

St. Luke's Church, Maidenhead



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[This sheet is also available on the above website]

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Week commencing: 5th July 2020

Fourth Sunday after Trinity

What a big day it is on Sunday. After 14 (? I've lost track!) weeks away we are able to return to worship together in the church. Praise God for that!

Of course, the pandemic has not gone away and there are still many restrictions – you will have seen my email about this earlier this week. I want to be really clear too that just because we can, it does not mean that we have to come to church physically. No one should feel that they must come or feel guilty for not coming. It will be fabulous to see those who do come and just as fabulous to know that many others are worshipping with us at home or elsewhere. We really are the Body of Christ, wherever we happen to be physically.

So, the order of service for Sunday is attached and you will need to print it and bring it with you, or download it to a device, if you are coming to church, and you can, of course, also use it at home – alone or by Zoom. **This link will now work for ALL Sunday 10 am services:**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85097790796?pwd=NUJlZkE5PL3hOFYyUm11OTNxc0lnUT09>

Meeting ID: 850 9779 0796

Password: 900393

You can join by Zoom or see the recorded service later on our website.

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.

For those in church and on Zoom: *This is a public occasion. Please be aware that photography and filming will take place during the service, and that the service is being livestreamed to those unable to attend. No other photography or filming is permitted during the service. Still and video images captured today may be used in other materials published by the church or the Diocese of Oxford. Please speak to a warden or sidesperson prior to the start of the service if you have concerns. For any questions or concerns following the service please email sally514@btinternet.com.*

Please do be prepared to abide by the new code of worship. I forgot to mention in that, that we cannot offer kneelers at the moment.

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://us02web.zoom.us/j/89235197308?pwd=cjd0aUJXN0RrbnRqeVhQTHJDNDREZz09>

Meeting ID: 892 3519 7308

Password: 780771

You can 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 Revd. Sally.

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

Monday	Psalm 80	Judges 13.1-24	Luke 17.20-end
Tuesday	Psalm 89.1-18	Judges 14	Luke 18.1-14
Wednesday	Psalm 119.105-128	Judges 15.1-16.3	Luke 18. 15-30
Thursday	Psalm 92	Judges 16. 4-end	Luke 18. 31-end
Friday	Psalm 88	Judges 17	Luke 19.1-10
Saturday	Psalm 97	Judges 18. 1-20, 27-end	Luke 19. 11-27
Sunday	Psalm 65	Acts 28. 17-end	

Prayer suggestions for this week:

- For Phyl Sopp as she begins her ne ministry as a Licensed Minister, prior to ordination a little later this year
- Give thanks for a decrease in covid related deaths and infections, that this may continue.
- 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 lifted, and for faith communities, as places of worship are opened up once more
- For our brothers and sisters of faith at the synagogue, mosques, gurdwara and elsewhere
- For all the volunteer counsellors at Number 22 and Youth Talk
- For our schools as terms draws to and end
- For justice and equality for all people, for a recognition that all lives matter
- Those whose anniversary of baptism fall in July: Mason Whittle, George Pankhurst, Noah Cameron, Jack Kirk, Olivia Turner, Harry Raymond, William Sharma, Theo Sharma, Florence Priestly.
- For all those who live and work in Craufurd Rise
- The sick and those who care for them: Stephen Sands, John Francis, Tony Lucas, Monica Olley, Janet, and Mick Curley
- Those who have died recently, and those who mourn them: Alec Judd and Hugh Boulter
- Those whose anniversary of death falls in July: Diana Bradfield, Siew Kee-Bentley, John Draper, Beryl Dandridge, Peter Emmons, Christopher Griffiths, Donald Theobold, Sidney Allen, Gillian Dawson, Raymond Palmer, Frederick Hayward, Ann Ringer, Cyril Vizard, Shirley Sattler, Dorothy Barnard, Ada Rolls, Barbara Ward, Jean Stevens, Ted Stevens, Kathleen Woodworth, Kenneth Wheeler, Janet Cheek, Andrew Ross, Ronald Young, Nellie Edwards, Roy Pond, and John Rodwell

The church is still floodlit at night.

This week the floodlighting has been sponsored this by

The Ministry Team...

... to celebrate Phyl's licensing.



To sponsor the floodlighting just call or email Revd. Sally.
There are plenty of spaces right now...

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

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

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

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/adultsathome5jul for adults

www.rootsontheweb.com/familiesathome5jul for families

Worship from the Church of England if you have not already found the weekly worship from different churches on the national website, do try it:

<https://www.churchofengland.org/more/media-centre/church-online>

Services are available from 9 am each Sunday and previous weeks can also be viewed. I would particularly commend to you to service today, which is being led by members of the Chaplaincy Teams of Prisons in the UK and recorded in three prisons.

Coming up soon..

Study course this week we start a new study course on Thursday evenings and will use the diocesan planning tool: Emerging from Coronavirus, with a lecto divina on 1 Peter to start. The study pack is available on the diocesan website and attached to the email. If you need a hard copy please let me know asap. Starts Thursday 9th July at 7.30 pm for five weeks.

Link: <https://www.oxford.anglican.org/coronavirus-covid-19-2/emerging-from-coronavirus/>



Messy Church also continues online with Zoom. This link will get you into all sessions:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85617173031?pwd=WmVwTzNoejRqKytUa0t5K1E3OExaQT09>

Meeting ID: 856 1717 3031

Password: 387826

Our next is on Friday 7th August and our theme is journeys. We provide a craft pack for each session and share stories, sing songs ... and eat something if we can!

Quiet Morning it is almost impossible to get together for a quiet day so we will hold another Zoom quiet morning on Saturday 25th July, starting with Morning Prayer at 9am (for those who wish) and then running from 9.45 – 12.30 with a talk, prayer and space in your own setting.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83971744055?pwd=T2VveTNIbSkhKdWJCUWZEdGIUbHNUZz09>

Meeting ID: 839 7174 4055

Password: 396393

Thursday Teas I am conscious that folk who come to Thursday teas are missing out on their fun so, assuming the weather is kind to us, we will have Thursday teas in my garden on 13th August. More details to follow – we may be in groups of six across the afternoon or by then we may be able to all meet together!

Zoom Coffee morning and for those who cant wait for a get together, everyone is invited to a Zoom Coffee Morning (provide your own coffee and edibles) from 10.30 am on Thursday 23rd July. It may be that people who do not have internet access could with someone nearby who does (socially distanced of course) to join in.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82773312945?pwd=SElyMUfY0prUU3RuRnRBRUdZdz09>

Meeting ID: 827 7331 2945

Password: 540129

Quiz night Louisa and James have kindly offered to host another quiz Night.. watch this space...

Churches open for private prayer – a reminder..

Now: Wednesdays 2.00 – 3.30 pm and Sundays 11.00 – midday.

At **both** sessions, there will be a limited number allowed in at any one time and only the nave will be open, with seating on the plastic chairs and not pews or red chairs. On Sundays we will ask ALL members of the congregation to leave the church immediately after the 10 am service so that the chairs can be prepared for private prayer.

A reminder that anyone attending the church can expect the following:

- Terrie, Phyl, or Sally will be there to greet you, and you will be offered (if you'd like to use it) a sealed pack with a candle, taper to light it from the lit candle in the stand, and a prayer sheet. Please dispose of these in the bins provided, after use, or take it home to use there, if you wish.
- please sanitise your hands on entry and exit (you should avoid lighting the candle too soon after using hand gel!!)
- please avoid touching surfaces
- please sit only in areas indicated – spaced chairs at the back (by candle tray) and front of church
- please observe social distancing
- please leave your name and a contact number with the duty minister so that we can contact you should a case of covid19 be reported by someone who has been in the building. Likewise, should you contract Covid19 within 7 days of coming to church you **MUST** let Revd. Sally know.
- one of the ministers would be happy to pray with you – just ask
- please be prepared to wait until there is space.

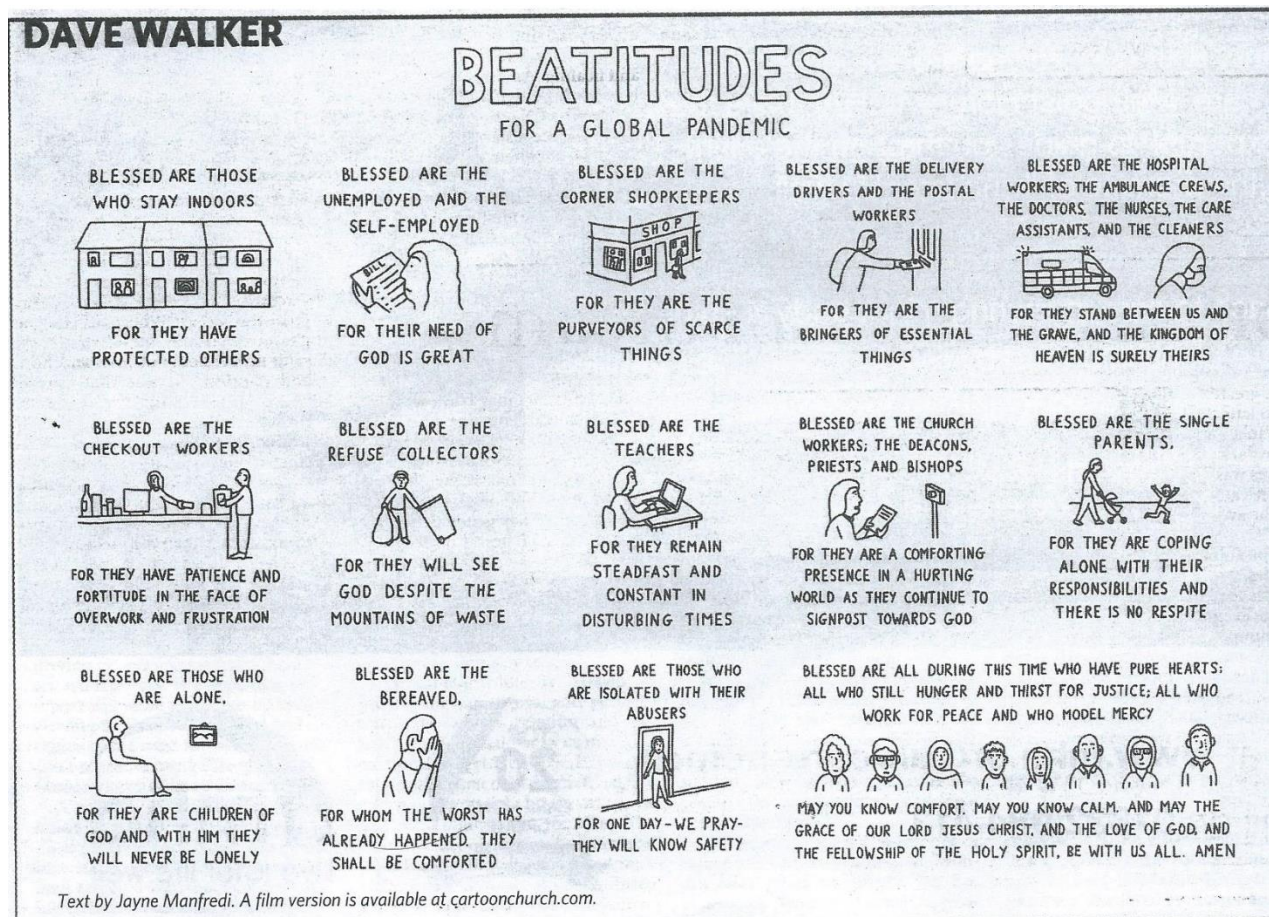
Cleaning: huge thanks to the very small band who have offered to help clean the church after each session of use. Clearly, this is a vital ministry. No cleaners, no church opening! If there is anyone else who is able to be out of their home and able to help clean please do let me know – the more helpers we have the less often each has to do it. PLEASE do offer help if you can.

Accessing church: as the church is so far ONLY open for private prayer and one short Sunday service, it will remain locked at other times and in order to keep it germ free. Keyholders are reminded that they should not yet be accessing the church themselves at any time. There are a few of us who do need to go in now for maintenance etc – at such times all access is via the tower door please, wearing gloves to unlock. You MUST then sign in / out at the tower lobby and ensure that you use the sanitiser / wear gloves at all times.

Quench: Tony Bronniman writes: 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.

Supporting local businesses we are really grateful to Andy at MrT Autos, especially in these austere times, for making a donation to sponsor the church floodlighting when no one else is down. Please do be aware of all our local businesses and both support them where you can, and pray for those whose livelihoods depends on them.

And finally... I love this 'cartoon' from last week's Church Times



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. 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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