

**Sunday 19th January**

**Second Week of Epiphany**

8am Holy Communion at St. John's

**10am Christingle Service**



**Leaders**

Revd Gemma Fraser  
Richard Field

**Sidesman** Dawn Thomas, Janette  
Tadman

**Sound** Mike Tadman

**Coffee** Maxine Buck, Mary Marshall

**Counters** Lucy Bubb, Janette Tadman

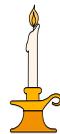
**Duty Churchwarden** Sue Davies

**Organist** Michael Davis

*All donations at this service will be going  
to the Children's Society*

**Living Light**

The Aumbry Light for January  
has been sponsored in memory  
of Colin Marshall



**Newsletter Content**

If you have any items for the Newsletter  
(including requests for prayer) please contact  
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**Deadline** Wednesday evening

**Something new for 2020!**

St John's and St Luke's are running a  
joint Alpha Course on Monday evenings  
at 7.30pm, starting on 20 January. **The  
Alpha Course is good for those  
exploring faith, newcomers to church,  
new Christians, as well as those  
wanting to brush up on the basics.** It's  
totally free and you're not tied into  
anything. The course will run for ten  
weeks, each session begins with dinner  
together and is followed by a talk and  
then small group discussion time, and is  
being held at St John's Church, Moul-  
sham Street. For more info, or to book,  
talk to Revd Gemma, one of the Church-  
wardens or message us on Facebook.

**Transport needed?**

We want to make sure that everyone  
who wants to go to the course can do so.  
If transport is difficult, please speak to  
any of the wardens about arranging a  
lift.

**Could you help?**

We are looking for two volunteers to  
prepare a meal, once each (there are  
limited facilities but plenty of slow  
cookers that can be borrowed).  
We are also looking for a few people to  
facilitate when people are broken into  
small groups for discussion. This is not a  
commitment for every session -  
volunteering just for one week is fine -  
and guidance will be given.  
Please speak to one of the wardens.

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**Deputy Churchwardens**

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**WELCOME to St. Luke's Church.**

**Please stay for refreshments and fellowship in the hall after the service.**

There will be a collection during the third hymn. If you are a taxpayer, please use a Gift Aid envelope, available from the Sidesmen. If you give by Standing Order or are unable to give today, please pass the basket on.

**Sunday 12th January**

**The Baptism of Christ**

8am Holy Communion at St. John's

**10am Second Sunday Service**

**Leader & Speaker** Mike Tadman

**Intercessions:** Mike Tadman

**Readings**

**Isaiah 42:1-9** Louise Whitehead

**Acts 10:34-43** Chris Fawcett

**Matthew 3:13-end**

**Sidesmen** Jane Chambers, Chris Fawcett

**Sound** Janette Tadman

**Coffee** Volunteers

**Counters** Hilary Few, Mike Tadman

**Duty Churchwarden** Lucy Bubb

**Organist** John Kingham

**4pm: MMU Service at  
Church of the Holy Spirit,  
Forest Drive, Widford**

Refreshments at 4pm, Service at 4.30pm

*(Please speak to a churchwarden  
if you would like transport)*

**Collect**

Eternal Father,  
who at the baptism of Jesus  
revealed him to be your Son,  
anointing him with the Holy Spirit:  
grant to us, who are born again by water and  
the Spirit,  
that we may be faithful to our calling as your  
adopted children;  
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.

**Amen**

**Post Communion Prayer**

Lord of all time and eternity,  
you opened the heavens and revealed  
yourself as Father  
in the baptism of Jesus your beloved Son:  
by the power of your Spirit  
complete the heavenly work of our rebirth  
through the waters of the new creation;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen**

**TO OUR VISITORS** Welcome to our service. The **hymn numbers** are displayed on the boards, and will also be announced. When we come to receive Holy Communion, please see the notes in our **Order of Service**, which are provided for your guidance. We like to mark **birthdays** by singing "Happy Birthday to you: to Jesus be true. May God's richest blessing rest today upon you." If it is your birthday this week, please tell one of the ministers.

**The ministry of Prayer with Laying-on-of-Hands for Healing** is available every Sunday. If you would like this for yourself or another, please speak to one of the Ministers or Churchwardens.

## Readings

### Isaiah 42:1-9

Here is my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen, in whom my soul delights; I have put my spirit upon him; he will bring forth justice to the nations. <sup>2</sup> He will not cry or lift up his voice, or make it heard in the street; <sup>3</sup> a bruised reed he will not break, and a dimly burning wick he will not quench; he will faithfully bring forth justice. <sup>4</sup> He will not grow faint or be crushed until he has established justice in the earth; and the coastlands wait for his teaching.

<sup>5</sup> Thus says God, the Lord, who created the heavens and stretched them out, who spread out the earth and what comes from it, who gives breath to the people upon it and spirit to those who walk in it: <sup>6</sup> I am the Lord, I have called you in righteousness, I have taken you by the hand and kept you; I have given you as a covenant to the people, a light to the nations, <sup>7</sup> to open the eyes that are blind, to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon, from the prison those who sit in darkness. <sup>8</sup> I am the Lord, that is my name; my glory I give to no other, nor my praise to idols. <sup>9</sup> See, the former things have come to pass, and new things I now declare; before they spring forth, I tell you of them.

### Acts 10:34-43

<sup>34</sup> Then Peter began to speak to them: 'I truly understand that God shows no partiality, <sup>35</sup> but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. <sup>36</sup> You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. <sup>37</sup> That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: <sup>38</sup> how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. <sup>39</sup> We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; <sup>40</sup> but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, <sup>41</sup> not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. <sup>42</sup> He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. <sup>43</sup> All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.'

### Matthew 3:13-end

<sup>13</sup> Then Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan, to be baptized by him. <sup>14</sup> John would have prevented him, saying, 'I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?' <sup>15</sup> But Jesus answered him, 'Let it be so now; for it is proper for us in this way to fulfil all righteousness.' Then he consented. <sup>16</sup> And when Jesus had been baptized, just as he came up from the water, suddenly the heavens were opened to him and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him. <sup>17</sup> And a voice from heaven said, 'This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.'

## Please Pray This Week

For Brian, Joan, Bob, Margaret, June, Tammy, Emma, Basil, Greta, Carmen, Revd John S, Melvyn, Nicky and Alina, Sally and Peter and Margaret L.

For those named on the prayer board

This week we remember:

Eileen Joan Cook (13.01.2015)

Elizabeth Everett (14.01.1991)

Ivy Fawbert (14.01.1997)

Lilian Mabel Levett (15.01.1994)

## Funeral for Kath Bell†

The funeral for Kath Bell † will be held in St. Luke's on Tuesday 21st January at 2pm, then 3pm at the Crematorium and afterwards at The Secret Garden. All are welcome.

## #EverydayFaith

Everyday Faith is a Church of England campaign offering reflections and prayers to help you find and follow God in everyday life, starting today (12th January). The Everyday Faith reflections, stories and prayers are offered to help us discover more about what it means to live faithfully, hopefully and lovingly as Christians today. Please do have a look and use them for the next 21 days.

<https://www.churchofengland.org/more/media-centre/stories-and-features/everyday-faith-new-year-new-approach-finding-and-following>

"God sends us as God's church to live out our faith in a variety of places and to share the hope and love we have with the people we meet in everyday life."  
Archbishop Justin Welby

## Saturday Coffee

18th January

On duty: Larry Walters

Join us for coffee and fellowship



## This Week

The church is open daily for prayer

**Monday 13 January**

*Pray for hospital workers and chaplains*

**Tuesday 14 January**

*Pray for Sycamore Way*

9.15am: Morning Prayer at Church of the Holy Spirit, Widford

**Wednesday 15 January**

*Pray for Roman Catholics*

9.15am: Morning Prayer at St. Luke's

1.15pm: Edward Bear Toddler Group

**Thursday 16 January**

*Pray for the people and animals in Australia*

9.15am: Morning Prayer at St. John's

**Friday 17 January**

*Pray for the Trudi Osborne School of Dance*

**Saturday 18 January**

*Pray for Goshawk Drive*

11am: Saturday Coffee

## Opportunities for next weekend

Next Sunday is our Christingle Service, when we will be raising money for the work of The Children's Society.

Can you help:

- with preparing the elements of the Christingle for just half an hour on Saturday 18th Jan (during Saturday Coffee)?
- by providing empty, clean jars to be used for the Christingle marmalade?
- with taking down and packing away all the Christmas decorations after the Christingle service?

If so, please speak to any of the wardens.