



St. Luke's Church, Maidenhead

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Week commencing: 21st May 2017

Sixth Sunday of Easter

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: Social Gospel on the theme of Human Trafficking and Modern Slavery.

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 the Sixth Sunday of Easter are:

A Reading from the Book of Acts

Paul stood in front of the Areopagus and said, ‘Athenians, I see how extremely religious you are in every way. For as I went through the city and looked carefully at the objects of your worship, I found among them an altar with the inscription, “To an unknown god.” What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. The God who made the world and everything in it, he who is Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in shrines made by human hands, nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mortals life and breath and all things. From one ancestor he made all nations to inhabit the whole earth, and he allotted the times of their existence and the boundaries of the places where they would live, so that they would search for God and perhaps grope for him and find him - though indeed he is not far from each one of us. For “In him we live and move and have our being”; as even some of your own poets have said,

“For we too are his offspring.”

Since we are God’s offspring, we ought not to think that the deity is like gold, or silver, or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of mortals. While God has overlooked the times of human ignorance, now he commands all people everywhere to repent, because he has fixed a day on which he will have the world judged in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed, and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead.’

Acts 17.22-31

A Reading from the Gospel of John

Jesus said to his disciples: ‘If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you for ever. This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you. I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me; and those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them.’ I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.’

John 14.15-21

Collect

God our redeemer,
you have delivered us from the
power of darkness
and brought us into the kingdom
of your Son:
grant, that as by his death he has
recalled us to life,
so by his continual presence in us
he may raise us
to eternal joy;
through Jesus Christ your Son our
Lord.

Post Communion Prayer

God our Father,
whose Son Jesus Christ gives the
water of eternal life:
may we thirst for you,
the spring of life and source of
goodness,
through him who is alive and reigns,
now and for ever.

Hymns

Gradual

A new commandment
I give unto you
That you love one another
As I have loved you,
That you love one another
As I have loved you.
By this shall all men
Know you are My disciples
If you have love one to another.

Holy Communion

You are the Vine
We are the branches
Keep us abiding in You
You are the Vine
We are the branches
Keep us abiding in You

MEN

And we'll go (women echo)
In Your Love (women echo)
And we'll go (women echo)
In Your Name (women echo)
That the world (women echo)
Will surely know (women echo)
That You have power to heal and
to Save

The floodlighting has been sponsored this week by:

Jean Jackson

“In memory of my beloved husband , Glyn”



What's happening...? See below, and check out our website too
www.stlukeschurchmaidenhead.org.uk

WORSHIP AND SPIRITUALITY

Thy Kingdom Come- the Archbishops' call to prayer for our

nation: Our Archbishops are calling all Christians to pray for the life and renewal of this nation in a global wave of prayer, particularly between Ascension and Pentecost this year (25th May – 4th June). Do look at the website:

<https://www.thykingdomcome.global/> to find out far more and find resources.

In this church we have agreed that we will do the following:

- Open (and staff) the church for two hours each day in the cycle, with prayer stations
- Hold a prayer walk around the parish boundary after church on Sunday 28th May. Leaving at midday—join in all or part (map provided)
- Provide a flyer with ideas for personal participation (e.g. praying for five friends)

Church open for prayer 'Thy Kingdom Come'. Drop in at any time:

Thurs. 25 th May	5.00 – 7.00 pm	Tue. 30 th	9.00 – 11.00 am
Fri. 26 th	2.00 – 4.00 pm	Weds 31 st	10.00 – midday
Sat. 27 th	9.00 – 11.00 am	Thurs. 1 st June	3.00 – 5.00 pm
Sun. 28 th	9.00 – 10.00 am	Fri. 2 nd	2.00 – 4.00 pm
Mon. 29 th	TBC	Sat. 3 rd	9.00 – 11.00 am

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

Task Groups: Meet this Tuesday 23rd May (Social Media, Social Gospel, Our Older Members, Children and **Christening**). Meetings start at 8pm in church and all are welcome. Each group will have a specific item to follow up / develop. Please note the change of date for the Young Peoples and Christening groups.

Quiet Day: our summer quiet day is booked for Saturday 15th July and we will return to Goosebury Hall Quiet Garden near Epping. We will share transport to be there for a 10.30 am start (no earlier arrivals please), leaving at 4.00 pm. The cost is £7.50 per person to cover a light lunch and tea / coffee. Please sign up as usual...

INFORMATION

St. Luke's Music Festival 2017 - 10th to 24th June: Brochures are now available in Church for our third Music Festival. Please take some and tell all your friends and relatives, as well as securing your own tickets from Jean T-D early to avoid disappointment. Great music to suit all tastes, starting with a sumptuous orchestral concert of popular classics conducted by John Cotterill, and ending with the award winning Taplow Choirs.

Summer Fair: Our summer fair this year will take place on 10th June from 11am-2pm. If you are able to help in any way please sign the list at the back of church. The usual donations of raffle prizes, tombola items, bottles and cakes will be much appreciated. Boxes are now available at the back of church for non-perishable items. Thank you.

Cakes, Biscuits and Scones: All contributions gratefully received for refreshments (small cakes & scones) and for the cake stall. Please bring on the day or deliver to Ann Darracott (620280). Many Thanks

Plant Sale Today: There will be a plant sale on Sunday 21st May after church.

Serena Tajima will be ordained deacon at Christchurch cathedral on Saturday 1st July at 2.00 pm. Everyone is warmly invited to be there to support her, and then to tea in the vicarage garden from around 5.30 pm. If you are able to assist with food please speak to Shula.

Boyne Hill Tuesday Club invite past members of St Luke's Thursday Group to the annual Deanery Festival to be held at All Saints church on Tuesday 6th June 2017, service at 7.30pm. I have contacted Linda Vandenberghe and thanked her, and hope that some of our past members may be able to go along. Further information from Sonya on 632626.

SOCIAL and FUNDRAISING

WAMCF Women's Group: The next meeting of WAMCF Women's group will take place this Monday 22nd May, 7.30-9pm at Maidenhead Synagogue, Ray Park Avenue. Ladies of all faiths and none are welcome to share refreshments and talk about wedding customs. Do bring your wedding photos with you. For more details see Sally

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. 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 :

Week beginning 21 May – no walk

Thur 1 Jun 2.15pm NOTE THE DATE & TIME - a 2m flat, easy walk suitable for nearly all (and dogs). Meet at Ockwells Country park, Ockwells Rd. (GR878791) and exploring some of the new area opened to the public this year. Leaders: Roger & Jilly Bevitt T.633464

Wed. 7 June 7.15pm – details to follow (please phone if you don't see us)
Roger & Jilly Bevitt T.633464

Children's Society candles: Please can you return your candles to me or Ben Darracott so that I can get the money into the charity in May. Thanks Kristina

WIDER COMMUNITY

Maidenhead Food Bank: The food bank is in need of some extra help at the moment. Particularly rice, sauces i.e. Pasta/curry, tinned veg, tinned fruit, spreads, Long life milk. (they have lots of pasta & tinned fish). You can donate directly to the Foodbank at the New Market King St, Sat 9-11am, or via supermarket drop boxes or here in church. Please contact Katie Hierons, Foodbank Manager kthierons@gmail.com for further information or if you are interested in becoming a volunteer.

St Luke's Nursery: St Luke's Nursery is opening at St Luke's School in September this year. This will be for 3-4pm year olds (inc' rising 3s) For more information see poster at back of church or to apply or arrange a visit please contact the school office 01628 621600 or www.st-lukesprimary.com

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 preparations for the upcoming general election
- The work of Jeel Al Amal orphanage in Bethany
- Our plans to re-order the church, for funding, and wisdom in the reordering work to take place and fundraising plans and practical work and the outcome of the consistory court
- Those who were married here recently: Madeleine and Elliot, Marc and Donna to be married here on 26th May
- Charlotte, who was baptised here recently
- Those whose anniversary of baptism fall in May: Heidi Brudenall, Zara Webb, William Eves, Hudson James, Dylan Perry, William Kirk, Elsie Rutland, Harry Portsmouth, Daisy Stevens
- All those who live and work in the parish
- 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, Rose Dolan, Janet Cheek
- Those who have died recently, and those who mourn them: Peter Seaman, Patricia Kealey
- Those whose anniversary of death falls in May: John Crampin, Michael Poynter, Vivienne Sewell, Roy Howton, Doreen Headington, John Henry, Doris Simpson, Terrence Comley, Joan Carpenter, Muriel (Betty) Smith, Irene Weller, Glyn Jackson, Alicia Teare, Peter Petter, Elsie Taplion, Josephine Aldridge, Angela Beavis





Next Sunday, 28th May

Sunday after Ascension Day

8.00 am Holy Communion

10.00 am Parish Communion

President: Revd Sally Lynch

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

Next week's readings at 10am:

Acts 1. 6-14 John 17. 1-11

Next week's rotas under Duty Warden: Ruth Sheppard

Readers: Acts: Ruth Sheppard

Intercessor: Eileen Goford

Elements: Sue Harbour and Fran Hornby

Coffee: Bridget Morris and Sylvia Jones

Welcomers: **8.00 am:** Joan Harnby

10.00 am: Don Luff, Eileen Goford, Jilly Bevitt, John Cox

Monday 22nd

Office 9.30-11

Tuesday 23rd

Office 9.30-11

8.30am Morning Prayer
7.15pm Holy Communion
8.00pm Task Groups

Wednesday 24th

Office 9.30-11

8.30am Morning Prayer
10.00 am NO Holy Communion

Thursday 25th

Office closed

Ascension Day

8.30am Morning Prayer
12.45pm Thursday Lunches
5.00pm Evening Prayer
7.00pm Holy Communion

Friday 26th

Office closed

8.30am Morning Prayer
4.00 pm Wedding
5.00 pm Evening Prayer

Saturday 27th

9.00am 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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