Sunday 26th February 1st Sunday of Lent

10am: Holy Communion

Revd Suzanne McAllister

**Duty Warden: Richard** 

Mevo: David Music: David

Sides: Louise, Chris

Reader: Chris Sound: Helen Chalice: Helen

Refreshments: Brenda

## Saturday Coffee 11am-12noon

Saturday 25th February
- Brenda

Church will be closed afterwards



Homemade greetings cards are available on the table at the back of the church - please make donations for these by card reader or wall safe.

### **Living Light- February**

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

Sheila Rolland Donald Hodgson

## **Please Pray**

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



#### We remember:

Lily Clarke (13.02.2007) Robert Wade (14.02.1988) Renee Kinsman (19.02.2000) Rev Llewellyn Milliner (20.02.2009) Martin Buck (22.02.2013)

## Edward Bear Baby and Toddler Group

Wednesdays 1.15-2.30pm

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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



# ST LUKE'S WEEKLY NEWS

Sunday 19th February 2023

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## Sunday 19th February Sunday next before Lent

10am: Morning Worship

Leader: Lucy Bubb

Preacher: Revd Roger Matthews

**Intercessions:** Mike **Sides:** Helen, Hilary

Sound: Sue Music: David M Reader: David M Duty Warden: Sue

Refreshments: Richard, Maxine

Counting:

Followed by refreshments

## **Morning Prayer**

**9.15am:** Wednesdays at St Luke's

#### Collect

Holy God,

you know the disorder of our sinful

lives:

set straight our crooked hearts, and bend our wills to love your goodness and your glory in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

## **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.

**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

#### 1 Peter 1:16-end

<sup>16</sup> For we did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we had been eyewitnesses of his majesty. <sup>17</sup> For he received honour and glory from God the Father when that voice was conveyed to him by the Majestic Glory, saying, 'This is my Son, my Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.' <sup>18</sup> We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven, while we were with him on the holy mountain. <sup>19</sup> So we have the prophetic message more fully confirmed. You will do well to be attentive to this as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts. <sup>20</sup> First of all you must understand this, that no prophecy of scripture is a matter of one's own interpretation, <sup>21</sup>because no prophecy ever came by human will, but men and women moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.

#### Matthew 17:1-9

Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain, by themselves. <sup>2</sup> And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became dazzling white. <sup>3</sup> Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. <sup>4</sup> Then Peter said to Jesus, 'Lord, it is good for us to be here; if you wish, I will make three dwellings here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.' <sup>5</sup> While he was still speaking, suddenly a bright cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud a voice said, 'This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!' <sup>6</sup> When the disciples heard this, they fell to the ground and were overcome by fear. <sup>7</sup> But Jesus came and touched them, saying, 'Get up and do not be afraid.' <sup>8</sup> And when they looked up, they saw no one except Jesus himself alone. <sup>9</sup> As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus ordered them, 'Tell no one about the vision until after the Son of Man has been raised from the dead.'

### **Amy moving to Sweden**

Amy, who has joined us with her two small dogs over the last couple of months is moving to Sweden at the end of the month and is having a party on 25 Feb from 3pm to which we're all invited! Lucy has the address details.

## Fairtrade Fortnight: 27 February - 12 March 2023

This Fairtrade Fortnight, join us in spreading a simple message: making the small switch to Fairtrade supports producers in protecting the future of some of our most-loved food and the planet. Would you like to go to a Fairtrade Breakfast on Saturday 4 March at 8.30am at Central Baptist Church? If so, let Lucy know.

## **Shrove Tuesday and Ash Wednesday**

### Tues 21 Feb - Pancake Party, 3.30pm-5pm

We are hosting a Pancake Party with pancakes to decorate and eat, as well as pancake-based craft activities and games. All are welcome!

Wed 22 Feb - Ash Wednesday Holy Communion with imposition of ashes. There are two service opportunities across South West Chelmsford Churches: 10.30am at St Luke's and 7.30pm at St Mary's, Widford

#### **Lent Courses**

**Church of England:** The Church of England Lent theme this year is 'Dust and Glory', inviting us to explore how we can live well with the mess of everyday life. You can purchase the Dust and Glory daily reflections as a printed booklet, or get them for free in the app or by email. Find out more at <a href="cofe.io/LentReflections">cofe.io/LentReflections</a>.

**Widford:** Revd Stephanie will be running a Lent course at CHS on Fridays at 7pm based on the Diocesan resources: 'Travelling Well Together'. These have been written by Nicholas Henshall, Dean at Chelmsford Cathedral.

**St John's:** Revd Jean and Rex will be running a Lent course on Monday evenings (7.30pm-9pm) based on 'Walking the Way of the Cross' with prayers and reflections on the biblical stations of the cross and is written by Stephen Cottrell, Paula Gooder and Philip North.

**Chelmsford Methodists:** if you are reading a specific book for Lent, why not join the Methodist Lent Book Club on zoom and share your thoughts on that book on 1st, 15th and 29th March at 7.30pm. Contact Deacon Ramona for more details on 01245 690330.

## **PCC Key Messages**

The PCC met on Wednesday and share the following key messages:

- The PCC approved the following as chalice assistants for 3 years: Lucy, Maxine, Sue D, Helen, Richard and Mike.
- From March, Revd Suzanne will be with us for three Sundays each month
- Our Lent giving will be in support of Tearfund, a Christian charity that partners with churches in some of the poorest parts of the world. They are also part of the Disasters Emergency Committee and are working with survivors of the Turkey-Syria earthquake. Look out for more info.
- We are getting ready for the APCM on 23 April so keep an eye out for more information. There will be some PCC vacancies so please pray about whether God is calling you to this role at this important time for St Luke's.
- We are delighted that Pat is going to take over from Brenda as Lettings Officer in May.