



St. Luke's Church, Maidenhead

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Week commencing: 23rd July 2017

Trinity 6

WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP

8.00 am Holy Communion

10.00 am Parish Communion

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 in the Parish centre.

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 Fifth Sunday after Trinity:

A Reading from Paul's Letters to the Romans

Brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh - or if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, 'Abba! Father!' it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ - if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him. I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God; for the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and will obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labour pains until now; and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

Romans 8. 12-25

A Reading from the Gospel of Matthew

Jesus put before the crowd another parable: 'The kingdom of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field; but while everybody was asleep, an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and then went away. So when the plants came up and bore grain then the weeds appeared as well. And the slaves of the householder came and said to him, "Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where, then, did these weeds come from?" He answered, "An enemy has done this." The slaves said to him, "Then do you want us to go and gather them?" But he replied, "No; for in gathering the weeds you would uproot the wheat along with them. Let both of them grow together until the harvest; and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Collect the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.'"

Then Jesus left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples approached him, saying, 'Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field.' He answered, 'The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man; the field is the world, and the good seed are the children of the kingdom; the weeds are the children of the evil one, and the enemy who sowed them is the devil; the

harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels. Just as the weeds are collected and burned up with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all evildoers, and they will throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Let anyone with ears listen!

Matthew 13.24-30, 36-43

Collect for Trinity 6

Merciful God,
you have prepared for those who
love you
such good things as pass our
understanding:
pour into our hearts such love
toward you
that we, loving you in all things
and above all things,
may obtain your promises,
which exceed all that we can
desire;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Post Communion Prayer

God of our pilgrimage,
you have led us to the living water:
refresh and sustain us
as we go forward on our journey,
in the name of Jesus Christ our
Lord.



The floodlighting has been sponsored this week by:

Mr T Autos



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

WORSHIP AND SPIRITUALITY

Messy Church: All families are welcome at our next Messy Church on Friday 4th August, 3.30pm-5.30pm. Enjoy crafts, songs, simple worship and a meal. £1 each. If you can let the office know for catering purposes that would be great.

INFORMATION

Farewell to the Parish Centre: If you would like to bid a 'fond farewell' to the parish centre you are invited to send photos of its use with a brief caption to Inspire inspire@stlukeschurchmaidenhead.org.uk. Louisa plans to run a photo collage in the next edition of Inspire. I have already sent one of a Thursday tea Christmas celebration. Sally

Hassocks: we will be disposing of some hassocks/kneelers (the PCC has a faculty for this) before work starts in the church. The best will be kept for use but if you would like one / some for use in your home or garden please do take them. Please speak to Dave or Don first to ensure that you take the right ones!

Mugs and Bags: this is your last chance to purchase St. Luke's bags (really sturdy quality) and mugs. Reduced price of £3 each. Available after services or via the parish office.

Rent a choir: We have a wedding in church on Sunday 17th September at 1.30pm and would like some more voices. If you are interested in singing in the choir for this occasion, please speak to Ruth in the parish office.

SOCIAL and FUNDRAISING

Local Walks: All are welcome on these walks of 2 to 4 miles, which we hope to have most weeks up to the end of August. If you wish to be certain that the walk is going to happen if the weather looks as though it could be wet, please phone the walk leader. Please share cars if possible. We meet as follows :
Thu 27 Jul 7.15pm The Beehive, White Waltham (GR849773) for a walk of 3m

or so. Leader: Don Luff T.07909974214

Wed 2nd Aug 7.15pm–Details to follow. Leader: Roger Clarke: T.632626

Ride and Stride: Saturday 9th September 10am : If you are interested in taking part in this fund raising cycle visiting local churches, please note the date/time. We hope to have a short route for the youngest as well as the full route for others. Details to follow. Roger Bevitt T.633464

School Stationery for the Kori Project: In October six of us from Thames Valley Soroptimists are going to visit the Kori Project in Sierra Leone. We would like to take sorely needed items of school stationery, to hand out to the children we meet. They have to supply all their own materials. So when you are shopping perhaps you might like to buy a pack of Bic like biro's, some pencils, pencil sharpeners, erasers, or any maths things, like protractors, set squares and rulers. Coloured pencils would be nice and would last longer than felt pens. The biro's and pencils are probably the most necessary. I will put a box in church for you to place them. Thank you for your practical support. Gill Curry

Update on Fiver Challenge: Congratulations to Tasha whose school team Sweet fairy dreams won nationally for the most profitable business in this years challenge! In total they had a profit of £640. (£15 start up plus donations from Tesco!) Her group will get an all expenses day out in London to receive the trophy in September . Thank you again to everyone who bought cakes after the service.

WIDER COMMUNITY

WAMCF Women's Group: The group next meets on Monday 24th July , 7.30pm-9pm at Cookham Rise, Methodist Church. Ladies of all faiths and none are welcome to share refreshments and hear a speaker from the Citizen's Advice Bureau on the topic of taking the service out, reaching isolated people. For more details speak to Sally.

EVENTS IN THE DIOCESE

Three Big Moments – One Big Message, Saturday 30 September, 10am – 4pm, Gerrards Cross : Revd Canon Dr Sandra Millar explores how to engage sensitively and creatively with people at baptisms, weddings and funerals. Visit <http://tinyurl.com/y6v59uwe> for more information.

Messy Church Does Science: Wednesday 30 August, Rutherford Appleton Laboratory: Join Dr Dave and BRF's Messy Church team at a one-off, free science-based Messy Church with experiments, activities and fun for children and families. Visit <http://tinyurl.com/y8ot52rw> for more information.

Festival of Prayer, Saturday 9 September, Ripon College, Cuddesdon

A day organised by BRF and the Diocese of Oxford to explore different aspects of spirituality and prayer. Visit <http://tinyurl.com/ybplsjsr>

The Loneliness of Loss, Saturday 23 September, Headington

A day organised by the Archway Foundation to look at this topic for ourselves and the communities we serve. Visit <http://tinyurl.com/y9ukmntq>

Just as I am, 14 October, St Martin-in-the-Fields, London:

What does it mean to be disabled, and what might that say about God? Do our stories tell us something about God's story? Are we living theology? Through plenary talks and working in small groups, with a silent space and a marketplace, we explore the ideas arising from our experience and consider how we can resource each other and the church. Visit <http://tinyurl.com/yb37xxvb>

RE-ORDERING UPDATE

Although both the Reordering committee and Funding group have met this week, there is not a lot to add on this at this stage. We are waiting for some information from the contractors / architects, particularly a slightly more detailed timeline for the work so that we can plan activities in church effectively. They have already had from us a list of key events (Baptisms and weddings etc) and we have booked the community hall for coffee after church (every week in the autumn), Thursday teas and Messy Church.

A small group is meeting at the start of August to pack up the parish centre and we are clearing what we can in the office. Once work starts the trolley will 'live' in the office with kettles, tea, coffee etc for everyday use. If you have any possessions in the PC that you have not yet collected please do so now – or you won't see them for a few months!

All those who hire the PC have been notified of the end date of 31st July. A reminder too that Dave Sopp will be recalling all tower door keys (including from church members) after that date.

A disabled compliant portaloo with baby changing will be hired from early September. A reminder that parking will be very limited in the church grounds.

The Funding group has now made a number of applications for Funding agencies and also to companies. We await the outcome of these.

If anyone has questions do speak to Sally or Emma Shenton, or use the sheet by the office.

Inspire: The next issue of our church magazine will be out in early September and it would be fantastic to see a wide range of contributions from the congregation. I'm particularly looking for photos (with captions please) from the summer fair and music festival in June. Please email your articles, ideas and/or photos to inspire@stlukeschurchmaidenhead.org.uk by 9pm on **Wednesday 16th August**. If email isn't possible, I can also accept paper submissions before the deadline.

Please note, anything received after this date **will not be included** in this issue. Thanks very much, Louisa Ellins, Editor.

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
- Our school staff and pupils as term ends.
- Deputy head Bethany Greenwood as she leaves to take to take up a headship at Nettlebed School
- Recent terrorist attacks and those living in fear
- The Brexit negotiations
- Our plans to re-order the church, for forbearance during the work to take place, and fundraising / grant applications
- Those baptised here recently: Ollie and Myles, Noah
- Those who celebrate their first wedding anniversary:
- Those whose anniversary of baptism fall in July: Rosa MacLeod, Carla MacLeod, Phillipa Warwick, Zoey Nash, Maerose Lambert, Gethin Cox, Ella Cottrell, Aaliyah Tull, Hayden Pearce, Nathan Pearce, Mason Whittle, George Pankhurst
- All those who live and work in Raven Drive
- The sick and those who care for them: Nick Morris, Ben Francis, Stephen Sands, Tim Williams, John Francis, Sheila Tallent, babies Albert and George, Rose Dolan, John Coupe
- Those who have died recently, and those who mourn them: Janet Cheek
- Those whose anniversary of death falls in July: Ann Ringer, Cyril Vizard, Shirley Sattler, Dorothy Barnard, Ronald Bennett, Ada Rolls, Barbara Ward, Paul Luxton, Jean Stevens, Edward Stevens, Christine Collins, Kathleen Woodworth, Kenneth Wheeler



Next Sunday, 30th July

Trinity 7

8.00 am Holy Communion

10.00 am Parish Communion –5th Sunday

President: Revd Sally Lynch

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Next week's readings at 10am:

Romans 8. 26-end Mathew 13.31-33. 44-52

Next week's rotas under Duty Warden: Don Luff

Readers: NT: Ralph Hinchliffe

Intercessor: Roger Clarke

Chalice: Tanmoy Mondal, Johanna Raffan

Acolytes: Roger Clarke, Matthew Burdett

Server/Crucifer: Roger Clarke, Nicola Buckland

Elements: Mary Pennington and Helen Petter

Coffee: Dave and Phyl Sopp

Welcomers: 8.00 am: Richard Hannam

10.00 am: Ralph Hinchliffe, Sue Hinchliffe,
Shula Tajima, Ben Darracott

Monday 24th

Office 9.30-11

Tuesday 25th

Office 9.30-11

8.30am

Morning Prayer

5.30pm

Community Meal

7.15pm

Holy Communion

Wednesday 26th

Office 9.30-11

8.30am

Morning Prayer

10.00 am

Holy Communion

With prayer for healing

Thursday 27th

Office closed

8.30am

Morning Prayer

11.00am

Friendship Project

5.00pm

Evening Prayer

Friday 28th

8.30am

Morning Prayer

5.00pm

Evening Prayer

Saturday 29th

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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