



St. Luke's Church, Maidenhead

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Week commencing: 16th October 2016

Feast of St Luke

WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP

8.00 am Holy Communion

10.00 am Festal Holy Communion

President: Bishop Andrew Proud

Preacher: Bishop Andrew Proud

4.00 pm Choral Evensong, here

6.30 pm Deanery Confirmation at Cookham Dean

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, cheese and wine, which will be served around the 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 the Twentieth Sunday after Trinity are:

A Reading from the Book of Deuteronomy

You shall not deprive a resident alien or an orphan of justice; you shall not take a widow's garment in pledge. Remember that you were a slave in Egypt and the Lord your God redeemed you from there; therefore I command you to do this. When you reap your harvest in your field and forget a sheaf in the field, you shall not go back to get it; it shall be left for the alien, the orphan, and the widow, so that the Lord your God may bless you in all your undertakings. When you beat your olive trees, do not strip what is left; it shall be for the alien, the orphan, and the widow. When you gather the grapes of your vineyard, do not glean what is left; it shall be for the alien, the orphan, and the widow. Remember that you were a slave in the land of Egypt; therefore I am commanding you to do this.

Deuteronomy 24. 17-end



A Reading from the Second Letter to the Corinthians

The one who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and the one who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work. As it is written, 'He scatters abroad, he gives to the poor; his righteousness endures for ever.' He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed for sowing and increase the harvest of your righteousness. You will be enriched in every way for your great generosity, which will produce thanksgiving to God through us; for the rendering of this ministry not only supplies the needs of the saints but also overflows with many thanksgivings to God. Through the testing of this ministry you glorify God by your obedience to the confession of the gospel of Christ and by the generosity of your sharing with them and with all others, while they long for you and pray for you because of the surpassing grace of God that he has given you. Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift!

2 Corinthians 9. 6-15

A Reading from the Gospel of Luke

Then Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country. He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone.

When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written:

‘The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, to proclaim the year of the Lord’s favour.’

And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. Then he began to say to them, ‘Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.’ All spoke well of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his mouth. They said, ‘Is not this Joseph’s son?’

Luke 4. 14-22

Collect

Almighty God,
you called Luke the physician,
whose praise is in the gospel,
to be an evangelist and physician of the
soul: by the grace of the Spirit
and through the wholesome medicine
of the gospel, give your Church
the same love and power to heal;
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,
who on the day of Pentecost
sent your Holy Spirit to the apostles
with the wind from heaven and in
tongues of flame,
filling them with joy and boldness to
preach the gospel: by the power of the
same Spirit strengthen us to witness to
your truth and to draw everyone to
the fire of your love;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

The floodlighting has been sponsored this week by

Enid

A month of memories



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 me know now as we need to confirm places. Sally

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.

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 or add their name to the list at the back of church by Tuesday morning .

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/Task Groups: Thank you to all who attended and your contributions to the various discussions. Scribes - if you have yet to send your notes to Revd Sally, please do so (ideally by email to sally514@btinternet.com) at the earliest opportunity in order they may be distributed.

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.

Sheep! Time is rushing by and before we know it we will be in Advent, sending out our travelling nativity set. Each year a flock of sheep travel with it and families are invited to choose one to keep. We have a few stray sheep from last year but do need more to make up the flock. If you are able to knit some please take the pattern from the back of church and bring them (with their tails behind them!) to the office by mid-November. Thank you.

150th BIRTHDAY

Exhibition: Thank you to everyone who contributed items for the exhibition and to all those who helped to set it up and decorate the church.

Bags & Mugs: The bags and mugs are still available at the cost of £5 per mug and £5 per bag.

INFORMATION

Re-Ordering update: Here is a summary to keep the whole congregation up to speed with the process of our vision for ministry from this place, and our re-ordering plans.

The revised faculty notice brought further letters of objection (most original and a few new ones) All writers received a letter from the Deputy Registrar asking if they wished to become formal objectors. Three people did so by returning Form 5 to the Registry and serving it on myself and the wardens as petitioners. The wardens and I have now responded to the Form 5s with a Form 6. We also have to write a letter of response to the other objections (in one letter) which goes directly to the Deputy Registrar. We then await further directions from the Registry.

Please be aware that this will entail a huge amount of work for some people, particularly the wardens and myself, but I am very determined that this will not prevent any pastoral or liturgical ministry taking place, nor our 150th birthday celebrations and other planned activities.

It has been encouraging to witness the unity with which we have shared worship, meals and other activities recently. Please do pray that we may continue to be gracious in our relationships with each other as members of one Christian family. Revd. Sally

Contactors: There will be a Contactors meeting on Tuesday 25th October at 8pm in the Parish Centre. As we only have two meetings a year please make every effort to attend. If anyone needs transport please let me know. Sue Hinchliffe.

SOCIAL and FUNDRAISING

Charities Fair - Saturday 5 November: We are having 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 are now on sale. Sally Somerville

Children's Society: Kristina Smith has taken over as box co-ordinator, and needs your box in order that the money collected can be counted and paid in. Cheques - made payable to 'The Children's Society' - are also very welcome.

3 Mile Moonlight Walk 14th (or 15th, 16th, 17th) October at 7.15 pm: All are welcome. If the Hunter's Moon looks as though it will shine with no more than a little cloud on the 14th, we will go then; if not we will try on one of the later dates. We meet at The Golden Ball, Pinkney's Green (GR859831). If you wish to come and have not already contacted us, please let us know today if possible, including which dates from the above range could suit you, and your email/phone details so we can keep you informed. Roger & Jilly (633464)

WIDER COMMUNITY

Winter Coats: Churches Together in Maidenhead are collecting winter coats for men, women, and (particularly) children to send out to refugees in Syria and Lebanon. If you have any you are able to donate, please drop them off at St Peter's 9-12 on weekday mornings or on Sunday mornings before 23rd October.

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 starting here 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

Maidenhead Care – an urgent appeal for duty officers: Maidenhead Care has a large number of local residents on their client register who depend on them for help and support. A team of volunteers provides transport for medical appointments, both locally and further afield, also shopping and visiting the lonely. This much-needed service is organised by a rota of Duty Officers who work from home, with a telephone and computer, both of which are provided by Maidenhead Care. Currently the charity is having a real crisis due to a severe shortage of Duty Officers. They need *urgent* help *now* so that they can fulfil their promise to be available 5 days a week, every week. Please consider whether you can spare a day or half a day, monthly to enable them to continue to offer this valuable service to those who need it. All Duty Officers receive full training and ongoing support. If this type of voluntary work does not appeal, could you offer any time to help us with driving?

Visit Maidenhead Care website: maidenheadcare.org.uk to find out all about us or talk to Jan Cheek or Ann Hockham, your St Luke's Representatives



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
- The ministry and mission of this church and our offering of ourselves
- Those caught up in the refugee crises and those affected by terrorism
- Those affected by Hurricane Matthew
- Our plans to re-order the church, for funding, and wisdom in the plans and practical work
- Tom & Nikki Brooks and Tanya & Paul Savage, celebrating their first wedding anniversary
- Dina, Rebecca, Rhidian, Monique and Hilary, to be confirmed later today
- 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 College Avenue
- 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: Betty Ackland-Snow, Phyl Claydon



Next Sunday, 23rd October - Bible Sunday

8.00 am Holy Communion

10.00 am Parish Communion

President: Revd Sally Lynch

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4.00 pm Sundays at Six: Memorial Service at All Saints

Next week's readings at 10am:

Romans 15. 1-6

Luke 4. 16-24

Next week's rotas under Duty Warden: Peter Goford

Elements: Fran Hornby, Janet Trinkwon

Chalice: Roger Bevitt, James Ellins

Reader: Don Luff

Intercessor: Shula Tajima

Coffee: Bridget Morris, Gill Curry

Welcomers: 8.00 am: Joan Harnby

10.00 am: Don Luff, Jilly Bevitt, Ben Darracott, Ann Darracott

This week at St. Luke's

Everyone is welcome to all of our services and activities

Monday 17th	7.30 pm	Guild of St Raphael
Tuesday 18th	8.30 am	Morning Prayer
Office 9.30-11	7.15 pm	Holy Communion
	7.30 pm	Celebration Dinner at Bisham
Wednesday 19th	8.30 am	Morning Prayer
Office 9.30-11	10.00 am	Holy Communion
Thursday 20th	8.30 am	Morning Prayer
Office 9.30-11	10.30 am	Baby & Toddler Group in church
	5.00 pm	Evening Prayer
	8.00 pm	Deanery Synod, here
Friday 21st	8.30 am	Morning Prayer
Office 9.30-11	5.00 pm	Evening Prayer
Saturday 22nd	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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