

Sunday 9th February

3rd Sunday before Lent

8am Holy Communion at St. John's

10am Second Sunday Service

Leader & Speaker Lucy Bubb

Intercessions: Lucy Bubb

Readings

Isaiah 58:1-9a Chris Fawcett

1 Corinthians 2:1-12

Matthew 5:13-20

Sidesmen Jane Chambers, Louise Whitehead

Sound David Millward

Coffee Volunteers

Counters Dave Chambers, Lucy Bubb

Duty Churchwarden Sue Davies

Organist John Kingham

4pm: United Evening Service

Adult Messy Church

St. Michael's Church, Galleywood

HOME GROUP - STARTED THIS WEEK!



In response to your requests for a greater focus on bible study and prayer, Revd Gemma has started leading a home group on the last Thursday evening of the month. The first meeting was last week with 8 people going along to Dawn's house. The group spent some time studying and talking about bible passages concerning Jesus' prayer relationship with God.

Each session will be standalone so please make a note of the next session dates - 27 Feb and 26 March at 7.30pm.



**Toe-Nail
Cutting Service**

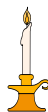
Thursday 6th February 2020
in the Small Hall: 1.30-3.30 p.m.

Please phone for an
appointment: 01245 423333

There is a **£17.50** charge for this service

Living Light

The Aumbry Light for February
has been sponsored in memory
of Kath and George Bell



Church Flowers

The flowers in church this week have been
sponsored by Brenda Hudson in memory of
her father (Lewis) John Stone

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WEEKLY NEWS

Sunday, 2 February 2020

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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 2nd February

Presentation of Christ in the Temple

Candlemas

8am: Holy Communion at St. John's

10am: Service of Holy Communion

President & Preacher: Revd Gemma Fraser
Crucifer Dave Thomas

Server David Millward

Chalice Dave Thomas, Revd Suzanne

Readings

Malachi 3:1-5 Dawn Thomas

Hebrews 2:14-end Lucy Bubb

Luke 2:22-40

Intercessions Richard Field

Sidesmen Dawn Thomas, Janette Tadman

Sound Helen Field

Coffee Mike and Janette Tadman

Counters Richard Field, Hilary Few

Duty Churchwarden Lucy Bubb

Organist Michael Davis

Collect

Almighty and ever-living God,
clothed in majesty,
whose beloved Son was this day presented in
the Temple,
in substance of our flesh:
grant that we may be presented to you
with pure and clean hearts,
by your Son Jesus Christ 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, you fulfilled the hope of Simeon and
Anna,
who lived to welcome the Messiah:
may we, who have received these gifts
beyond words,
prepare to meet Christ Jesus
when he comes to bring us to eternal life;
for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever.
Amen

READ CAREFULLY..... you will kick yourself if you miss this opportunity!!!!

On 22nd February we shall be having one of
our ever popular workdays - 9.00 am to
13.00 pm

There are plenty of opportunities for tidying
and cleaning inside St Luke's as well as
working on our new garden. Full training will
be given with reward in the form of tax
efficient doughnuts.....

Please come along and help if you can - we
have jobs for all ages, levels of fitness, skill
and enthusiasm. If you cant help - come
along anyway, cheer, support and offer
advice.

Newsletter Content

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

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.

PLEASE TAKE THIS NEWSLETTER HOME WITH YOU

Readings

Malachi 3:1-5

See, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me, and the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple. The messenger of the covenant in whom you delight—indeed, he is coming, says the Lord of hosts. ²But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears? For he is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap; ³he will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the descendants of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, until they present offerings to the Lord in righteousness. ⁴Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the Lord as in the days of old and as in former years. ⁵Then I will draw near to you for judgement; I will be swift to bear witness against the sorcerers, against the adulterers, against those who swear falsely, against those who oppress the hired workers in their wages, the widow, and the orphan, against those who thrust aside the alien, and do not fear me, says the Lord of hosts.

Hebrews 2:14-end

¹⁴ Since, therefore, the children share flesh and blood, he himself likewise shared the same things, so that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, ¹⁵and free those who all their lives were held in slavery by the fear of death. ¹⁶For it is clear that he did not come to help angels, but the descendants of Abraham. ¹⁷Therefore he had to become like his brothers and sisters in every respect, so that he might be a merciful and faithful high priest in the service of God, to make a sacrifice of atonement for the sins of the people. ¹⁸Because he himself was tested by what he suffered, he is able to help those who are being tested.

Luke 2:22-40

²² When the time came for their purification according to the law of Moses, they brought him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord ²³(as it is written in the law of the Lord, 'Every firstborn male shall be designated as holy to the Lord'), ²⁴and they offered a sacrifice according to what is stated in the law of the Lord, 'a pair of turtle-doves or two young pigeons.'

²⁵ Now there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon; this man was righteous and devout, looking forward to the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit rested on him. ²⁶It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's Messiah. ²⁷Guided by the Spirit, Simeon came into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him what was customary under the law, ²⁸Simeon took him in his arms and praised God, saying, ²⁹'Master, now you are dismissing your servant in peace, according to your word; ³⁰for my eyes have seen your salvation, ³¹which you have prepared in the presence of all peoples, ³²a light for revelation to the Gentiles and for glory to your people Israel.' ³³ And the child's father and mother were amazed at what was being said about him. ³⁴Then Simeon blessed them and said to his mother Mary, 'This child is destined for the falling and the rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be opposed ³⁵so that the inner thoughts of many will be revealed—and a sword will pierce your own soul too.'

³⁶ There was also a prophet, Anna the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was of a great age, having lived with her husband for seven years after her marriage, ³⁷then as a widow to the age of eighty-four. She never left the temple but worshipped there with fasting and prayer night and day. ³⁸At that moment she came, and began to praise God and to speak about the child to all who were looking for the redemption of Jerusalem.

³⁹ When they had finished everything required by the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. ⁴⁰The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favour of God was upon him.

Please Pray This Week

For Brian, Joan, Bob, Margaret, June, Tammy, Emma, 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:

Anne Blake (07.02.2003)

George Cresswell Bell (08.02.2007)

Basil Law RIP

We were very sorry to hear that Basil Law died on 21 January in Broomfield Hospital. Please keep Elaine, her sons David and Ian and the family in your prayers. Basil will be greatly missed.

Morning Prayer

What do you know about Morning Prayer at St Luke's? We asked David, who regularly attends, to tell us ...
"The service lasts up to thirty minutes, and usually uses liturgy from Common Worship Daily Prayer. Readings are taken from the Lectionary, which provides at least one Psalm and a reading from each Testament. Active participation is encouraged; this could be reading a lesson, suggesting a prayer topic, saying a prayer, or taking part in a discussion about the day's readings. The service is sometimes lay led, and there are eight regular attendees. The less formal atmosphere makes it easier for everyone to play a part."

Why not pop along and see for yourself? Every Wednesday at 9.15am in Church.

Christingle Marmalade.....

.... is now available, to raise more funds for The Children's Society, (thank you Suzanne).

Please take a jar and make a donation.

Saturday Coffee

8th February

On duty: Larry Walters

Join us for coffee and fellowship



This Week

The church is open daily for prayer

Monday 3 February

Pray for the Police

Tuesday 4 February

Pray for Tylers Close

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

Wednesday 5 February

Pray for Orthodox Christians

9.15am: Morning Prayer at St. Luke's

9.45am: Holy Communion

1.15pm: Edward Bear Toddler Group

Thursday 6 February

Pray for Peace in Syria and The Middle East

9.15am: Morning Prayer at St. John's

1.30pm: Age UK toenail cutting

Friday 7 February

Pray for the

Guides, Brownies and Rainbows

Saturday 8 February

Pray for Hawfinch Walk

11am: Saturday Coffee

&

Book Club

Key messages from PCC:

The PCC met on 22 Jan and focused on planning events and activities for the next six months, considering how we demonstrate our love for God, for our community and for each other. There will be more information to follow so watch this space.

The PCC also agreed, in line with our vision to "Love, Grow, Serve", to support Baby Basics during Lent. Baby Basics Chelmsford is based at Moulsham Lodge Methodist Church and it's aim is to help new mothers practically and generously, demonstrating the love of God through their care.