

20 April 2025 Easter Day

Welcome to St Luke's 10.30am Sung Eucharist



The Resurrection of Christ Piero della Francesca, 1460s. Museo Civico, Sansepolcro, Umbria

Celebrant & Preacher: Revd Dr Daniel Inman

Organ Prelude: Sarabande for the morning of Easter – Herbert Howells Introit: This joyful Eastertide – Charles Wood Mass Setting: Haydn 'Little Organ' Mass & Darke in E Introit Hymn: 110 (Jesus Christ is risen today) Gradual Hymn: 117 (The day of Resurrection) Offertory Hymn: 112 (Jesus lives! thy terrors now) Final Hymn: 120 (Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son) Organ Postlude: Toccata (Symphony no. 5) – Charles-Marie Widor

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. 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

Duty Warden: Liz Brutus Welcome Team: Simon Hills, John Stewart, Sam Akbay Communion Assistant: Greg Lim Director of Music: Jeremy Summerly Organist: Rupert Jeffcoat

The Collect

Lord of all life and power, who through the mighty resurrection of your Son overcame the old order of sin and death to make all things new in him: grant that we, being dead to sin and alive to you in Jesus Christ, may reign with him in glory; to whom with you and the Holy Spirit be praise and honour, glory and might, now and in all eternity. **Amen.**

First Reading: Isaiah 65.17-end

Read by Simon Hills

A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

For I am about to create new heavens and a new earth; the former things shall not be remembered or come to mind. But be glad and rejoice for ever in what I am creating; for I am about to create Jerusalem as a joy, and its people as a delight. I will rejoice in Jerusalem, and delight in my people; no more shall the sound of weeping be heard in it, or the cry of distress. No more shall there be in it an infant that lives but a few days, or an old person who does not live out a lifetime; for one who dies at a hundred years will be considered a youth, and one who falls short of a hundred will be considered accursed. They shall build houses and inhabit them; they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit. They shall not build and another inhabit; they shall not plant and another eat; for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be, and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands. They shall not labour in vain, or bear children for calamity; for they shall be offspring blessed by the Lordand their descendants as well. Before they call I will answer, while they are yet speaking I will hear. The wolf and the lamb shall feed together, the lion shall eat straw like the ox; but the serpent—its food shall be dust! They shall not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain, says the Lord.

This is the word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Easter Anthems

Please join with the choir in singing:

Edwin Monk (1819-1900) Christ our passover is | sacri-fic'd | for us: 1 therefore | let us | keep the | feast. Not with the old leaven * 2 nor with the leaven of | malice and | wickedness: but with the unleavened bread | of sin | cerity and | truth. I Corinthians 5.7b, 8 Christ being raised from the dead | dieth no | more: 3 death hath no | more do | mi-nion | over him. For in that he died * he died | unto sin | once: 4 but in that he liveth * he | liv-eth | un-to | God. Likewise reckon ye also yourselves to be dead indeed | un-to | sin: 5 but alive unto God through | Je-sus | Christ our | Lord. Romans 6.9-11 6 Christ is risen | from the | dead: and become the | firstfruits of | them that | slept. For since by | man came | death: 7 by man came also the resur | rec-tion | of the | dead. For as in | Adam all | die: 8 even so in Christ shall | all be | made a | live. I Corinthians 15.20-22

Second Reading: Acts 10.34–43

Read by Miles Maskell

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Peter began to speak to those assembled in the house of Cornelius: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Reading: John 20.1–18

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John. Glory to you, O Lord.

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, 'They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him.' Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went towards the tomb. The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, and the cloth that had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. Then the disciples returned to their homes. But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; and she saw two angels in white, sitting where

the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. They said to her, 'Woman, why are you weeping?' She said to them, 'They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him.' When she had said this, she turned round and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, 'Woman, why are you weeping? For whom are you looking?' Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, 'Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away.' Jesus said to her, 'Mary!' She turned and said to him in Hebrew, 'Rabbouni!' (which means Teacher). Jesus said to her, 'Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, "I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God." ' Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, 'I have seen the Lord'; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ**

Prayers of Intercession

Led by Donald Cunningham

Communion Sentence (mode vi)

Pascha nostrum immolatus est Christus: alleluia; itaque epulemur in azymis sinceritatis et veritatis: alleluia; alleluia.

Our Paschal Lamb has been sacrificed: hallelujah; therefore let us keep the feast by sharing the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth: hallelujah; hallelujah.

Organ Music During Communion *Erstanden ist der Heil'ge Christ* – Georg Sorge (1703-78)

<u>Communion Anthem</u>

Hallelujah Chorus from Messiah – G. F. Handel (1685-1759)

Hallelujah, for the Lord God Omnipotent reigneth. The kingdom of this world is become the kingdom of our Lord and of His Christ; and He shall reign for ever and ever. King of kings, and Lord of lords.

Christ is Risen! Alleluia!



Bubbles Today

Join us for bubbles after today's service.

Easter Chocolate Hunt & Sunday School

There is no Sunday School today but there will be an Easter Chocolate Hunt in the church gardens after the service.



Also Celebrating Orthodox Easter

Join us to also celebrate Orthodox Easter, or "Velikden" (the Great Day in Bulgarian.) Eggs coloured bright red and Easter breads known as "kozunak" are the prominent symbols of Orthodox Easter in Bulgaria. At midnight on the Saturday before Easter Sunday, people gather in



churches, the clergy blesses the breads and eggs that have been brought by the people. After today's service at Christ Church, please join us as we celebrate both Easters. We will



have food, drinks and coloured eggs to break. Everyone is welcome!

Parish Office

The Parish Office will be closed on Easter Monday.

Morning Prayer

There will be no Morning Prayer at either church on Easter Monday. Morning Prayer will continue as usual at 9.00am at St Luke's on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

Annual Parochial Church Meeting

Wednesday 14 May at 7.00pm in St Luke's Hall over supper. Please let the Parish Office know if you will be attending.

Confirmation and Baptism

This year's Confirmation Service will be at Christ Church at 11.00am on 1 June, with the Bishop of Kensington presiding. If you, as an adult or as a young person in Year 6 or above, would be interested in Baptism or Confirmation this June, do be in touch parishoffice@chelseaparish.org Preparation sessions for children will be held from 9.30am-11.00am on Saturday 17 May and Saturday 31 May. Separate sessions will be organised for adults.

Memorial Service to Celebrate the Life of Caroline Larken

The memorial service for Caroline Larken will be held at St Luke's on Wednesday 23 April at 2.00pm and will be followed by a reception at Chelsea Town Hall. All most welcome.

Banns of Marriage

For the third and final time we publish the Banns of Marriage between Jennifer Birdsall and Angus Martin. We assure them of our prayers as they prepare for their marriage at Christ Church in May.



Palm Sunday

A great many parishioners attended the Palm Sunday service that began at St Luke's and then processed with the donkey from St Luke's to Christ Church.



Family Service

The next Family Eucharist will be at Christ Church at 9.30am on Sunday 4 May.

Sunday School Easter Break

Sunday School will resume at both churches on 27 April.

ABC Easter Break

The new term for the ABC Group starts on Thursday 24 April at 10.00am at Christ Church.

Plants Make You Happy

Plan to buy some plants to brighten up your home and garden at the plant sale on Sunday 4 May in the courtyard at Chelsea Old Church, 64 Cheyne Walk. Entrance via the East Gate on Chelsea Embankment. 10.00am-4.00pm.



Flower Fund – Donations Needed Please

The Christ Church Flower Fund is in need of a boost. Donations to Joan Holdsworth or the Parish Office.

The Chelsea Parish Cricket Team Needs You

The Chelsea Parish Cricket Team welcomes players of all abilities & ages! As part of our community, you'll enjoy playing in friendly matches against other parishes across London. Upcoming Fixtures: • 17 May against St Martin-in-the-Fields • 28 June against All Saints Fulham. Practice Sessions: Nets on Monday evenings at Battersea Park. It's a great opportunity to improve your skills, meet fellow parishioners and have fun. Whether you're a seasoned player or a complete beginner, we'd love to have you on the team. For more info or to join, please contact Charles Day at charlesday@live.co.uk.

Youth Summer Programme

The Youth Summer Programme will take place from Wednesday 23 July to Friday 8 August. Sign up will begin at the St Luke's Summer Fair on Saturday 7 June.

Update on Dan Horrocks

We send Dan Horrocks every good wish as he begins further treatment for brain cancer in Houston, Texas.

Electoral Roll Form - Please Complete Now!

Every 6 years the Electoral Roll of every parish is completely revised which means everybody wishing to remain on the roll needs to fill in a new form. Online forms have been sent to those on our mailing list. Hard copies of the forms are available at the back of both churches and from the Parish Office.

The new roll will be in church from 1 May for you to check your entry and any errors will be corrected but no new names can then be added until after the Annual Parochial Church Meeting which this year takes place on Wednesday 14 May in St Luke's Hall over supper.

What is it? Every church in the Church of England has a list or "electoral roll" of all people who have been baptised, are aged 16 or over, and who either live in the parish or have been attending the church for more than six months.

How does it help to be on the list? The number of people on the Electoral Roll (ER) is sent to the Diocese of London, who are in overall charge of church finances and governance for this area. The size of our parish (measured by the ER) can affect how many clergy are sent to work here, the number of representatives we can have on wider church bodies, and some fundraising applications. You can be on the roll of more than one parish.

What do I do? Forms are available at the back of church, or online via the QR code below. Please complete by 30 April.

Do I need to do anything else? Being on the roll does not involve any further commitment from your side, or any obligations, but it does count for us, and also means we have clearer records and are better able to assess which areas of the church are growing and which need more work. However, you are warmly invited to attend our Annual Parochial Church Meeting on Wednesday 14 May in St Luke's Hall at 7.00pm, and being on the Electoral Roll entitles you to vote on any of the issues which may come up.

Thank you for your help – we really appreciate it! - Brian, Daniel & Baxter



Celebrating Fr Brian & Ramani

On Sunday 11 May at 10.30am at St Luke's there will be a United Parish Eucharist to celebrate the 19 years that Fr Brian and Ramani have been in our parish. Fr Brian will be presiding and preaching at the service, which will be followed by canapés and fizz. If you plan to attend, please be in touch with the Parish Office.

If you wish to make a donation to the leaving gift for Brian and Ramani, you can do so until

Wednesday 7 May at NatWest Bank Account Name: PCC of St Luke and Christ Church Chelsea, Account Number: 29615410, Sort Code: 60-05-14, Reference: Gift for Brian. Should you wish to make a cash donation, you can do so via Fr Daniel, Fr Baxter or the Parish Office.

Farewell Card for Fr Brian & Ramani - Last Day To Submit!

We are gathering messages for Fr Brian and Ramani that will be collated into a book and presented to them at their final service on 11 May. If you would like to contribute a message, you can do so via the QR code at right. If you would prefer to contribute a handwritten message this is also possible and we would ask that you drop your handwritten message off in the Parish Office. Deadline for all submissions is today!







Regular Events

Sunday School

St Luke's (10.30am) Christ Church (11.00am)



Youth Group

Meets every other Thursday. St Luke's Vestry. 5.00pm-7.00pm. For more information or to sign up, contact baxtermcrolston@chelseaparish.org



Midweek Eucharist & Coffee

St Luke's every Thursday. Coffee from 11.15am-12.15pm in the narthex, followed by the eucharist at 12.30pm.

9.00am Morning Prayer

Mondays at Christ Church Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays at 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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