



Living and Sharing the Good News of Jesus Christ

SUNDAY 10TH AUGUST 2025

EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

Great is the Lord and most worthy of praise; his greatness no one can fathom. (Psalm 145:3)

Sunday 10th August	10.00am	Pre-Service Prayers in Side Chapel
	10.30am	Morning Worship in Church and on Zoom
	Theme:	Psalms - A psalm of praise
	Reading:	Psalm 145
	Leader:	John Pattison
	Preacher:	Andrew Cullis

SERVICES AND EVENTS THIS WEEK

Monday 11 th	9.30am	Prayer Meeting in Side Chapel
Wednesday 13 th	9.30am	Holy Communion in Church followed by coffee
Thursday 14 th	9.15am	Prayer Meeting in Side Chapel (No St Luke's Toddlers due to school summer holiday)
	11.00am	Holy Communion at Pennant House
Friday 15 th	(No Fab Friday or Youth Club due to school summer holiday)	
Sunday 17 th	10.00am	Pre-service Prayers in Side Chapel
	10.30am	Holy Communion with children's groups, in Church and on Zoom

Dear St Luke's family,

Psalm 145 is a song of pure praise—a heartfelt declaration of God's greatness, goodness, and faithfulness across all generations. This psalm reminds us that God is not distant or indifferent; He is near to all who call on Him in truth, compassionate to all He has made, and faithful in all He does.

In a time when the world often feels uncertain and fragile, Psalm 145 calls us to lift our eyes and fix them on the eternal King whose kingdom is unshakable and whose mercy knows no end.

As we gather this week, let this psalm shape our worship and renew our confidence in the One who upholds all. May His praise be always on our lips, and may our lives tell of His greatness to those around us.

God bless, Anna

PRAYERS

Prayer for Eighth Sunday After Trinity: Lord God, your Son left the riches of heaven and became poor for our sake: when we prosper save us from pride, when we are needy save us from despair, that we may trust in you alone; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

- Pray for peace in areas affected by war and conflict, including Ukraine, the Middle East, and the Sudans.
- Pray for the work of the St Luke's Refreshments Team, who serve and care for all who receive food and drink during services and events at St Luke's.
- Pray for the family and friends of John Singer, a long standing member of St Luke's who died this week.
- Pray for God's healing and comfort for those who are unwell, including Jane Diggle, Toby Hill and his family (grandson of Jean & Richard Snow), Margaret Holst, Lisa, Louise, Matthew, George Palmer, Geraldine Rodrigues, Sue Rushton, Chris & Maggie Strain (dealing with health issues at present), Tina, Sara Turnbull's mother Alix and Sid Wells.

This week we are praying for Routes to Roots

Loving God, You walk beside us in every step of our journey. We lift up to You all those who are homeless, lonely, or in need in Poole. Bless the work of Routes to Roots— may it continue to be a beacon of hope, a place of welcome, warmth, and renewal. Strengthen the hands of those who serve, and bring comfort, dignity, and peace to every guest who walks through its doors. Help us to be your light in this town, sharing love with no condition and grace without limit. Amen.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Tuesday 26th – Friday 29th August
Friday 5th Sept 10.30am – 12.30pm
Sunday 14th September

Heroes Academy Holiday Club for primary school age children
MyChurchSuite Drop-in in the Church Office
Kids and Youth Ministry Team Day after the morning service

NOTICES

Update on Church Finances

We are grateful for all your generosity following our gift day in March, but our income remains well below budget, and we risk eating into our reserves considerably this year. We are considering options to reduce costs. Apart from parish share, our largest cost is staff salaries, and we may need to make savings in this area if nothing changes. To avoid this, our income from regular giving needs to increase. **Our deficit is such that we need an average of around £30 extra per church member per month.** Please could you consider setting up a monthly gift using the Parish Giving Scheme or standing order, if you haven't yet done so? Thank you, Steve Blight, Honorary Treasurer.

June 2025
Church Regular Income versus Budget



Number 20 Bus Route Consultation

A consultation on the future of the number 20 bus (and others) is taking place. Please follow this link if you wish to complete the online survey or download a paper version: <https://haveyoursay.bcpccouncil.gov.uk/bus-subsidies-2025>

Heroes Academy Holiday Club – 26th-29th August

We're really excited for this year's holiday club for primary school aged children. Places for holiday club are now full, so please be praying for the children who are booked in to come along. Thank you, Anna.

Dementia Friendly Church

"Just a reminder that at St Luke's we are a Dementia Friendly Church, and everyone is welcome and included in our congregation. I have both professional and personal experience of supporting people living with Dementia and am happy to chat or share information with any family needing support. Many thanks, Liz"

Pattern of Saturday prayer meetings

Please note that from August onwards, our fortnightly Saturday morning prayer meetings at 9.30am will take place on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays of the month. We hope this will make it easier to keep track of when they are happening. This means the next one is on Saturday 9th August at 9.30am.

Helping you with MyChurchSuite! – Friday 5th September

Many of you are now using the MyChurchSuite app to keep your details up to date, check when you are serving on rotas, and so on, which is great. But we are aware that not everyone finds technology easy, so we are offering some more drop-in sessions in the church office to help you get to grips with MyChurchSuite. We can help with: how to get the app set up on your phone or computer, how to update your personal details, how to provide your unavailability, and more. Please do drop-in to the church office on **Friday 5th September** any time between 10.30am and 12.30pm.

Monthly 9am Holy Communion Service – Starting in September

Starting on Sunday 7th September, we will trial holding a simple service of Holy Communion at 9am on the first Sunday of the month. This will be a quiet service with hymns on the piano, lasting just under an hour. All are welcome.

Kids and Youth Ministry Team Day – Sunday 14th September, 12 noon – 3pm

This will be a time for everyone involved in children's and youth ministry at St Luke's to come together as a team for some training and to think about our vision and plans going forward. We'll meet after the morning service and lunch will be provided. Please put the date in your diary and join us on Sunday 14th September.

Giving to support the work of St Luke's Parkstone

Bank details: CAF Bank Limited Name: St Lukes Church Account No: 00008836 Sort Code: 40-52-40

Or please send a cheque payable to 'St Luke's Church Parkstone PCC' to the Church Office, Wellington Road, Poole BH14 9LF

Church Office opening hours: week commencing 11th August 2025 – Monday, Wednesday and Friday 9.30am – 3pm

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