

Sunday 7th July

Third Sunday after Trinity

8am: Holy Communion at St. John's
10am: Service of Holy Communion

President & Preacher: Revd Gemma Fraser

Crucifer: Helen Field

Server: David Millward

Chalice: Helen Field, Richard Field

Intercessions: Revd Gemma

Readings

Isaiah 66:10-14 David Millward
Galatians 6:1-16 Dawn Thomas
Luke 10:1-11, 16-20

Sides: Sue Davies, Dawn Thomas

Sound: Sue Davies

Coffee: Mary Marshall, Maxine Buck

Counters: Richard Field, Dave Chambers

Duty Churchwarden: Sue Davies

Organist: Michael Davis

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

What is happening on the 11th August?

Hcaucoslcrhi ni dalmon

More details soon - intrigued.... well reserve this date in your diary.

Saturday 6th July

New City Voices Summer Concert
7.30pm at St. Luke's

See poster for more details

Living Light

If you would like to sponsor the Aumbry Light for July please speak to Mary Marshall.



'Step Out for Stroke'

Rita and Brian Roscoe walked in Hylands Park on Sunday 2 June. This was to raise money for the Stroke Association. 'We walked around the gardens and managed about 500 yards all together. The weather was, fortunately, sunny and not too warm. The St. Luke's members have been very generous and we have sent a cheque for £232 to the Association. There will be a fuller report on the notice board when we receive a photo.'
Thank you, Brian Roscoe

Newsletter Content

If you have any items for the Newsletter (including requests for prayer) please contact Janette Tadman 01245 469124

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Deadline Wednesday evening

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WELCOME to St. Luke's Church.

Please stay for refreshments and fellowship in the hall after the service.

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

Collect

Lord, you have taught us that all our doings without love are nothing worth:
send your Holy Spirit and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of love,
the true bond of peace and of all virtues, without which whoever lives is counted dead before you.
Grant this for your only Son Jesus Christ's sake,
who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.
Amen

Post Communion Prayer

Loving Father,
we thank you for feeding us at the supper of your Son:
sustain us with your Spirit, that we may serve you here on earth until our joy is complete in heaven, and we share in the eternal banquet with Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen

Sunday 30 June

Second Sunday after Trinity

8am Holy Communion
at St. John's

10am MMU Service
at St. John's

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

The lectionary readings for Sunday 30th June are:

1 Kings 19:15-16, 19-end

¹⁵Then the Lord said to him, 'Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus; when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael as king over Aram. ¹⁶Also you shall anoint Jehu son of Nimshi as king over Israel; and you shall anoint Elisha son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah as prophet in your place.

¹⁹So he set out from there, and found Elisha son of Shaphat, who was ploughing. There were twelve yoke of oxen ahead of him, and he was with the twelfth. Elijah passed by him and threw his mantle over him. ²⁰He left the oxen, ran after Elijah, and said, 'Let me kiss my father and my mother, and then I will follow you.' Then Elijah said to him, 'Go back again; for what have I done to you?' ²¹He returned from following him, took the yoke of oxen, and slaughtered them; using the equipment from the oxen, he boiled their flesh, and gave it to the people, and they ate. Then he set out and followed Elijah, and became his servant.

Galatians 5:1, 13-25

¹For freedom Christ has set us free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery.

¹³For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters; only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for self-indulgence, but through love become slaves to one another. ¹⁴For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment, 'You shall love your neighbour as yourself.' ¹⁵If, however, you bite and devour one another, take care that you are not consumed by one another. ¹⁶Live by the Spirit, I say, and do not gratify the desires of the flesh. ¹⁷For what the flesh desires is opposed to the Spirit, and what the Spirit desires is opposed to the flesh; for these are opposed to each other, to prevent you from doing what you want. ¹⁸But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not subject to the law. ¹⁹Now the works of the flesh are obvious: fornication, impurity, licentiousness, ²⁰idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, anger, quarrels, dissensions, factions, ²¹envy, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these. I am warning you, as I warned you before: those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God. ²²By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, ²³gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things. ²⁴And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. ²⁵If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit.

Luke 9:51-end

⁵¹When the days drew near for him to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem. ⁵²And he sent messengers ahead of him. On their way they entered a village of the Samaritans to make ready for him; ⁵³but they did not receive him, because his face was set towards Jerusalem. ⁵⁴When his disciples James and John saw it, they said, 'Lord, do you want us to command fire to come down from heaven and consume them?' ⁵⁵But he turned and rebuked them. ⁵⁶Then they went on to another village.

⁵⁷As they were going along the road, someone said to him, 'I will follow you wherever you go.' ⁵⁸And Jesus said to him, 'Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests; but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head.' ⁵⁹To another he said, 'Follow me.' But he said, 'Lord, first let me go and bury my father.' ⁶⁰But Jesus said to him, 'Let the dead bury their own dead; but as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God.' ⁶¹Another said, 'I will follow you, Lord; but let me first say farewell to those at my home.' ⁶²Jesus said to him, 'No one who puts a hand to the plough and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God.'

Please Pray This Week

For Brian, Joan, Bob, Margaret, June, Tammy, Kath, Emma, Basil, Greta, Carmen, Agnes and Revd John S.

For those named on the prayer board

This week we remember:

John Church (01.07.2004)

Lily Brown (03.07.2005)

Malcolm Moorhouse (06.07.1992)

PCC News

The PCC on 19th June, was the first of our Vision and Strategy PCC meetings which we plan to alternate with more traditional PCC meetings. Two headlines from this meeting.....

- A fence has been installed between the Church and St Luke's House giving us a new garden with a fire exit to Lewis Drive. Over the next few months the PCC will decide how to develop the garden so that we get maximum benefit. If you have any ideas please feed them to the Wardens

- PCC looked at the feedback to the Healthy Churches meeting of the whole Church (See separate notice)

Home Groups

In response to suggestions you made as part of our Healthy Churches event on 2nd June the PCC are planning one or more Home Groups this Autumn.

Over the next couple of months we want to explore how these might operate and if you would like to help shape thinking, host and/or lead please mention this to Gemma or a warden.

Please pray for this initiative which we think will be a great addition to Church life at St Luke's, improving our knowledge of the Bible, developing our prayer life and contributing to our pastoral care.

This Week

The church is open daily for prayer

Monday 1 July

Pray for the Diocesan House of Retreat, Pleshey

Tuesday 2 July

Pray for Hornbeam Close

Wednesday 3 July

Pray for the Church Army

9.15am: Morning Prayer at St. Luke's

9.45am: Holy Communion

1.15pm: Edward Bear Toddler Group

Thursday 4 July

Pray for Peace in Syria and The Middle East

Friday 5 July

Pray for the Little Acorns Pre-School

Saturday 6 July

(Revd Gemma's day off)

Pray for Skylark Walk

11am: Saturday Coffee

Local Councillors' Surgery

Saturday Coffee

6th July

On duty: Louise Whitehead



Join us for coffee and fellowship