Sunday 23rd July

7th Sunday after Trinity

**10am: Holy Communion** Revd Suzanne McAllister

**Duty Warden:** Helen

Mevo: David
Music: David
Sides: Maxine, Pat
Reader: Anna
Sound: Helen
Chalice: Richard

Refreshments: Brenda

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

# Saturday Coffee 11am-12pm

22nd July with Richard



Church is closed after coffee

# **Living Light**

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

Peter Page

# **Please Pray**

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

Pray for the PCC meeting on Wednesday 19 July

#### We remember

Revd Hugh Godden (16.07.1965) Elizabeth Barr (17.07.1990) Sheila Desborough (17.072013) Joyce Stockwell (21.07.2018)

# Edward Bear Baby and Toddler Group

Wednesdays 1.15-2.30pm The last session until September

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**Newsletter Content** If you have any items for the Newsletter (including

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# ST LUKE'S WEEKLY NEWS

Sunday 16th July2023

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**Sunday 16th July** 

**6th Sunday after Trinity** 

10am: Morning Worship Lucy Bubb

**Duty Warden:** Sue **Music:** David

Sides: Maxine, Chris

**Sound:** Sue

**Refreshments:** Pat

Weekday Prayer - Tuesdays at 2pm

Wheelchair accessible and toilets will be available

#### Collect

Creator God, you made us all in your image: may we discern you in all that we see, and serve you in all that you do; through 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

**Psalm 65** <sup>1</sup> Praise is due to you, O God, in Zion; and to you shall vows be performed, <sup>2</sup>O you who answer prayer! To you all flesh shall come. <sup>3</sup>When deeds of iniquity overwhelm us, you forgive our transgressions. <sup>4</sup>Happy are those whom you choose and bring near to live in your courts. We shall be satisfied with the goodness of your house, your holy temple. <sup>5</sup>By awesome deeds you answer us with deliverance, O God of our salvation; you are the hope of all the ends of the earth and of the farthest seas. <sup>6</sup> By your strength you established the mountains; you are girded with might. <sup>7</sup>You silence the roaring of the seas, the roaring of their waves, the tumult of the peoples. <sup>8</sup>Those who live at earth's farthest bounds are awed by your signs; you make the gateways of the morning and the evening shout for joy. <sup>9</sup>You visit the earth and water it, you greatly enrich it; the river of God is full of water; you provide the people with grain, for so you have prepared it. <sup>10</sup>You water its furrows abundantly, settling its ridges, softening it with showers, and blessing its growth. <sup>11</sup>You crown the year with your bounty; your wagon tracks overflow with richness. <sup>12</sup> The pastures of the wilderness overflow, the hills gird themselves with joy, <sup>13</sup> the meadows clothe themselves with flocks, the vallevs deck themselves with grain, they shout and sing together for joy.

#### Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

The Parable of the Sower: That same day Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the lake. <sup>2</sup> Such great crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat there, while the whole crowd stood on the beach. <sup>3</sup> And he told them many things in parables, saying: 'Listen! A sower went out to sow. <sup>4</sup> And as he sowed, some seeds fell on the path, and the birds came and ate them up. <sup>5</sup> Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and they sprang up quickly, since they had no depth of soil. <sup>6</sup> But when the sun rose, they were scorched: and since they had no root, they withered away. <sup>7</sup>Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. <sup>8</sup> Other seeds fell on good soil and brought forth grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. <sup>9</sup> Let anyone with ears listen!' <sup>18</sup> 'Hear then the parable of the sower. <sup>19</sup> When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what is sown in the heart: this is what was sown on the path. <sup>20</sup> As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy; <sup>21</sup> yet such a person has no root, but endures only for a while, and when trouble or persecution arises on account of the word, that person immediately falls away. <sup>22</sup> As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of the world and the lure of wealth choke the word, and it yields nothing. <sup>23</sup> But as for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty.

### St Luke's Car Park - Closed from 23 July

After much waiting, the works to our car park wall begins on 24 July for 3-4 weeks. This means that the car park will be closed over that period including weekends. If you are concerned about parking for services, speak to Lucy.

# **Fascinating Finance - Six month headlines**

Remember 'Fascinating Finance' from last November? Here's the headlines for the first six months of this year: We have received £29,274 general fund income, of which £10,188 was from giving and gift aid, £16,051 was from lettings, and £760 from an energy grant. Over the same period, we spent £28,389 of which £15,423 was for our Parish Share (although we will only be paying c65% of our allocation), £3,726 was for salaries, and £3,708 was for gas and electricity (although we are still to be billed for 5 months of electricity). We have also spent £9,133 from our Fabric and Legacy funds.

# "Drink Deeply" - Thurs 10 Aug, 10am-4pm

In a world full of noise, quiet is a precious gift. Most of us find it very hard to set aside our busy ordered lives. Yet in silence we can often find the answers to our dilemmas. Why not go and enjoy a few hours of quiet in the beautiful surroundings of Pleshey and the Retreat House. There will be some worship and prayer led by Canon John Howden, and plenty of space for you, including the hospitality of the house and the countryside to explore. Cost £42 inc lunch, or £28 exc lunch. Book by phone (01245 235251) or via Pleshey Retreat House website.

## St Peter's-on-the-Wall, Bradwell-on-Sea

The programme of Sunday evening services in July and August at 6pm will be focused on the nine aspects of equality, diversity and inclusion in the 2010 Equalities Act, examined through the culture of the Church:

16 July: Sex discrimination

23 July: Disability discrimination

 $30 \ July: Pregnancy \ and \ maternity \ discrimination$ 

6 August: Sexual orientation discrimination

13 August: Gender reassignment discrimination

20 August: Age discrimination 27 August: Race discrimination

#### **Flowers**

If you would like to sponsor a display in memory of a loved one, please speak to Lucy