



# St. Luke's Church, Maidenhead

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## Week Commencing: 5<sup>th</sup> October - Harvest

This Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> October at 10am we have an All Age Holy Communion service followed by coffee. All welcome. In the evening at 6pm there is a Harvest Songs of Praise, at the Church of the Good Shepherd, Cox Green and on zoom

### The Collect

Eternal God,  
you crown the year with your goodness  
and you give us the fruits of the earth in their  
season:  
grant that we may use them to your glory,  
for the relief of those in need and for our own  
well-being;  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever..

### Post Communion Prayer

Lord of the harvest,  
with joy we have offered thanksgiving for  
your love in creation  
and have shared in the bread and wine of  
the kingdom:  
by your grace plant within us a reverence  
for all that you give us  
and make us generous and wise stewards  
of the good things we enjoy; through Jesus  
Christ our Lord...

### Gospel Reading

25When they found him on the other side of the lake, they said to him, 'Rabbi, when did you come here?' 26Jesus answered them, 'Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. 27Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal.' 28Then they said to him, 'What must we do to perform the works of God?' 29Jesus answered them, 'This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent.' 30So they said to him, 'What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing?' 31Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, "He gave them bread from heaven to eat." 32Then Jesus said to them, 'Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. 33For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.' 34They said to him, 'Sir, give us this bread always.'

35Jesus said to them, 'I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.'

*John 6. 25-35*

## Thought for the Week

Paul reminds us that “godliness with contentment is great gain.” We are bombarded daily with whispers that “we need more”. Higher pay, a promotion, a bigger house or a newer car. This reading invites us to pause and just look at the quiet richness already in our hands. We brought nothing into this world, and we will take nothing out. It’s not about the bank balance or the amount of bricks that make up our house. It is about how deeply we rest in God’s presence and how faithfully we walk with Him.

Contentment is certainly not about settling for less, but having the courage to trust in Christ that we already have enough. When our hearts are anchored in Him, the restlessness that makes us think we need more will subside. Gratitude for God’s provision will take its place.

This week, may we learn to treasure simplicity, to notice blessings easily overlooked, and to find joy in the daily bread God so faithfully provides

### Sunday’s Hymns:

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| P:           | 290 | We plough the fields and scatter |
| Taize Gloria |     |                                  |
| G:           |     | Cauliflowers fluffy              |
| O:           | 639 | Give thanks                      |
| R:           |     | Harvest Samba                    |

### Prayer suggestions for this week:

- For our PCC and church officers, and for those covering the vacancy.
- For our Church leaders and those selecting a new Archbishop of Canterbury
- For the strengthening of our efforts to safeguard the integrity of creation, and sustain and renew the life of the earth.
- For a just and sustainable peace in Ukraine and Russia, Palestine and Israel, and Sudan
- For our local schools and teachers and all children and young people in education.
- For all those who live and work in Ray Street
- For those baptised recently
- For all those whose anniversary of baptism falls in October: Jude Ridley, Levi Patton, Elsie Trillow, Freya Dean, Poppy Day.
- The sick and their carers : Monica Olley, Valerie Bosley, Bridget Morris, Jacqueline Lewis, Angela Baldwin, Baby Keeon, Aram Hakobian, Joan Lynch, Alicia Little, Ralph Hinchliffe, Harry, Andrew Sheppard, Jenny, Adam, John Cotterill
- Those who have died recently, and those who mourn them
- Those whose anniversary of death falls in October: Peggy Clutterbuck, Marian Brooks, Martin Hornby, Yvonne Lewis, Janet Trinkwon, Sheila Whitfield, Joyce Forrest, Tom Parfett, Charles Goodman, Robert Sloan, Paula Clayton Nuth, Patrick Botting, Ann Hockham, John Shenton, Roy Wakelin, Peter Schaap, Jean Fuller.

## Rotas for next week

### Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> October: Trinity 17: Parish Communion

Read: Malcom Intercede: Dorothy SH Chalice: Kim R Sound: Simon  
Welcomers: Jacqueline, Lucy, Don Coffee: tbc Children: Ruth

### Our church is floodlit at night.

The church floodlighting has not been sponsored this week

To sponsor the floodlighting please fill in the form at the back of church or email:

[admin@stlukeschurchmaidenhead.org.uk](mailto:admin@stlukeschurchmaidenhead.org.uk)

It is suggested the minimum donation for weekly sponsorship is £15.



### What's on.... This week:

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| Sunday 5 <sup>th</sup>    | 10.00 am, All Age Holy Communion                                                        |
| Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup>   | 8.30 am, Morning prayer on zoom                                                         |
| Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> | 8.30 am, Morning prayer on zoom<br>10.00am, Holy Communion                              |
| Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup>  | 8.30 am, Morning prayer on zoom<br>9.30 am, Baby and Toddlers<br>1.00 pm, Thursday Teas |
| Friday 10 <sup>th</sup>   | 8.30 am, Morning Prayer on zoom                                                         |
| Sunday 12 <sup>th</sup>   | 8.00 am, Holy Communion<br>10.00 am, Parish Communion                                   |

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

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| 5 <sup>th</sup> October               | Harvest Songs of Praise, at the Church of the Good Shepherd, Cox Green                                |
| 19 <sup>th</sup> October              | International Taize service, at St. Luke's                                                            |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> November<br>NB: 4 pm: | Memorial services, in church,<br>at St. Luke's, and the Church of the Good Shepherd, Cox Green        |
| 9 <sup>th</sup> Nov. at 6pm           | All Souls Eucharist at All Saints                                                                     |
| 16 <sup>th</sup> Nov.                 | Choral Evensong, at St. Luke's                                                                        |
| 30 <sup>th</sup> Nov.                 | Taize service, at the Church of the Good Shepherd, Cox Green                                          |
| 7 <sup>th</sup> December              | Christmas Tree Festival Service, at St. Luke's (Tree Festival 5 <sup>th</sup> - 7 <sup>th</sup> Dec.) |
| 21 <sup>st</sup> Dec. 6.00 pm         | Carol Services at each church                                                                         |

**Baby and Toddler group** Every Thursday during term time. 9.30am – 11.00 am.

Play, craft and books, coffee and cake for adults and a healthy snack for children. Closing with songs and a Storytime. £2.50 per family, no need to book just come along.

### Morning Prayer

Is said on Zoom, Tuesday – Friday. Why not join in? We use the Daily Prayer App

(<https://www.churchofengland.org/prayer-and-worship/join-us-service-daily-prayer/daily-prayer-app-and-podcast>), or ask to borrow a book from church.

## **Our Regular activities:**

**The 8.00 Holy Communion service** will continue to be monthly, on the 2<sup>nd</sup> 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. **Postponed to 7<sup>th</sup>**

**November** [admin@stlukeschurchmaidenhead.org.uk](mailto: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.

**Thursday Teas** meets in the community hall offering tea, cake and conversation. Second Thursdays monthly, 1.30 pm.

**Thursday Lunches** meets fourth Thursday of the month, usually at the Toby Cavery but please contact Jean Tyrwhitt-Drake on [Jeant-d2@outlook.com](mailto:Jeant-d2@outlook.com) 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. 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays monthly.

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

### **Sunday Morning Worship:**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87358197400?pwd=MTFhVjNad1R6NEl6cVZ6TVJ5bGlzdz09>

Meeting ID: 873 5819 7400

Passcode: 526076

**Zoom Morning Prayer** at 8.30 am Tuesday – Friday (no Saturday during the vacancy)

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81459090925?pwd=Y2hKZkFYZ04zbGZBd1BHcmllldU5Hdz09>

Meeting ID: 814 5909 0925

Passcode: 180609