

**Sunday 24 May**  
Pentecost

**10am Holy Communion**  
Rev'd Stephanie

**Duty Warden/Chalice:** Sue  
**Sound:** Dave T  
**Sides/Reader:** Hilary  
**Music:** David  
**Refreshments:** Brenda

**Saturday Coffee**

23 May - David  
The church will be closed afterwards



**Edward Bear Baby & Toddler Group**

Wednesdays (term time only) from 1.15pm–2.30pm

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

**Please Pray**

For Sally, Anna, Val, Audrey, Brian, Catherine, Rev'd Suzanne, Elena, and Louise.

For the people of Palestine and Israel, the Middle East and for peace

**We remember:**

May Roscoe 21 May 1989  
Yvonne Jackson 21 May 2011  
Ronald Lant 23 May 1990

**Parish Roads:**

**We also pray this month for those living and working in:**  
Plane Tree Close, Plover Walk, Poplar Close, Robin Way, Rose Glen

**Living Light**

The Aumbry Light for May has been sponsored in memory of

Reg Chapman



**Sunday 17 May**  
Easter 7

**10am Morning Worship**  
Rev'd Jo Jones

**Duty Warden/Sound:** Helen  
**Sides/Reader:** Maxine  
**Music:** David  
**Refreshments:** Brenda

**Weekday Prayers**  
Tuesdays at 2pm

Disabled access and toilets available

**Collect**

Risen, ascended Lord, as we rejoice at your triumph, fill your Church on earth with power and compassion, that all who are estranged by sin may find forgiveness and know your peace, to the glory of God the Father.  
**Amen**

**Deanery Prayer Day**

On Tuesday (19 May), Bishop Adam and Rev'd Simon, Area Dean, will be travelling to every church in Chelmsford Deanery to spend a short time praying around the church at and the entrance to the church. They will be coming to St Luke's at some point in the evening, and will be leaving a little Prayer Goodie Bag!

**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

## **Acts 1:6-14**

<sup>6</sup> So when they had come together, they asked him, 'Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?' <sup>7</sup> He replied, 'It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. <sup>8</sup> But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.' <sup>9</sup> When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. <sup>10</sup> While he was going and they were gazing up towards heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. <sup>11</sup> They said, 'Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up towards heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven.'

<sup>12</sup> Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a sabbath day's journey away. <sup>13</sup> When they had entered the city, they went to the room upstairs where they were staying, Peter, and John, and James, and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and James. Matthew, James son of Alphaeus, and Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of <sup>14</sup> All these were constantly devoting themselves to prayer, together with certain women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, as well as his brothers.

## **John 17:1-11**

After Jesus had spoken these words, he looked up to heaven and said, 'Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify you, <sup>2</sup> since you have given him authority over all people, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. <sup>3</sup> And this is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. <sup>4</sup> I glorified you on earth by finishing the work that you gave me to do. <sup>5</sup> So now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had in your presence before the world existed.

<sup>6</sup> 'I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. <sup>7</sup> Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; <sup>8</sup> for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. <sup>9</sup> I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. <sup>10</sup> All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. <sup>11</sup> And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one.

## **Christian Aid Week 2026**

Christian Aid Week finished yesterday (10–16 May); please hand in your donation envelopes or donate online <https://give.christianaid.org.uk/donate/CAM-011277>

## **PCC Key Messages**

The new PCC had their first meeting on Wednesday, sharing communion together. The following appointments were confirmed:

*PCC Chair—Revd Stephanie and Lay Chair—Lucy*

*PCC Secretary—vacant; Sue D will be Minute Secretary*

*Treasurer—vacant (Kevin will be book-keeper)*

*Asst Churchwarden / Lynchpins—David*

*Safeguarding Officer—Sue D*

*Health & Safety Officer—Helen*

The PCC also walked around the building (inside and outside) to consider the fabric priorities for this year.

## **GoodGym - Weeding**

The wonderful folk at GoodGym are coming to St Luke's next Wednesday to weed our church paths. Have you got some weeding tools that you could lend for them to use? Don't forget to label them so we can return them.

## **Bible Quilting**

Our next bible quilting session is next Saturday (23 May) at 11am in the small hall - come along and give it a try!

## **Next Sunday—Pentecost**

We're celebrating Pentecost next Sunday, the birthday of the Church! Everyone is asked to wear something red, orange, yellow or gold.

## **Songs of Praise—Joint Service with MLMC**

On Sunday 14 June our friends from the Methodists will join us for a Songs of Praise service, hopefully outside, to celebrate Music Sunday and we need your suggestions for hymns. Please sign up on the sheet in church.

## **Hall Lettings**

We are now using the Sharesy online platform for our hall lettings so if you know anyone who would like to book, please send them in the direction of our booking page: <https://www.sharesy.com/v/st-luke-s-church>. Discounts available for congregation members.