

Sunday 27 September

Trinity 17

10am Harvest Festival (Holy Communion)

Rev'd Stephanie

Duty Warden/Sound: Richard

Chalice/Reader: Helen

Sides: Hilary

Music: David

Refreshments: Sue

Saturday Coffee

26 Sept - Brenda

The church will be closed afterwards



Edward Bear Baby & Toddler Group

Every Wednesday during term-time

1.15pm - 2.30pm

Suggested donation £1.50 per family

Please Pray

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

For the family of Audrey Phillips

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

We remember:

Audrey Phillips, whose funeral took place on 17 Sept

Parish Roads:

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

Cormorant Walk, Crossways, Cypress Drive, Donald Way, Dove Lane

Living Light

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

The cost is £10.



Sunday 20 Sept 2026

WEEKLY NEWS

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Sunday 20 Sept

Trinity 16

10am Morning Worship

Rev'd Suzanne

Duty Warden: Lucy

Sound/Reader: Dawn

Sides: Helen

Music: David

Refreshments: Maxine

Weekday Prayers

Tuesdays at 2pm

Disabled access and toilets available

Collect

Lord of creation,
whose glory is around and within us:
open our eyes to your wonders,
that we may serve you with reverence
and know your peace at our lives' end,
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who is alive and reigns
with you in unity with the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever.
Amen

Priest in Charge

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Rev'd Suzanne McAllister

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

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

Phillipians 1:21-30

²¹ For to me, living is Christ and dying is gain. ²² If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labour for me; and I do not know which I prefer. ²³ I am hard pressed between the two: my desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better; ²⁴ but to remain in the flesh is more necessary for you. ²⁵ Since I am convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with all of you for your progress and joy in faith, ²⁶ so that I may share abundantly in your boasting in Christ Jesus when I come to you again.

²⁷ Only, live your life in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that, whether I come and see you or am absent and hear about you, I will know that you are standing firm in one spirit, striving side by side with one mind for the faith of the gospel, ²⁸ and are in no way intimidated by your opponents. For them this is evidence of their destruction, but of your salvation. And this is God's doing. ²⁹ For he has graciously granted you the privilege not only of believing in Christ, but of suffering for him as well— ³⁰ since you are having the same struggle that you saw I had and now hear that I still have.

Matthew 18:21-35

20 'For the kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire labourers for his vineyard. ² After agreeing with the labourers for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. ³ When he went out about nine o'clock, he saw others standing idle in the market-place; ⁴ and he said to them, "You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right." So they went. ⁵ When he went out again about noon and about three o'clock, he did the same. ⁶ And about five o'clock he went out and found others standing around; and he said to them, "Why are you standing here idle all day?" ⁷ They said to him, "Because no one has hired us." He said to them, "You also go into the vineyard." ⁸ When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, "Call the labourers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first." ⁹ When those hired about five o'clock came, each of them received the usual daily wage. ¹⁰ Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received the usual daily wage. ¹¹ And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, ¹² saying, "These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat." ¹³ But he replied to one of them, "Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? ¹⁴ Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. ¹⁵ Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?" ¹⁶ So the last will be first, and the first will be last.'

PCC Key Messages

The PCC met on Wed 16 Sept and would like to share the following key messages:

- We are delighted that Mike Thomas (Dawn's husband) has volunteered to be our Treasurer again from 1 January 2027 for three years. He was our Treasurer some years ago and it is interesting to reflect on what has changed since then when cheque writing was the norm.
- We approved our Safeguarding Policy. We do this annually. The policy is on the PCC noticeboard for everyone to read and shows our commitment to safeguarding for everyone.
- We will be starting the recruitment process for a Caretaker for our buildings next month. Its important that we keep on top of maintenance and odd jobs. If you know anyone who might be interested, please speak to Lucy.

Harvest Festival

Next Sunday we will be celebrating Harvest – a time to be thankful for the food that we have to eat, to give thanks to all those involved in getting that food to our tables and, of course, thanking God for his goodness in creation.

This year we are supporting Tearfund, a Christian charity working in more than 50 countries where conflict, climate disaster and injustice push millions of people into extreme poverty. Tearfund was chosen by our congregation as our environmental charity as part of our commitment to being an Eco Church and for supporting our chosen charities for the next three years.

Will you follow where love leads this Harvest? As the climate crisis threatens crops, incomes and the food people rely on, your Harvest gift can give more families the opportunity to build a stronger future. Read more about Tearfund on the noticeboard in church, and please give generously using the envelopes provided.

Eco Tip— Have a 'Use It Up' Week

Before stocking up on autumn food, take a look through the back of your cupboards, freezer and fridge.

Challenge yourself to plan a few meals around ingredients that are already there, particularly things that are approaching their use-by or best-before dates.

Food waste represents wasted land, water, energy and effort – so using what we already have is a surprisingly powerful environmental action!