



# St. Luke's Church, Maidenhead

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**Week commencing: 27th January 2019**  
**Epiphany 4**

## WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP

- 8.00am**     **Holy Communion**  
**10.00am**   **Parish Communion**  
                  President: Revd. Sally Lynch  
                  Preacher: Revd. Sally Lynch  
**3.00pm**     **Sundays at Six: Deaf Eucharist**  
                  **at The Church of the Good Shepherd, Cox Green**

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 fellowship area at the back of church.

### **You might like to know that...**

... our Baby and Toddler area is at the front with quiet 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

... we send out a weekly email update. If you would like to be added to the list please email the Parish Office on [admin@stlukeschurchmaidenhead.org.uk](mailto: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 Epiphany 4**

### **A Reading from Paul's first letter to the Corinthians**

Just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body - Jews or Greeks, slaves or free - and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

Indeed, the body does not consist of one member but of many. If the foot would say, 'Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body,' that would not make it any less a part of the body. And if the ear would say, 'Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body,' that would not make it any less a part of the body. If the whole body were an eye, where would the hearing be? If the whole body were hearing, where would the sense of smell be? But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose. If all were a single member, where would the body be? As it is, there are many members, yet one body. The eye cannot say to the hand, 'I have no need of you,' nor again the head to the feet, 'I have no need of you.' On the contrary, the members of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, and those members of the body that we think less honourable we clothe with greater honour, and our less respectable members are treated with greater respect; whereas our more respectable members do not need this. But God has so arranged the body, giving the greater honour to the inferior member, that there may be no dissension within the body, but the members may have the same care for one another. If one member suffers, all suffer together with it; if one member is honoured, all rejoice together with it.

Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it. And God has appointed in the church first apostles, second prophets, third teachers; then deeds of power, then gifts of healing, forms of assistance, forms of leadership, various kinds of tongues. Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? Do all possess gifts of healing? Do all speak in tongues? Do all interpret? But strive for the greater gifts.

*1 Corinthians 12. 12-31a*

### **A Reading from the Gospel of Luke**

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 re-

covery 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.' *Luke 4.14-21*

### **Collect**

God our creator, who in the beginning  
commanded the light to shine out of darkness:  
we pray that the light of the glorious gospel of  
Christ  
may dispel the darkness of ignorance and unbelief,  
shine into the hearts of all your people,  
and reveal the knowledge of your glory  
in the face of Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,

### **Post Communion**

Generous Lord,  
in word and Eucharist  
we have  
proclaimed the mystery  
of your love:  
help us so to live  
out our days  
that we may be signs  
of your wonders  
in the world...

### **This morning's hymns at 10am:**

P:	301	God is here! As we God's people...
G:	sht	Help us accept each other (Tune 585)
O:	sht	All the hungry, all the thirsty (Tune 137)
HC:	461	Help us to help each other
R:	sht	God whose power has called to being (Tune 435(ii))

### **Gradual hymn**

Help us accept each other  
as Christ accepted us;  
teach us as sister, brother,  
each person to embrace.  
Be present, Lord, among us  
and Bring us to believe:  
we are ourselves accepted  
and meant to love and live.

Teach us, O Lord, your lessons,  
as in our daily life  
we struggle to be human  
and search for hope and faith.  
Teach us to care for people,  
for all - not just for some,  
to love them as we find them  
or as they may become.

Let your acceptance change us  
so that we may be moved  
in living situations  
to do the truth in love;  
to practice your acceptance  
until we know by heart  
the table of forgiveness  
and laughter's healing art.

Lord, for today's encounters  
with all who are in need,  
who hunger for acceptance,  
for justice and for bread,  
we need new eyes for seeing,  
new hands for holding on:  
renew us with your Spirit;  
Lord, free us, make us one!

## Offertory hymn

All the hungry, all the thirsty, all who look for strength may come, all the needy, all the lonely, all who long to find a home. Here's a door that's always open, here a table spread for all, here a welcome, here a family, here your heart can heed God's word.

All the gifted, all the joyful. All whose hope is strong, come too; come with overflowing blessings, come with treasures old and new. Here's a task that needs those riches, here good news is always heard, here a living faith grows bolder, here your voice can speak God's word.

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## Recessional hymn

God whose power has called to being All that fills the earth below, myriad stars beyond our seeing, tiniest creature that we know. Earth and air and fire and water woven in the grand design witness to the final meaning of your love for human kind.

Human lives are made for sharing; joined in trust and truth we grow, speech or silence opening pathways to the hearts we seek to know. Welcome Love, by your renewal worn out ways turn upside down; weak is strong, success is failure and the wise becomes the clown.

All the gifts of all God's people, all the struggles, all the pain, all the Spirit-sent abundance, all the grief and loss and gain – brought together in one Body, burdens lighten, joys increase, and together we can ask for Jesus' strength and Jesus' peace.

All God's people, praise your Maker, praise the one who called you here. All disciples praise your Teacher, loving, leading, always near. All you faithful, praise the Spirit, lifting every heart to pray. Praise the Holy One who gives us grace along the traveller's way.

From your Self we take our nature, Maker, Parent, Love divine. Bound into your life we flourish, leaves and branches of the vine. Through the Christ we see the pattern, life surrendered, life restored; echoing through all creation sounds the spirit's deep accord.

Love releases us for taking one more risk than we might dare; glory breaks through dark and danger, shows the Lord transfigured there. God who planted our affections, help your gifts to grow more free fan in us the fires of loving, daring, dancing Trinity.

**The floodlighting has been sponsored this week by:**

The Smith Family

*In memory of a much missed father and grandpa,  
Ken Richmond, who passed away 9 years ago.*



**What's happening...? See below, and check out our website too [www.stlukeschurchmaidenhead.org.uk](http://www.stlukeschurchmaidenhead.org.uk)**

## **WORSHIP AND SPIRITUALITY**

**Christingle service:** next Sunday, 3rd February, is the Feast of the Presentation of Christ in the Temple, also known as Candlemas. Our 10 am service will be a Christingle service (no Holy Communion) to which you are warmly encouraged to bring family and friends – especially children.

**Confirmation:** There will be a deanery confirmation on Wednesday 10th April when Bishop Andrew will be confirming for the last time before he retires. If you or someone you know is thinking about confirmation please speak to Revd. Sally asap and do come along to an enquiry evening on Wednesday 30th January at 8pm in church.

**Messy Church:** The next Messy Church event is on Friday 1st February, 3.30-5.30pm on the theme of kindness. Crafts, storytelling, music and two course dinner. Flyers available at the back of church.

**Seeking Solace:** Reflection and tea for the bereaved. The next date is Sunday 3rd February at 3pm in church.

### **World Day of Prayer (Formerly Women's World Day of Prayer):**

This year St Luke's will be hosting World Day of Prayer which is on Friday 1st March at 2pm. The service has been prepared by the women of Slovenia and the theme is 'Come- everything is ready!' Dorothy S-H is kindly co-ordinating the refreshments to be served afterwards. If you are willing to help with that, please speak to her. Both men and women are welcome to this service which lasts around one hour. We may need help with stewarding etc. Please speak to me if you are available for duty. Thank you. Ruth Sheppard

**Year of mission: Prayer day with Bishop Andrew:** the next event in our year of mission is a day exploring prayer led by Bishop Andrew on Saturday 2nd March. It will be held here from 9.30 am – 3.30 pm and costs just £3 (bring your own lunch). The day will include a keynote address, choice of workshops or simply browsing books on prayer, refreshments, bookstall and closing Eucharist. Booking forms out very soon. Note the date now!

**And a last chance to meet with Bishop Andrew** in our Deanery. On the evening of Thursday 11th April our Deanery will host an informal meal and service with +Andrew. Details to come but note the date now.

## **INFORMATION**

### **Electoral Roll 2019: 6 year complete update**

You need to be on the Electoral Roll if you wish to vote at the Annual Parish Meeting or to be considered for the PCC or Deanery Synod. Every six years we have to draw up an entirely new Roll and this is one of those years when everyone who wishes to be on the Roll must fill in a fresh application form and return it by Friday 15th February at the latest. Blank forms and an envelope for completed forms can be found in the marked green file at the back of the church. I shall then issue the new Electoral Roll which will be on display from 17th February onwards when you can check that your entry is correct. Please contact me with any queries. Ann Burdett (631486).

**Christmas Collections:** The collection at the Carol Service on 23rd December in aid of Alexander Devine Hospice totalled £516.25, while the collections at the two crib services on Christmas Eve for the Children's Society totalled £533.75. Many thanks to all who contributed.

**Welcomers:** Please could we meet all members of Welcome Team (sidespeople) today (27th January) at 11.15am. Please bring your new copy of the Welcomers Duties. Church Wardens

**Retirement gift for Bishop Andrew:** churches across the diocese are making a collection for a retirement gift for Bishop Andrew and Janice. The PCC has agreed to put £50 towards this from church funds. If anyone would like to add a personal contribution please place it in an envelope marked: 'Bishop Andrew gift' and give it to Richard Burdett, a churchwarden or a minister by 28th February. Thank you.

## **SOCIAL and FUNDRAISING**

**Interfaith Community meal:** a meal for anyone in the community to join and eat together. Every Tuesday 5.30pm, here in church. All welcome.

**Baby and Toddler group:** has begun again. Thursdays 9.30-11.15am in the community hall.

**Thursday lunches:** We shall be going to Stafferton Lodge for lunch on Thursday, 31st January leaving Church at 11.50am. All welcome (numbers needed) Transport will be arranged. Contact Jean T-D ON 636671 OR Phyllis 778656

**Stretch and Breathe:** Fridays from 10.15 am to 12.00 noon. The weekly one-hour sessions are followed by refreshments. Cost £35 for five sessions (to be taken within 2 terms i.e. ten weeks please). Drop-in £9.

Also mat-based regular Stretch and Breathe Hatha Yoga sessions from 6.30 – 7.45 pm on Wednesday evenings. All equipment provided.' Cost per session £10. Please contact Paula Clayton-Nuth on 07843016641 for more information.

**Children's Society Box** money raised over £600 and was paid in to the charity before Christmas. With thanks to everyone who has a box and collects for this worthy charity. If anyone would like to take on a box, please speak to Kristina Smith who will organise one for you.



**For your prayers  
(to add anyone  
to the list, notify  
the office but**

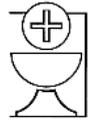
***please have the permission of the person being prayed for)***

- A deeper desire to grow as disciples
- For our political leaders especially throughout the Brexit debate,
- For peace in the world this new year.
- Bishop Andrew and Janice as they prepare for retirement in 2019
- The Orthodox and Anglican church in Ethiopia and especially the work of FACE (Friends of the Anglican Church in Ethiopia)
- Those whose anniversary of baptism fall in January: Otilie and Grace
- All those who live and work in Sandringham Road
- The sick and those who care for them: Stephen Sands, John Francis, Shula Tajima, Marjorie Falconer
- Those who died recently, and those who mourn them: Sheila Mayers, Robert Gill, Dennis Jones, Pamela Barber, Chris Bowyer.
- Those whose anniversary of death falls in January: Peter Joyce, David Bateman, Mark Willard, Leonard Lynch, Roy Smith, Roger March, Clifford Collier, Alice Wellman, Jacqueline Hayward, Ida Walters, Robert Newman, Beryl Jenkins, Robert Howe, Frank Joyce, Marjorie Hopkins, Andrew Drummond, Vivian Oliver, Ann Hancock, Charles Woodman, Julie Brazenor, Florence Hampton, Derek Jones, Eileen Gulrayani, Edward Hylton Jones, Dawn Crampin



## **This week at St. Luke's-**

Everyone is welcome to all our services and activities



### **Monday 28th January**

*Office open 9.30—11.00 am*

### **Tuesday 29th January**

*Office open 9.30—11.00 am*

8.30 am Morning Prayer

5.30 pm Community Interfaith meal

7.15 pm Holy Communion

8.00pm Contactors meeting

### **Wednesday 30th January**

*Office open 9.30—11.00 am*

8.30am Morning Prayer

10.00am Holy Communion and Healing

8.00pm Confirmation enquiry meeting

### **Thursday 31st January**

8.30am Morning Prayer

5.00 pm Evening Prayer

### **Friday 1st February**

8.30am Morning Prayer

10.15am Stretch and Breathe

3.30pm Messy Church

### **Saturday 2nd February**

9.00 am Morning Prayer

## **Sunday, 3rd February 2019 Presentation of Christ**

**8.00am Holy Communion**

**10.00am All Age Christingle Service (no Holy Communion)**

Officiant: Revd Nicola Hulks

Preacher: Revd Sally Lynch

**3.00pm Seeking Solace**

**6.00pm Sundays at Six: Taize Service, here**

## **Next weeks readings at 10am:**

Luke 2. 22-40

**Rota for Sunday 3rd February, under Duty Warden:** Dave Sopp

**Readers:** 1st: Scarlett Smith 2nd: Rachel Beaumont

**Acolytes:** n/a **Intercessor:** Stars and Sparks

**Elements:** n/a **Chalice:** n/a

**Server at 8am:** Roger Clarke **Crucifer at 10am:** Roger Clarke

**Coffee:** Ann Hockham and Julienne Grobler

**Welcome Team: 8am:** Ann Hockham

**10am:** Garth, Dina, Rosa and Carla, John and Rita Salter

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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