

St. Luke's Church, Maidenhead

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Week Commencing:24th August -Trinity 10

This Sunday at 10am we have a service of Parish Communion followed by coffee. All welcome.

The Collect

Let your merciful ears, O Lord, be open to the prayers of your humble servants; and that they may obtain their petitions make them to ask such things as shall please you; 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.

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.

First Reading

18You have not come to something that can be touched, a blazing fire, and darkness, and gloom, 19and a tempest, and the sound of a trumpet, and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that not another word be spoken to them. 20(For they could not endure the order that was given, 'If even an animal touches the mountain, it shall be stoned to death.' 21Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, 'I tremble with fear.') 22But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, 23and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, 24and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel.

25See that you do not refuse the one who is speaking; for if they did not escape when they refused the one who warned them on earth, how much less will we escape if we reject the one who warns from heaven! 26At that time his voice shook the earth; but now he has promised, 'Yet once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heaven.' 27This phrase, 'Yet once more,' indicates the removal of what is shaken – that is, created things – so that what cannot be shaken may remain. 28Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us give thanks, by which we offer to God an acceptable worship with reverence and awe; 29for indeed our God is a consuming fire.

Hebrews 12. 18-end

Gospel Reading

10Now he was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath. 11And 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. 12When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, 'Woman, you are set free from your ailment.' 13When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God. 14But 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.' 15But 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? 16And 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?' 17When 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

Luke 13. 49-56

Sunday's Hymns:

P: 777 Sing of the Lord's goodness

G: 518 O Christ the healer, we have comeO: 512 Christ's is the world (A touching place)

HC: 451 Just as I am

R: 630 Father, Lord of all creation

Thought for the week:

Some people are good at noticing the world around them. Archaeologists have a keen eye for the one stone that is a shaped flint. Shepherds can recognise their sheep. Jesus spotted a woman who was forced into insignificance and isolation by disability. A God'seye view attends to people whose needs push them to the margins, restricting their life choices. God's awesome orientation to life in all its fullness means that God longs to see people flourish. This readiness to notice and make a difference characterises Jesus. Where, and in what ways, is the same awe-inspiring focus present in local communities? Where should we be taking care to notice the ones with heads bowed low, so that we can support them in finding ways to look up?

From Roots on the Web

Prayer suggestions for this week:

- For our PCC and church officers, and for those planning to cover the vacancy.
- For Revd. Sally as she prepares to move home and explore news ways of living.
- For our Church leaders and those selecting a new Archbishop of Canterbury
- For our ministry as an inclusive church.
- For peace in Ukraine and Russia, between Israel and Hammas, and Iran, in Armenia and Ethiopia.
- For our sisters and brothers of all faiths in town.
- For all those who live and work in Park View
- For Martha, Ayanna and Riley, and Rico, all baptised last month
- For all those whose anniversary of baptism falls in August: Lily Weber, Archie Marosi, Miles

- Levy, Romain Levy, Margot Wooley, Mabel Wooley, Rocco Tagg, Sonny Tagg, Haylee Tagg.
- The sick and their carers: Monica Olley, Valerie Bosley, Bridget Morris, Jacqueline Lewis, Angela Baldwin, Baby Keeon, Aram Hakobian, Joan Lynch, Alicia Little, Ralph Hinchliffe, Harry, Andrew Sheppard, Jenny, Adam.
- Those who have died recently, and those who mourn them: Robert Tillin
- Those whose anniversary of death falls in August: Betty Hunt, Rita Buckland,
 Margaret Moulton, Janet Seaman, Alix Burnage, Patricia Nuth, Phyllis Sigsworth,
 Rosemary Schlarb

Readings for Morning Prayer for the week beginning Sunday 24th August 2025:

Sunday	Psalm 119	Jonah 2	Revelation 1
Monday	Psalm 71	Proverbs 1. 1-19	Mark 2. 23 -3.6
Tuesday	Psalm 73	Proverbs 1. 20-end	Mark 3. 7-19a
Wednesday	Psalm 77	Proverbs 2	Mark 3. 19b-end
Thursday	Psalm 78. 1-39	Proverbs 3, 1-26	Mark 4. 1-20
Friday	Psalm 55	Proverbs 3. 27-4.19	Mark 4. 21-34
Saturday	Psalm 76	Proverbs 6. 1-19	Mark 4. 35-end

Rotas for next week

Sunday 31st August Eleventh after Trinity: Parish Communion

Read: Sally Somerville Intercede: Ruth Sheppard Chalice: Nicola B Sound: Duty Warden

Welcomers: Clare, Fiona, Emma and Noah Coffee: Sally and Marc Children: Rachel

Our church is floodlit at night.

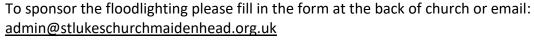
This week the church floodlighting has been sponsored by:

Sue and Ralph

"To celebrate the completion of the first stage of treatment"

&

Henny Bird "Blessed birthday to Jenny and Dinah Bird."



It is suggested the minimum donation for weekly sponsorship is £15.

What's on.... This week:

Sunday 24 th	10.00 am, Parish Communion
Tuesday 26 th	8.30 am, Morning prayer on zoom
Wednesday 27 th	8.30 am, Morning prayer on zoom
	10.00am, Holy Communion
Thursday 28th	8.30 am, Morning prayer on zoom
Friday 29 th	8.30 am, Morning Prayer on zoom
Sunday 31st	10.00 am, Parish Communion



Sundays at Six: All Services are at 6.00pm Zoom link: use Sunday morning or as specified above **Sundays at Six will resume in September:**

7 th September	Iona Evening Prayer at the Church of the Good Shepherd, Cox Green	
21 st September	Evensong and Benediction, in church at All Saints	
5 th October	Harvest Songs of Praise, at the Church of the Good Shepherd, Cox Green	
19 th October	International Taize service, at St. Luke's	
2 nd November	Memorial services, in church,	
NB: 4 pm:	at St. Luke's, and the Church of the Good Shepherd, Cox Green	
9 th Nov. at 6pm	All Souls Eucharist at All Saints	
16 th Nov.	Choral Evensong, at St. Luke's	
30 th Nov.	Taize service, at the Church of the Good Shepherd, Cox Green	
7 th December	Christmas Tree Festival Service, at St. Luke's (Tree Festival 5 th - 7 th Dec.)	
21 st Dec. 6.00 pm	Carol Services at each church	

Messy Church. Resumes in the autumn: 3rd October, 7th November, 28th November

2025 Christmas Tree Festival—An appeal from the Produce Stall Organisers

As soft fruits are now in season and autumn fruits soon will be, we are again appealing for donations of fruit to make jams and chutneys for the 2025 Christmas Tree Festival. A basket will be placed at the back of church from 3rd August for donations of fruit (soft fruit, apples plums damsons). Donations sugar, vinegar, dried fruit, and nuts are also very welcome. We will be grateful for any Bonne Maman and Frank Cooper marmalade jars you have. These can be placed in the basket.

In 2024 Christmas bags of homemade biscuits sold out immediately. Later in the year we will post the recipe on the pew sheet for those cooks willing to help. Christmas bags and ribbon will be supplied. As in previous Christmas Tree Festivals if you are making jams or chutneys, we can supply later in the year St Luke's Spire labels for the jars or you can use your own (please make the writing is nice and clear).

The Festival has increased in popularity over the years and the Produce Stall now makes a real contribution to its success. We would like this to continue and so your help is needed to ensure we have enough produce. Many thanks.

Ann Darracott (07761 221937) Dorothy Strack-Hankey (07743 323635) Isobel M. Davies (07586 785563).

Morning Prayer

Is said on Zoom, Tuesday – Friday (not on Saturday during the vacancy). Why not join in? We use the Daily Prayer App (https://www.churchofengland.org/prayer-and-worship/join-us-service-daily-prayer-app-and-podcast), or ask to borrow a book from church.

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 term time only. We meet in church.

Messy Church continues on the first (usually) Friday, monthly, 4-5.30pm.

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

Thursday Teas meets in the community hall offering tea, cake and conversation. Second Thursdays monthly, 1.30 pm.

Thursday Lunches meets fourth Thursday of the month, usually at the Toby Cavery but please contact Jean Tyrwhitt-Drake on <u>Jeant-d2@outlook.com</u> for further details.

Gaynor's Gift is a prayer shawl knitting ministry that anyone can take part in at home. We meet together monthly to pray, knit and drink tea. 4th Thursdays monthly.

Please note that for Zoom services the links below are being used: Sunday Morning Worship:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87358197400?pwd=MTFxVlNad1R6NEl6cVZ6TVJ5bGlzdz09

Meeting ID: 873 5819 7400 Passcode: 526076

Zoom Morning Prayer at 8.30 am Tuesday – Friday (no Saturday during the vacancy) https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81459090925?pwd=Y2hKZkFYZ04zbGZBd1BHcmlldU5Hdz09

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