

Sunday 30 November

Advent Sunday

4pm: Christingle Service

Revd Stephanie

Duty Warden: Sue

Sound: Sue

Sides: Helen

Music: Music Group

Refreshments: Brenda and Kirsty

Saturday Coffee

11am - 12 noon

29 Nov - David

Church is closed after coffee



Edward Bear Baby &

Toddler group

is on Wednesdays (term time only)

from 1.15pm—2.30pm

Please Pray

For Sally, Anna, Val, Audrey, Brian, Catherine, Revd Suzanne, Elena, Louise, and Elizabeth.

For the people of Palestine and Israel, and for peace.

We remember:

Gladys Smiles 24 November 2003

Margaret Lant 25 November 2010

Derek Tadman 26 November 2023

Parish Roads:

We also pray this month for those living and working in:

Gloucester Avenue, Gordon Road,
Goshawk Drive, Gunson Gate,
Hawfinch Walk

Living Light

The Aumbry Light for November has been sponsored in memory of

Agnes Millward
Sandra Hodgson



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Newsletter Content If you have any items for the Newsletter (including requests for prayer) contact Lucy - moulshamchurches@gmail.com

Sunday 23 November

Christ the King

10am: Holy Communion

Revd Stephanie

Duty Warden/Mevo: Lucy

Sound: David

Chalice: Maxine

Sides: Hilary

Reader: Hilary

Music: David

Refreshments: Maxine

Weekday Prayers

Tuesdays at 2pm

Disabled access and toilets
available

Light Up A Life service

Saturday 29 November, 4pm

Collect

God the Father,
help us to hear the call of Christ the King and to follow in his service, whose kingdom has no end; for he reigns with you and the holy Spirit, one God, one glory.
Amen

Post Communion Prayer

Stir up, O Lord,
the wills of your faithful people; that they, plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good works, may by you be plenteously rewarded; through 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

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.'

Getting ready for Christingle

Could you help us to get ready for our Christingle service by preparing the oranges, ribbons, sweets and candles? Come along to Saturday Coffee next week—many hands make light work!

PCC Key Messages

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

- We agreed to increase our cleaner's wage by 85p per hours from 1 January 2026 in line with the Real Living Wage.
- Lucy will be meeting with Archdeacon Jonathan on 4 December on behalf of the PCC and the congregation to talk about St Luke's. Is there anything that you would like to her to raise? If so, please let Lucy know by Wed 3 Dec.
- As so many people are expecting to be away, we will not be having a service on Christmas Day morning. We will be having our First Communion of Christmas at 11.30pm on Christmas Eve.
- Bishop Adam (Bishop of Bradwell) will be leading our service on Sunday 28 Dec. During the service he will be blessing the large hall.

If you have any questions, please speak to any member of the PCC.

We really need you!

We are planning some special services and events over Advent and Christmas and hope you will get involved:

- Cakes and Carols (Saturday 6 Dec at 2.30pm) - Although not exclusive, we would like to invite the older members of our community or those living on their own. We are hoping that you will be able to offer cakes and help with refreshments and chatting to those who come along.
- Carol singing at the Eagle and Hind pub (Tuesday 16 Dec at 6pm)
- Come and be a Christmas detective - this is a family-focused event (Monday 22 December, 2pm-4pm), following the nativity journey with clues to collect along the way. There will be crafts and snacks available. Please let Lucy, Stephanie or Suzanne know if you can help.

Christmas Wreath Workshops

There are still free spaces at each of the Christmas Wreath workshops for members of our congregation - if you are interested, please let Lucy know.
Sunday 30 Nov, 2pm-4pm / Friday 5 Dec, 7pm-9pm
Saturday 6 Dec, 11am-1pm / Sunday 7 Dec, 2pm-4pm

Eco Tip – Black Friday

Did you know that the impact of Black Friday is huge with 80% of Black Friday Week items end up in landfill, vehicle CO₂ pollution rises by 94% and 25% more waste than usual is produced?