

Welcome to St Luke's
10.30am Sung Eucharist



The Crucifixion - Giotto, c.1310

Celebrant & Preacher: Revd Rosamond McDowell

Deacon: Revd Baxter McRolston

Organ Prelude: Sonata in B-flat – CPE Bach

Mass Setting: Mass of the Quiet Hour – George Oldroyd

Introit Hymn: 86 (omit vv 4,5,6) (My song is love unknown)

Gradual Hymn: 95 (When I survey the wondrous Cross)

Offertory Hymn: 93 (Were you there when they crucified my Lord?)

Final Hymn: 383 (tii) (Jesu, Lover of my soul)

Organ Postlude: Postlude in F – Neils Gade

Welcome!

A warm welcome to St Luke's, whether it is your first time here or you are a regular worshipper. Everyone is very welcome to receive Communion or a blessing. Please follow the directions of the sidespeople. If it would be easier for you to receive Communion in your pew, please speak to one of the sidespeople. Gluten-free wafers (square in shape) are also available; please ask the priest when you receive Communion.

If you are new here, please introduce yourself to one of the sidespeople, identifiable by their name badges. They will be pleased to meet you and give you more information about our parish life. Please also stay behind after the service for refreshments.

Our main order of service is the coloured booklet. Hymn numbers can be seen on the front of this booklet and on the wooden board in church. The collect and readings can be read on the following pages of this booklet.

During term-time (except for the first Sunday of the month), children aged 3-11 are invited to leave the church for Sunday School after the Collect, returning during the distribution of Communion. Children in Year One and below should be accompanied by one parent.

There is an unsupervised creche for children aged 0-2 in the vestry, with a video livestream of the service. Please speak to the sidespeople for details of how to access this room.

There is an induction loop system in the church for those who are hard of hearing. Hearing aids should be moved to the "T" position.

People Today

Verger: Sue Buchan

Duty Warden: Janet Gower

Welcome Team: Christopher Francisco, Geoffrey Nicholson

Helen de Borchgrave, Ken Gower

Communion Assistant: Sue Buchan

Director of Music: Jeremy Summerly

Organist: Rupert Jeffcoat

The Collect

Almighty God, who in the passion of your blessed Son made an instrument of painful death to be for us the means of life and peace: grant us so to glory in the cross of Christ that we may gladly suffer for his sake; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

First Reading: Numbers 21.4-9

Read by Helen de Borchgrave

A reading from the book of Numbers.

From Mount Hor they set out by the way to the Red Sea, to go around the land of Edom; but the people became impatient on the way. The people spoke against God and against Moses, 'Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we detest this miserable food.' Then the Lord sent poisonous serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many Israelites died. The people came to Moses and said, 'We have sinned by speaking against the Lord and against you; pray to the Lord to take away the serpents from us.' So Moses prayed for the people. And the Lord said to Moses, 'Make a poisonous serpent, and set it on a pole; and everyone who is bitten shall look at it and live.' So Moses made a serpent of bronze, and put it upon a pole; and whenever a serpent bit someone, that person would look at the serpent of bronze and live.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 22.23-28

Please join with the choir in singing.

Charles Stanford (1852-1924)



- 23 O praise the Lord | ye that | fear him:
 magnify him all ye of the seed of Jacob *
 and fear him | all ye | seed of | Isra'el.
- 24 For he hath not despis'd nor abhorr'd the low estate
 | of the | poor—:
 he hath not hid his face from him *
 but when he | call'd unto | him he | heard him.
- 25 My praise is of thee in the great | con-gre | ga-tion:
 my vows will I perform in the | sight of | them that | fear him.
- 26 The poor shall eat | and be | satis-fi'd:
 they that seek after the Lord shall praise him *
 your | heart shall | live for | ever.
- 27 All the ends of the world shall remember themselves *
 and be turn'd | unto the | Lord—:
 and all the kindreds of the | nations shall | worship be |
 fore him.
- 28 For the kingdom | is the | Lord's—:
 and he is the | Governor a | mong the | people.

Second Reading: Philippians 2.6-11

Read by Eleanor Roda

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Philippians.

Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross. Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Reading: John 3.13-17

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. 'For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. 'Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Prayers of Intercession

Led by Sophie Dobson

Communion Sentence – Per signum Crucis (mode iv)

By the sign of the Cross, deliver us from our enemies, O Lord our God.

Organ Music During Communion

Prelude on Rockingham – Kenneth Leighton (1929-1988)

Communion Motet

Crux fidelis – attrib. King John IV of Portugal (1604-1656)

Faithful Cross, among all, the one noble tree; the wood offers nothing so great in flower, foliage, shoot. Sweet wood, sweet nail, sustaining sweet weight!



We welcome the family, friends and godparents of
Sasha Gelbard, Clementine Bouverat and
Sonia Hernandez Sedmakova who
will be baptised in the parish today.
Please remember them in your prayers

Notices

Welcome Revd Rosamond McDowell

Today we welcome Revd Rosamond McDowell and thank her for joining us. She is an Associate Priest at Great St Bartholomew's.

Flowers

Today's flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Alexander Cameron KC.

Rector's Drinks for Newcomers

We are delighted to have been able to welcome so many new people to the congregations of St Luke's and Christ Church during the past year. So that the clergy can get to know you better and so you can meet other newcomers, please join us on Monday 2 October for drinks at the Rectory, 64A Flood Street, SW3 5TE. 7.30pm-9.30pm. Kindly RSVP to Tracy at parishoffice@chelseaparish.org

A Very Warm Welcome to Polina and Mady

It is our great pleasure to welcome Polina Sosnina & Mady McDaniel, both of whom will serve in newly-created positions in the parish. Polina is Director of the Children's Choir and Mady will serve as the Youth & Community Worker. Watch for articles on Polina and Mady in the October parish magazine. In the meantime, say hello to them as they worship with us.

RIP Diana Burlton

Many parishioners will be saddened to hear of the death Diana Burlton, a loyal and faithful member of our community. Her funeral will be on Wednesday 4 October at St Luke's at 12.00. All who knew her are welcome to attend. May she rest in peace and rise in glory.

Bible Study

The Bible Study Group has started meeting again on Tuesdays from 10.00am-11.00am in the Parish Office. The group will be discussing The Pastoral Epistles (Timothy 1 & 2, and Titus), and then moving on to the other short Epistles. New members welcome. Please contact the Parish Office for more information.

Met Police Choir Concert

At St Luke's on Saturday 7 October at 4.30pm. To order your free tickets, go to metpolicechoir.co.uk

Retiring collection. Interval with charity cake sale.



Christian faith is forward-looking. That might seem a surprising statement for faith that spends such time looking back to the events of Christ's life 2000 years ago. But we look backwards, and honour the tradition we have received, in order to work out how we may live well now and in the years to come. In this series of Autumn Talks, we consider what it means to look at the future with the eyes of faith. Should we feel excited? Apprehensive? Fearful? And what does it mean to look not just for the 'life of the world to come', but to seek for God's life and love to be known in our world today?

Tuesday 3rd October: AI: how worried should we be?

Tim Bull. *PhD in computer science, and expert on science and theology. Diocesan Director of Vocations, St Albans.*

Tuesday 10th October: What is the future for church schools?

Mariella Ardron. *Principal of Chelsea Academy.*

Tuesday 17th October: The environment: can we have hope?

Derek Winterburn. *Vicar of St James, Hampton Hill, and Kensington Area lead for Creation Care.*

All sessions will be held in St Luke's Vestry, beginning at 7.15pm for 7.30pm and ending by 9.00pm. For catering purposes, please RSVP to parishoffice@chelseaparish.org



My Spirit Rejoices Mary, the Mother of Jesus

**Paula Gooder and Rowan Williams
with St Paul's Cathedral Consort**

**St Paul's Cathedral
Tuesday 26th September
6.30 – 8.00pm**

Admission Free

Rowan Williams and Paula Gooder will consider contrasting aspects of Mary's story in the Bible and the church, her place in our faith, and why she matters so much. The evening will include live music and plenty of time for questions and answers.



St Paul's Cathedral runs a year-round social justice and Christian spirituality programme, in person and online. We are very grateful to Benefact Trust for their generous support of this programme.



Find out more and register for free places at stpauls.co.uk/adultlearning. BSL interpreters will be at this event.

Harvest Festival Service - 1 October



On Sunday 1 October, the parish will celebrate Harvest Festival. Donations can be dropped off at the Parish Office from 10.00am-4.00pm weekdays or placed at the back of either church at any of the services on Sunday 1 October. All donations will go to the St

Luke's Community Foodbank, which each Tuesday provides food for about 125 people. Items needed are: long-life milk or non-dairy equivalents; tea bags; instant coffee; jam; marmalade; tinned food (soup, spaghetti, ravioli, meat, fish, vegetables, fruit, rice pudding, chopped tomatoes, baked beans, lentils, chickpeas, kidney beans, butter beans, cannellini beans) and toiletries (bars of soap, shower gel, shampoo, toothpaste, toothbrushes, feminine care products, razors and shaving crème, deodorant, body lotion and toilet rolls).

For those of you wishing to give a cash donation, it would be very much appreciated and the money will be used to weekly purchase rice, pasta, sugar, biscuits, savoury crackers, cereals or porridge as these items can no longer be stored in the crypt for hygiene reasons.

NatWest Bank, Sort Code: 60-05-14, Account Number: 29615410, Account Name: PCC of St Luke and Christ Church Chelsea, Reference: Foodbank Donation.

In times of greater need than ever, we are very grateful for your generosity to those who are less fortunate.

Adult Baptism and Confirmation

Wondering about being baptised? Or were you baptised in the past, but interested in exploring being confirmed? We are sending some adults for confirmation in St Paul's Cathedral at the diocesan service on Saturday 4 November at 5.00pm. We can register additional names until Monday 3 October. If you would like to know more, any of the clergy would be delighted to speak with you.

11th Annual Glass Door Sleep Out

6 October - www.glassdoor.org.uk/Event/sleep-out-2023



Author Talk and Q&A

Join parishioner Tom Mogford as he discusses his latest book, *The Plant Hunter*. Tom's novel takes us from Chelsea to the Yangtze and the Cape of Good Hope as its protagonist goes in search of a fabled tree. Tuesday 26 September at 6.30pm at the Battersea Library. Book your free place - heritage@gll.org or call 020 7223 2334.



Working Faith: Work and Identity

Working Faith will resume on Monday 25 September, when we will welcome congregation member Marianne Aston to reflect on the theme of 'Work and Identity'. She will bring her own experience as a business psychologist, consultant & leadership coach to consider questions such as: How central is our work to our sense of self?, and How can we keep appropriate boundaries between our work and our identity? The event will take place at 7.15 for 7.30 at the vicarage, 29 Burnsall St. All of working age are welcome, especially if you have not been before or haven't come for a while. For catering purposes, RSVP to Tracy including any dietary requirements, by lunchtime on Thursday 21 September. parishoffice@chelseaparish.org

Autumn Fair - Fun For All Ages

St Mary The Boltons, Saturday 23 September from 12.00pm to 4.00pm.



Youth Trip

This trip in October to Taizé in France with YMIC is for those who will be in school year 10+ from the start of September. Bursaries available. Sign up as soon as possible at <https://forms.gle/4ZtDid8jAgEc1JYH7>

For more information, contact ymic@standrewsfulham.com

Refreshments - Help Needed Please

Please email Tracy in the Parish Office or speak to one of the clergy if you are able to help with refreshments from time to time here at St Luke's after the 10.30am service.



Regular Events



Sunday School

Sunday School each Sunday at St Luke's (10.30am) and Christ Church (11.00am).



ABC Parent & Toddler Group

ABC at Christ Church each Thursday from 10.00am to 11.30am. £3 donation suggested.



Youth Group

Youth Group will resume on Thursday 21 September.



Midweek Eucharist & Coffee

In St Luke's Narthex every Thursday with coffee from 11.15am-12.15pm followed by the eucharist at 12.30pm

Week Day Services

Mondays - 9.00am Morning Prayer, Christ Church

Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Thursdays - 9.00am Morning Prayer, St Luke's

Thursdays - 12.30pm Midweek Eucharist, St Luke's

Sunday Services

8.00am	BCP Eucharist	St Luke's
10.30am	Sung Eucharist	St Luke's
11.00am	Sung Eucharist	Christ Church
3.00pm	Choral Evensong	St Luke's



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Sign up to receive our weekly email newsletter using the QR code to visit our parish website. The box to enter your email address may be found at the bottom of the page.

Giving to St Luke's & Christ Church

We are committed to our vision of being

‘Two Churches; One Parish. The heart and soul of Chelsea.’

Every adult and child in our church and parish community has a part

to play in making that vision reality

through prayer, service and giving.

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