

**Sunday 19th December**

**4th Sunday of Advent**

**9am: Service of Holy Communion**

Revd Suzanne McAllister

**Sides:** Pat Brugier, Louise Whitehead

**Sound:** Sue Davies

**Mevo:** Lucy Bubb

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

**10.15am: Morning Worship**

Revd Gemma Fraser

**Sides:** Pat Brugier, Maxine Buck

**Sound:** Sue Davies

**Organist:** Nick Pratt

**Duty Warden:** Sue Davies

**Coffee:** Elena and Chris

**4pm: Rockin' around the  
Christmas Tree Carol Service**

**Sides:** Pat Brugier, Helen Field

**Sound/Duty Warden:** David Millward

**Music:**

Nick Pratt & the Music Group

**Please Pray This Week**

For Brian, Joan, Bob, Anna, Doug,  
Greta, Sally and Peter, John and  
Mary, Nicky and Alina, and Amelia.

This week we remember:

May Wade (12.12.1990)

Revd Gordon Law (14.12.2010)

Robert Lee (16.12.1989)

Revd John Gravelle (17.12.2000)

Ray Moody (18.12.2009)

Joan Church (18.12.2015)



**Edward Bear Baby and  
Toddler Group**

Wednesdays 1.15pm–2.30pm

**Saturday Coffee**

11am-12noon

with Sue and Nick

Church will be closed afterwards



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

**Sunday 12th December**

**3rd Sunday of Advent**

**9am: Service of Holy Communion**

Revd Suzanne McAllister

**Sides:** Hilary Few, Jane Chambers

**Sound:** Helen Field

**Mevo:** Richard Field

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

**10.15am: Morning Worship**

Revd Suzanne McAllister

**We welcome Sue Smith from  
Hand in Hand, our Christmas charity**

**Sides:** Hilary Few, Jane Chambers

**Sound:** Helen Field

**Organist:** David Millward

**Duty Warden:** Helen Field

**Coffee:** Maxine and Pat

**Collect**

God for whom we watch and wait,  
you sent John the Baptist to prepare  
the way of your Son:  
give us courage to speak the truth,  
to hunger for justice,  
and to suffer for the cause of right,  
with Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen**

**Post Communion Prayer**

We give you thanks, O Lord, for  
these heavenly gifts;  
kindle in us the fire of your Spirit  
that when your Christ comes again  
we may shine as lights before his  
face;  
who is alive and reigns now and for  
ever.

**Amen**

**Morning Prayer at 9.15am**

Monday, Tuesday and Friday - online on Facebook: /stlukesmoulshamlodge

Wednesday - at St Luke's

Thursday - at St John's (1st Thursday in the month is Holy Communion)

**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](mailto:simplydavec@aol.com)
- One-off online donations accessed via the St Luke's website homepage
- Contactless card reader available at the back of church

**Zephaniah 3:14-end** <sup>14</sup> Sing aloud, O daughter Zion; shout, O Israel! Rejoice and exult with all your heart, O daughter Jerusalem! <sup>15</sup> The Lord has taken away the judgements against you, he has turned away your enemies. The king of Israel, the Lord, is in your midst; you shall fear disaster no more. <sup>16</sup> On that day it shall be said to Jerusalem: Do not fear, O Zion; do not let your hands grow weak. <sup>17</sup> The Lord, your God, is in your midst, a warrior who gives victory; he will rejoice over you with gladness, he will renew you in his love; he will exult over you with loud singing <sup>18</sup> as on a day of festival. I will remove disaster from you, so that you will not bear reproach for it. <sup>19</sup> I will deal with all your oppressors at that time. And I will save the lame and gather the outcast, and I will change their shame into praise and renown in all the earth. <sup>20</sup> At that time I will bring you home, at the time when I gather you; for I will make you renowned and praised among all the peoples of the earth, when I restore your fortunes before your eyes, says the Lord.

**Philippians 4:4-7** <sup>4</sup> Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. <sup>5</sup> Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. <sup>6</sup> Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. <sup>7</sup> And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

**Luke 3:7-18** <sup>7</sup> John said to the crowds that came out to be baptized by him, 'You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come?' <sup>8</sup> Bear fruits worthy of repentance. Do not begin to say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our ancestor'; for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham. <sup>9</sup> Even now the axe is lying at the root of the trees; every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire.' <sup>10</sup> And the crowds asked him, 'What then should we do?' <sup>11</sup> In reply he said to them, 'Whoever has two coats must share with anyone who has none; and whoever has food must do likewise.' <sup>12</sup> Even tax-collectors came to be baptized, and they asked him, 'Teacher, what should we do?' <sup>13</sup> He said to them, 'Collect no more than the amount prescribed for you.' <sup>14</sup> Soldiers also asked him, 'And we, what should we do?' He said to them, 'Do not extort money from anyone by threats or false accusation, and be satisfied with your wages.' <sup>15</sup> As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, <sup>16</sup> John answered all of them by saying, 'I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. <sup>17</sup> His winnowing-fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing-floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.' <sup>18</sup> So, with many other exhortations, he proclaimed the good news to the people.

## Christmas Tree Festival: NEXT WEEKEND!



Next weekend is our second ever Christmas Tree Festival—the time has come round quickly!

We have had a **great response to our call for entries for our Christmas Tree Festival 2021!**

We also have our **own Christmas Tree**, which Richard helped us to start two week's ago—if you haven't yet added your own thoughts and prayers to a heart decoration for hanging on the tree, please do have a go today.

We could still do with **some more volunteers**—please do sign up or speak to Lucy, even if for an hour or two over the weekend.

We would love **as many local people as possible to come to visit** the Christmas Tree Festival so please **spread the word**, as well as sharing social media posts. We will be taking precautions in the light of the Covid pandemic.

As part of our Christmas Tree Festival, we will have:

- **Children's Christmas Workshop and Santa's Grotto**, Sat 18 Dec, 2-4pm. This will be £2 per child.
- **Christmas Mini-Market**—an opportunity to buy your last minute presents—Sun 19 Dec, 1-4pm. **We are hoping to have a St Luke's stall so if you have any unwanted new gifts or homemade gifts (no bric-a-brac) please give them to the Duty Warden.**
- **Rockin' Around The Christmas Tree** Carol Service, Sun 19 Dec, 4pm.

## Christmas Giving

Our nominated charity this Christmas is Hand In Hand, and their mission is to educate, mentor, train and empower orphaned and vulnerable East African young people. Look out for more information about how to give.

## Advent

There is just **one more session of our Advent Course** (Monday 13 December, 7.30pm at St John's Church). Each session is self-contained. Lifts are also available so please don't let that stop you from attending.

## Christmas Services 2021

19 December, 4pm

Rockin' Around The Christmas Tree  
Carol Service

24 December, 11.30pm

Midnight Mass

25 December, 10.15am

All Age Holy Communion

26 December, 10.15am

Croissants and Carols

