

Sunday 27th November

1st Sunday of Advent

10am: Holy Communion

Rev'd Suzanne McAllister

Sides: Elena and Maxine

Duty Warden: Helen

Mevo: David M

Sound: Helen

Reader: Anna

Music: Nick

Coffee: tbc

**This service will be live-streamed
on our Facebook page and
available on our website**

Living Light- November

The Aumbry Light for November
has been sponsored in
memory of:

Agnes Millward

Reg Chapman

Jock Bond



Please Pray

For Brian, Joan, Anna, Greta, Sheila,
Nicky, Alina, Amelia and Val



We remember:

Marjorie Betts (20.11.2000)

Agnes Millward (21.11.2019)

Gladys Smiles (24.11.2003)

Margaret Lant (25.11.2010)

Saturday Coffee 11am-12noon

Saturday 26 November

with Richard and Nick



Church will be closed afterwards

**Edward Bear Baby and
Toddler Group**

Wednesdays 1.15-2.30pm during
term-time

Morning Prayer

9.15am: Wednesday - at St Luke's

9.30am: Thursday - at St John's (1st Thurs each month is Holy Communion)

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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 07749 298639



WEEKLY NEWS

Sunday 20th November 2022

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Sunday next before Advent

Christ the King

10am: Morning Worship

Geoff Windus and Fiona Seldon

Sides: Hilary and Louise

Duty Warden: Lucy

Sound: Richard

Reader:

Music: David M

Coffee: Pat and Brenda

Refreshments will be available
after the service

12.30pm: Baptism Service

for Jasmine Park

Please hold Jasmine and her
family and friends in your prayers
as she is welcomed into God's
family

Collect

Eternal Father,
whose Son Jesus Christ ascended to the
throne of heaven
that he might rule over all things as Lord
and King:
keep the Church in the unity of the
Spirit and in the bond of peace,
and bring the whole created order to
worship at his feet;
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
Amen



Birthdays: "Happy Birthday to you: to Jesus be true.
May God's richest blessing rest today upon you."

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

- Regular giving through the Parish Giving Scheme - see noticeboard for information
- One-off online donations accessed via the St Luke's website homepage
- Contactless card reader available at the back of church

Jeremiah 23:1-6

Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the LORD. ² Therefore, thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the LORD. ³ Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. ⁴ I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the LORD. ⁵ The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. ⁶ In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: 'The LORD is our righteousness.'

Luke 23:33-43

³³ When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. ³⁴ Then Jesus said, 'Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing.' And they cast lots to divide his clothing. ³⁵ And the people stood by, watching; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, 'He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!' ³⁶ The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine, ³⁷ and saying, 'If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!' ³⁸ There was also an inscription over him, 'This is the King of the Jews.' ³⁹ One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, 'Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!' ⁴⁰ But the other rebuked him, saying, 'Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation?' ⁴¹ And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong.' ⁴² Then he said, 'Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.' ⁴³ He replied, 'Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise.'

Advent Reflections

Tuesdays at 2.30pm at Moulsham Lodge Methodist Church, based on the well-known carol "O Come, O Come Emmanuel" (starting 22 Nov)

Wednesdays at 10am at St Luke's based on "37 Kings and a Budgerigar", which is inspired by nativity sets from around the world (starting 29 Nov). This will replace Morning Prayer.

Thursdays at 9.45am at St John's, at the usual time of Morning Prayer, there will be focused meditations on the Sunday Gospel readings (starting 24 Nov).

PCC key messages

The PCC met last week and share the following key messages:

- 1) We have agreed a quote from Roger Gillingham to replace the very worn kitchen worktops and hope this will be completed during the Christmas holidays.
- 2) Thank you to those that gave suggestions for Christmas charity giving; we have decided to support **Crisis**, the national homeless charity. More information about how to give will be available next week.
- 3) Revd Tim Ball, Area Dean, and Ven Revd Mike Power, Archdeacon of Southend (and covering Chelmsford) came to the second half of the meeting following conversations with Lucy. They offered an apology for the way St Luke's has been neglected and the hurt that this has caused, and they listened as we talked about the gifts that God has given us to use in this place. Archdeacon Mike is holding a meeting on 22 Nov with the clergy of our MMU and of the Great Baddow team to discuss how priestly oversight could be provided.

If you have any questions, please speak to any PCC member and remember that the previous minutes and papers are available on the PCC noticeboard.

2 week countdown to an ADVENTure invitation!

Sunday 4 Dec, 2pm - 5pm,

This will be an afternoon preparing for Christmas with **craft activities** for all ages with festive **refreshments** available throughout followed by our **Carol Service**, which will be our only service that day.

We are contacting local groups to get involved; we also need you to get involved! Can you help get the church ready beforehand? Can you help during the event? Can you lead a simple craft activity?

Volunteers for this event please sign up on the sheets on the noticeboard.

Prayer for our future

God of our plans and futures, guide us as we dwell in this time of uncertainty. Help us to work together, to love, grow and serve each other; and to share the responsibility of being your light in our community. We turn to your love, comfort and peace as we journey onwards in our faith, becoming the people you desire us to be. In the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Saviour. **Amen.**