



St. Luke's Church, Maidenhead

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Week commencing: 29th April 2018

Easter 4



WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP

8.00am Holy Communion

10.00am Parish Communion

President: Revd. Sally Lynch

Preacher: Revd. Sally Lynch

**6.00pm Sundays at Six : Taize Service at
Church of the Good Shepherd**

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

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 Easter 3

A Reading from the Book of Acts

An angel of the Lord said to Philip, 'Get up and go towards the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza.' (This is a wilderness road.) So he got up and went. Now there was an Ethiopian eunuch, a court official of the Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, in charge of her entire treasury. He had come to Jerusalem to worship and was returning home; seated in his chariot, he was reading the prophet Isaiah. Then the Spirit said to Philip, 'Go over to this chariot and join it.' So Philip ran up to it and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah. He asked, 'Do you understand what you are reading?' He replied, 'How can I, unless someone guides me?' And he invited Philip to get in and sit beside him. Now the passage of the scripture that he was reading was this:

'Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter,
and like a lamb silent before its shearer,
so he does not open his mouth.

In his humiliation justice was denied him.

Who can describe his generation?

For his life is taken away from the earth.'

The eunuch asked Philip, 'About whom, may I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?' Then Philip began to speak, and starting with this scripture, he proclaimed to him the good news about Jesus. As they were going along the road, they came to some water; and the eunuch said, 'Look, here is water! What is to prevent me from being baptized?' He commanded the chariot to stop, and both of them, Philip and the eunuch, went down into the water, and Philip baptized him. When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord snatched Philip away; the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing. But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he was passing through the region, he proclaimed the good news to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.

Acts 8.26-40

A Reading from the Gospel of John

Jesus said to his disciples: 'I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine-grower. He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers;

such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples

John 15. 1-8

Collect

Almighty God,
who through your only-begotten Son
Jesus Christ
have overcome death and opened to us
the gate of everlasting life:
grant that, as by your grace going before
us
you put into our minds good desires,
so by your continual help
we may bring them to good effect;
through Jesus Christ our risen Lord.

Post Communion

Eternal God,
whose Son Jesus Christ is the way,
the truth, and the life:
grant us to walk in his way,
to rejoice in his truth,
and to share his risen life;
who is alive and reigns, now and for
ever.

Hymns

P:	sht	Here I am to worship
G:	sht	You are the vine
O:	sht	You're the word of God the father
HC:	sht	Love is his word
	sht	Let there be love shared among us
R:	sht	Sing of the Lord's goodness



**BROTHERS AND SISTERS
IN CHRIST**

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: our next Messy Church is on Friday 4th May with the theme of Moses. From 3.30 pm, All welcome.

Holy Communion: Please note there will be no Holy Communion services on Tuesday 1st and Wednesday 2nd May, nor Morning or Evening Prayer due to the diocesan clergy conference.

Mini Teaching series– Inspiring Music in Worship: Inspiring Music in Worship (rather than the CofE as advertised) which Adam will lead. There are five sessions and four calendared so the last will be 17th May. Started on Thursday 12th April for 5 weeks.

Berkshire Exploring Vocations Group: Open to all exploring God's call on their lives and seeking to understand how to respond. These sessions will offer the opportunity to meet others on the same journey, to reflect on aspects of ministering in the Church of England and to explore a topic in group discussion. Each Session is standalone. Facilitated by the Berkshire Vocations team. For more details and to book visit https://bevg_search_scriptures.eventbrite.co.uk. The next date will be Tuesday 12th June. Do speak to Revd Sally too if you would like to book.

INFORMATION

Baptism anniversary party: The baptism anniversary party will not take place on 20th May but a special children's event is planned for the summer.

Community Hall Caretaker: We are looking for a part-time caretaker for St Luke's community hall. Duties include unlocking and locking, showing potential users around and day to day cleaning and basic maintenance. For more details see poster at back of church.

SOCIAL and FUNDRAISING

Ladies Breakfast: The next Ladies Breakfast is on Saturday 5th May, 8.45am-10.30am. The theme is 'My Favourite Things', tickets are £5 and are available now.

Local Community Fund: A reminder that in 2018 the Co-op makes a donation to St Luke's on own brand goods for members. The first instalment of £425.35 has been received. Don't forget to join if you shop there.

Community meal: On the last Tuesday of every month from 5.30pm–6.30pm in the Fellowship area of church, everyone is welcome.

Seated Stretch and Breathe: Weekly Friday Morning Stretch and Breathe from 10.15 am to 12 noon - 45 minute weekly sessions followed by refreshments - optional). The cost is £35 for 5 sessions (taken over a seven-week period to allow for life) or £9 per single session. For more information contact Paula Clayton 07843016641. Email: paula@theapplestudio.eu

Revd Richard Coles: will speak on 'Doing God in a godless(ish) world, on Tuesday 8th May at 8pm at Maidenhead Synagogue. An evening organised by the Berkshire Council of Christians and Jews. Tickets are £5 each must be purchased in advance by sending a cheque to 'Maidenhead Synagogue' with a note giving your name and email (to confirm receipt) It is expected that the event will be wildly oversubscribed so do book as soon as possible.

The task group scheduled for that evening will be moved to the following week .

WAMCF Women's Group: Monday 21st May, 7.30pm-9.00pm, here at St Lukes Church. Speaker: Revd Sally Lynch– a pilgrimage to Ethiopia. Ladies of all faiths and none are welcome at all meetings with refreshments and speakers. For more details speak to Revd Sally.

CHRISTIAN AID NEWS

Please make a note of these dates in your diary, and come along:

Christian Aid Week is 13th –19th May, 2018

Coffee Morning: Saturday 12th May 2018 @ High Street Methodist Church
10.00 am - 12.00 noon

Christian Aid Service: Sunday 13th May 2018 @ 6.00 pm

St. Peter's Church, Furze Platt, Maidenhead

(All are invited both collectors and parishioners)

If anyone wishes to come to the Quiz Night but their own church is not making up a Team for the Quiz Night, come anyway and we'll fit you into a Team that can use your expertise.

For the Coffee Morning, all donations of Cakes or other baked goods, jams, marmalade, chutneys or even early garden produce are welcome.

Do come and support Christian Aid by joining us for a morning coffee/tea.

Song Recital: There will be a song recital, 'Early one Morning' by Ruth Shepard and Adam Went in Church on Sunday, May 13th at 3pm. The programme will be of British Song, including those by Vaughan Williams, John Ireland and

others. Tickets, available in Church or at the door at £5, will include a cream tea afterwards.

Contactors: Thank you to those who were able to make our recent meeting. Our next meeting will be lunch on Sunday 4th November (please note this has moved forward a week).

Sue has given all contactors a list of names and contactors so that we can support each other. You will all have your own lists soon – please keep them secure and confidential. You might like to make initial / reminder contact with all your contactees, the summer events flyer is a good way in. Please also do remember to return your bi-monthly sheets of contact made to Sue.

There is an evening of pastoral training that you might like to join: Ss Stephen & St Agnes church, Vansittart Road, Windsor is hosting a pastoral visiting training session on Wednesday 16th May. The session starts at 8pm sharp with refreshments available from 7.30pm in church. The session will be led by Revd Charles Chadwick, who is a Parish Development Adviser at the Diocese. There is limited parking available at the church. All are welcome but names need to be sent to Lisa Stone, lisalamberti@hotmail.co.uk by May 10th. do book direct if you'd like to go – and just let Sue or Sally know that you are going.

May Fair: Our Summer Fair takes place on 19th May from 2.00pm - 5.00pm. Please give raffle prices to Sonya, there will be boxes in church from May but if you wish to bring items before hand please put these in the Food-share cupboard. There is also a sign up sheet on the table at the back of church. ANY HELP that you may be able to offer will be greatly appreciated. Further information from Sonya.

Contributions needed for a Royal themed Raffle : Store Vouchers, Pot Plant, Chocolates, Toiletries, Books, Gift Boxed China. Other items would be Considered. All donations need to be of a high standard.

Cake, Produce & Plant Stalls: Home Made always sells well, jams, marmalade, pickles etc. Plants either for the garden or indoor.

Create a Royal Hat: Old hats to refashion, items such as artificial flowers, ribbon, anything that can be used to create a millinery masterpiece!

Royal Card Tombola and General Tombola: Anything of good quality can be donated, Toiletries, China, Jewellery, Candles, etc:

for the Royal Card Tombola, these gifts will be wrapped therefore making this stall a 'blind win'

Bottle Stall: Bottles of Wine, Beer, Spirits (if possible) Cans of drink, Bottles containing liquid soap, shampoo etc.

A note from Jill Bevitt:

Our family were overwhelmed by the kindness and thoughts extended to us regarding Roger's funeral by the family of St Luke. It would be wrong to single out individuals and we have received glowing reports from our friends who attended regarding the beautiful floral arrangements, the superb catering, the meditative services which portrayed Roger's life within the Christian community and the support we received at this difficult time. A friendly welcome by folks was also mentioned. A very touching send off Roger for all of your dearest and nearest to remember. Thank you all.

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, and our year of mission.
- Our celebration of the Easter Season
- A deeper desire to read God's Word
- Elliot and Madeleine, celebrating their first wedding anniversary
- The Orthodox and Anglican church in Ethiopia and especially the work of FACE (Friends of the Anglican Church in Ethiopia)
- Lucy, who was baptised here recently
- Those whose anniversary of baptism fall in April: Poppy and Zac Wood,
- Alicea Warren, Hendrix and Hunter Le Tissier-Gallagher, Oliver and Isobel Bolton, Sophie Hughes, Jasper Craig, Arthur Marshall-Pullin, Charlotte Reay
- All those who live and work in Norfolk Park Cottages
- The sick and those who care for them: Nick Morris, Ben Francis, Stephen Sands, Tim Williams, John Francis, Sheila Tallent, Rose Dolan, Hans-Jürgen Frinzel
- Those who died recently, and those who mourn them:
Roger Bevitt, Mary Perry, Diana Philips, Elsie Cummings, Pamela Neville
- Those whose anniversary of death falls in April: John Rogers, Lilian Vizard, Edgar Walford, Anthony Wright, Fiona Nunn, John Quinn, Anna Meredith, Penelope Lawrence, Rex Hugo, Leonard Reynolds, Audry Eggleton, Paul Hill, Arthur Harris, Lesley Griffiths, Myra Ford, Brian King, Ernest Gammon, David Sherwood, Philip Agnew, Peter Brown

This week at St. Luke's-

Everyone is welcome to all our services and activities

Monday 30th April

Office open 9.30—11.30 am

Tuesday 1st May

5.30pm Community meal

Office open 9.30—11.30 am

Wednesday 2nd May

3.00pm Prayer Meeting

Office open 9.30—11.30 am

Thursday 3rd May

8.30am Morning Prayer

Office closed

5.00pm Evening Prayer

8.00 pm Inspiring Music in Worship

Friday 4th May

Office closed

10.15am Stretch and Breathe

3.30pm Messy Church

Saturday 5th May

8.45am Ladies Breakfast



Sunday, 6th May 2018 Easter 5

8.00am Holy Communion

10.00am All Age Holy Communion

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6.00pm: Sundays at Six: Evensong and Benediction at All Saints

Next weeks readings at 10am

Acts 10 .44-48 John 15. 9-17

Next week's rota under Duty Warden: Johanna Raffan

Reader: Acts: Hilary Murwisi **Intercessor:** Stars and Sparks

Acolytes: Shula Tajima, Michael Masango

Elements: Kristina, Chris Smith, Isla and Scarlett

Chalice: Ian Gilchrist, Sue Hinchliffe

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

Coffee: Ian and Jan Gilchrist

Welcomers: 8.00 am Ann Hockham

10.00am: John and Rita Salter, Chris, Kristina, Isla and Scarlett

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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