

SUNDAY 19TH OCTOBER 2025

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

**Praise the Lord, my soul, and forget not all his benefits –
who forgives all your sins and heals all your diseases. (Psalm 103:2-3)**

Sunday 19th October	9.00am	Breakfast Church in Church
	10.00am	Prayer Time in Side Chapel
	10.30am	Holy Communion with children's groups, in Church and on Zoom
	Theme:	Wholeness and Healing Service: Every little helps
	Readings:	2 Kings 5:1-15 and Luke 17:11-19
	Leader:	Andrew Cullis
	Preacher:	Lis Cullis

SERVICES AND EVENTS THIS WEEK

Monday 20 th	9.30am	Prayer Time in Side Chapel
Wednesday 22 nd	9.30am	Holy Communion in Church Rooms followed by coffee
	6.00pm	Youth Deeper in Church Rooms (until 7.30pm)
Thursday 23 rd	9.15am	Prayer Meeting in Side Chapel
	10.00am	St Luke's Toddlers in Church (until 11.30am)
Friday 24 th	(No Fab Friday this week due to half term)	
Saturday 25 th	9.30am	Prayer Time in Side Chapel
Sunday 26 th	Please note: clocks go back one hour this morning!	
	10.00am	Prayer Time in Side Chapel
	10.30am	Morning Worship with children's groups, in Church and on Zoom

Dear St Luke's family,

This Sunday at Breakfast Church at 9am, we'll be focusing on how Jesus gives us peace and calls us to be people of peace. Then at 10.30am our communion service is focused on wholeness and healing. Our Bible readings contain great accounts of God's healing power at work in both the Old and New Testaments. In 2 Kings, Naaman, a senior commander in a foreign army, is cleansed of leprosy, but only after he humbles himself and obeys God's word through the prophet Elisha. And in Luke 17 Jesus heals ten lepers but only one of them (a Samaritan) comes back to thank him. In both cases, we see God's mercy and healing power extended to outsiders, and lives transformed both physically and spiritually when people come with humble and grateful hearts. We too are invited to come to Jesus in prayer, seeking his blessing and his healing touch, in the power of the Spirit. This Sunday our prayer team would love to pray with you. God bless, Stuart

PRAYERS

Prayer for 18th Sunday after Trinity: God, our Judge and Saviour, teach us to be open to your truth and to trust in your love, that we may live each day with confidence in the salvation which is given through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

- Pray for peace in troubled parts of the world, especially in the Middle East, Ukraine, and the Sudans.
- Pray for the St Luke's finance team who give their time and expertise to steward our finances.
- Pray for God's healing and comfort for those who are unwell, including Ashden (Trevor & Lorraine's nephew), Jane Diggle, Margaret Holst, Lisa, Louise, Matthew, George Palmer, Geraldine Rodrigues, Sue Rushton, and Sid Wells.

This week we are praying for Christian Aid

Please pray for the work of Christian Aid in the Middle East, where a ceasefire between Israel and Hamas has finally been agreed. Pray for the successful provision of clean water, food, medical care and shelter to those who need it and for the nearly 2 million people who have been displaced by the conflict. Pray also that the root causes of the conflict may be tackled so that further conflict may be avoided.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Friday 31 st October 4pm	The Light Trail in Church (alternative to Halloween event for families)
Sunday 2 nd November 3pm	Annual Memorial Service & Tea in Church
Sunday 9 th November 10.30am	Remembrance Sunday
Wednesday 12 th November 9.30am	St Luke's hosting Gather BCP Mini Summit (until 12.30pm)
Sunday 16 th November 9am	Breakfast Church in Church
Sunday 16 th November 10.30am	Safeguarding Sunday
Sunday 23 rd November 6pm	St Luke's Prayer Evening in Church (until 8pm)

NOTICES

Wholeness and Healing Service – This Sunday, 10.30am

'Every little helps' is the theme of our service this Sunday. To find out more, do listen to the sermon! You are invited to come forward (as usual) to take communion and then (if you wish) to go into the chancel where the prayer team will be ready to pray with you. There are many reasons why you might want prayer for yourself or someone close to you. There may be some significant life event for which you seek God's blessing and strength. It is an occasion for the whole church family, and it is good to pray for children as well as adults.

☀️ Light Trail – A Bright Alternative! – Friday 31st October, 4pm – 6pm

Join us for our **Light Trail** on Friday 31st October, 4pm – 6pm, an evening of fun, crafts, activities, and refreshments for all ages, celebrating the theme of God's light, which shines in the darkness. Do bring your friends, and we look forward to welcoming you! We're also looking for **volunteers** to help with setup, crafts, refreshments, and welcoming visitors. If you can lend a hand, please speak to Anna.

Ian and Carole's Marriage Blessing – Sunday 9th November, 4pm

On Sunday 9th November at 4pm we will be holding a service of prayer and dedication for Ian and Carole's marriage, following their civil ceremony. In addition to family members, they'd like to extend an invitation to their church family. Tea and cakes will be served for all at the end of the service.

Gather BCP Mini Summit at St Luke's – Wednesday 12th November

We are excited to be hosting this event here at St Luke's Parkstone on Wednesday 12th November, 9.30am – 12.30pm, organised by Faithworks in partnership with Moorlands College and the Gather Movement. Church leaders from across the BCP area will be gathering to be inspired about how the church can play a more strategic role in transforming communities and seeing God's kingdom grow. For more details visit:

<https://faith-works.org.uk/church-partnerships-gather-bcp-mini-summit/>

Connect Groups at St Luke's Parkstone

Connect Groups are small groups meeting during the week, usually in peoples' homes. They exist to help us to connect more deeply with God through Bible study and prayer, to connect with and support each other, and to connect with the wider community to share the love of Jesus. If you aren't currently in a Connect Group and would like to join one or find out more, please check out the details on our website or at the back of church, or speak to Stuart.

Salisbury Cathedral Diocese Card

If you are on the church electoral roll can now apply for a Diocese Card giving you free entry to Salisbury Cathedral. Please use the following link to download an application form: <https://share.google/miPG0TbdsZCn6zHqD>

Poole Town Pastors

The Poole Town Pastors are looking for volunteers to join the team. If you are interested, please contact John Ainsworth on pooletownpastors@gmail.com or 07803 010023.

Job Opportunity: Part Time Administrator (16 hours per week) at St Barnabas, Bearwood

Please contact Revd Peter Myres by email at: vicar@stbarnabasbearwood.org.uk for an application form. Closing date: 20th October 2025.

Job Opportunity: Operations Manager at Christ Church Creekmoor

To find out more visit their website: <https://www.christchurchcreekmoor.org/>. Closing date: 10th November 2025.

New Wine Festival 2026

A few weeks ago, it was great to hear stories and feedback from those who went to New Wine this summer. Bookings are now open for next year's festival (28th July – 2nd August 2026). More details: <https://www.new-wine.org/events>

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 20th October 2025: Monday, Wednesday and Friday 9.30am – 3pm

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