

St. Luke's Church, Maidenhead

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Week Commencing: 23rd June, Trinity 4

This week we have a 10.00am Parish Communion with activity available for children. All are warmly invited to worship with us. It is also the **Not the Summer Fair Day!** Rather than try to have a summer fair with all the associated time and no guaranteed crowd (!) for the second year we are having a *Not the Summer Fair* day! There will be a special collection in the Sunday service to which you are invited to give what you might have spent on preparing for, or at a summer fair. We will also have a bring and share lunch at midday – please do stay or come along for this if you can – ALL ages welcome – and at 1pm Christina Brugger will give a flute recital. Following this we will serve tea and scones (both, for a donation). Do come along!

The Collect

O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that with you as our ruler and guide we may so pass through things temporal that we lose not our hold on things eternal; grant this, heavenly Father, for our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion Prayer

Eternal God, comfort of the afflicted and healer of the broken, you have fed us at the table of life and hope: teach us the ways of gentleness and peace, that all the world may acknowledge the kingdom of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

First Reading

¹As we work together with Christ, we urge you also not to accept the grace of God in vain. ²For he says, 'At an acceptable time I have listened to you, and on a day of salvation I have helped you.' See, now is the acceptable time; see, now is the day of salvation! ³We are putting no obstacle in anyone's way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, ⁴but as servants of God we have commended ourselves in every way: through great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, ⁵beatings, imprisonments, riots, labours, sleepless nights, hunger; ⁶by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, holiness of spirit, genuine love, ⁷truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; ⁸in honour and dishonour, in ill repute and good repute. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; ⁹as unknown, and yet are well known; as dying, and see – we are alive; as punished, and yet not killed; ¹⁰as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing everything. ¹¹We have spoken frankly to you Corinthians; our heart is wide open to you. ¹²There is no restriction in our affections, but only in yours. ¹³In return – I speak as to children – open wide your hearts also.

Gospel Reading

³⁵When evening had come, Jesus said to his disciples, 'Let us go across to the other side.' ³⁶And leaving the crowd behind, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. Other boats were with him. ³⁷A great gale arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that the boat was already being swamped. ³⁸But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion; and they woke him up and said to him, 'Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?' ³⁹He woke up and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, 'Peace! Be still!' Then the wind ceased, and there was a dead calm. ⁴⁰He said to them, 'Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?' ⁴¹And they were filled with great awe and said to one another, 'Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?' *Mark 4.35-end*

Sunday's Hymns:

621	Dear Lord and father of mankind
324	Jesus calls us o'er the tumult
768	Put thou thy trust in God
823	Who would true valour see

Thought for the week

Everyday life can be tough. Jesus' disciples were used to the storms that blew up on the lake, but they were still afraid and called out to him to help – they had



already seen his power at work in the world so they knew he could 'rescue' them. The Christians in Corinth were facing all kinds of opposition and suffering. St. Paul was also suffering for his faith but he wrote to encourage them to keep going.

Underpinning all of the troubles of life is the grace and love of God, symbolised most originally in the rainbow. This photo was taken a few weeks ago — on a Sunday evening after a long and full week, when I was tired and fed up with the then almost constant rain — and its beauty lifted my spirits and reminded me that however I feel, God is still there, and cares deeply for every part of creation.

Prayer suggestions for this week:

- For a renewed commitment to the ministry and mission of all church members, and to prayer for the church, the world, and all people.
- For those standing for election as MPs for integrity and kindness
- For the implementation of our new Mission Action Plan.
- For our Summer Holiday Arts Project.
- For the people of Israel and Palestine, for an end to the violence there and for strength for all those who are suffering loss and fear.
- For our sisters and brothers in the Jewish and Muslim communities of our own town.
- For the King and the Princess of Wales as they are treated for cancer
- For peace in Ukraine and Russia, and of Sudan, and also in Armenia and Ethiopia.
- For our ministry with children and families.
- For a new church music leader.
- For all those who live and work in Donnington Gardens
- For all those whose anniversary of baptism falls in June: Demi-Lea Brudenall, Summer-Lea Brudenall, Emily Reay, Jesse Linley- Barker, Declan Pyrke.
- The sick and their carers: Monica Olley, Ann Hockham, Valerie Bosley, Pat Botting, Phyllis Sigsworth, Lorraine, Olu Rowe, Bridget Morris, Albert Murray, Lucy Young, Pat Brooks, Emily Buckwell, Jacqueline Lewis, Angela Baldwin.
- Those who have died recently, and those who mourn them
- Those whose anniversary of death falls in June: Hazel Birch, Doreen Shields, Evelyn Allaway,
 Margaret Gammon, Alec Judd, Enid Barber, Johanna Raffan, Gerry Knight.

Readings for Morning Prayer for the week beginning Sunday 23rd June 2024:

Sunday	Psalm 48	1 Samuel 12	Mark 6.1-32
Monday	Psalm 116	Ecclesiasticus 48.1-10	Luke 3.1-20
Tuesday	Psalm 89.1-1	l8 Judges 14	Luke 18.1-14
Wednesday	Psalm 119.105-128 Judges 15.1-16.3		Luke 18.15-30
Thursday	Psalm 92	Judges 16.4-end	Luke 18.31-end
Friday	Psalm 88	Judges 17	Luke 19.1-10
Saturday	Psalm 139	Ezekiel 3.4-11	Acts 11.1-18

Rotas for next week Sunday 30th June: Trinity 5

Read: Neil Maclean Intercede: Dorothy Strack-Hankey

Welcomers: Jacqueline, Kim and Shula Chalice: Ruth

Coffee: Kate and Sally S

Our church is floodlit at night.

This week the flood lighting has been sponsored by:

Nicola and Jane Buckland

For Jamie's 50th birthday on Tuesday 25th June

To sponsor the floodlighting please fill in the form at the back of church or email: admin@stlukeschurchmaidenhead.org.uk The donation for weekly sponsorship is £15.



What's on.... This week:

Sunday 23rd June 10.00am, Parish Communion

Not the Summer Fair day, Bring and share lunch and 1pm Flute recital

Tuesday 25th 8.30am, Morning prayer on zoom

7.00pm, WAMCF dialogue, Maidenhead Synagogue Grenfell Lodge, Ray Park Road

7.30 pm Hustings, High Street Methodist church

Wednesday 26th 8.30am, Morning prayer on zoom

10.00am, Holy Communion

Thursday 27th 8.30am, Morning prayer, on zoom

9.30am, Baby and Toddler group, in Church

3.00pm, Gaynor's Gifts

Friday 28th 8.30am, Morning prayer on zoom

5.00pm, Evening prayer, on zoom

Saturday 29th 9.00am, Morning prayer, on zoom

Sunday 30th 10.00am, Parish Communion

Sundays at Six: All Services are at 6.00pm Zoom link: use Sunday morning or as specified above

7 th July	Evensong and Benediction, at All Saints
21 st July	Prayer walk on Ray Mill Island, led by St. Luke's

Coming up...

A reminder that our next **monthly lunch at the Toby Carvery at Braywick** will be on Thursday, 27th June at 12.00. Please contact Jean T-D on (01628 626671)k or jeant-d2@ outlook.com for further information. Look forward to seeing you then.

Messy Church our Messy church dates are as follows: 5th July, 6th September, 4th October, 1st November, 29th November

Bible study: our journey exploring together Matthew's gospel continues again soon. All warmly invited from 8-9pm, in church. 3rd, 10th, 24th July.

Recital by students of Andrew Gallacher, and Gabrielle Doublein. Come to St Luke's Church on **Saturday, 6 July** at 1pm to hear and support local young pianists ranging from early to advanced levels. Repertoire to include Mozart, Chopin, Bach, Schubert, and jazz pieces. There will also be solo piano performances by the teachers themselves. Join us for an afternoon of music making!

Quiet Day, Saturday 20th July. We have booked St. Katharine's Retreat Centre at Parmoor for a quiet day from 10 am - 3.30 pm. All are warmly invited to come along for a day or reflection and rest. Cost £20 pp (max) and bring a packed lunch. If you have never been to a quiet day why not try it – ask Sally, Phyl, Jeanette or Barbara to tell you more. Please sign up in church.

More than sparrows, 20th - 24th August.

This all age Arts Project will be a great chance to welcome in the community and share together. We will have crafts for all ages to do together, as well as games, snack time and quiet reflection. If you are able to offer any time to help, or have craft skills to share, please email Revd. Sally or sign up in church.

Looking further ahead:

Save the dates....

Saturday 7th September: Garden Party

Friday 13^{th/} Sat 14th September: Heritage weekend

Friday 18th October, 7.30 pm, A Time to Mourn, A Time to Dance, Dance production, here

Sunday 20th October afternoon: the Johanna Raffan Memorial Lecture.

Tuesday 20th – Saturday 25th August: Summer Holiday Arts project for all ages.

Welcomers meeting: thanks to everyone who serves as a welcomer. You are invited to a short meeting after church on Sunday 28th July to chat over how you find the role and any safeguarding needs. Do put the date in your diaries.



SAVE THE DATE - Saturday 14 September WHY? It's the annual Ride & Stride event! This national event happens every year across the country, and is a great way to raise funds for the support of our historic churches.

Any mode of transport is fine – you could walk, cycle, ride: simply choose a route and find lots of sponsorship from all your friends and family

More details will be provided closer to the event from your local co-ordinator (Peter Goford) or from the BHCT Ride & Stride website http://www.berkschurchestrust.org.uk/ride-and-stride

At St. Luke's we will combine this with the Heritage Open weekend – see above...

The General Election... a message from Bishop Steven...

Together with my fellow bishops, I am inviting you and your communities, as voters and citizens, to Pray your Part in this season of change. Pray your Part is a 21-day journey of prayer and reflection, designed for use in the days running up to the polling stations opening, beginning on 14 June. The world and our nation face deep and serious challenges. Pray your Part will explore these themes with a short Bible reading, reflection and prayer for different aspects of our shared lives. They will be available as a free download or as a booklet, available to purchase online. Booklets ordered by 7 June will be delivered in time to be used from 14 June.

Our Regular activities:

The 8.00 Holy Communion service will continue to be monthly, on the 2nd Sunday.

Midweek Holy Communion is at 10 am weekly, followed by coffee

Baby and Toddler group meets on Thursdays, 9.30 – 11.00 am term time only. We meet in church. **Messy Church** continues on the first (usually) Friday, monthly, 4-5.30pm. Next is 5th July 2024 admin@stlukeschurchmaidenhead.org.uk to book a place.

Keeping Company is our monthly meeting for those bereaved (at any time). Third Thursday at 3pm, in church. The next is 18th July

Thursday Teas meets in the community hall offering tea, cake and conversation. Second Thursdays monthly, 1.30 pm. Next is 11th July

Thursday Lunches meets fourth Thursday of the month, usually at the Toby Cavery but please contact Jean Tyrwhitt-Drake on <u>Jeant-d2@outlook.com</u> for further details.

Gaynor's Gift is a prayer shawl knitting ministry that anyone can take part in at home. We meet together monthly to pray, knit and drink tea. 4th Thursdays monthly. Next is 27th June



Sadly the inhouse seating was booked by Monday of this week. However we are now streaming the whole event online as well. If you click to attend the online event, you will have opportunity to send in a question: The link for the online/submit question sign up page is:

https://methodistmaidenhead.churchsuite.com/events/fbmxuy5l





A good harvest ahead! During the All Age Sunday service in May we talked about good fruit and making good and kind choices. The children planted slices of cherry tomatoes in compost. The seeds sprouted and the new plants are doing well. Fruit to share is on its way!



The Interfaith Group in the Royal Borough of Windsor & Maidenhead



Join in the Dialogue at Maidenhead Synagogue Grenfell Lodge, Ray Park Rd, SL6 8QX

'What is self-worth and is it important?'

Tuesday 25th June 2024 7pm - 830pm followed by refreshments



PLENTY OF FREE CAR PARKING SPACE

FREE ADMISSION & REFRESHMENTS

Please note that for all Zoom services the links below are being used:

Sunday Morning Worship:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87358197400?pwd=MTFxVINad1R6NEl6cVZ6TVJ5bGlzdz09

Meeting ID: 873 5819 7400 Passcode: 526076

Zoom Morning Prayer at 8.30 am Tuesday – Friday, 9 am Saturday https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81459090925?pwd=Y2hKZkFYZ04zbGZBd1 BHcmlldU5Hdz09

Meeting ID: 814 5909 0925 Passcode: 180609

Zoom Evening Prayer at 5pm on Fridays (except first Friday)
https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85378796960?pwd=dUNTTnRZVFJBY2xiS3
QyVHJYZ1BaZz09 Meeting ID: 853 7879 6960

Passcode: 386635