

St Luke's Church Parkstone

A CHURCH WITHOUT WALLS

A community of whole-life disciples of Jesus Christ committed to worship, growth, partnership and mission

Sunday 11th October 2020 18th Sunday after Trinity

9.30am Children's Group via zoom led by Anna Counsell annastainer.stlukes@gmail.com
usual link as per email. Do join in and feel able to invite others

10.30am Morning Worship in Church and via zoom (*join from 10.20*)
Theme: 'A Community of Belonging and Sharing' Acts 2:42-47 (4: 32-36)
Welcome to the family and friends of Jude & Jessica Spear, and Miles, Evie & Chloe Burley for their Baptisms today.
Usual link each week with password – see email

5.00pm Evening Service in Chancel and on zoom

THIS WEEK AND OTHER NEWS

Sundays over the next few weeks

We will continue our theme on the Community of God's people.

- **Pathfinders** start today, **11th October**. Younger Children's groups hopefully start next Sunday.
- The **Evening service** is at **5pm in the Chancel** and by zoom, **Wednesday worship is at 9.30am** by zoom (*usual link*) and Morning Prayer is in church on **Thursdays at 9.30am** .

Come to the Annual Parochial Church Meeting and Meeting of Parishioners

This will take place tomorrow **Monday 12th October from 7.30 – 8.30pm** by ZOOM (*usual link*). The Annual Report and summary of our Accounts were circulated six months ago, the Agenda is on page 2 of this sheet. We shall have the normal brief presentations. We need to elect our churchwardens, 3 Deanery Synod members for 3 years, 3 PCC members for 3 years and 1 PCC member for 2 years. Some nominations have already been received but others are welcome. It would be great to see some younger people joining the PCC. For a nomination form please contact the Office.

Wednesday Virtual Coffee Morning at 10am – everyone is welcome

This will now follow straight on from the 9.30am Wednesday Worship so the link will be the same as the used for all services.

Pastoral Care

We are very conscious that the pandemic and other issues are affecting people deeply. If you would appreciate a pastoral visit then Chris and some others would be pleased to call in (socially distancing etc). Do contact Chris if you would like a visit or prayer. Thank you.

Church Finances and Giving

Thank you on behalf of one another for your support. We are grateful. We appreciate your commitment going forwards to enable us to maintain and grow our church life. **Our bank details are: CAF Bank Limited Sort code 40-52-40 Account St Luke's Church, Parkstone PCC No. 00008836.** You can also send a cheque to St Luke's Church Parkstone PCC to the Church Office Wellington Road Parkstone BH14 9LF

Ecclesiastical Insurance Offer

The church's insurance company, Ecclesiastical Insurance is still offering £130 to St. Luke's for each new policy taken out by church members. So, if you are looking for home or other insurance please contact Steve more details.

Toby's Testimony

Toby Gaddum (brother-in-law of Kate Wyatt) has filmed a testimony for Christian TV. Toby is very grateful to everyone at St. Luke's who prayed for him through his critical illness and transplant. The link to watch the testimony is: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=o4S7Kezltbl&feature=youtu.be>

Harvest Gifts

Thank you for your generous harvest gifts. Food items will be taken to the Foodbank on Tuesday. Any financial gifts can still be directed through the church account, duly referenced, by 17th October

Agenda for Church Annual Meeting and Meeting of Parishioners Monday 12th October 2020 at 7.30pm by Zoom (normal link)

1. Welcome, Brief Reflection and Prayer
2. Election of Churchwardens
3. Electoral Roll Officer's Report Roger Jones
4. Election of 3 Deanery Synod Members for 3 years
5. Election of 3 PCC Members for 3 years and 1 for 2 years
6. Treasurer' Report and Appointment of Auditors
7. Receiving of Annual Accounts approved by PCC in March 2020
8. Vicar's Report on 2019-20 and present situation
9. Churchwardens' Report on Fabric etc
10. Any Other Business
11. Prayer

PRAYERS

Keep us, good Lord, under the shadow of your mercy. Sustain and support the anxious, be with those who care for the sick, and lift up all who are brought low; that we may find comfort knowing that nothing can separate us from your love in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

Please pray for:

- **The Annual Meeting** - taking place via zoom tomorrow, Monday 12th October. Pray for Chris, our churchwardens, all those being nominated and all those currently standing on the PCC.
- **Our Children, Young people, leaders and helpers** as Pathfinders start up today. Pray as plans are made to hopefully start Children's groups next Sunday, 18th October.
- **The Wau Diocese and South Sudan;** for progression of the peace process and cessation of violence. Pray for protection from Coronavirus and from flooding. Pray for food and medicines to reach all. Pray for Archbishop Moses and his vision for spreading the gospel and creating a Christian country.

We pray especially for Andy Hogg, John Wartnaby, Mary Exton, Angie Threadgold, Ruth Greig, Joy Dale, Craig Giles, Margaret B-J and Ralph Gatrell (both friends of Frank and Pauline Westfield), Chris Gould, Dorothy Cawthorne (sister of Val Wilson), Penny Hawes and family following the death of Tony.

Special Prayer for the 18th Sunday after Trinity: *Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us your gift of faith that, forsaking what lies behind and reaching out to that which is before, we may run the way of your commandments and win the crown of everlasting joy; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord. Amen.*