#### 20th January 2019

#### 3rd Sunday of Epiphany

8.00am: Holy Communion at St. John's

# 10.00am: Service of Holy Communion

President and Preacher: The Bishop of Bradwell

Crucifer: Lucy Bubb Server: Hilary Selwood

Chalice: Maxine Buck and Lucy Bubb Readings: Isaiah 62:1-5 Chris Fawcett Corinthians 12:1-11 Anna Wood

John 2:1-11
Intercessions: Lucy Bubb

Sidesmen: Hilary Few and Chris Fawcett

Sound: Dave Thomas

Coffee: Mike and Janette Tadman Counters: Dave Thomas and Hilary Few Duty Churchwarden: Lucy Bubb

Organist: Alan Arnot

#### **LIVING LIGHT**

The Aumbry Light for January has been sponsored in memory of Colin Marshall



## **Church Flowers and Living Light**

If you would like to make a donation for flowers in Church or sponsor the Aumbry Light, perhaps in memory of a loved one, please speak to Mary Hoare (for flowers), Mary Marshall (for Aumbry) or one of the churchwardens.

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.

## A prayer for changing times

Please use this prayer as part of your personal prayers each day as we discern God's plan for us here at St Luke's.

Lord, you are our helper, our rock, our salvation.

You are with us when we face challenge and opportunity.

As we enter this time of discernment, help us to feel your presence with us and to trust in you.

We know that you have plans for us; plans to prosper and not to harm, plans to give us hope and a future.

Guide us Lord.

show us the path you have set before us,

give us wise and discerning hearts that long for your Kingdom here on earth.

Amen

## Special dates for your diary....

The Bishop of Bradwell, John Perumbalath, will be presiding and preaching at our Service of Holy Communion here in St. Luke's at 10am on Sunday 20th January.

Our Christingle Service is at 10.00am on Sunday 27th January



# Saturday Coffee 19th January

On duty: Larry Walters



Join us for coffee and fellowship

#### Contacts

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# St Luke's Weekly News 13th January 2019



Website: www.stlukemoulsham.co.uk Facebook: www.facebook.com/Stlukesmoulshamlodge

# 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.

# 13th January 2019

## 2nd Sunday of Epiphany

8.00am: Holy Communion at St. John's

# 10.00 am: 2nd Sunday Morning Worship 'Who, me?, Why me?'

Leader and Speaker: Richard Field Reading: Luke 3:15-17, 21-22 Intercessions: Dave Thomas

Sidesman: Louise Whitehead

Sound: Helen Field Coffee: Volunteers

Counters: Dave Thomas and Helen Field Duty Churchwarden: Mike Tadman Organist: John Kingham

# 3.30pm: The Archbishop of Canterbury is taking Evensong at Chelmsford Cathedral

Stay after the service for refreshments and to meet the Archbishop

#### **COLLECT**

Eternal Father, who at the baptism of Jesus revealed him to be your Son, anointing him with the Holy Spirit: grant to us, who are born again by water and the Spirit,

that we may be faithful to our calling as your adopted children;

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.

Amen.

#### **POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

Lord of all time and eternity, you opened the heavens and revealed yourself as Father in the baptism of Jesus your beloved Son: by the power of your Spirit complete the heavenly work of our rebirth through the waters of the new creation;

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:**

**Isaiah 43:1-7** (not being read at Sunday morning service)

But now thus says the Lord, he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel: Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine. <sup>2</sup> When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you. <sup>3</sup> For I am the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Saviour. I give Egypt as your ransom, Ethiopia and Seba in exchange for you. <sup>4</sup> Because you are precious in my sight, and honoured, and I love you, I give people in return for you, nations in exchange for your life. <sup>5</sup> Do not fear, for I am with you; I will bring your offspring from the east, and from the west I will gather you; <sup>6</sup> I will say to the north, 'Give them up', and to the south, 'Do not withhold; bring my sons from far away and my daughters from the end of the earth— <sup>7</sup> everyone who is called by my name, whom I created for my glory, whom I formed and made.'

#### Acts 8:14-17 (not being read at Sunday morning service)

<sup>14</sup> Now when the apostles at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them. <sup>15</sup>The two went down and prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit <sup>16</sup>(for as yet the Spirit had not come upon any of them; they had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus). <sup>17</sup>Then Peter and John laid their hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

#### Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

<sup>15</sup> As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, <sup>16</sup>John answered all of them by saying, 'I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. <sup>17</sup>His winnowing-fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing-floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.'
<sup>21</sup> Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, <sup>22</sup>and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, 'You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.'

# PLEASE PRAY ESPECIALLY THIS WEEK



For: Brian, Joan, Bob, Margaret, June, Tammy, Kath, Emma, Basil, Greta and George;

for the PCC as they meet this week; for those named on the prayer request board:

This week, we remember: Eileen Joan Cook (13.01.2015 Elizabeth Everett (14.01.1991) Ivy Fawbert (14.01.1997) Lilian Mabel Levett (15.01.1994) Colin Marshall (19.01.2015)

#### Derek Siseman R.I.P

Revd Gemma will be conducting the funeral of Derek Siseman at Chelmsford Crematorium at Ipm on Friday Ist Feb. Derek's wife Nonny was a member of St. Luke's and one time churchwarden. Derek regularly contributed to St. Luke's 'garden fund'.

#### THIS WEEK:

The church is open daily for prayer

**Monday 14 January**Pray for veterinary surgeons

**Tuesday 15 January**Pray for Gloucester Avenue

Wednesday 16 January Pray for Baptists

9.15am: Morning Prayer at St. Luke's 1.15pm: Edward Bear Club

7.30pm: PCC meeting

**Thursday 17 January**Pray for Peace in Syria and
The Middle East

**Friday 18 January**Pray for the Edward Bear Club

Saturday 19 January Pray for Lucas Avenue 11.00am: Saturday Coffee

### **Fabric Update**

The new Fire Alarm system has been installed and is due to be commissioned this week. This brings to a conclusion a major phase of development aimed at maintaining and upgrading our building. We shall be training Churchwardens and Sidesman regarding new fire emergency procedures and at some point practicing a full evacuation during a service!

Over Christmas we installed new mixer valves and taps in the toilets to ensure that we meet water hygiene regulations and to ensure we have no floods. We also added more gravel to the car park and for now all the potholes have disappeared.....

A full risk assessment has also been completed and over the next few months a number of minor works will be undertaken to reduce risk to the congregation and general public. You may have already noticed a number of new laminated signs appearing around the Church - this is just the start......!

This is not the end of our development programme and we are now in a second phase which includes the installation of a new ramp to the front of the Church. The public display period for our plans is complete (as far as the Church of England is concerned) and we await their approval. The plans are now with the planning authority so it will be a little while before we can go ahead. I hope that the ramp will be installed in August but this also depends on us appointing a builder.

Thank you for bearing with us as we have done all this work.