

Sunday 5th November 2017

All Saints' Day
incorporating a celebration of
All Souls'

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

**10.00am: Service of
Holy Communion**

President and Preacher: Revd Gemma Fraser

Crucifer: Hilary Selwood

Server: Janette Tadman

Chalice: Hilary Selwood

Readings:

Revelation 7:9-end Revd Bridget Jenkinson

1 John 3:1-3 Val Bliss

Matthew 5:1-12

Intercessions: Revd Bridget Jenkinson

Sidesmen: Jane Chambers & Louise Whitehead

Sound: Mike Tadman

Coffee: Mary Marshall and Maxine Buck

Duty Churchwarden: Mike Tadman

Organist: Philippa Penkett

Remembering loved ones

If you would like the name of a loved one
read out during this service, please let one
of the Churchwardens know as soon as
possible.

Mid-week service:

Wednesday 1st November 2017

9.45am Service of Holy Communion

President and Preacher: Revd Stephanie Gillingham

Romans 8:26-30 Hilary Selwood

Luke 13:22-30 Janette Tadman

Intercessions: Revd Stephanie

Saturday Coffee

4th November 2017

On duty: Larry Walters



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.

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 wel-
come 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.

Things are happening to our property...

In addition to the purchase of a new fridge
recently, this week we had new fire exit doors
installed and three cracked windows replaced in
the large hall. Our heaters have all been serviced
and new waste pipes installed to the small sink in
the kitchen. The external light to the rear of
large hall is due to be replaced next week. All
this and more is being funded out of regular
Church funds rather than monies left to St
Luke's, which we are keeping for large projects.

LIVING LIGHT

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



*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)*

Contacts

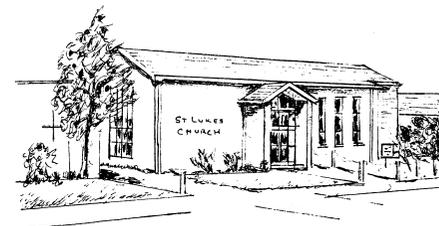
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Deputy Churchwarden:
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St Luke's Weekly News

29th October 2017



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.

29th October 2017

Last Sunday after Trinity

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

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

"The Greatest Commandment"

*Led by Revd Gemma Fraser and
Revd Stephanie Gillingham*

Sidesmen: Maxine Buck & volunteer

Sound: Janette Tadman

Coffee: Dave and Jane Chambers

Duty Churchwarden: Richard Field

Organist: Michael Davis

Refreshments will be served after
the service in the large hall

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.
Amen.

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.
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:

I Thessalonians 2:1-8

¹You yourselves know, brothers and sisters, that our coming to you was not in vain, ²but though we had already suffered and been shamefully maltreated at Philippi, as you know, we had courage in our God to declare to you the gospel of God in spite of great opposition. ³For our appeal does not spring from deceit or impure motives or trickery, ⁴but just as we have been approved by God to be entrusted with the message of the gospel, even so we speak, not to please mortals, but to please God who tests our hearts. ⁵As you know and as God is our witness, we never came with words of flattery or with a pretext for greed; ⁶nor did we seek praise from mortals, whether from you or from others, ⁷though we might have made demands as apostles of Christ. But we were gentle among you, like a nurse tenderly caring for her own children. ⁸So deeply do we care for you that we are determined to share with you not only the gospel of God but also our own selves, because you have become very dear to us.

Matthew 22:34-end

³⁴ When the Pharisees heard that he had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, ³⁵and one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. ³⁶“Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?” ³⁷He said to him, “‘You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.’” ³⁸This is the greatest and first commandment. ³⁹And a second is like it: “‘You shall love your neighbour as yourself.’” ⁴⁰On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.’

⁴¹ Now while the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them this question: ⁴²“What do you think of the Messiah? Whose son is he?” They said to him, ‘The son of David.’ ⁴³He said to them, ‘How is it then that David by the Spirit calls him Lord, saying, ⁴⁴“The Lord said to my Lord, ‘Sit at my right hand, until I put your enemies under your feet’ ”’?

⁴⁵If David thus calls him Lord, how can he be his son?’ ⁴⁶No one was able to give him an answer, nor from that day did anyone dare to ask him any more questions.

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 Hallow’s 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 those named on the prayer request board;

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.

‘Way forward consultation’

Many thanks to everyone who joined in with our conversation two Sundays ago about our future development. The outcome was really helpful and is displayed at the back of the Church - there is still time to add further comments after the service on the 29th October’.

‘Chelmsford Singers’ Autumn Concert

Saturday 4th November 7.30pm
at Chelmsford Cathedral
Programme includes:

Maurice Duruflé ‘Requiem’,
Leonard Bernstein ‘Chichester Psalms’
Harold Darke ‘A Song of David’.

See poster for more details and ticket info.

THIS WEEK:

The church is open every day for prayer.

Monday 30 October

Pray for abused and exploited children and children in care

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

Tuesday 31 October

Martin Luther, reformer, 1546

Pray for Swallow Path

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

5.00pm: Halloween Outreach

Wednesday 1 November

Pray for the Church Army

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

9.45am: Service of Holy Communion

1.15pm: Edward Bear Club

Thursday 2 November

Pray for Peace in Syria
& The Middle East

9.15am: Morning Prayer at St. John’s using Common Worship Liturgy

Friday 3 November

Pray for Guides, Brownies and Rainbows

Saturday 4 November

Pray for Lewis Drive

Quiz Evening at St. John’s

Saturday 11th November
7pm for 7.30pm

Bring your own drinks and nibbles. There will be a raffle. Teams of 6-8 people.

Tickets £3

Please let Richard know if you are interested.