



St. Luke's Church, Maidenhead



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First Sunday after Trinity... and Music Sunday

We start our journey through the Trinity season this week – almost half of the church year, a time of growth and learning, reading the stories and teachings of Jesus.

This week's worship offering is a live Zoomed service for the First Sunday after Trinity. We hope that many of you can join us at 10 am to share worship together – and stay on for coffee and chat in break out rooms afterwards. Bring your own coffee! The order of service for Sunday is on our website and attached to this mailing.

As ever, all orders of service and earlier recordings can be found on our website, along with many other resources. There will be the usual Zoom Morning Prayer at 9 am for those who would like that instead / as well.

You will also find on our website another video story for children (and / or those of us who are young at heart). This week Ruth tells the story of the Stilling of the Storm.

We also continue to offer Zoom Morning Prayer, live worship at 9 am Tuesday through to Sunday.

Zoom Morning Prayer: This link works for all days:

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

The order of service is now 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. If you would like to borrow a church service book please ask.

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

Monday	Psalm 30	Joshua 14	Luke 12.1-12
Tuesday	Psalm 36	Joshua 21.43-22.8	Luke 12. 13-21
Wednesday	Psalm 34	Joshua 22.9-end	Luke 12. 22-31
Thursday	Psalm 37 (part)	Joshua 23	Luke 12. 32-40
Friday	Psalm 31	Joshua 24. 1-28	Luke 12.41-48
Saturday	Psalm 42	Joshua 24.29-end	Luke 12.49 -end
Sunday	Psalm 49	Acts 27. 1-12	

This Sunday is also Music Sunday and the RSCM is offering a service online via YouTube at 6pm.

Anyone can join in the service. Here is the link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aRQivlwyTqw> and the RSCM website is at: <https://www.rscm.org.uk/> if you have problems getting in.

Prayer suggestions for this week:

- Give thanks for a decrease in covid related deaths and infections
- For all who are struggling with mental health issues caused or exacerbated by the lockdown
- For our government and bishops, making difficult decisions
- For our nation as lock down is slowly lifted, and for faith communities, as places of worship are opened, when ready, for private prayer
- For all the volunteer counsellors at Number 22 and Youth Talk, supporting people in difficult times
- For those in care homes and their families, unable to physically meet, and the associated frustrations
- For our schools as children learn at home AND school, and teachers under pressure teaching online, and parents / grandparents home schooling
- For justice and equality for all people, for the Black Lives Matter campaign
- For Phyl Sopp as she prepares to be licenced as a Lay Minister on 4th July, prior to ordination in late 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 Coln Close
- The sick and those who care for them: Stephen Sands, John Francis, Tony Lucas, Monica Olley, Mick Curley, and Susan Smith
- Those who have died recently, and those who mourn them: Bill Meredith
- 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 not been sponsored this week.

To sponsor the floodlighting just call or email Revd. Sally. There are no more weeks taken until August so plenty of opportunities...



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

(<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/adultsathome14jun for adults

www.rootsontheweb.com/familiesathome14jun for families

Churches open for private prayer

The goalposts have moved yet again, and places of worship may now open for private prayer from 13th June, and for funerals from 15th. Both of these opportunities are supported by very strict measures for the safety of everyone, and prevention of risk.

As I stated in an email last Sunday, here at St. Luke's, our Standing Committee meets this week and will consider our response both spiritually and practically. To be very clear – when we do open for private prayer it will be for a very limited time and in a very limited space. We know that God is all around us and, as a member of the congregation said to me today, 'you can pray to God anywhere'. Indeed, meeting with God in prayer at home or in our own special places is warmly to be encouraged.

If you would like help with prayer – prayer booklets or a chat about prayer, then please do contact me by phone or email – I love talking about it and praying with people as well as for people.

However, and whenever, we do offer space in church for private prayer, be assured that our Zoom Morning Prayer will continue.

Laptop loan for Zooming: if you have internet but an aged device (laptop, ipad..) that can't Zoom (no camera or mic) then we have a few more modern devices that we can loan out. Please contact me if you'd like to give that a go, and we can set you going so that you can Zoom in to live worship and other things.

This week's news and information

Quiz Night... huge thanks to James and Louisa for organising and leading a fabulous Quiz on Wednesday evening. It was great fun. Congratulations to Terrie and Colin as victors! Well done everyone who took part.

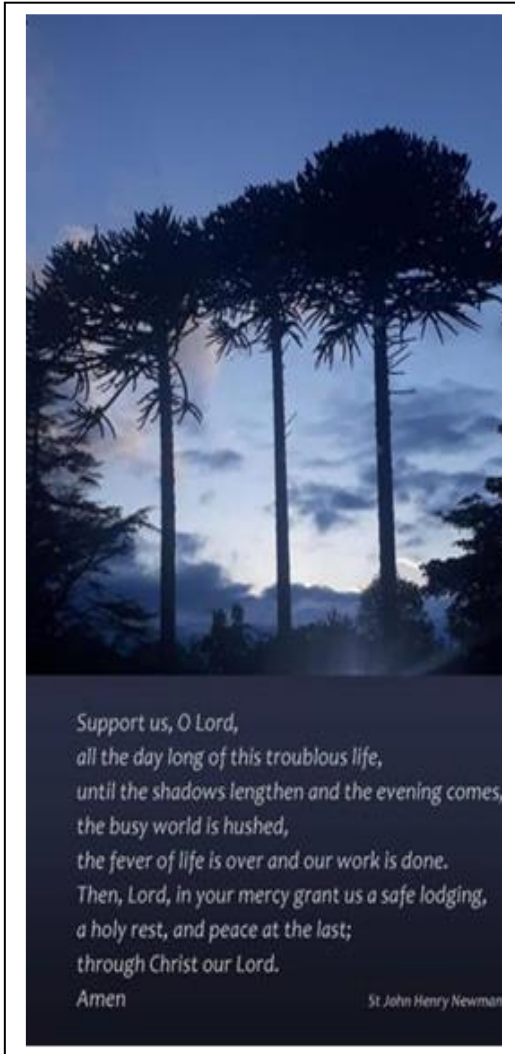
Scam email – TV licensing...with thanks to Gerry who raises an alarm about an email to those who have free TV licences. A scammer is sending an email purporting to be from TV Licensing – if you receive one of these check the address it is from (it is often not TV Licensing) and DO NOT click any links. If in doubt about any emails do call myself or someone else for advice.

Quench: Tony Bronnimann writes: After much prayer and deliberation, we felt that the right decision for us, a company was NOT to rush to reopen, primarily as a duty of care to our staff and also our wonderful customers. We have still been taking and fulfilling orders through Lockdown via Ali on admin@quenchshops.com and this will continue throughout June. The plan is to then reopen our Maidenhead shop on Mon 6th July for 3 days a week initially, Mon - Weds 10.30am - 3pm. Please do continue to uphold us in prayer, and to support us by placing your orders with us.

Coronavirus advice: Don Luff passes on this link to a really useful article - do read it:

https://amp.ft.com/content/2418ff87-1d41-41b5-b638-38f5164a2e94?_twitter_impression=true

This beautiful version of an evening prayer was sent this week by a friend:



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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