St. Luke's Church, Maidenhead



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Week Commencing: 30th June, Trinity 5

This week we have a 10.00am Parish Communion with activity available for children. All are warmly invited to worship with us.

Thank you to everyone who made a donation on our Not the Summer Fair Day last week. We wait to hear the total raised.

The Collect

Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of the Church is governed and sanctified: hear our prayer which we offer for all your faithful people, that in their vocation and ministry they may serve you in holiness and truth to the glory of your name; through our Lord and 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

Grant, O Lord, we beseech you, that the course of this world may be so peaceably ordered by your governance, that your Church may joyfully serve you in all godly quietness; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

First Reading

⁷You excel in everything – in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in utmost eagerness, and in our love for you – so we want you to excel also in this generous undertaking. ⁸I do not say this as a command, but I am testing the genuineness of your love against the earnestness of others. ⁹For you know the generous act of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, so that by his poverty you might become rich. ¹⁰And in this matter I am giving my advice: it is appropriate for you who began last year not only to do something but even to desire to do something – ¹¹now finish doing it, so that your eagerness may be matched by completing it according to your means. ¹²For if the eagerness is there, the gift is acceptable according to what one has – not according to what one does not have. ¹³I do not mean that there should be relief for others and pressure on you, but it is a question of a fair balance between ¹⁴your present abundance and their need, so that their abundance may be for your need, in order that there may be a fair balance. ¹⁵As it is written, 'The one who had much did not have too much, and the one who had little did not have too little.' *2 Corinthians 8.7-end*

Gospel Reading

²¹When Jesus had crossed again in the boat to the other side, a great crowd gathered around him; and he was by the lake. ²²Then one of the leaders of the synagogue named Jairus came and, when he

saw him, ²³fell at his feet and begged him repeatedly, 'My little daughter is at the point of death. Come and lay your hands on her, so that she may be made well, and live.' ²⁴So he went with him.

And a large crowd followed him and pressed in on him. ²⁵Now there was a woman who had been suffering from haemorrhages for twelve years. ²⁶She had endured much under many physicians, and had spent all that she had; and she was no better, but rather grew worse. ²⁷She had heard about Jesus, and came up behind him in the crowd and touched his cloak, ²⁸for she said, 'If I but touch his clothes, I will be made well.' ²⁹Immediately her haemorrhage stopped; and she felt in her body that she was healed of her disease. ³⁰Immediately aware that power had gone forth from him, Jesus turned about in the crowd and said, 'Who touched my clothes?' ³¹And his disciples said to him, 'You see the crowd pressing in on you; how can you say, "Who touched me?''' ³²He looked all around to see who had done it. ³³But the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came in fear and trembling, fell down before him, and told him the whole truth. ³⁴He said to her, 'Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace, and be healed of your disease.'

³⁵While he was still speaking, some people came from the leader's house to say, 'Your daughter is dead. Why trouble the teacher any further?' ³⁶But overhearing what they said, Jesus said to the leader of the synagogue, 'Do not fear, only believe.' ³⁷He allowed no one to follow him except Peter, James, and John, the brother of James. ³⁸When they came to the house of the leader of the synagogue, he saw a commotion, people weeping and wailing loudly. ³⁹When he had entered, he said to them, 'Why do you make a commotion and weep? The child is not dead but sleeping.' ⁴⁰And they laughed at him. Then he put them all outside, and took the child's father and mother and those who were with him, and went in where the child was. ⁴¹He took her by the hand and said to her, 'Talitha cum,' which means, 'Little girl, get up!' ⁴²And immediately the girl got up and began to walk about (she was twelve years of age). At this they were overcome with amazement. ⁴³He strictly ordered them that no one should know this, and told them to give her something to eat. *Mark 5.21-end*

Sunday's Hymns:

- 103 O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness
- 512 Christ's is the world
- 594 Be still my soul
- 451 Just as I am
- 587 Amazing Grace

Thought for the week

You may have seen the picture at the top of our weekly sheet before – this is a close up. The whole painting is a mural on the wall of a chapel at the recently excavated city of Magdala beside the Sea of Galilee. It depicts the story of the women that Jesus healed in Sunday's



gospel reading. The mural take sup about 1/3 of the wall of the circular chapel and us mainly of men's feet and the edges of their prayer shawls. The woman's finger weave through to touch the fringes on Jesus' shawl. Her faith is such that she believes that, although she is not good enough to meet Jesus face to face, just touching his clothing will heal her from the massive burden she has been bearing for years.

And in this close-up we can see that something is happening. A spark is ignited by her simple act of faith. As she draws near to Jesus, his loving healing power, goes out to her.

That same gracious healing deep inside is on offer for each one of us too – we just have to reach out to Jesus – and he will meet our deepest needs. Not always as we expect, but always for our good and for our growth in his love.

Prayer suggestions for this week:

- For the General election, this coming week.
- For those standing for election as MPs for integrity and kindness
- 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 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 Ellington park
- For all those whose anniversary of baptism falls in July: Mason Whittle, George Pankhurst, Noah Cameron, Jack Kirk, Olivia Turner, Harry Raymond, William Sharma, Theo Sharma, Florence Priestley, Bella Edmonds, Clara Crampin, Casper Brudenall, Payton Brudenall, Paisley Brudenall Freddie Bate
- 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 July: Ann Ringer, Diana Bradfield, Siew Kee Bentley, Andrew Ross, Joyce Newman, Ronald Young, Nellie Edwards, Roy Pond, John Rodwell, Robert Roberts, Edward Richardson, Raymond Pullin, Zarina Rowlands

Readings for Morning Prayer for the week beginning Sunday 30th June 2024:

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Sunday	Psalm 56	1 Samuel 17.1-54	Mark 6.53-7.23
Monday	Psalm 98	1 Samuel 1.1-20	Luke 19.28-40
Tuesday	Psalm 106	1 Samuel 1.21-2.11	Luke 19.41-end
Wednesday	Psalm 15	1 Kings 10	2 Thessalonians 3
Thursday	Psalm 115	1 Samuel 2.27-end	Luke 20.9-19
Friday	Psalm 139	1 Samuel 3.1-4.1a	Luke 20.20-26
Saturday	Psalm 121	1 Samuel 4.1b-end	Luke 20.27-40

Rotas for next week Sunday 7th July: All Age Holy Communion

Read: Gospel	Intercede: Preacher
Welcomers: Clare, Helen and Carl	Coffee: Sally S and Kate

Our church is floodlit at night.

This week the flood lighting has not been sponsored

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



What's on.... This week:

Sunday 30th	10.00am, Parish Communion		
Tuesday 2 nd	8.30am, Morning prayer on zoom		
Wednesday 3 rd	^d 8.30am, Morning prayer on zoom		
	10.00am, Holy Communion		
	8.00pm, Bible Study group		
Thursday 4th	8.30am, Morning prayer, on zoom		
	9.30am, Baby and Toddler group, in Church		
Friday 5th	8.30am, Morning prayer on zoom		
	4.00pm, Messy Church		
Saturday 6 th	9.00am, Morning prayer, on zoom		
	1.00pm, Recital from local young pianists and Andrew Gallacher and Gabrielle Doublein		
Sunday 7th	10.00am, All Age Holy Communion		
	6.00pm, Sundays at Six, Evensong and Benediction, at All Saints		

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...

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.

Spacemakers, opportunity for reflection: Wednesday 14th August, 11 am – 2.15pm (including lunch). The Revd. Charlie Kerr from the Diocese will be leading a session on Spacemakers, a programme used in schools and churches to aid reflection and offer space. Everyone is invited to come along and take part either for your own benefit or to be able to lead these sessions with others. A light lunch will be provided. Free! 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. Booking forms are now available to sign up to take part – attached to this weeks email, on the church website and hard copy in church. Please return booking forms to the church office.

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 <u>http://www.berkschurchestrust.org.uk/ride-and-stride</u> **At St. Luke's we will combine this with the Heritage Open weekend – see above...**

Inspire Magazine: We are preparing the next issue of Inspire, our church magazine. It would be great to have a bumper edition after a long pause.

Articles can be of any nature – writing about things that might interest everyone, poems, pictures, photos, prayers, quizzes... you name it.... Inspire draws the church family together sharing news and views.

Please email your articles, pictures, poems, book reviews etc to <u>admin@stlukeschurchmaidenhead.org.uk</u> by end of July please

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 <u>purchase online</u>. Booklets ordered by 7 June will be delivered in time to be used from 14 June.

Churches Together in Maidenhead: from Revd, David Downing: Things are changing for Churches Together in Maidenhead! I am leaving Maidenhead in July, so things are changing all round. But change can bring real positivity, and I wanted to let know you how Churches Together is going to move forward.

The leaders will be continuing to meet - and more frequently! This will keep the churches connected, and the leaders supported. Second, we will be counting to work together on key events (eg Good Friday Walk of Witness, Street Angels, Love Christmas etc). Third, we will be trying to promote what churches are doing through the CHURCHES TOGETHER IN MAIDENHEAD Facebook page... <u>https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100071798470703</u>

We know that not everyone is on Facebook, but it is a great way of sharing news. Do you have someone in your church who can keep and eye on that page and pass information on to whoever does your newsletter/magazine/website or your own church's Facebook page? This leaves CTiM in a great position to move on. We have so many great parts of the Body of Christ here in Maidenhead so many ways of serving our Lord. It is good news that the Holy Spirit is at work in Maidenhead!

St. Luke's Church Norfolk Road, Maidenhead More than sparrows! An All Age Activity week Tue. 20th—Sat. 24th August

10 am - 1pm daily, in church £2 per person per day For adults and accompanied children of all ages

> CRAFTS GAMES SNACK TIME ECO FUN STORYTELLING

For more details call 01628 622733 Please register at: admin@stlukeschurchmaidenhead.org.uk



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 <u>admin@stlukeschurchmaidenhead.org.uk</u> 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 25th July

Please note that for all Zoom services the links below are being used:				
Sunday Morning Worship: https://us02web.zoom.us/i/873581974 l6cVZ6TVJ5bGlzdz09 Meeting ID: 873 5819 7400	00?pwd=MTFxVINad1R6NE Passcode: 526076			
Zoom Morning Prayer at 8.30 am Tuesd https://us02web.zoom.us/j/814590909	lay – Friday, 9 am Saturday			
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Zoom Evening Prayer at 5pm on Fridays (except first Friday) <u>https://us02web.zoom.us/i/85378796960?pwd=dUNTTnRZVFJBY2</u> <u>xiS3QvVHlYZ1BaZz09</u> Meeting ID: 853 7879 6960 Passcode: 386635				