



St. Luke's Church, Maidenhead

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Week commencing: 19th June 2016

Fourth 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

6.00 pm Sundays at Six: 'Time for God' 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

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 Fourth Sunday after Trinity are:

A reading from the Letter to the Galatians

Before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed. Therefore the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be justified by faith. But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian, for in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith. As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ; There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus. And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to the promise.

Galatians 3. 23-29

A reading from the Gospel of Luke

Jesus and his disciples arrived at the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee. As he stepped out on land, a man of the city who had demons met him. For a long time he had worn no clothes, and he did not live in a house but in the tombs. When he saw Jesus, he fell down before him and shouted at the top of his voice, 'What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me' – for Jesus had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many times it had seized him; he was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the wilds.) Jesus then asked him, 'What is your name?' He said, 'Legion'; for many demons had entered him. They begged him not to order them to go back into the abyss.

Now there on the hillside a large herd of swine was feeding; and the demons begged Jesus to let them enter these. So he gave them permission. Then the demons came out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and was drowned.

When the swineherds saw what had happened, they ran off and told it in the city and in the country. Then people came out to see what had happened, and when they came to Jesus, they found the man from whom the demons had gone sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind. And they were afraid. Those who had seen it told them how the one who had been possessed by demons had been healed. Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gerasenes asked Jesus to leave them; for they were seized with great fear. So he got into the boat and returned. The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him; but Jesus sent him away, saying, 'Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you.' So he went away, proclaiming throughout the city how much Jesus had done for him.

Luke 8. 26-39

Collect

O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that with you as our ruler and guide we may so pass through things temporal that we lose not our hold on things eternal; grant this, heavenly Father, for our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

*There is no
Jew or Greek,
slave or free,
male or female;
for you are all one
in Christ Jesus.*

Galatians 3:28



Post Communion Prayer

Eternal God,
comfort of the afflicted and healer
of the broken, you have fed us at
the table of life and hope:
teach us the ways of gentleness and
peace, that all the world may
acknowledge the kingdom of your
Son, 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:

23rd – 28th August: Arts Project

14th – 16th October: Patronal Celebration weekend

Tues. 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

Tuesday Holy Communion: Please note there will be NO service of Holy Communion on Tuesday 21st June.

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.

John's Gospel Mini Series: This has been reduced in sessions but will now take place at 8pm in the Parish Centre on Wednesdays 29th June and 13th July. All welcome.

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). Please ask me for a brochure if you would like one. It would be helpful to get bookings asap. Thank you. Sally

Nicola's ordination as priest, and first presidency: Our curate, Nicola, will be ordained priest in Reading Minster at 11.00 this coming Saturday, 25th June. Everyone is very warmly invited to come along and to join in this special service of celebration. Nicola will then preside at Holy Communion for the first time on Sunday 26th June at 10.00am. After that service everyone is warmly invited to a lunch party in the vicarage garden (assuming the weather is fine!) so that we can all celebrate with Nicola and Ben and their family. Please do pray for Nicola as she prepares for her priesting – and also for motherhood.

Please be aware that Nicola will be on retreat from Wednesday 22nd June until her ordination, and will therefore not be contactable.

Quiet Day: Our next quiet day is on Saturday 16th July at Goosebury Hall Quiet Garden in Epping. The journey is about an hour and we will share cars, arriving for a 10.30 am start and leaving around 4.00pm. Cost is £5 to include a light lunch. Please sign up on the sheet at the back of church. If you have not experienced a quiet day why not give this a try?

Pools of Stillness: The next Pools of Stillness will be held on Wednesday 22nd June at 8pm and will be followed by a service of Compline at 9pm.

Dress when robed: With the warmer weather upon please can I gently remind all of us who robe to serve or lead worship of the need for formal footwear under robes. Please ensure that you wear dark-coloured, closed-in shoes with robes to avoid a distraction and to be respectful. With thanks. Sally

Chalice assistants, crucifers and acolytes: Can we all please meet briefly at 11.30 TODAY just to go over our roles. This will assist Nicola as she starts to preside at Holy Communion. Many thanks. Sally

Messy Church: The dates for Messy Church - a time of craft, worship and food - for the remainder of this year are as follows: Sunday 3rd July, Saturday 6th August, Friday 23rd September, Sunday 6th November and Saturday 3rd December. All sessions will run from 3.30 pm-5.00 pm.

INFORMATION

Re-Ordering: At its meeting on Tuesday 24th May the PCC voted to send the revised plans to the DAC for its June meeting, with a view to submitting a revised faculty, following DAC advice. The plans had been revised further following responses to the open meeting in April and plans available for viewing at the back of church. The plans are on display on the board at the front of church.

Church Care Time : Saturday 2nd July, 09.30 to 12.00. Please note the date if you can spare an hour or more for DIY, maintenance or tidying around the church and churchyard and so help our finances. Further information to follow. Roger Bevitt (T.633464).

Lights: Are you happy going up ladders? Is this a job you could do? There are about 300 light bulbs in/on our church, roughly half at a high level, and we need help, please, in replacing them when they fail. We use a safety harness and other measures to ensure safety. We carry out the work at Church Care Times (next on 2 July, see above) or other times by arrangement. Please speak with Roger Bevitt or Don Luff.

Electoral role 2016: This is now re-open for new entries. See Jill Bevitt for a form.

Baby & Toddler Group: As the Community Hall is being used as a polling station for the EU Referendum, Baby & Toddler Group will meet in church on Thursday 23rd June.

150th BIRTHDAY

Luke's Gospel gifts: We have now given away 150 gospels of Luke to all those people who have contact with our church (baptism families, wedding couples, those who hire our buildings, etc), and have been handing out the next 150 copies over last weekend. We'd love to have even more to hand out to people later in the year as we approach our Patronal Festival and the peak of our 150th anniversary in October. They cost less than £1 each (with discount from Quench) If you would like to contribute towards the cost of buying further copies please place your offering in the box marked, 'Luke's Gospel' by the office. If you'd like to gift aid your offering please pop it in an envelope – in that box. Thank you.

Exhibition: as stated at the APCM we intend to have a small exhibition of the work of the church at the Flower Festival in June and then a much bigger one in October. If anyone has any items that they think would be good for either please speak to Sally or Dave asap. We promise to take good care of valuable items.

SOCIAL and FUNDRAISING

Flower Festival & Summer Fair: Thank you again to everyone who helped make last weekend such a success. We are delighted to announce the sum raised from the events held across the 3 days - and the earlier plant fair - is £2184.54.

Summer Walks: All are welcome on any of this Summer's walks. We plan to have a walk most weeks, but days and times will vary. Please let the Leader know in advance if you expect to come or the walk may not happen. We meet as follows:

Weds 22 June 7.15pm A 4.5m hilly walk. The 'Twin Peaks Challenge' from The Dew Drop (GR823815). Over the tops of Ashley and Bowsey Hills.

Thurs 30 June 7.15pm Queens Head, (park on the lane leading to the pub) Little Marlow (GR873879). A flat, 4m walk by lakes and the Thames

Please share cars if possible and if the weather is wet phone to check that the walk is still on. If you have ideas for local walks (2 to 5 miles) or pubs to base them on, or would like to lead one, please let Roger & Jilly Bevitt T.633464 know.

Couch Potatoes: We are meeting at 7-45pm Tuesday 21st June either at the back of Church or the Parish Centre whichever will be available.

Thank you: Many thanks for the kind thoughts and prayers I have received during my recent illness. They are very much appreciated. Peter.

Social Networks: We are now regularly updating our Twitter and Facebook pages and would like to grow our network of friends! If you are a Facebook user then you can find us by searching for 'St Luke's Maidenhead' on Facebook. Please like our page and share it to your own timeline to let your friends and family know about us. For the Tweeters, our Twitter account is @stlukesmaid; do come and find us for daily updates!

St Luke's Relatively Young People: This group meets every 6 weeks or so for informal fellowship in a Maidenhead pub. If you are at least 18 years of age and interested please e-mail jamesandlouisa.ellins@googlemail.com or talk to James or Louisa Ellins after a service.

Our Golden Wedding: Jilly & Roger would like to say a big thank you for all the kindnesses shown to us on our recent anniversary.

Ladies Breakfast: note that the Ladies breakfast has been moved to Saturday 30th July, when Clare Price will speak about her work with the Twentieth Century Society. Door open 8.45 am and we end around 10.30 am. Tickets are £5 and are available from today.

WIDER COMMUNITY

Iftar: Should you wish to go to Iftar (breaking and sharing food after fasting) at Maidenhead Mosque tomorrow - Monday 20th June - from 8.30-10.00pm, please email zia@maidenheadmosque.org to let them know if you have not already done so.

Community Meals: Our Muslim brothers and sisters are marking the month of Ramadan and as in previous years, they will be providing a weekly meal in our Parish Centre as part of their observance of this time. The next of these will be on Tuesday 21st June. All are very welcome.

Windsor & Maidenhead Community Forum Women's Group: Ladies of all faiths and none are welcome to the next WAMCF meeting which will be held at Maidenhead Synagogue on Monday 25th July at 7.30pm

Christmas Lunch: Churches Together is looking for a few more organisers to help with their Christmas Day Lunch at SportsAble in Maidenhead. More details can be found on the boards outside the office.

Royal Berkshire Fire & Rescue Service: Royal Berkshire Fire & Rescue Service is currently undertaking a public consultation on how they deliver their services and we have been invited to take part. More information on the proposed changes, and an opportunity to provide online feedback can be found at www.rbfrs.co.uk

For your prayers



- Nicola as she prepares for ordination as priest
- Our growth in faith in this Trinity Season
- The ministry and mission of this church and our offering of ourselves
- Those caught up in the European refugee crisis
- Our nation as we prepare to vote in the EU referendum
- Those killed or injured in the Pulse nightclub shootings, and those who mourn them
- Our plans to re-order the church, for funding and wisdom in the plans and practical work
- Those married here recently and those to be married this year, especially Ronnie and Kayleigh married here yesterday
- Ben and Rachael Jarnak, as they celebrate their first wedding anniversary
- Coby, Jayden and Cameron, baptised here recently
- Those whose anniversary of baptism falls in June: Lexi Teeder, Robert Lambert, Seth Molony, Chloe Whiting, Zara Webb, Cameron Bradley, James Summers, John Manders, Charlie Manders, Sophia Stevens
- Those who live and/or work in Boulters Lane
- The sick and those who care for them: Nick Morris, Katharine Morris, Ben Francis, Steven Sands, Tim Williams, Chris Sawyers, John Francis, Sheila Tallert, Marian Brooks
- Those who have died recently, and those who mourn them: John Wells, Joanna Dugdale, Geoffrey Thrift



Next Sunday, 26th June

8.00 am Holy Communion

**10.00 am Parish Communion followed by Celebration
Lunch in vicarage garden**

President: Revd Nicola Hulks

Preacher: Revd Sally Lynch

3.00 pm Sundays at Six: Deaf Church Eucharist at Church
of the Good Shepherd, Cox Green

Next week's readings at 10am:

Galatians 5. 1, 13-25

Luke 9. 51-end

Next week's rotas under Duty Warden: Peter Goford

Elements: Shula Tajima, Jean Tyrwhitt-Drake

Chalice: Sue Hinchliffe, Tony Lane

Readers: Phyl Sopp

Intercessor: Ministry Team

Coffee: Phyl & Dave Sopp

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 20th

Tuesday 21st

Office 9.30-11

8.30 am

Morning Prayer

5.30 pm

Community Meal

7.15 pm

NO Holy Communion

Wednesday 22nd

Office 9.30-11

8.30 am

Morning Prayer

10.00 am

Holy Communion

8.00 pm

Pools of Stillness followed by Compline

Thursday 23rd

Office 9.30-11

8.30 am

Morning Prayer

9.00 am

Baby & Toddler Group

11.00 am

Friendship Project

5.00 pm

Evening Prayer

Friday 24th

Office 9.30-11

8.30 am

Morning Prayer

5.00 pm

Evening Prayer

8.00 pm

Choir Practice

Saturday 25th

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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