

10th February 2019

4th Sunday before Lent

8.00am: Holy Communion at St. John's

10.00 am: 2nd Sunday  
Morning Worship

Leader and Speaker: Mike Tadman

Readings: Isaiah 6:1-8 Helen Field  
Luke 5:1-11

Intercessions: Richard Field

Sidesman: Sue Davies

Sound: Richard Field

Coffee: Volunteers

Counters: Janette Tadman and Helen  
Field

Duty Churchwarden: Richard Field

Organist: John Kingham

4.00pm: MMU Evening Service  
at

St. Michael's, Galleywood

Refreshments at 4pm, service 4.30pm

Church cleaning/work day

Saturday 9th February

9.30am to 12.30pm

Many hands make light work!

Please come and help if you can.

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**



### **New Book Club**

Do you love reading and enjoy  
meeting people?

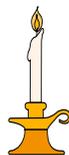
Come along to our new book club  
starting soon here at St. Luke's!  
All are welcome.

1st meeting: Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> February 2019  
at 11.00 am

*Books will be provided, refreshments available.*

### **LIVING LIGHT**

The Aumbry Light for February  
has been sponsored in memory  
of George Cresswell Bell



### **Contacts**

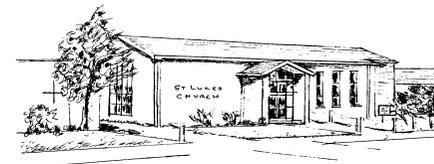
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**Deputy Churchwarden:**  
Mike Tadman 07740 625454

## St Luke's Weekly News

3rd February 2019



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Facebook: [www.facebook.com/Stlukesmoulshamlodge](https://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.

**Sunday 3rd February**

**Presentation of Christ  
in the Temple  
'Candlemas'**

8.00am: Holy Communion at St. John's

**10.00am: Service of Holy Communion**

*President and Preacher: Revd Gemma Fraser*

*Crucifer: Dave Thomas*

*Server: David Millward*

*Chalice: Dave Thomas and Sue Davies*

*Readings: Malachi 3:1-5 Jane Chambers*

*Hebrews 2:14-end Dave Chambers*

*Luke 2:22-40*

*Intercessions: Dave Thomas*

*Sidesmen: Dawn Thomas & Maxine Buck*

*Sound: Janette Tadman*

*Coffee: Jane and Dave Chambers*

*Counters: Hilary Few and Janette Tadman*

*Duty Churchwarden: Mike Tadman*

*Organist: Michael Davis*

During the service this morning we will be  
giving thanks for Hilary Selwood's time as  
Pastoral Assistant at St Luke's.

### **COLLECT**

Almighty and ever-living God,  
clothed in majesty,  
whose beloved Son was this day presented  
in the Temple,  
in substance of our flesh:  
grant that we may be presented to you  
with pure and clean hearts,  
by your Son Jesus Christ 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, you fulfilled the hope of Simeon and  
Anna,  
who lived to welcome the Messiah:  
may we, who have received these gifts  
beyond words,  
prepare to meet Christ Jesus  
when he comes to bring us to eternal life;  
for he 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:

### Malachi 3:1-5

See, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me, and the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple. The messenger of the covenant in whom you delight—indeed, he is coming, says the Lord of hosts. <sup>2</sup>But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears? For he is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap; <sup>3</sup>he will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the descendants of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, until they present offerings to the Lord in righteousness. <sup>4</sup>Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the Lord as in the days of old and as in former years. <sup>5</sup> Then I will draw near to you for judgement; I will be swift to bear witness against the sorcerers, against the adulterers, against those who swear falsely, against those who oppress the hired workers in their wages, the widow, and the orphan, against those who thrust aside the alien, and do not fear me, says the Lord of hosts.

### Hebrews 2:14-end

<sup>14</sup> Since, therefore, the children share flesh and blood, he himself likewise shared the same things, so that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, <sup>15</sup>and free those who all their lives were held in slavery by the fear of death. <sup>16</sup>For it is clear that he did not come to help angels, but the descendants of Abraham. <sup>17</sup>Therefore he had to become like his brothers and sisters in every respect, so that he might be a merciful and faithful high priest in the service of God, to make a sacrifice of atonement for the sins of the people. <sup>18</sup>Because he himself was tested by what he suffered, he is able to help those who are being tested.

### Luke 2:22-40

<sup>22</sup> When the time came for their purification according to the law of Moses, they brought him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord<sup>23</sup>(as it is written in the law of the Lord, 'Every firstborn male shall be designated as holy to the Lord'), <sup>24</sup>and they offered a sacrifice according to what is stated in the law of the Lord, 'a pair of turtle-doves or two young pigeons.'

<sup>25</sup> Now there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon; this man was righteous and devout, looking forward to the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit rested on him. <sup>26</sup>It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's Messiah. <sup>27</sup>Guided by the Spirit, Simeon came into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him what was customary under the law, <sup>28</sup>Simeon took him in his arms and praised God, saying, <sup>29</sup> 'Master, now you are dismissing your servant in peace, according to your word; <sup>30</sup> for my eyes have seen your salvation, <sup>31</sup>which you have prepared in the presence of all peoples, <sup>32</sup> a light for revelation to the Gentiles and for glory to your people Israel. '

<sup>33</sup> And the child's father and mother were amazed at what was being said about him. <sup>34</sup>Then Simeon blessed them and said to his mother Mary, 'This child is destined for the falling and the rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be opposed <sup>35</sup>so that the inner thoughts of many will be revealed—and a sword will pierce your own soul too.'

<sup>36</sup> There was also a prophet, Anna the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was of a great age, having lived with her husband for seven years after her marriage, <sup>37</sup>then as a widow to the age of eighty-four. She never left the temple but worshipped there with fasting and prayer night and day. <sup>38</sup>At that moment she came, and began to praise God and to speak about the child to all who were looking for the redemption of Jerusalem.

<sup>39</sup> When they had finished everything required by the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. <sup>40</sup>The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favour of God was upon him.

### PLEASE PRAY ESPECIALLY THIS WEEK



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

for those named on the prayer request board;

This week, we remember:

Anne Blake (07.02.2003)

George Cresswell Bell (08.02.2007)

### Christingle Service - Thank you!

A big thank you to everyone who helped with our Christingle Service last week - and to those who came along too! It really was a joyous occasion and we welcomed a number of visitors. Thank you also for letting us trial the contactless devices for The Children's Society, which were well received and used. And not forgetting our very tasty Christingle cake made by Kirsty. Watch out for the Christingle Marmalade that we hope to make with the left over and donated oranges.

### Christmas Giving 2018

Thank you for your generous donations to the charities that we supported over the Christmas period, all of which will have some gift aid to be added:

Crisis - £399

Havens Hospice - £142

The Children's Society - £230

### THIS WEEK:

The church is open daily for prayer

#### Monday 4 February

*Pray for ethnic minorities*

#### Tuesday 5 February

*Pray for Maple Drive*

#### Wednesday 6 February

*Pray for Methodists*

9.15am: Morning Prayer at St. Luke's

9.45am: Holy Communion

1.15pm: Edward Bear Club

#### Thursday 7 February

*Pray for Peace in Syria and  
The Middle East*

#### Friday 8 February

*Pray for the  
Servers at the Eucharist*

#### Saturday 9 February

*Pray for Linden Close*

11.00am: Saturday Coffee  
and Book Club

### Saturday Coffee

#### 9th February



*On duty: Mary Marshall*

**Join us for coffee and fellowship**