



St. Luke's Church, Maidenhead

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Week commencing: 28th May 2017

Sunday After Ascension Day

WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP

8.00 am Holy Communion

10.00 am Parish Communion

President: Revd Sally Lynch

Preacher: Revd Sally Lynch

3.00 pm 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 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 Sunday After Ascension Day are:

A Reading from the Book of Acts

When the apostles had come together, they asked Jesus, 'Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?' He replied, 'It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.' When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was going and they were gazing up towards heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said, 'Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up towards heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven.'

Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a sabbath day's journey away. When they had entered the city, they went to the room upstairs where they were staying, Peter, and John, and James, and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James son of Alphaeus, and Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of James. All these were constantly devoting themselves to prayer, together with certain women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, as well as his brothers.

Acts 1.6-14

A Reading from the Gospel of John

Jesus looked up to heaven and said, 'Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify you, since you have given him authority over all people, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. And this is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. I glorified you on earth by finishing the work that you gave me to do. 5So now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had in your presence before the world existed.

'I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one.'

John 17.1-11

Collect

O God the King of glory,
you have exalted your only Son
Jesus Christ
with great triumph to your
kingdom in heaven:
we beseech you, leave us not
comfortless,
but send your Holy Spirit to strengthen us
and exalt us to the place where our
Saviour Christ is gone before,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Hymns - *Gradual*

Beauty for brokenness
Hope for despair
Lord, in your suffering
This is our prayer
Bread for the children
Justice, joy, peace
Sunrise to sunset
Your kingdom increase!

Shelter for fragile lives
Cures for their ills
Work for the craftsman
Trade for their skills
Land for the dispossessed
Rights for the weak
Voices to plead the cause
Of those who can't speak

*God of the poor, friend of the weak
Give us compassion we pray
Melt our cold hearts, let tears fall like rain
Come, change our love, from a spark to a
flame*

Post Communion Prayer

Eternal God, giver of love and
power,
your Son Jesus Christ has sent us
into all the world
to preach the gospel of his
kingdom:
confirm us in this mission,
and help us to live the good news
we proclaim;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Refuge from cruel wars
Havens from fear
Cities for sanctuary
Freedoms to share
Peace to the killing-fields
Scorched earth to green
Christ for the bitterness
His cross for the pain

God of the poor...

Rest for the ravaged earth
Oceans and streams
Plundered and poisoned
Our future, our dreams
Lord, end our madness
Carelessness, greed
Make us content with
The things that we need

Lighten our darkness
Breathe on this flame
Until your justice
Burns brightly again
Until the nations
Learn of your ways
Seek your salvation
And bring you their praise

The floodlighting has been sponsored this week by:

The Darracott Family

For Luke's 30th Birthday



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

WORSHIP AND SPIRITUALITY

Tuesday evening Holy Communion: Please note that there will be no service on 6th June (we hope everyone will want to go to Windsor to hear Bishop Steven speak) and 13th (concert).

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:

Tue. 30 th	9.00 – 11.00 am
Weds 31 st	10.00 – midday
Thurs. 1 st June	3.00 – 5.00 pm
Fri. 2 nd	2.00 – 4.00 pm
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.

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 (or online) 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

Christian Aid Week: Thank you to everyone who helped , collected or contributed to Christian Aid week, in spite of the rain. Amount to follow.

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

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 : **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. Last Call. Thanks Kristina

WIDER COMMUNITY

Maidenhead Food Bank: Food share are desperately short of certain supplies. They need Jams, Honey, Peanut Butter, Rice Pudding, soups Canned veg (including potatoes) pasta, rice, toilet paper, 300ml or 500ml water (especially during this time of hot weather).

You can donate directly to the Foodbank at the New Market King St, Sat 9-11am, or via supermarket drop boxes or here in in church.

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

Hymn - Holy Communion

Do not be afraid, for I have redeemed you.

I have called you by your name; you are mine.

When you walk through the waters, I'll be with you.

You will never sink beneath the waves.

Do not be afraid...

When the fire is burning all around you,
you will never be consumed by the flames.

Do not be afraid...

When the fear of loneliness is looming,
then remember I am at your side.

Do not be afraid...

When you dwell in the exile of the stranger,
remember you are precious in my eyes.

Do not be afraid...

You are mine, O my child; I am your Father,
and I love you with a perfect love.

Do not be afraid...

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
- All affected by the Manchester terrorist attacks and those living in fear
- Our Muslim brothers and sisters during Ramadan
- The preparations for the upcoming general election
- 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
- 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 Kidwell Close
- 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, Janet Cheek
- Those who have died recently, and those who mourn them: Peter Seaman, Patricia Kealey, Michael Bruton
- 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, 4th June

Pentecost

8.00 am Holy Communion

10.00 am All Age Holy Communion

President: Revd Sally Lynch

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3.00 pm Seeking Solace

6.00 pm Sundays at Six: Songs of Praise for Pentecost at
the Church of the Good Shepherd

Next week's readings at 10am:

Acts 2. 1-21 John 20. 19-23

Next week's rotas under Duty Warden: Dave Sopp

Readers: Acts: Jean Tyrwhitt-Drake

Intercessor: Stars and Sparks

Elements: Stars and Sparks

Coffee: John and Rita Salter

Welcomers: **8.00 am:** Ann Hockham

10.00 am: Phyl Sopp, Shula Tajima, John Salter,
Rita Salter, *Emma Cameron*

Monday 29th

Office 9.30-11

Tuesday 30th

Office 9.30-11

8.30am

Morning Prayer

5.30pm

Community Meal

7.15pm

Holy Communion

8.00pm

PCC Standing Committee

Wednesday 31st

Office 9.30-11

8.30am

Morning Prayer

10.00 am

Holy Communion

Thursday 1st June

Office closed

8.30am

Morning Prayer

5.00pm

Evening Prayer

Friday 2nd

Office closed

8.30am

Morning Prayer

5.00 pm

Evening Prayer

Saturday 3rd

9.00am

Morning Prayer

7.30pm

St Luke's Festival Orchestra Concert

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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