

Sunday 15th January

Epiphany

4pm: Licensing Service for Revd Suzanne with Holy Communion
Archdeacon Mike Power

Sides: Chris and Pat

Mevo: Lucy

Sound: David

Reading: tbc

Music: The Music Group

Duty Warden: Lucy

Followed by refreshments

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

Living Light- January

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

Freda Ford



Please Pray

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



We remember:

Eileen Joan Cook (13.01.2015)
Elizabeth Everett (14.01.1991)
Ivy Fawbert (14.01.1997)

Saturday Coffee 11am-12noon

Saturday 14th January



Church will be closed afterwards

Edward Bear Baby and

Toddler Group

Wednesdays 1.15-2.30pm

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WEEKLY NEWS

Sunday 8th January 2023

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10am: Holy Communion

Revd Suzanne McAllister
Preacher: Revd Canon Dr Roger Matthews

Sides: Maxine, Elena

Mevo: David

Sound: Sue

Reading: Lucy

Music: David

Duty Warden: Sue

The chalice will be offered during Communion; please let the priest know if you would prefer them to intinct your wafer.

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Refreshments will be available after the service

Collect

O God,
who by the leading of a star
manifested your only Son to the
peoples of the earth:
mercifully grant that we who know
you now by faith, may at last behold
your glory face to face;
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 God,
the bright splendour whom the
nations seek:
may we who with the wise men have
been drawn by your light
discern the glory of your presence in
your Son.
The Word made flesh,
Jesus Christ our Lord.
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

Isaiah 60:1-6

Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the LORD has risen upon you. ²For darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples; but the LORD will arise upon you, and his glory will appear over you. ³Nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn. ⁴Lift up your eyes and look around; they all gather together, they come to you; your sons shall come from far away, and your daughters shall be carried on their nurses' arms. ⁵Then you shall see and be radiant; your heart shall thrill and rejoice, because the abundance of the sea shall be brought to you, the wealth of the nations shall come to you. ⁶A multitude of camels shall cover you, the young camels of Midian and Ephah;

Ephesians 3:1-12

This is the reason that I Paul am a prisoner for Christ Jesus for the sake of you Gentiles— ²for surely you have already heard of the commission of God's grace that was given to me for you, ³and how the mystery was made known to me by revelation, as I wrote above in a few words, ⁴a reading of which will enable you to perceive my understanding of the mystery of Christ. ⁵In former generations this mystery was not made known to humankind, as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit: ⁶that is, the Gentiles have become fellow-heirs, members of the same body, and sharers in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel. ⁷Of this gospel I have become a servant according to the gift of God's grace that was given to me by the working of his power. ⁸Although I am the very least of all the saints, this grace was given to me to bring to the Gentiles the news of the boundless riches of Christ, ⁹and to make everyone see what is the plan of the mystery hidden for ages in God who created all things; ¹⁰so that through the church the wisdom of God in its rich variety might now be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places. ¹¹This was in accordance with the eternal purpose that he has carried out in Christ Jesus our Lord, ¹²in whom we have access to God in boldness and confidence through faith in him.

Matthew 2:1-12

In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, ²asking, 'Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage.' ³When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; ⁴and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. ⁵They told him, 'In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet: ⁶"And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least

among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler who is to shepherd my people Israel.'" ⁷Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. ⁸Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, 'Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage.' ⁹When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. ¹⁰When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. ¹¹On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure-chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. ¹²And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.

Sweet and Savoury

We are hoping to provide a light buffet (sweet and savoury refreshments) after Revd Suzanne's licensing service next Sunday afternoon. Could you help by providing something? Please let Brenda know.

Thermal Thursdays

Moulsham Lodge Methodist Church are open for Thermal Thursdays - 10am-4pm every Thursday - for anyone who wants company and warmth. Its all free with tea, coffee, cakes, soup and roll lunch, chat, arts and crafts, jigsaws and much more! Please let friends and neighbours know.

Dates for your diary

Sunday 29 January - Our Christingle Service will take place at 10am; please invite friends and family along.

Sunday 29 January, 4pm for 4.30pm, Praise and Worship at St Michael's, Galleywood

Sunday 5 February - Archdeacon Mike Power will be taking our service, which will be a Holy Communion service.

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.**