

29th October 2017

Bible Sunday

8.00am: Holy Communion
at Moulsham St. John's

10.00am: Joint South-West
Chelmsford Churches
Service of Holy Communion
at St. Luke's

Led by Revd Gemma Fraser and
Revd Stephanie Gillingham

Followed with refreshments

Please let Janette Tadman know if you
are able to make any cakes for this.

Remembering Loved Ones

We will be particularly remembering loved ones during a combined All Souls and All Saints service on 5th November. If you would like the name of a loved one read out during the service, please let one of the Churchwardens know as soon as possible.

Mid-week service:

Wednesday 25th October 2017

9.45am Service of Holy Communion

President and Preacher: Revd Stephanie Gillingham

Romans 6:12-18 Maria Smith

Luke 12:39-48 Derek Tadman

Intercessions: Revd Stephanie

Open House at St. John's Vicarage

The second open house event at Gemma and Julian's is on Saturday 28th October 2-5pm for afternoon tea. **Everyone is welcome**

Saturday Coffee
28th October 2017

On duty: Brenda Hudson



If you have any items for the Newsletter (including requests for prayer) please contact Janette Tadman (01245-469124; e-mail janette-tadman@gmail.com)

Deadline: Wednesday evening.

Have you been thinking... What is involved in Church cleaning? If only I knew I would volunteer....

Well mystery solved - only 5 tasks are involved....

1. Dust surfaces - i.e. organ, shelves, tables,
2. Dry mop/ sweep floor - using the white mop which is easy to manoeuvre around chairs
3. Clean finger prints on main doors - just with a duster
4. Hoover carpet and mat in front of main doors plus vestry if it is open
5. Empty bins

This is an important job that needs doing so do please volunteer... if we could get two more people that would mean only doing this once every six weeks!

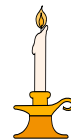
PCC UPDATE

The PCC met on 11th October. Key matters for discussion included:

- 1) Agreeing our Christmas giving: Crisis; Little Haven Hospice; and the Children's Society (Christingle - January 2018). More details next month..
- 2) Agreeing to engage an architect to draw up initial plans for a ramp outside the church.
- 3) Considering how we can improve our welcome to those that come into church and our presence in the community. If you have any questions, please speak to any member of the PCC.

LIVING LIGHT

The Aumbry Light for October has been sponsored in memory of Angie Walters



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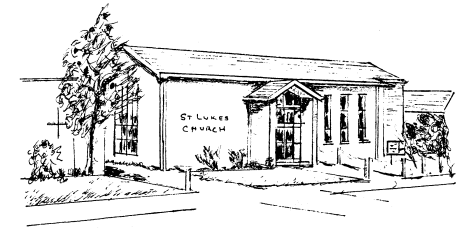
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St Luke's Weekly News

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Website: www.stlukemoulsham.co.uk

WELCOME to St Luke's. Please stay for refreshments and fellowship in the hall after the service.

PLEASE TAKE THIS NEWSLETTER HOME WITH YOU

There will be a collection during the third hymn. If you are a taxpayer, please use a Gift Aid envelope, available from the sidesmen.

If however you give by Standing Order or are unable to give today, please just pass the basket on.

22nd October 2017

19th Sunday after Trinity

8.00am: Holy Communion
at Moulsham St. John's

10.00am: 4th Sunday Service

Leader: Mike Tadman

Speaker: Revd Bridget Jenkinson

Reading: Exodus 33:12-23 Chris Fawcett

Sidesman: Janette Tadman

Sound: Helen Field

Coffee: Arthur Tadman

Duty Churchwarden: Richard Field

Music by the Music Group
with Philippa Penkett

COLLECT

Faithful Lord,
whose steadfast love never ceases
and whose mercies never come to an
end:
grant us the grace to trust you
and to receive the gifts of your love,
new every morning,
in Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Holy and blessed God,
you have fed us with the body and blood
of your Son
and filled us with your Holy Spirit:
may we honour you,
not only with our lips
but in lives dedicated to the service of
Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

TO OUR VISITORS. Welcome to our service. The **hymn numbers** are displayed on the boards, and will also be announced. When we come to receive Holy Communion, please see the notes in our Order of Service, which are provided for your guidance. We like to mark **birthdays** by singing: "Happy Birthday to you: to Jesus be true. May God's richest blessing rest today upon you." If it is your birthday this week, please tell one of the ministers!

The ministry of Prayer with Laying-on-of-Hands for Healing is available every Sunday. If you would like this for yourself or another, please speak to one of the Ministers or Churchwardens.

Readings:

Exodus 33:12-23

¹² Moses said to the LORD, "You have been telling me, 'Lead these people,' but you have not let me know whom you will send with me. You have said, 'I know you by name and you have found favor with me.' ¹³ If you are pleased with me, teach me your ways so I may know you and continue to find favor with you. Remember that this nation is your people."

¹⁴ The LORD replied, "My Presence will go with you, and I will give you rest."

¹⁵ Then Moses said to him, "If your Presence does not go with us, do not send us up from here."

¹⁶ How will anyone know that you are pleased with me and with your people unless you go with us? What else will distinguish me and your people from all the other people on the face of the earth?"

¹⁷ And the LORD said to Moses, "I will do the very thing you have asked, because I am pleased with you and I know you by name."

¹⁸ Then Moses said, "Now show me your glory." ¹⁹ And the LORD said, "I will cause all my goodness to pass in front of you, and I will proclaim my name, the LORD, in your presence. I will have mercy on whom I will have mercy, and I will have compassion on whom I will have compassion. ²⁰ But," he said, "you cannot see my face, for no one may see me and live."

²¹ Then the LORD said, "There is a place near me where you may stand on a rock. ²² When my glory passes by, I will put you in a cleft in the rock and cover you with my hand until I have passed by. ²³ Then I will remove my hand and you will see my back; but my face must not be seen."

Matthew 22:15-22 (not being read at Sunday morning service)

¹⁵ Then the Pharisees went and plotted to entrap him in what he said. ¹⁶ So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, 'Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one; for you do not regard people with partiality. ¹⁷ Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor, or not?' ¹⁸ But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, 'Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? ¹⁹ Show me the coin used for the tax.' And they brought him a denarius. ²⁰ Then he said to them, 'Whose head is this, and whose title?' ²¹ They answered, 'The emperor's.' Then he said to them, 'Give therefore to the emperor the things that are the emperor's, and to God the things that are God's.' ²² When they heard this, they were amazed; and they left him and went away.

Halloween Outreach

On Tuesday 31st between 5 and 7pm we will be joining our community who will be out on the streets en masse. We will be outside of the church giving out 'bags of hope' to children; these will have sweets, a little flyer explaining what Halloween actually is and an invitation to future church events. We also have hot chocolate for the grown ups.

We know that some of the practices of Halloween seem anything but Christian and have roots in ancient pagan rituals but Halloween is 'All Hallows' Eve' a Christian festival. It is about light overcoming darkness, it is about celebrating the Saints who dedicated their lives to serving God by serving others. It is this aspect that we will be emphasising on the 31st.

For most of the people out trick or treating it is a night of fun, a chance to dress up. It's a time of community, of giving as well as receiving. We can join in with that in ways that don't betray our Christian traditions and in doing so we can share the light of Jesus. If you'd like to join us on the 31st please do have a chat with Bridget or Gemma.

PLEASE PRAY ESPECIALLY THIS WEEK



For: Win Jellicoe, Brian Roscoe, Joyce Stockwell, Joan Scrivener, Bob Wood, Margaret Judd, Tammy Thomas, Mary Marshall and Andy Longstaff;

for Lucy Bubb and her family, mourning the death of Lucy's father, John, on Saturday 7th October;

for the family of Revd Susan Ives, as her ashes are interred at Roxwell Church on Sunday 22nd October;

for those named on the prayer request board;

This week, we remember:

Revd Canon Sylvia Chapman (23.10.2015)

Joan Kay (26.10.2016)

Val Plumb (27.10.1988)

Can you knit or crochet?

This year St Luke's will be sending out a Posada in to our community. A Posada consists of a knitted Mary and Joseph, they are passed from family to family each day in Advent. There is a diary to record their adventures, a candle and a prayer sheet and we will have a Facebook page to keep track of their progress.

We have Mary and Joseph but we would love to have some little knitted or crochet sheep so that each family can keep a memento. Would you be able to help please? We can provide the pattern and can reimburse for the wool. Please talk to Gemma if you can help.

John and Maureen would like to say thank you to everyone who made Sunday so special for us even if it was a bit tearful. And thank you so much for the garden vouchers. We will have masses of uses for them. And most of all, thank you for being you, you wonderful people. We will miss you all terribly.

If you should be passing through Dorset any time, we would love to see you. God bless you all. (Please ask Janette if you would like the address)

THIS WEEK:

The church is open every day for prayer.

Monday 23 October

Pray for BBC Radio Essex

9.15am: Informal Morning Prayer at St. John's Vicarage using a collection of liturgy including Iona and Northumbria Community

Tuesday 24 October

Pray for Larch Grove

9.15am: Morning Prayer at CHS Widford. Joining with Widford and Galleywood for joint prayers.

Wednesday 25 October

Crispin and Crispinian, martyrs, c.287

Pray for the Society of Friends

9.00am: Morning Prayer at St. Luke's using Common Worship liturgy

9.45am: Service of Holy Communion

No Edward Bear Club this week

Thursday 26 October

Alfred, king, scholar, 899

Cedd, abbot, bishop, 664

Pray for Peace in Syria

& The Middle East

Friday 27 October

Pray for the Edward Bear Club

Saturday 28 October

Simon and Jude, Apostles

Pray for Waltham Glen

'Way forward consultation'

Many thanks to everyone who joined in with our conversation last Sunday about our future development. The outcome was really helpful and is displayed at the back of the Church - please feel free to add further comments by 29th October'