10am:

Acts 10. 34-43 Matthew 28. 1-10

Next week's rotas under Duty Warden: Ruth Sheppard

Readers: Acts: Faith Powley

Intercessor: Jan Gilchrist

Elements: Joyce Forest, Ruth Jones and Janet Trinkwon

Coffee: Mary Oubridge and Valerie Herbert

Welcomers: **8.00 am:** Joan Harnby

10.00 am: Don Luff, Jilly Bevitt, Ben Darracott, John Cox

This week at St. Luke's

Everyone is welcome to all of our services and activities

Monday 17th

Office closed

Tuesday 18th

Office 9.30-11

Wednesday 19th 8.30 am Morning Prayer

Office 9.30-11 10.00 am Holy Communion

Thursday 20th 8.30am Morning Prayer

Office closed 1.15 pm Thanksgiving service for Chris Sawyers

Friday 21st

Office closed

Saturday 22nd

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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