

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.

Sunday 25th August

Tenth Sunday after Trinity

8am Holy Communion at St. John's

10am Fourth Sunday Service

Leader and Speaker Lucy Bubb

Readings

Isaiah 58:9b-14 Anna Wood
Luke 13:10-17

Sidesman Hilary Few

Sound Dave Thomas

Coffee Mike and Janette Tadman

Counters Dave Thomas, Janette Tadman

Duty Churchwarden Mike Tadman

Organist Philippa Penkett

Collect

Lord of heaven and earth,
as Jesus taught his disciples to be
persistent in prayer,
give us patience and courage never to
lose hope,
but always to bring our prayers before
you;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen

Post Communion Prayer

God of our pilgrimage,
you have willed that the gate of mercy
should stand open for those who trust in
you:
look upon us with your favour
that we who follow the path of your will
may never wander from the way of life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen

PLEASE TAKE THIS NEWSLETTER HOME WITH YOU

Sunday 1st September

Eleventh Sunday after Trinity

8am: Holy Communion at St. John's

10am: Service of Holy Communion

President & Preacher: Rev Gemma Fraser

Crucifer: Lucy Bubb

Server: Hilary Selwood

Chalice: Lucy Bubb, Louise Whitehead

Intercessions: Lucy Bubb

Readings

Ecclesiasticus 10:12-18 Dawn Thomas

Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16 tba

Luke 14:1, 7-14

Sides: Helen Field, Dawn Thomas

Sound: Richard Field

Coffee: Dave and Jane Chambers

Counters: Helen Field, Hilary Few

Duty Churchwarden: Richard Field

Organist: Michael Davis

From the vicar.....

Ah, August!

Long lazy days of summer holidays ahead. Time for relaxing, freedom to rest from the usual things that get us up in the morning... unless you have small children that is (It gets better, trust me, I've been there). August seems to take on a different pace though, slower somehow, it's almost as if God goes on holiday too!

God doesn't of course. God never leaves us, is always there for us but will encourage us to take time out from our schedules. Psalm 46 verse 10 says:

Be still and know that I am God.

This Psalm is often used to take the reader to a place of quietness within themselves, a way of finding rest that the mind, body and spirit need. It's God's encouragement to take a holiday or Holy Moment as it were. Perhaps we should look at Psalm like this though. 'Be still' is translated in the Hebrew as 'Let go'. This suggests that we allow God to take the reins of our life instead of trying to keep control for ourselves. The interesting thing is as we let go, little by little even, we find ourselves freed from the constant stresses and anxieties that plague our culture. Fancy, surrendering actually bringing freedom? That sense of freedom is like being on holiday all the time. So then...

Be still and let it go.

And whatever you do this August may you have a wonderful and blessed time.

Gemma

Wedding Bells

Sandy and Maurice would love their St Luke's family to come to their wedding service on Saturday 14th September at 1pm here at St Luke's.

Tea and cake will be served after the service.

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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Readings

Isaiah 58:9b-end

⁹ Then you shall call, and the Lord will answer; you shall cry for help, and he will say, Here I am. If you remove the yoke from among you, the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil,

¹⁰ if you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted, then your light shall rise in the darkness and your gloom be like the noonday.

¹¹ The Lord will guide you continually, and satisfy your needs in parched places, and make your bones strong; and you shall be like a watered garden, like a spring of water, whose waters never fail.

¹² Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt; you shall raise up the foundations of many generations; you shall be called the repairer of the breach, the restorer of streets to live in.

¹³ If you refrain from trampling the sabbath, from pursuing your own interests on my holy day; if you call the sabbath a delight and the holy day of the Lord honourable; if you honour it, not going your own ways, serving your own interests, or pursuing your own affairs;

¹⁴ then you shall take delight in the Lord, and I will make you ride upon the heights of the earth; I will feed you with the heritage of your ancestor Jacob, for the mouth of the Lord has spoken.

Hebrews 12:18-end not being read at Sunday morning service

Luke 13:10-17

¹⁰ Now he was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath. ¹¹ And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight. ¹² When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, 'Woman, you are set free from your ailment.' ¹³ When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God. ¹⁴ But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, 'There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured, and not on the sabbath day.' ¹⁵ But the Lord answered him and said, 'You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger, and lead it away to give it water?' ¹⁶ And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the sabbath day?' ¹⁷ When he said this, all his opponents were put to shame; and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things that he was doing.

Please Pray This Week

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

For those named on the prayer board

This week we remember:
Terry Layton (28.08.2014)
Norman Judd (01.09.2002)

Dates for your diary

Sunday 15th September -

Joint service with St John's at St Luke's to celebrate the ordination of Suzanne McAllister, our new curate. There will be coffee and cakes after the service.

Sunday 29th September -

South West Chelmsford MMU Service at St Michael's, Galleywood

Sunday 6th October -

Harvest and Pet Blessing Service at 10am.

It's rota time again!

We're truly grateful that Janette has agreed to take on the role of coordinating the service rotas. If you would like to join one of the rotas for services between October and January, or are a regular rota-ite and know dates that you're not available, please let Janette know by 15th September. Training can always be given for any of the duties so please don't be shy!

This Week

The church is open daily for prayer

Monday 26 August

Pray for CHESS supporting the homeless

Tuesday 27 August

Pray for Alder Drive

Wednesday 28 August

Pray for people of other faiths

9.15am: Morning Prayer

Edward Bear is on holiday

Thursday 29 August

Pray for Peace in Syria and The Middle East

Friday 30 August

(Revd Gemma's day off)

Pray for the Trudi Osborne School of Dance

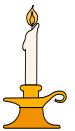
Saturday 31 August

Pray for Lime Walk

11am: Saturday Coffee

Living Light

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



Saturday Coffee

31st August

On duty: Larry Walters

Join us for coffee and fellowship

