

19th August 2018

12th Sunday after Trinity

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

10.00am: Service of Holy Communion

“The Story So Far: Jesus”

President and Preacher: Revd Gemma Fraser
Crucifer: Lucy Bubb
Server: Janette Tadman
Chalice: Mike Tadman
Readers: Mike Tadman and Dave Thomas
Intercessions: Dave Thomas
Sidesmen: Hilary Few and Chris Fawcett
Sound: Dave Thomas
Coffee: Mike and Janette Tadman
Counters: Dave Thomas and Helen Field
Duty Churchwarden: Lucy Bubb

Organist: Alan Arnot

Summer Weekday Closure

Until early September, the church and halls will be closed during the week while our electrical re-wiring work is undertaken. This is a significant and costly piece of work but we will reap the benefits! Please pray for Chris and his team as they make us safe and for all those involved in managing this work.

Wednesday morning services will cease while the work is being undertaken. Saturday Coffee and Sunday services will not be affected.

If you have any queries about the work or the closure, please speak to Richard, Mike or Lucy.

If you have any items for the Newsletter (including requests for prayer) please contact Janette Tadman 01245-469124; e-mail janettetadman@gmail.com
Deadline: Wednesday evening.

THIS WEEK:

The Church will be closed Monday to Friday throughout August for essential maintenance work to be carried out.

Monday 13 August

Pray for medical doctors, surgeons and nurses

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

Tuesday 14 August

Pray for Peregrine Drive

Wednesday 15 August

Pray for Methodists

Thursday 16 August

Pray for Peace in Syria and The Middle East

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

Friday 17 August

Pray for the Edward Bear Club

Saturday 18 August

Pray for Magnolia Close

11.00am: Saturday Coffee

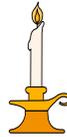
Saturday Coffee 18th August

On duty: Louise Whitehead



LIVING LIGHT

The Aumbry Light for August has been sponsored in memory of Chris and Neil Chambers And Terry Layton



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St Luke's Weekly News

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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.

12th August 2018

11th Sunday after Trinity

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

10.00 am: 2nd Sunday Morning Worship

“The Story So Far - The split of the kingdom and exile”

Leader and Speaker: Mike Tadman
Readings: Jeremiah 29:4-20 Elaine Law
Luke 15:11-32

Intercessions: Dave Thomas

Sidesman: Maxine Buck

Sound: Janette Tadman

Coffee: Volunteers

*Counters: Janette Tadman and Dave
Thomas*

Duty Churchwarden: Mike Tadman

Organist: Philippa Penkett

COLLECT

God of glory,
the end of our searching,
help us to lay aside
all that prevents us from seeking your
kingdom,
and to give all that we have
to gain the pearl beyond all price,
through our Saviour Jesus Christ.
Amen.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Lord of all mercy,
we your faithful people have celebrated that
one true sacrifice
which takes away our sins and brings pardon
and peace:
by our communion
keep us firm on the foundation of the gospel
and preserve us from all sin;
through 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:

Jeremiah 29:4-20

⁴ Thus says the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, to all the exiles whom I have sent into exile from Jerusalem to Babylon: ⁵ Build houses and live in them; plant gardens and eat what they produce. ⁶ Take wives and have sons and daughters; take wives for your sons, and give your daughters in marriage, that they may bear sons and daughters; multiply there, and do not decrease. ⁷ But seek the welfare of the city where I have sent you into exile, and pray to the LORD on its behalf, for in its welfare you will find your welfare. ⁸ For thus says the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel: Do not let the prophets and the diviners who are among you deceive you, and do not listen to the dreams that they dream, ⁹ for it is a lie that they are prophesying to you in my name; I did not send them, says the LORD.

¹⁰ For thus says the LORD: Only when Babylon's seventy years are completed will I visit you, and I will fulfil to you my promise and bring you back to this place. ¹¹ For surely I know the plans I have for you, says the LORD, plans for your welfare and not for harm, to give you a future with hope. ¹² Then when you call upon me and come and pray to me, I will hear you. ¹³ When you search for me, you will find me; if you seek me with all your heart, ¹⁴ I will let you find me, says the LORD, and I will restore your fortunes and gather you from all the nations and all the places where I have driven you, says the LORD, and I will bring you back to the place from which I sent you into exile.

¹⁵ Because you have said, "The LORD has raised up prophets for us in Babylon,"—

¹⁶ Thus says the LORD concerning the king who sits on the throne of David, and concerning all the people who live in this city, your kinsfolk who did not go out with you into exile: ¹⁷ Thus says the LORD of hosts, I am going to let loose on them sword, famine, and pestilence, and I will make them like rotten figs that are so bad they cannot be eaten. ¹⁸ I will pursue them with the sword, with famine, and with pestilence, and will make them a horror to all the kingdoms of the earth, to be an object of cursing, and horror, and hissing, and a derision among all the nations where I have driven them, ¹⁹ because they did not heed my words, says the LORD, when I persistently sent to you my servants the prophets, but they would not listen, says the LORD. ²⁰ But now, all you exiles whom I sent away from Jerusalem to Babylon, hear the word of the LORD:

Luke 15:11-32

¹¹ Then Jesus said, "There was a man who had two sons. ¹² The younger of them said to his father, 'Father, give me the share of the property that will belong to me.' So he divided his property between them. ¹³ A few days later the younger son gathered all he had and travelled to a distant country, and there he squandered his property in dissolute living. ¹⁴ When he had spent everything, a severe famine took place throughout that country, and he began to be in need. ¹⁵ So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him to his fields to feed the pigs. ¹⁶ He would gladly have filled himself with the pods that the pigs were eating; and no one gave him anything.

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PLEASE PRAY ESPECIALLY THIS WEEK



For: Win, Brian, Joan, Bob,
Margaret, June, Tammy and Kath;

for the family of Joyce Stockwell† The funeral will be on 16th August at 11am at St. Luke's followed by burial at Great Baddow Lawns cemetery at 11.45am.

for those named on the prayer request board;

This week, we remember:
Cyril Rugg (11.08.1995)

St Luke's Social

A social event for the congregation at Revd Gemma's, hosted by the PCC on Wed 22nd August from 7pm. Please look out for a sign up sheet.

St Luke's Patronal Festival

This will be on Sunday 21st October. We want to celebrate our past on this occasion and would like to have photo displays of all aspects of St Luke's and to invite past clergy, lay leaders and members of the congregation. If you can help with photos or names and addresses, please speak to any member of the PCC.

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¹⁷ But when he came to himself he said, 'How many of my father's hired hands have bread enough and to spare, but here I am dying of hunger! ¹⁸ I will get up and go to my father, and I will say to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; ¹⁹ I am no longer worthy to be called your son; treat me like one of your hired hands."' ²⁰ So he set off and went to his father. But while he was still far off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion; he ran and put his arms around him and kissed him. ²¹ Then the son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son.'

²² But the father said to his slaves, 'Quickly, bring out a robe—the best one—and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. ²³ And get the fatted calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate; ²⁴ for this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found!' And they began to celebrate.

²⁵ Now his elder son was in the field; and when he came and approached the house, he heard music and dancing. ²⁶ He called one of the slaves and asked what was going on. ²⁷ He replied, 'Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fatted calf, because he has got him back safe and sound.' ²⁸ Then he became angry and refused to go in. His father came out and began to plead with him. ²⁹ But he answered his father, 'Listen! For all these years I have been working like a slave for you, and I have never disobeyed your command; yet you have never given me even a young goat so that I might celebrate with my friends. ³⁰ But when this son of yours came back, who has devoured your property with prostitutes, you killed the fatted calf for him!' ³¹ Then the father said to him, 'Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. ³² But we had to celebrate and rejoice, because this brother of yours was dead and has come to life; he was lost and has been found.'