



## St. Luke's Church, Maidenhead

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**Week commencing: 29th October 2017**  
**Bible Sunday**

### WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP

**8.00 am Holy Communion**

**10.00 am Word Service for Bible Sunday**

Officiant: Ministry Team

**6.00pm Sundays at Six: Meditative Evening Worship**  
at All Saints Church

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 community hall.

#### **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 in the community hall and there is a portaloo behind the porch

... 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](mailto: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 Bible Sunday: A Reading from the Book of Isaiah

The LORD says this:

Everyone who thirsts,  
come to the waters;  
and you that have no money,  
come, buy and eat!  
Come, buy wine and milk  
without money and without price.  
Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread,  
and your labour for that which does not satisfy?  
Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good,  
and delight yourselves in rich food.  
Incline your ear, and come to me;  
listen, so that you may live.  
I will make with you an everlasting covenant,  
my steadfast, sure love for David.  
See, I made him a witness to the peoples,  
a leader and commander for the peoples.  
See, you shall call nations that you do not know,  
and nations that do not know you shall run to you,  
because of the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel,  
for he has glorified you.

Seek the LORD while he may be found,  
call upon him while he is near;  
let the wicked forsake their way,  
and the unrighteous their thoughts;  
let them return to the LORD, that he may have mercy on them,  
and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.  
For my thoughts are not your thoughts,  
nor are your ways my ways, says the LORD.  
For as the heavens are higher than the earth,  
so are my ways higher than your ways  
and my thoughts than your thoughts.

For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven,  
and do not return there until they have watered the earth,  
making it bring forth and sprout,  
giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater,  
so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth;  
it shall not return to me empty,  
but it shall accomplish that which I purpose,  
and succeed in the thing for which I sent it.

Isaiah 55.1-11

## **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 recovery 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.’ All spoke well of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his mouth. They said, ‘Is not this Joseph’s son?’ He said to them, ‘Doubtless you will quote to me this proverb, “Doctor, cure yourself!” And you will say, “Do here also in your home town the things that we have heard you did at Capernaum.”’ And he said, ‘Truly I tell you, no prophet is accepted in the prophet’s home town. But the truth is, there were many widows in Israel in the time of Elijah, when the heaven was shut up for three years and six months, and there was a severe famine over all the land; yet Elijah was sent to none of them except to a widow at Zarephath in Sidon. There were also many lepers in Israel in the time of the prophet Elisha, and none of them was cleansed except Naaman the Syrian.’ When they heard this, all in the synagogue were filled with rage. They got up, drove him out of the town, and led him to the brow of the hill on which their town was built, so that they might hurl him off the cliff. But he passed through the midst of them and went on his way.

*Luke 4.14-30*

### **Collect**

Blessed Lord,  
who caused all holy Scriptures to be  
written for our learning;  
help us so to hear them,  
to read, mark, learn and inwardly digest  
them  
that, through patience, and the comfort  
of your holy word,  
we may embrace and for ever hold fast  
the hope of everlasting life,  
which you have given us in our Saviour  
Jesus Christ,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

### **Post Communion Prayer**

God of all grace,  
your Son Jesus Christ fed the  
hungry  
with the bread of his life  
and the word of his kingdom:  
renew your people with your  
heavenly grace,  
and in all our weakness  
sustain us by your true and living  
bread;  
who is alive and reigns, now and  
for ever.

## **RE-ORDERING UPDATE/ IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

**Please note that the church is now out of action during the day** except Sunday services, Morning and Evening Prayer, Tuesday evening 7.15pm Holy Communion, Thursday evening Teaching series. On Wednesday 1st November the morning communion services **WILL NOT** take place but we will be back to normal the following week . The office will still be contactable by phone, or in person by appointment only. The prayer area will be available before and after services only.

### **Progress Report– Week 10**

We are nearly there, the decorating is now finished, all three toilets are all in and the carpet is down. There is still some electrical work to be completed in the kitchen area as the new electric shutter needs to be wired into the fire alarm system. The doors on the new server's robe cupboard need to be completed with lock and lower running rail. Once these and some minor snagging work has been completed it is hoped that the architect will sign the area off, so we can then take possession of it and move furniture in.

The old cleaning cupboard has now been extended and re-configured to become the flower cupboard.

The screens have been removed from the Memorial Chapel as part of the work to restore this to its original size. One of these screens will be used to boundary the prayer area on the north aisle.

Work has commenced at the rear of church with the installation of the servery and cupboards. The cupboards for the north/east of the church will be delivered and installed next week.

**The rear of church is now designated as a building site and is therefore not accessible.**



The floodlighting has been sponsored this week by:

The Darracott Family



*In celebration of Brian's 70th Birthday*

**What's happening...? See below, and check out our website too**  
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## **WORSHIP AND SPIRITUALITY**

**Quiet day:** A reminder of the pre-Advent Quiet Day on **Saturday 18th November**, from 10.15 am until 4.00 pm at Ascot Priory. Cost £7.50 pp. The sign up sheet for this has disappeared, please sign up again. Sorry!

**Choir at Christmas:** Christmas is coming and the choir are expanding – that is, in terms of numbers rather than their waistbands!! We are looking for additional choir members over the Christmas period, especially for men who can sing either tenor or bass. You must have a basic music literacy and able to attend choir practices on a Friday in Church between 8pm and 9:15pm. If you are interested, please call Adam on 01753 643974 or Ruth via the Office.

**Pools of Stillness:** Wednesday 8th November, 8.15pm a time of peace and reflection. Followed by Compline at 9.15pm.

**Holy Land Pilgrimage:** a reminder that Revd. Sally is leading a pilgrimage to the Holy Land from 2nd – 11th October 2018. If you would like details of this amazing opportunity please speak to Sally or take a flyer from church. If you have shown interest could you please let Sally know if you'd like a place in the group. Thank you.

**Mini teaching series:** What do Christians believe? Everyone is warmly invited to the last session, on Thursday 2nd November at 8.00 pm, in church: what about suffering?

**Messy Church:** Our final two sessions of Messy Church this year are on Saturday 4th November (theme: parable of the bridesmaids) and Friday 1st December (theme: light). Everyone is warmly invited to join this family and child centred time of craft, simple worship and a two course tea. 3.30 – 5.30 pm. £1 per person. This week in the community hall. Please do come along – and tell others too!

**Memorial service:** our annual service at which we remember and give thanks for all those we have loved and lost is next Sunday (5th November) at 4.00 pm in church, followed by tea. If you would like the names of any loved ones read out please add them to the list in church, or email the office.

## **SOCIAL and FUNDRAISING**

**Charities Fair, This coming Saturday, 4 November:** We have a stall at the Combined Charities Fair and I am hoping that people will have some jams, chutneys, pickles, lemon curd etc. to donate for sale. I shall make Christmas cakes. We usually manage to raise about £300.00 for general fund, which makes it well worth the effort. Items can be brought to me at your convenience before the event and if you are able to offer help with pricing and labelling before the day or on the Friday evening or Saturday, please let me know. T: 783618. Sally Somerville.

**Social afternoon- flower demonstration:** Rita Salter will be giving a demonstration of Christmas / winter flower arrangements, followed by tea and cake, on Thursday 23rd November, in church. Tickets are £5 and available now. The arrangements will be raffled during the afternoon. Come and see how to make your own and enjoy an afternoon of fellowship too.

**Auction of Promises:** at our patronal family afternoon last Sunday we were invited to make simple pledges for an Auction of Promises to be held in November. If you were not there and would like to add a pledge there are forms at the back of church to complete and return to the folder on the table. Please make your pledge by 5th November. Thank you.

**Chocoholics and Coffee Evening:** Thursday November 16th, 7.30 pm at 30 Mallow Park. To raise money for two local charities - People to Places and Alzheimer's Dementia Support, I am having a coffee evening with all sorts of chocolate novelties on sale. Prices range from 20p tree decorations to large lush boxes of beautifully packaged chocolates. Everyone is welcome and I have chocolate catalogues available for anyone who would like to pre-order. Ann Burdett (631486)

**Sheep...** we plan to send our knitted nativity round the parish as usual during Advent. We usually send a flock of knitted sheep and invite families to keep and house a sheep from the flock. Our flock needs to breed so if you are able to knit a sheep or two before the end of November, please do. Patterns are available from the back of church, or use your own - all sheep are individuals!

**Moonlight Walk:** 1st, 4th, 5th or 6th November: let us know now which dates you could come. Having missed out on the Harvest Moon, we hope to have a walk of about 3m. with some hills around the time of the full Hunters Moon (and other nearer bright lights in the sky), starting from Cookham Dean at 7.15pm on one of these dates. Park near the church opposite the Jolly Farmer (GR871851) and bring a torch. All are welcome. If you are interested please let us know by 30th October latest, what dates you could come and, having considered the weather forecast, we will let you know on which date the walk will take place. Roger & Jilly T.633464

**Christmas Tree Festival:** it's that time again! Our CTF this year is from **8th – 10th December** and to make it the greatest success we need everyone on board! If you, you family, business, charity, someone you know, would like to sponsor and decorate a tree please contact the parish office for details and a form. More details of help needed will be coming soon, for now please save the dates, put aside some time when you can help to staff the church and think about how you might help with publicity.

**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 re-ordering of the church, for forbearance during the work to take place, and fundraising / grant applications
- The Kori project in Sierra Leone and all those involved
- Those whose anniversary of baptism fall in October: Willow Brudenall Taya-Macie Davies-Elsbury, Dylan Darienzo, Georgia Percival, Lily Jones, Amelia-Lilly Caldwell-Brudenall
- For Russell and Susan married here recently
- All those who live and work in Harrow 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
- Those whose anniversary of death falls in October: Thomas Yates, Eileen Rance Albert Harvey, Ruth Roberts, Marian Brooks, Walter Suckling, Phyllis Clayden, Vera Swadling, Albert Harris, Ernest Philips, Royston Woodruff, Frederick Williamson, Gilbert McKenna, Molly Lewis, Roy Baldry, Joyce Wilkins, Ivy Sparks, June Wells, Barbara Prior, Michael Adamson, Vera Velvick, Alice Webb, Bessie Molin, Malcom Gavin, David Garnett, Richard Burrows, Rennie Jones, Gordon Harnby

### **Flower arrangers**

Father, we thank you for all those who week by week arrange flowers in this place. We thank you that, through their sensitivity, the church is decorated to the glory of God in times of joy and in times of sorrow. May we never take for granted the gift of time and creativity given by all in this ministry.

**Amen**



## Next Sunday, 5th November

### All Saints Sunday

8.00 am Holy Communion

10.00 am All Age Holy Communion

President: Revd Sally Lynch

Preacher: Revd Nicola Hulks

12.00 noon Baptism of Lilian Pyrke

4.00pm Memorial Service, followed by tea, here

### Next week's readings at 10am:

I John 3.1-3 Matt 5. 1-12

**Next week's rotas under Duty Warden:** Dave Sopp

**Reader: NT:** Ben Darracott

**Intercessor:** Stars and Sparks **Chalice:** Shula Tajima and Tony Lane

**Acolytes:** Nicola Buckland and Mikaela

**Server:** Ralph Hinchliffe **Crucifer:** Roger Clarke

**Elements:** Ann and Ben Darracott

**Coffee:** Dorothy Strack-Hankey, Sally Somerville, Joan Harnby

**Welcomers: 8.00 am:** Ann Hockham

**10.00 am:** John and Rita Salter, Rebecca Bryant,  
Garth, Dina and family

## Monday 30th October

*Office open*

9.30—11.00 am

### Tuesday 31st

8.30 pm Morning Prayer

*Office open*

7.15 pm Holy Communion

### Wednesday 1st Nov

8.30 am Morning Prayer

9.30—11.00 am

*Office open*

NO Holy Communion

9.30—11.00 am

3.00pm Prayer meeting

### Thursday 2nd

8.30 am Morning Prayer

*Office closed*

5.00 pm Evening Prayer

8.00 pm Teaching series

### Friday 3rd

8.30 am Morning Prayer

*Office closed*

5.00 pm Evening Prayer

### Saturday 4th

9.00 am Morning Prayer

3.30pm-5.30pm Messy Church

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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