

Sunday 30th July

8th Sunday after Trinity

10am: Morning Worship

Rev'd Suzanne McAllister,  
Lucy Bubb, Richard Field

**Duty Warden:** Lucy

**Music:** David

**Sides:** Hilary, Chris

**Sound:** Sue

**Refreshments:** Maxine

### Flowers

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

Saturday Coffee 11am-12pm

29th July

with Brenda



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



### We remember

Lilian Gibson (27.07.1994)

Sylvia Rugg (27.07.2016)

### Edward Bear Baby and Toddler Group

are on holiday until September

### Contacts

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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

Sunday 23rd July 2023

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Sunday 23rd July

7th Sunday after Trinity

10am: Holy Communion

Rev'd 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

St Luke's Car Park will be closed until further notice for safety work

**Weekday Prayer - Tuesdays at 2pm**

Wheelchair accessible and toilets will be available

### Collect

Generous God,  
you give us gifts and make them grow:  
though our faith is small as mustard seed, make it grow to your glory and the flourishing of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ 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, whose Son is the true vine and the source of life, ever giving of himself that the world may live:

may we so receive within ourselves the power of his death and passion that, in his saving cup, we may share his glory and be made perfect in his love;  
for he is alive and reigns, 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

### **Romans 8:12-25**

<sup>12</sup> So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh— <sup>13</sup> for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. <sup>14</sup> For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. <sup>15</sup> For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, 'Abba! Father!' <sup>16</sup> it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, <sup>17</sup> and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ—if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him. <sup>18</sup> I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. <sup>19</sup> For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God; <sup>20</sup> for the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope <sup>21</sup> that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and will obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. <sup>22</sup> We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labour pains until now; <sup>23</sup> and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. <sup>24</sup> For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? <sup>25</sup> But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

### **Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43**

<sup>24</sup> He put before them another parable: 'The kingdom of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field; <sup>25</sup> but while everybody was asleep, an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and then went away. <sup>26</sup> So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared as well. <sup>27</sup> And the slaves of the householder came and said to him, "Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where, then, did these weeds come from?" <sup>28</sup> He answered, "An enemy has done this." The slaves said to him, "Then do you want us to go and gather them?" <sup>29</sup> But he replied, "No; for in gathering the weeds you would uproot the wheat along with them. <sup>30</sup> Let both of them grow together until the harvest; and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Collect the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.'"

<sup>36</sup> Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples approached him, saying, 'Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field.'

<sup>37</sup> He answered, 'The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man; <sup>38</sup> the field is the world, and the good seed are the children of the kingdom; the weeds are the children of the evil one, <sup>39</sup> and the enemy who sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels. <sup>40</sup> Just

as the weeds are collected and burned up with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. <sup>41</sup> The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all evildoers, <sup>42</sup> and they will throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. <sup>43</sup> Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Let anyone with ears listen!

### **Key Messages from PCC Meeting 19th July**

- The PCC had a successful meeting with Archdeacon Mike Power and Area Dean Tim Ball; we have been on their minds and in their prayers.
- Our Energy Footprint in terms of CO2 emissions has reduced over the last year. Thank you for playing your part in this.
- The PCC agreed to increase our letting rates by 5% with effect from January 2024. This is based on expected inflation rates. We are also looking for different ways to advertise our halls for hiring.
- The PCC have agreed to support Chelmsford Foodbank for our Harvest giving. Our Harvest Festival will be in October so more details will follow nearer the time.

### **"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:

- 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