



St. Luke's Church, Maidenhead



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[This sheet is also available on the above website]

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Week commencing: 31st May 2020 The Feast of Pentecost

This week's worship offering from St. Luke's is a live Zoom service for Pentecost Sunday at 10 am, and also Zoom Morning Prayer, live worship at 9 am Tuesday through to Sunday. The order of service for Sunday is on our website and attached to this mailing. Do join us live on Zoom or use the service in your own time.

(<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83803454067?pwd=RzMwdHlNVVhCK3BmUWpHL09NVXRtdz09>
Meeting ID: 838 0345 4067
Password: 077577)

Everyone on our pastoral roll should receive an envelope from church this weekend. You may find the contents useful for this service so why not have them handy if you join the service live on Zoom.

Bishop Olivia has prepared an address for Pentecost Sunday which I urge you to watch / listen to, if you can:

<https://vimeo.com/422811926/29743af5e9>

As ever, all orders of service and earlier recordings can be found on our website, along with many other resources.

Zoom Morning Prayer: This link works for all days:

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/77299700733?pwd=K01jTkdCZmh2WERXTldwSExsVnRZZz09>

The order of service will now change daily so I do encourage you to download the Daily Prayer App (<https://www.chpublishing.co.uk/apps/daily-prayer>) or find it on the Church of England website (<https://www.churchofengland.org/prayer-and-worship/join-us-in-daily-prayer/morning-prayer-contemporary-sunday-3-may-2020>).

Or just ask me to drop you off a hard copy of the whole book!

Readings for this week are: (including Monday if you are doing it at home)

Monday	Psalm 85	1 Samuel 2.1-10	Mark 3. 31-end
Tuesday	Psalm 132	Joshua 2	Luke 9. 28-36
Wednesday	Ps.119. 153-end	Joshua 3	Luke 9. 37-50

Thursday	Psalm 143	Joshua 4.1-5.1	Luke 9. 51-end
Friday	Psalm 144	Joshua 5.2-end	Luke 10.1-16
Saturday	Psalm 147	Joshua 6.1-20	Luke 10.17-24
Sunday	Psalm 86.8-13	John 17. 1-11	

Virtual worship and other activities coming up: everyone is welcome to join in any of these activities:

- Calendared **Bible study** – last one this Thursday. Have a Bible in front of you for our study of Paul's letter to the Philippians. Link:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88495847133?pwd=eXEwVktCcGZqdDI3YXNiOFRRMldrUT09>
- The next virtual **Messy Church** is on Friday 5th June at 4pm. This link will get you in. If you'd like a craft pack please let me know by Wednesday.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82228649607?pwd=WnBNb0wrWEZPSGNpNIVFdzRySDITQT09>

Prayer suggestions for this week:

- For our government and bishops, making difficult decisions
- For those who are very sick in hospital, and for those who have died
- For our nation as lock down is slowly lifted.
- For all NHS and medical staff, Police and Armed service personnel
- For Dr. Harriett Burdett, Hannah Hirst (paramedic, TV Air Ambulance), Eleanor Kershaw (frontline nursing), Phyl Sopp (nurse practitioner), Dr Chris Moulton
- For all the volunteer counsellors at Number 22 and Youth Talk, supporting people in difficult times
- For Adam Went as he oversees care homes
- For our schools as children learn at home and teachers under pressure teaching online, and parents / grandparents home schooling, and for staff as schools prepare to return in places
- For Phyl Sopp as she prepares to be licenced as a Lay Minister, prior to ordination in (hopefully) September
- Those whose anniversary of baptism fall in June: Jayden Shaw-Griffiths, Coby Griffiths, Cameron Raymond, Ollie Pickett, Myles Taylor, Demi-Lea Brudenall, Summer-Lea Brudenall
- For all those who live and work in College Road
- The sick and those who care for them: Stephen Sands, John Francis, Tony Lucas, Monica Olley, and Susan Smith
- Those who died recently, and those who mourn them: George Hayward, Brian Webb, John Mclean, Kay Raffan and Revd. Jonathan Chambers, Ron Mason
- Those whose anniversary of death falls in June: Ronald Bennett, Paul Luxton, Christine Collins, Hazel Birch, Jocelyn Wyman, Christa Blight, John Avenell, Philip Snelgrove, Robert Clark, Doreen Shields, Scott Keen, Evelyn Allaway, and Margaret Gammon

The church is still floodlit at night.

This week the floodlighting has been sponsored by

Jilly Bevitt and family:

fond memories of Roger Bevitt on his birthday

and

Jean Jackson

'In memory of my beloved Glyn'



To sponsor the floodlighting just call or email Revd. Sally

Diocesan worship continues to be offered via the usual link and Facebook and website.

It is also available to people dialling in by phone as well.

- The number to dial each week is 01865 920930
- press zero for the short service and 1 for the full Church at Home service
- it takes a few seconds to retrieve the recording then the service will start.

(<https://www.oxford.anglican.org/coronavirus-covid-19/livestream/>)

You may also like to follow **Bishop Steven's podcast: Reflections for a church in**

lockdown, available from the diocesan website, or: <https://blogs.oxford.anglican.org/>

Roots at home this week:

www.rootsontheweb.com/adultsathome31may for adults

www.rootsontheweb.com/familiesathome31may for families

Worship suggestion for this week: Eucharist for Ascension Day from the rooftop of Exeter cathedral!

<https://www.facebook.com/exetercathedral/videos/698066364292038/>

This week's news and information

School: Ms Mendivil writes: *I have been updating and restocking books we can use for our Humanities teaching. We have a couple of topics that directly link to our local area; what Maidenhead was like and how it is in the present day etc. It's quite tricky to resource! We have some old photographs of the school building - I know it used to be a boys secondary school as my step-father attended and a map or two.*

I was wondering if you would mind asking your parishioners you think could help if they have any old photos/maps they would like to donate or let us copy - it might even be

they have an interesting story to share! Or, possibly if the Church has anything that may be of use?

If anyone has anything that you think might be of interest to the school, please do let me know and I will pass it on.

Last call for Inspire : Louisa is now ready to work on a lock-down edition of Inspire. Please do send articles to: stlukes.inspire@gmail.com. You may like to write about how you kept VE day, what has kept you sane in lockdown, how you see the church of the future...

Quiz Night... yes, really!

Huge thanks to James and Louisa Ellins, who are running a Quiz Night for all adult ages on Wednesday 10th Jun at 8.30 pm (once Alex is in bed!!).

Anyone can take part – as an individual, family/couple – under the same roof unit, or by pairing up with a friend and conferring by phone. Four rounds of ten questions with a brief comfort break interval. Bring your own drinks and snacks (of course!).

It would be great if you could email Ruth on admin@stlukeschurchmaidenehad.org.uk so that we have an idea of who is Zooming in, but you can also just show up on the night. Link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86036432303?pwd=NzBpMXFhTHZkYnlZdXRjeEw5L0dxUT09>

Meeting ID: 860 3643 2303

Password: 002056

Foodshare please don't forget those who really do need food at this time. there are drop off points around town – see a previous weekly sheet.

IT Alert: James Ellins reports that it seems that hackers are disguising a virus as an Excel file (sent as an attachment) of Covid-19 statistics. This virus can, amongst other things, basically prevent a computer from starting at all.

A description can be found in this article:

<https://www.zdnet.com/article/microsoft-beware-this-massive-phishing-campaign-using-malicious-excel-macos-to-hack-pcs/>

Ruth Sheppard has kindly offered to make a **face mask** for anyone who is unable to access on e- speak to Revd. Sally in the first instance.

Further information about online

worship opportunities and local help information can be found on our website (under latest news).

And finally, Bishop Olivia recommended this poem, **Ascension, by Malcolm Guite:**

We saw his light break through the cloud of glory
Whilst we were rooted still in time and place
As earth became a part of Heaven's story
And heaven opened to his human face.
We saw him go and yet we were not parted
He took us with him to the heart of things
The heart that broke for all the broken-hearted
Is whole and Heaven-centred now, and sings,
Sings in the strength that rises out of weakness,
Sings through the clouds that veil him from our sight,
Whilst we our selves become his clouds of witness
And sing the waning darkness into light,
His light in us, and ours in him concealed,
Which all creation waits to see revealed .

If you know of someone who would like to receive this update and does not have access to the internet, please do print a copy for them.

Likewise, if you know of anyone who would like to receive this by email, please ask them to email me (not the office for now) to be added to the mailing list.

Please do keep us up to date with both how you are your family are faring at this time, and with you own health. You can call or email Revd. Sally or your contactor at any (reasonable!) time. Please note that the church office is now completely closed and all communication should be to the vicarage telephone and my email.

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