



St. Luke's Church, Maidenhead

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Week commencing: 26th June 2022 Trinity 2

Our service this Sunday is a parish Communion serviced, with Sundays at Six on zoom at 6pm. Many apologies that the 10 am zoom did not take place last Sunday.

The 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.

The 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..

A reading from Paul's letter to the Galatians

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

13 For 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. 14 For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment, 'You shall love your neighbour as yourself.' 15 If, however, you bite and devour one another, take care that you are not consumed by one another.

16 Live by the Spirit, I say, and do not gratify the desires of the flesh. 17 For 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. 18 But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not subject to the law. 19 Now the works of the flesh are obvious: fornication, impurity, licentiousness, 20 idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, anger, quarrels, dissensions, factions, 21 envy, 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.

22 By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, 23 gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things. 24 And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. 25 If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit.

Galatians 5. 1, 13-25

The Gospel reading

51 When the days drew near for him to be taken up, Jesus set his face to go to Jerusalem. 52 And he sent messengers ahead of him. On their way they entered a village of the Samaritans to make ready for him; 53 but they did not receive him, because his face was set towards Jerusalem. 54 When 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?' 55 But he turned and rebuked them. 56 Then they went on to another village.

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

Luke 9.51-end

Sunday's Hymns:

301 God is here, as we his people
287 Broken for me, broken for you
267 Thou, whose almighty word

Thought for the week:

Local artist Stanley Spencer painted this picture, 'The Foxes have holes' as one of his 'Wilderness' series of paintings, usually associated with Lent. We hear the reading above during ordinary time, but there is a Lenten hint to it as both readings today remind us of the cost of being a disciple of Jesus.



As far as we know, once Jesus grew up and left Nazareth, he had no permanent home of his own. His three years of ministry were itinerant and without the stability of home comforts. Jesus had high expectations for himself – and for those who followed him – trusting in God to provide for everyday needs and learning to live simply.

St. Paul, in his letter to the early church in the Galatian region, was also very aware of the need for Christian disciple to live by high standards, especially compared to the world at large.

It would be easy today to dismiss these teachings as outdated or irrelevant, but perhaps we might learn from them about a simplicity of living and a manner of being with others that speaks of a best way of life for all people.

On a visit to Israel a few years ago I was sitting along by the Sea of Galilee and taken by the holes in the rock beside me, then I saw the creature which lived there (a hyrax) and thought of Jesus' teaching – perhaps were his 'foxes'. Whilst not aspiring to live in a hole, learning to trust more in God and living closer to nature had an attraction that can easily be lost and subsumed in the pressure of everyday life. Perhaps I should re-engage with it.



Prayer suggestions for this week:

- For our Queen and Royal Family
- For the people of Ukraine and Russia, and for the UN. For all world leaders. For peace.
- For young people sitting examinations.
- For schools nearing the end of term.
- For those preparing for confirmation: Katty and John, Becky, Ruth, and candidates from other churches.
- For our care for creation and sustainable living.
- For the international refugees currently living in Maidenhead and the people who are supporting them
- Those whose anniversary of baptism falls in June: Demi-Lea Brudenall, Summer-Lea Brudenall, Emily Reay.
- For Declan Pyrke and Bella Edmunds, to be baptised soon.
- For all those who live and work in Sperling Road.
- For Emma and Hamish, and for Richard and Rebecca, to be married here at the start of July.
- The sick and their carers : Monica Olley, Tony Boaks, Howard Baxter, Pamela Rivers, Julienne Grobler, Clarice, Andy, Dorothy Nicks, Ann Hockham, Pat Brooks, Joy Richmond, Andrew, Jim Mundy, Naila Watanabe, Maama Agnes (Uganda), Valerie Bosley, Iris Brown, Louise, Rupert, Charles Goodman.
- For all those currently suffering with covid.
- Those who have died recently, and those who mourn them: Gerry Knight
- Those whose anniversary of death falls in June: Christine Collins, Philip Snelgrove, Robert Clark, Paul Luxton, Christa Blight, John Avenell, Ronald Bennett, Jocelyne Wyman, Hazel Birch, Doreen Shields, Scott Keen, Evelyn Allaway, Margaret Gammon, Alec Judd, Enid Barber, Johanna Raffan.

Readings for Morning Prayer for the week beginning Sunday 26th June 2022:

Sunday	Psalm 64	Acts 27. 33-end	
Monday	Psalm 44	Judges 2	Luke 13.1-9
Tuesday	Psalm 48	Judges 4.1-23	Luke 13.10-21
Wednesday, <i>St. Peter</i>	Psalm 71	Isaiah 49.1-6	Acts 11.1-18
Thursday	Psalm 57	Judges 6.1-24	Luke 14.1-11
Friday	Psalm 51	Judges 6.25-end	Luke 14.12-24
Saturday,	Psalm 68	Judges 7	Luke 14.25 -end

Rotas for next week:**Sunday 3rd July, Trinity 3, All Age Holy Communion in church and on zoom**

Read: Rachel Beaumont Intercede: Jeanette Lock

Welcomers: Jacqueline, Simon, Lisa Coffee: Jeanette, Kate

Our church is floodlit at night.

*This week the floodlighting has been sponsored
by Mr T Autos*

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



What's on...

This week:

Friday 24 th	8.30 am, Morning Prayer, on zoom 11.00 am, Baptism of Declan Pyrke NO Evening Prayer 8.00 pm, Choir practice
Saturday 25 th	9.00 am, Morning Prayer, on zoom 11.00 pm, Music Team meeting Recital by Andrew Gallacher and pupils sadly cancelled
Sunday 26 th	10.00 am, Parish Communion, in church and on zoom 6.00 pm, Sundays at Six, Zoomed Night Prayer. Led by St. Luke's
Tuesday 28 th	8.30 am, Morning Prayer, on zoom
Wednesday 29 th	8.30 am, Morning Prayer, on zoom 10.00 am, Holy Communion
Thursday 30 th	8.30 am, Morning Prayer, on zoom 9.30 – 11.00 am, Baby and Toddler group, in church
Friday 1 st July	8.30 am, Morning Prayer, on zoom 2.00 pm, Wedding of Emma and Hamish 4.00 pm, Messy Church (vicarage garden) 8.00 pm, Choir practice
Saturday 2 nd	9.00 am, Morning Prayer, on zoom 1.00 pm, Wedding of Rebecca and Richard
Sunday 3 rd	10.00 am, All Age Holy Communion, in church and on zoom 12.00 pm, Baptism of Bella Edmunds

The last few **Sundays at Six** services for this term are:

26th June, St. Luke's, Night Prayer (zoom only)

10th July, ChoGS, Prayer Walk – time and location to be notified

Looking ahead...

Quiet day, Saturday 16th July. We have again booked to spend a quiet day at Goosebury Hall in Epping. We will share transport and leave around 9 am, returning here for around 5pm. Please sign up on church to join us (or email Revd Sally). Cost £10 pp.

Garden party, Sunday 4th September, 3pm. Join us in the vicarage garden for a fund raising Garden party to draw the summer to a close. Details and tickets to come, but book the date now.

As we look into the autumn, we move into the Season of Creation.

We have received this invitation ...

The Parish Community of St Joseph and St Elizabeth, Maidenhead, would like to invite the Parishioners and Communities of Churches Together In Maidenhead (CTIM) to attend an Ecumenical Service, at St Joseph's Church on Thursday 1st September 2022, to mark the start of this year's Season of Creation. The Service will begin at 2:00 pm and will be followed by a reception in Parish Centre. It is hoped that other Members of CTIM will join in the Readings and Reflection as we "Listen to the Voice of Creation."

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.

Messy Church continues on the first (usually) Friday, monthly, 4-5pm. The next is 1st July. Email Revd. Sally to book a place. Please note that the August MC will take place on Friday 12th.

Keeping Company is our monthly meeting for those bereaved (at any time). Third Thursday at 3pm, in church. The next is 21st July.

Thursday Teas meets in the community hall offering tea, cake and conversation. Second Thursdays monthly. Next is 14th July.

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 23rd June.

Sundays at Six A chance to worship with friends from All Saints and the Church of the Good Shepherd, Cox Green. We will continue to meet fortnightly, mix of zoom and in-church services.

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

Sunday Morning Worship:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87358197400?pwd=MTFxVINad1R6NEl6cVZ6TVJ5bGlzd09>

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=Y2hKZkFYZ04zbGZBd1BHcmllU5Hdz09>

Meeting ID: 814 5909 0925

Passcode: 180609

Zoom Evening Prayer at 5pm on Fridays (except first Friday)

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88677688468?pwd=WnF3aEQ2dTdLYjB1dDEvQ2YwcTJJZz09>

Meeting ID: 886 7768 8468

Passcode: 132142

Sundays at Six:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83058792852?pwd=NWQ2dzJNRzZJRdRejJUa0pQOTBJZz09>

Meeting ID: 830 5879 2852

Passcode: 936128

Gaynor's Gift: Prayer Shawl Ministry 3pm, 4th Thursday, monthly

Link for 19th May:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88627244304?pwd=q-AMP0lnkyLAIA_vgbwenjXHzCxyxo.1

Meeting ID: 886 2724 4304

Passcode: 042474