

Sunday 9 August

Trinity 10

Mary Sumner Day, founder of
Mothers' Union

10am Holy Communion

Rev'd Suzanne

Duty Warden/Mevo: Lucy

Sound/Chalice: Dawn

Sides: Sue

Reader: Chris

Music: David

Refreshments: Maxine

Saturday Coffee

8 Aug - Sue

The church will be closed
afterwards



**Edward Bear Baby &
Toddler Group**

Is on holiday now, returning on
Wednesday 9 September
1.15pm - 2.30pm

Please Pray

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

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

We remember:

John Potts 02 August 2000

Vi Tadman 04 August 2010

Parish Roads:

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

Alder Drive, Arbutus Close, Ash Grove,
Brian Close, Bunting Close

Living Light

If you would like to sponsor the **Living
Light** in memory of a loved one for the
month of August, please use the sheet
on the noticeboard.

The cost is £10.



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requests for prayer) contact Lucy - moulshamchurches@gmail.com



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WEEKLY NEWS

Sunday 02 August 2026

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Sunday 2 August

Trinity 9

10am Morning Worship

Lucy

Duty Warden/Sound: Helen

Sides/Reader: Louise

Music: Music Group

Refreshments: Brenda

Weekday Prayers

Tuesdays at 2pm

Disabled access and toilets available

Collect

Gracious Father,
revive your Church in our day,
and make her holy, strong and
faithful,
for your glory's sake
in 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

Isaiah 55: 1-5

Ho, everyone who thirsts,
come to the waters;
and you that have no money,
come, buy and eat!

Come, buy wine and milk
without money and without price.

² Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread,
and your labour for that which does not satisfy?

Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good,
and delight yourselves in rich food.

³ Incline your ear, and come to me;
listen, so that you may live.

I will make with you an everlasting covenant,
my steadfast, sure love for David.

⁴ See, I made him a witness to the peoples,
a leader and commander for the peoples.

⁵ See, you shall call nations that you do not know,
and nations that do not know you shall run to you,
because of the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel,
for he has glorified you.

Matthew 14:13-21

¹³ Now when Jesus heard this, he withdrew from there in a boat to a deserted place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. ¹⁴ When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them and cured their sick. ¹⁵ When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, 'This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves.' ¹⁶ Jesus said to them, 'They need not go away; you give them something to eat.' ¹⁷ They replied, 'We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish.' ¹⁸ And he said, 'Bring them here to me.' ¹⁹ Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven, and blessed and broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. ²⁰ And all ate and were filled; and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full. ²¹ And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

PCC Key Messages

The PCC met on Wednesday 22 July and share the following key messages:

- Maurice is stepping down from PCC; we are grateful for all his work;
- We are planning to run an Alpha course on Wed evenings in four-week blocks starting in Nov; and
- We agreed the hall letting rates for 2027 in line with inflation.

If you have any questions, please ask any PCC member.

Funeral

Sally's funeral will take place on Wednesday 5 August at 2pm at St Luke's and everyone is welcome. A service at Chelmsford Crematorium will follow at 3pm for family only. Everyone is invited to the Copper Pot Café for refreshments. The service will be live-streamed on our Facebook page for those who are unable to travel to the service.

St Luke's Finances - the first six months of 2026

At their last meeting, the PCC considered the finance report for the first six months of the year (January—June) and want to share some of it with you:

Income: we received £31,851 into our General Fund. Of this total, 23% was from planned/regular giving from the congregation, 7.5% was in gift aid from HMRC and 62% was from letting our halls.

Expenditure: we paid out £23,007 from our General Fund. Of this total, 34% was towards our Parish Share (the amount we pay to the diocese for clergy and associated costs, 26% was towards the costs of running our halls, and 30% was transferred into our Fabric Fund, which is used to pay for any church or hall building maintenance costs.

Financially we have had a positive first half of the year; however, we already know that the second half will be less positive. Our income will reduce as we feel the impact of some of our congregation moving or passing away, and some of our regular hall hirers are reducing their hours. Our expenditure will increase as the PCC considers employing staff for some of the key roles such as Caretaker, Admin Support, Treasurer/Book-keeper. We are also seeking quotes to replace the church soffits, facias and guttering, which we expect to be a significant cost.

