

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 13th September 2020 14th Sunday after Trinity

- 9.30am Children's Group via zoom** led by Anna Stainer annastainer.stlukes@gmail.com
usual link as per email. Do join in and feel able to invite others
- 10.30am Morning Worship via zoom** (join from 10.20)
The Church: The Community of the Lord Jesus Christ - Acts 2: 22-41
Usual link each week with password – see email
- 5.00pm Evening Service in Chancel and on zoom**

THIS WEEK AND OTHER NEWS

Back in the building on Sunday Mornings from 27th September

We are delighted to announce that the PCC has agreed that we will be having morning services in our lovely building once again on **Sundays at 10.30 from 27th September**. This will be subject to any legislation or requirements. We intend the service to be zoomed too so people can choose how to participate. In the building we shall need to record who is present and will do all we can to assess and manage risk. People will need to socially distance, hand-wash, sanitise, wear masks etc. A small music group can sing, but otherwise we cannot sing. More information in due course. We shall celebrate **Harvest on 4th October**. Children's groups could start on **18th October** if we can manage the complexity. Thank you. (Also see summary on page 2)

We intend to continue with the **Sunday 5pm service, Wednesdays at 9.30am by zoom** and offer a simple Morning Prayer in church on **Thursdays at 9.30am from 1st October**.

Please be praying for all churches seeking to move forwards at this difficult time. Chris

Zoom Services

Do consider inviting friends to join us for our Sunday Service at 10.30am or other services. I am happy for the link to be sent to anyone you note and whose details you have and can pass to me if required. Thanks. Chris

Coffee /Tea Bubbles at the Vicarage

Due to the recent announcement I think it is going to be quite difficult to meet, and separate bubbles in one garden is probably not satisfactory or deemed to be in order. So, this week at least there will be no gathering. You might consider making personal arrangements to meet up with one or two other friends as you feel able in compliance with government requirements so long as you are comfortable and this is a personal matter.

Wednesdays

Morning Prayer at 9.20 for 9.30am

Link as usual for services- on email with passcode

Virtual Coffee Morning at 10am

Link below

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84989145321?pwd=eXBdYU9JKzJxa29peW5LUnpBMEhVUT09> ID: 849 8914 5321 Password: 027346

A Summary of Church Services and morning prayer in the church building

We are delighted to announce that the following services will re-commence:

- **Sundays 10.30am starting from 27th September.** This service will also be available via zoom.
- **Sunday evening services in the Chancel will continue at 5pm and via zoom.**
- **Wednesday mid-week worship will continue at 9.30am via zoom**
- **Thursdays 9.30am, Morning Prayer** in the Chapel **starting from 1st October**
- Children's groups will start up in church from **Sunday 18th October**

Face masks will need to be worn at all services and people will need to socially distance. There will be hand sanitiser available. We will need to record who is present.

Private Prayer in Church

The church will continue to be open for private prayer this **Tuesday 15th 10am – 12 noon and Friday 18th September 2.00 – 4.00pm.** The opening of the church for Private Prayer will stop the week commencing 20th September as services re-commence as set out in the above notice.

Annual Meeting, PCC and Deanery Synod Vacancies

The Church Annual General Meeting will take place on **Monday 12th October at 7.30pm to 8.30pm via zoom.** We require **3 Deanery Synod members for 3 years, 4 PCC members for 3 years and 1 PCC member for 2 years.** If you haven't already completed a nomination form and would like one please let Christine know in the church office.

Sermon series this Autumn

This Sunday, 13th September we shall start a series on The Church as a community as below. The readings will be from the Acts of the Apostles. There is much we can learn for today from the life of the early Christians, not least in these challenging times.

- of the Lord Jesus Christ 2:22-41
- of The Holy Spirit 2:1-4,14-21
- of Health and Salvation 3:11-26
- of Belonging and Sharing 2:42-47, 4:32-36
- of Gospel Proclamation 4:1-12
- of Prayer and Worship 4:21-31
- of Opposition and suffering 5:12-32, 7: all
- of Ministry and service 6:1-7

Sally Yeandle

Sally's funeral will take place at St. Luke's at 11am on Monday 21st September. Due to government restrictions on numbers, we regret that no one will be allowed to attend unless invited. We remember Sally with much fondness. She and Paul were regular members of St. Luke's for very many years.

PRAYERS

Please pray for:

- The elderly and vulnerable, all those who live alone and those who care for them. Pray and give thanks for all those involved in Pastoral Care at St. Luke's as they support those most vulnerable in our community especially at this time of lockdown and increased isolation.
- The work of PACE (Programme for Applied Christian Education), presenting a practical Christian message to children and young people and in local schools.
- All those who are returning to or starting University and the work of the Christian Unions, supporting students and connecting with local churches.
- **Pray for our worship week by week:** For God to be praised, his word listened to and followed, for prayer to bring change, for people to be encouraged, community built, lives changed and faith to grow!

We pray especially for Andy Hogg, John Wartnaby, Louise Samways' father Glen, Mary Exton, Angie Threadgold, Ruth Greig, Joy Dale, Craig Giles (brother of Nick), Margaret B-J and Ralph Gatrell (both friends of Frank and Pauline Westfield, Paul Yeandle and family as they prepare for Sally's funeral on 21st September.

Special Prayer for the 14th Sunday after Trinity: *Almighty God, whose only Son has opened for us a new and living way into your presence: give us pure hearts and steadfast wills to worship you in spirit and in truth; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord. Amen*