Birthdays

If it's your birthday this week, we'd like to wish you a very happy birthday! "Happy Birthday to you: to Jesus be true. May God's richest blessing rest today upon you."

Sunday 20th June

3rd Sunday after Trinity

9am: Holy Communion

Revd Suzanne McAllister

(live streamed on Facebook, also on the Worship At Home page of our website)

Sides: Louise Whitehead, Hilary Few

Sound: David Millward Mevo: Richard Field

10am: Morning Worship

Revd Gemma Fraser

Sides: Elena Pratt, Hilary Few

Sound: David Millward

Duty Warden: David Millward

Please Pray This Week

For Brian, Joan, Bob, Anna, Doug, Greta, Carmen, Peter, John and Mary, Nicky and Alina

Please pray for the PCC who are meeting on Wednesday

Revd Gemma - Sick Leave

Gemma is going into hospital on Friday 25 June for an operation (nothing too serious!) and will then be on sick leave for up to two week, depending on recovery.

She will definitely be back on Sunday 11 July. We are currently sorting cover for the two Sundays in the period.

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Newsletter Content

If you have any items for the Newsletter (including requests for prayer) please contact Janette Tadman - janettetadman@gmail.com or 01245 469124 **Deadline** Wednesday evening



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Sunday 13th June 2021

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Sunday 13th June

2nd Sunday after Trinity

Readings:

2 Corinthians 5:6-17 Mark 4:26-34

9am: Service of **Holy Communion**

Revd Gemma Fraser

Sides: Helen Field. Chris Fawcett

Sound: Dave Thomas Mevo: Lucy Bubb

(live streamed on Facebook, also on the Worship At Home page of our website)

10am: Morning Worship

Lucy Bubb

Sides: Helen Field, Chris Fawcett

Sound: Dave Thomas

Duty Warden: Sue Davies

Collect

Faithful Creator, whose mercy never fails: deepen our faithfulness to you and to your living Word, Jesus Christ our Lord Amen

Post Communion Prayer

Loving Father, we thank you for feeding us at the supper of your Son: sustain us with your Spirit, that we may serve you here on earth until our joy is complete in heaven, and we share in the eternal banquet with Jesus Christ our Lord

Amen

Financial Giving

Please do support St Luke's using one of the options below:

- Regular giving by standing order for more information contact Dave Chambers at simplydavec@aol.com
- One-off online donations accessed via the St Luke's website homepage
- Contactless card reader available at the back of church

Morning Prayer in church is back!

Morning Prayer takes place on Monday, Tuesday and Friday mornings at 9.15am on Facebook.

We are delighted to announce that Morning Prayers in church began again last week and will continue weekly. These services will not be available online.

Wednesdays - 9.15am at St Luke's & Thursdays - 9.15am at St John's

June - National Month of Prayer for Toddler Groups

Toddler groups offer an amazing space for babies, toddlers and their parents and carers to play, experience a warm welcome and develop a supportive community. They are a place where the love of God can be experienced in so many ways and they are a place where life in all its fullness can be celebrated.

That's why in June the whole month is put aside to focus on them in prayer - this is especially needed this year given the impact of the pandemic on toddlers and the toddler groups that have been unable to meet together for so long.

2021's theme is based on John 10:10 – 'Life in all its fullness'. Let's pray for Toddler groups to be places where children and adults can flourish as they experience the love and hospitality of God. We are starting to be asked by families about when our Edward Bear Babies and Toddler Group will start back so let's pray also for volunteers to help to run the group.

Edward Bear Baby and Toddler Group

We have had a great response from the community with three people coming forward to help, which is fantastic news. If we can find just one or two more we can being to plan re-opening. There is a great demand from parents and carers after being isolated during lockdown so please do let Gemma / Suzanne know if you could help.

Baby Basics Chelmsford - items needed

Baby Basics Chelmsford have had one of their busiest months yet and have run out of some items. If you are able to buy some of these as extras to your own shopping and drop them to Moulsham Lodge Methodist Church on Friday mornings (9.30am - 12.30pm), the team would be very grateful.

Toothbrushes / Toothpaste Shampoo / Conditioner Baby Wipes

Breast Pads

Nappy Sacks

Maternity Towels

Deodorant

Autumn and Christmas Planning



At this week's PCC (Wednesday 16) we will be planning worship, social and mission opportunities for September through to Christmas. If you have things that you would like us to do, grab a member of the PCC and share your ideas!

Book of Remembrance

When someone we love dies we look for ways to remember and acknowledge them; writing their name in our Book of Remembrance is a wonderful way of achieving that. We are about to update the Book of Remembrance so if you would like a loved one remembered in this way please provide the following information to David as soon as possible together with £16 to cover the cost of calligraphy (this can be by cash, cheque or bank transfer to St Luke's PCC):

- the full name of the person
- their date of death

Garden Work Day No 2

After a wet workday last month, further work took place in hot, sunny conditions. The focus was on the area among the trees at the Lewis Drive end of the garden. After initial work to clear the majority of the weeds, a rotavator was used to remove almost all the vegetation.

A tree was cut back so that its branches no longer overhang the route to the gate. A strimmer was used to clear the weeds against the side of the church and other boundaries. Before the garden is safe for use by Edward Bear, a number of drains need to be covered.

Once again, I thank my helpers for giving their time and providing equipment. If you were unable to help this time, do not worry, since I will be arranging a further workday in a few weeks time to continue the work. Additionally, we are now responsible for maintaining the Vicarage garden, which is a large overgrown area; it will provide more opportunities to help. A number of church members are hoping that the plum tree is bountiful this year! David