

St. Luke's Church, Maidenhead

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Week commencing: 11th September 2022, Trinity 13

Our service on Sunday is a Parish Communion service at 10 am, in church and on zoom. We also have a said service of Holy Communion at 8 am.

The Collect	
Almighty God,	The Post Communion Prayer
who called your Church to bear witness	God our creator,
that you were in Christ reconciling the world to yourself:	you feed your children with the true manna,
help us to proclaim the good news of your love,	the living bread from heaven:
that all who hear it may be drawn to you;	let this holy food sustain us through our earthly
through him who was lifted up on the cross,	pilgrimage
and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,	until we come to that place
one God, now and for ever.	where hunger and thirst are no more;
	through Jesus Christ our Lord.

A Reading from the first letter of Paul of Timothy

12I am grateful to Christ Jesus our Lord, who has strengthened me, because he judged me faithful and appointed me to his service, 13even though I was formerly a blasphemer, a persecutor, and a man of violence. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief, 14and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. 15The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners – of whom I am the foremost. 16But for that very reason I received mercy, so that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display the utmost patience, making me an example to those who would come to believe in him for eternal life. 17To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honour and glory for ever and ever. Amen.

The Gospel reading

1All the tax-collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to Jesus. 2And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, 'This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them.'

3So he told them this parable: 4'Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he finds it? 5When he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders and rejoices. 6And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbours, saying to them, "Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost." 7Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance.

8Or what woman having ten silver coins, if she loses one of them, does not light a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds it? 9When she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbours, saying, "Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost." 10Just so, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents.'

1 Timothy 1.12-17

Sunday's Hymns:

- 604 Through the changing scenes of life
- sht The Lord's my shepherd (Townend)
- 54 I cannot tell

Thought for the week:

I don't know about you, but I am forever losing things,

especially my keys – usually to be found in the depths of my handbag!

Sunday's Gospel reading focusses on lost things in the first two of three well known parables that Jesus tells. Shepherds were stewards of sheep for other people – for framers. And so they were expected to take c=good acre of them and losing even one could be a sacking offense. Women sewed ten coins into their wedding headdresses and to lose one from such a special thing would be unthinkable.

What to our modern eyes seem to be small, insignificant losses, were understood by Jesus' hearers to be very important to those who lost them.

The point of these two parables is in Jesus' punchline: , there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents.

Today we might phrase that as the idea that God is thrilled when any person, whoever they are, turns to Him and seeks to become a disciple of Jesus.

With so many everyday pressures bearing down on people, perhaps it is important to share the good news of hope that faith in Jesus can bring – not as an escape from life's troubles, but as strength to live through them.

Prayer suggestions for this week:

- For schools returning to a new term and school year, for those starting or moving school.
- For our new Prime Minister and her cabinet
- That we may embrace our ministry as an inclusive church, in every way.
- For the people of Pakistan as they face horrendous flooding.
- For those who are hungry, or who eat alone every day.
- For the people of Ukraine and Russia, and for the UN. For all world leaders. For peace.
- For our ministry with children and for our plans to appoint a Children and Family Leader.
- For someone to be guided to take on the role of flower co-ordinator for our church.
- For our music team, and for an assistant organist.
- For our care for creation and sustainable living, for our work towards becoming an Eco church.
- For the international refugees currently living in Maidenhead and the people who are supporting them
- Margot and Mabel baptised recently, for Chloe to be baptised soon and Max to be baptised today.
- Those whose anniversary of baptism falls in September: Rosie Ribton, Rosie Turner, Katty King, Daisy Trillow.
- For all those who live and work in West Street
- For Emma and Hamish, and for Richard and Rebecca, married here recently.
- The sick and their carers : Monica Olley, Tony Boaks, Howard Baxter, Pamela Rivers, Julienne Grobler, Clarice, Andy, Dorothy Nicks, Ann Hockham, Pat Brooks, Andrew, Jim Mundy, Naila Watanabe, Valerie Bosley, Iris Brown, Charles Goodman, Joan Lynch, Harry, Elwyn.
- Those who have died recently, and those who mourn them: Arthur Little, John Hicks, John Biddle



 Those whose anniversary of death falls in September: Malcolm Gavin, Mary Dawson, Alice Webb, Vera Velvick, Bessie Molin, Roy Baldry, Molly Lewis, Royston Woodruff, Joyce Wilkins, Ivy Sparks, June Wells, Very Wheeler, Geoffrey Knight, Frederick Williamson, Albert Harris, Betty Ackland-Snow, Violet Ferguson, Lisa Plummer, Derek Wilkins, Mac Macaulay Brown, Margaret Burrows, Joan Went, Roy Dolton, Frederick Hearman, Betty Himmonds.

Readings for Morning Prayer for the week beginning Sunday 11th September 2022:

Sunday	Psalm 127	Revelation 12.1-12	
Monday	Psalm 126	2 Samuel 18.1-18	Acts 10.34 -end
Tuesday	Psalm 132	2 Samuel 18.19 – 19. 8a	Acts 11.1-18
Wednesday (Holy C	ross) Psalm 2	Genesis 3.1-15	John 12.27-36a
Thursday	Psalm 143	2 Samuel 19. 24 -end	Acts 12. 1-17
Friday	Psalm 144	2 Samuel 23.1-7	Acts 12. 18-end
Saturday	Psalm 147	2 Samuel 24	Acts 13.1-12

Rotas for next week:

Sunday 18th September, Trinity 14, Parish Communion in church and on zoomRead:Shula TajimaIntercede:Simon Bader?Welcomers:Rachel, Kim and DonCoffee:Sally and Isobel

Hospitality Fund: we are keen not to charge for after service coffee, and so do not put out a bowl for this. However, we do need to cover the cost and so we are reinstating the hospitality Fund. There is a box on the table at the back of church if you wish to make a donation from time to time, or you may like to give directly via bank transfer, in which case please state the reference: Hospitality. Thank you.

Our church is floodlit at night.

This week the floodlighting is sponsored by: Don Luff, in thanksgiving and gratitude for 'The Few', September 1940, and Dad Bill, 1944. Also by Brenda Windass and her three grandsons: in loving memory of Judy and Keith Foster at the anniversary time of the marriage of their son Richard, to Brenda's daughter, Angela.



To sponsor the floodlighting please fill in the form at the back of church or email the parish office: <u>admin@stlukeschurchmaidenhead.org.uk</u>

Given rising fuel prices, it is suggested the minimum donation for weekly sponsorship is now £15.

What's on... This week:

Friday 9 th	8.30 am, Morning Prayer, on zoom
	No Evening Prayer
Saturday 10 th	9.00 am, Morning Prayer, on zoom
	RIDE AND STRIDE day
	11 am, Eco group meeting, in church
Sunday 11 th	8.00 am Holy Communion
	10.00 am, Parish Communion, in church and on zoom
	12.00 pm Baptism of Max

Tuesday 13 th	8.30 am, Morning Prayer, on zoom
Wednesday 14 th	8.30 am, Morning Prayer, on zoom
	10.00 am, Holy Communion
Thursday 15 th	8.30 am, Morning Prayer, on zoom
	9.30 am Baby and Toddler group in church
	3.00 pm, Keeping Company, in church
	8.00 pm, Compline (Night Prayer) in church
Friday 16 th	8.30 am, Morning Prayer, on zoom
	5.00 pm, Evening Prayer
Saturday 17 th	9.00 am, Morning Prayer, on zoom
	9.30 – midday ish, Church Care Time
Sunday 18 th	10.00 am, Parish Communion, in church and on zoom
	12.00 pm Baptism of Chloe
	6.00 pm, Sundays at Six: Evensong and Benediction at All Saints

Advance notice, church out of action: during the week of Monday 19th – Thursday 22nd September, the church will not be available as the installation of the new wall mounted projector and screen will be taking place. There will be no Wednesday Holy Communion or Baby and Toddler group that week and the Gaynor's Gift Prayer Shawl knitting group will meet in the vicarage.

Coming up...

Church Flowers: anyone who has arranged flowers in church or would like to do so in the future is warmly invited oi a coffee morning in the vicarage at 10.30 am on Wednesday 21st September so that we can decide what we need to do between now and Christmas. Do come if you can.

Church Care morning: 17th September. All are warmly invited to join a morning of caring for the church building – brass and silver cleaning, polishing, clearing cobwebs, changing light bulbs, tidying the garden etc. 9.30 am – midday ish.

Eco group meeting: Saturday 10th at 11 am in church. Open to all.

There are lots of helpful resources on the diocesan website:

https://old.oxford.anglican.org/ecohub/

and the main Ci8rch of England site ahs both resources and webinars for the Creation season: <u>https://www.churchofengland.org/about/environment-and-climate-change/season-creation</u>

and from the Diocesan E-News:

Saving energy at home

Many households could save up to hundreds with some simple changes - and even more in the long term through more major works. Join us online to hear from two local experts how you can make your home more energy efficient, helping the planet whilst reducing bills. Watch live from 1pm on 26 September.

Thursday evening worship, third week, monthly, at 8pm: in church AND on zoom (use the Sunday morning link). Please do tell others about this too...

15th September: Compline 20th October: International Taize service

Café church: fourth Sunday at 4pm, in church (not on zoom). Informal, lay led time with tea and cake, prayer stations for all ages and closing reflection. 23rd October and 27th November.

Harvest Supper: Saturday 1st October, 7.00 pm, in church. Tickets available now: £8.50 pp. Meal: Sausages, baked potato, salad; apple pie. Soft drinks and all glasses provided BYO alcoholic drinks if wished. Please state if 'free from' or vegetarian when buying tickets.

Harvest All Age Communion Festival, Sunday 2nd at 10 am.

Saturday 15th October – Parish Quiet Day in church OR Diocesan Pilgrimage on foot to Christchurch cathedral – see <u>https://www.chch.ox.ac.uk/visiting-cathedral/st-frideswide-pilgrimage-2022</u> Do let Revd. Phyl know asap if you'd like to join the pilgrimage.

Men's curry night; 26th September 2022. 7.30pm

A chance to get to know each other more and break bread (naan etc) Choice of set menu for 4 people minimum order. Or choose dishes you would like and pay your share. Meet at Maidenhead Spice. Text or call Simon Bader on 07860714282 to book.

Christmas is coming – and our Director of Music is busy preparing for the Carol Service which, this year, falls on Sunday 18th December 6pm. If anyone would like to come and join the choir for this year's Carol service, please do have a word with either Adam or Sue Maclean. You will need to be available to attend choir practices from Friday 7th October at 8pm onwards.

Soul Food

The Brett Foundation is getting ready for when the colder weather hits. We are going to be doing daily lunch for people (type of Meals on wheels) It would be a pay if you can type service, with a donation facility for those who wish. (that's because some people won't use us as they don't want to be seen as needing charity, many of these people going without as they feel there are people worse off) so that's our way around it. We are looking for people to deliver meals for us on a regular daily basis. We can pay an hourly rate and pay petrol.

If you think you can help, then please contact Sue Brett on 07582158849 or email <u>susanbrett4@aol.co.uk</u>

CTiM Christmas Day lunch

During the pandemic we were unable to provide lunch on Christmas Day at SportsAble for people living alone in the Maidenhead area and we delivered Christmas hampers instead. Sadly our brilliant catering team is unable to continue helping. So if you know of anyone who could help organise the food preparation and service, or if you would like to volunteer to help with something else, then please contact Tony Weeks on 01628 627265 or email him at tonywweeks@gmail.com

WAMCF (Interfaith group) activities:

WAMCF Autumn 2022 Dialogues, 7pm to 830pm followed by refreshments. Tuesday 11th October New Windsor Community Association Topic: What makes us human?

Tuesday 1st November Maidenhead Gurdwara Topic: What is the one thing you'd most like to change about the world?

Tuesday 29th November Maidenhead Mosque Topic: Can religious faith make you a happy person?

Women's Group Monday 17th October, 7.30 pm, Maidenhead Synagogue

Anita Sawal will be the speaker on the work of the Thames Valley Hospice

Joy of Movement Dance Exercise for over 50's

Tuesday 6th September to Tuesday 11th October and Tuesday 1st November to Tuesday 6th December from 6pm to 7pm Tuesday night.

Sunday 20th November Faith Walk 2pm – 3pm

Interfaith Week 13th – 20th November 2022 Details to come.

Sundays at Six, this Autumn, All Services are at 6.00pm Zoom link:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87358197400?pwd=MTFxVINad1R6NEl6cVZ6TVJ5bGlzdz09

Meeting ID: 873 5819 7400 Passcode: 526076

18 th September	Evensong and Benediction, in church at All Saints
2 nd October	Harvest Service, in church and on zoom (TBC)
	led by the Church of the Good Shepherd, Cox Green
16 th October	Sung Evensong (BCP), in church and on zoom, at St. Luke's
30 th October	Memorial services, in church,
NB: 4 pm:	at St. Luke's, and the Church of the Good Shepherd, Cox Green
6 th November	All Souls Eucharist at All Saints
20 th November	Interfaith walk and tea
	Starts 2pm from St. Luke's, ending around 3pm back at St. Luke's.
4 th December	Taize service, at the Church of the Good Shepherd, Cox Green
11 th December	Christmas Tree Festival Service, at St. Luke's
18 th December	Carol Services at each church at 6.00 pm

And on the 4th Sunday monthly: (except December) 3pm, Deaf Church, at Cox Green 4pm, Sundays at 4, at All Saints 4pm, Café church, at St. Luke's

Our Regular activities:

The 8.00 Holy Communion service will continue to be monthly, on the 2nd Sunday.

Midweek Holy Communion is at 10 am weekly, followed by coffee

Baby and Toddler group meets on Thursdays, 9.30 - 11.00 am. We meet in church. Starts again on 8^{th} September after the summer break.

Messy Church continues on the first (usually) Friday, monthly, 4-5pm. Next, 2nd September. Email Revd. Sally to book a place.

Keeping Company is our monthly meeting for those bereaved (at any time). Third Thursday at 3pm, in church. The next is 15th September.

Thursday Teas meets in the community hall offering tea, cake and conversation. Second Thursdays monthly. Next is 8th September.

Gaynor's Gift is a prayer shawl knitting ministry that anyone can take part in at home. We meet together fortnightly to pray, knit and drink tea. Both in church and on zoom, 4th Thursdays monthly. The next is 22nd September.

Please note that for all Zoom services the links below are being used:

Sunday Morning Worship:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87358197400?pwd=MTFxVINad1R6NEl6cVZ6TVJ5bGlzdz09 Meeting ID: 873 5819 7400 Passcode: 526076

Zoom Morning Prayer at 8.30 am Tuesday – Friday, 9 am Saturday
https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81459090925?pwd=Y2hKZkFYZ04zbGZBd1BHcmlldU5Hdz09Meeting ID: 814 5909 0925Passcode: 180609Zoom Evening Prayer at 5pm on Fridays (except first Friday)
https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88677688468?pwd=WnF3aEQ2dTdLYjB1dDEvQ2YwcTJJZz09Meeting ID: 886 7768 8468Passcode: 132142

Sundays at Six: Use the Sunday morning link

Gaynor's Gift: Prayer Shawl Ministry 3pm, 4th Thursday, monthlyLink for 19th May:https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88627244304?pwd=q-AMP0InkyLAIA_vgbwenjXHzCxyx0.1Meeting ID: 886 2724 4304Passcode: 042474