



Living and Sharing the Good News of Jesus Christ

SUNDAY 22ND JUNE 2025

THE FIRST SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble. (Psalm 46:1)

Sunday 22 nd June	10.00am	Pre-Service Prayers in Side Chapel
	10.30am	Morning Worship with children's groups, in Church and on Zoom
	Theme:	Ruth - Introduction: Bereaved in a foreign land
	Readings:	Judges 2:16-19 and Ruth 1:1-5
	Leader:	Justin Coldstream
	Preacher:	Stuart Cocksedge
	12.00pm	Holiday Club Team Meeting in Church
	2.00pm	Open Garden at 24A Western Avenue (until 5.00pm) (see notice)
	6.00pm	Youth Deeper in Church Rooms

SERVICES AND EVENTS THIS WEEK

Monday 23 rd	9.30am	Prayer Meeting in Side Chapel
Wednesday 25 th	9.30am	Holy Communion in Church followed by coffee
	7.30pm	PCC Meeting in Church Rooms
Thursday 26 th	9.15am	Prayer Meeting in Side Chapel
	10.00am	St Luke's Toddlers in Church (until 11.30am)
Friday 27 th	(No Fab Friday or Youth Club due to Spree Youth Weekend)	
Sunday 29 th	10.00am	Pre-service Prayers in Side Chapel
	10.30am	Morning Worship with children's groups, in Church and on Zoom
	6.30pm	Cantabile Summer Concert

Dear St Luke's family,

This Sunday we begin our sermon series on the book of Ruth. Set "in the days when the Judges ruled" (Ruth 1:1), this short Old Testament book speaks of loyalty, love, and God's providence during challenging times. In the actions of the main characters (Naomi, Ruth and Boaz) we see God's hand at work, bringing redemption and hope out of tragic circumstances. Connect Groups are already studying Ruth, and I hope you are finding these sessions helpful. As we explore the book of Ruth together, we see that many of its themes resonate strongly with modern day situations, and that even in times of loss, change and uncertainty, God is at work, faithfully guiding our steps.

God bless, Stuart

PRAYERS

Prayer for The First Sunday After Trinity: God of truth, help us to keep your law of love and to walk in ways of wisdom, that we may find true life in Jesus Christ your Son. Amen.

- Pray for de-escalation and peace in areas affected by war and conflict, especially Iran, Israel, and Gaza.
- Pray for the group of 30 young people from St Luke's and other local churches heading to the Spree South West in Devon next weekend, that they will have fun, encounter God, and grow in faith together.
- Pray for Dan Washbrook and his family as they settle into life and ministry at St Andrew's Kinson.
- Pray for the work of the St Luke's cleaning team, who give their time and energy to care for our church building.
- Pray for God's healing and comfort for those who are unwell, including Anne (Marianne Mutlow's sister), Jane Diggle, Toby Hill and his family (grandson of Jean & Richard Snow), Margaret Holst, Lisa, Louise, Colin Chalkly Maber, Matthew, George Palmer, Geraldine Rodrigues, Sue Rushton, Tina, Sara Turnbull's mother Alix, Joyce Ward and Sid Wells.

This week we are praying for CPAS (Church Pastoral Aid Society)

Their prayer and aspiration for 2025 is to see: every church a pathway to faith, every leader a catalyst for evangelism, every Christian a courageous witness, and every child the chance to explore Jesus.

Lord, we thank you for the work of the Church Pastoral Aid Society, founded in 1836 to bring the good news of Jesus to children and adults. Please bless their endeavours over the coming months as they pursue these aims. May there be wonderful and surprising answers to prayer, all over the country. In the name of Jesus. Amen.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Wednesday 25 th June 7.30pm	PCC Meeting in Church Rooms
Friday 27 th – Sunday 29 th June	Spree South West Youth Weekend in Devon
Sunday 29 th June 6.30pm	Cantabile Summer Concert at St Luke's
Sunday 6 th July	St Luke's Summer BBQ after the morning service
Sunday 13 th July 10.30am	Mission Partnerships Service
Monday 14 th July 1.30pm	Pastoral Team Meeting in Church Rooms (see notice below)
Tuesday 26 th – Friday 29 th August	Heroes Academy Holiday Club for primary school age children
Sunday 14 th September	Kids and Youth Ministry Team Day after the morning service

NOTICES

Heroes Academy Holiday Club

We're really excited for our holiday club this year for primary school aged children. The bookings are filling up quickly so make sure you book your children in ASAP if you haven't done so already! We need lots of volunteers, so if you are interested in helping, please come along to our team meeting on Sunday 22nd June straight after the morning service.

Open Garden - 24A Western Avenue, Branksome Park - Sunday 22nd June

The Garden at 24A Western Avenue will be open on Sunday afternoon from 2pm - 5pm - admission £7

We will be providing refreshments during the afternoon and Judy will be selling her preserves, all proceeds from refreshments and sales will go to the Poole Wau Partnership. Do come and join us and support the fundraising.

Cantabile Summer Concert – Sunday 29th June, 6.30pm

Join Cantabile for their summer concert at St Luke's. Tickets on the door £10 (cash or card), concessions for students.

New Wine Celebration – Sunday 29th June, 6pm

An evening of worship, teaching from God's word and prayer ministry at the Lantern Church, Merley. All are welcome.

Holes Bay Walk – Saturday 12th July, from 9.30am

This is the Poole-Wau Partnership's main fundraising event with options of a 7 mile walk around Holes Bay or one of 3 miles around Upton Country Park. All details are on the forms at our Poole-Wau Partnership noticeboard in church. Val Wilson plans to do the 3 mile walk and would appreciate some sponsors and some company! Thank you.

Mission Partnerships Service – Sunday 13th July, 10.30am

Our annual Mission Partnerships Service will be at 10.30am on Sunday 13th July. Our guest speaker will be Mark Rathbone, who was part of the team from Poole who travelled to Wau, South Sudan recently. There will also be opportunities to hear brief updates from other mission partners, and to give financially to support their work.

Mental Health First Aid Talk – Monday 14th July, 1.30pm

Mental Health First Aid trainer Nick Ellis will be giving a talk at the start of the Pastoral Team meeting on Monday 14th July at 1.30pm in the Church Rooms. We want to make this available more widely than just to the Pastoral Team, so if you would find it helpful please do join us. All are welcome.

New Wine Festival

New Wine summer festival takes place at Shepton Mallet on 30th July – 4th August. Stuart, Rachel and family are going. Please speak to them if you would like to find out more, to book for New Wine, or to visit for a day. For more info see: <http://www.new-wine.org/events/>

Lost Property at St Luke's

Please check the lost property box and shelf at the back of church and take away anything which belongs to you. All lost property items remaining in church after Sunday 6th July will be disposed of or donated to charity. Thank you!

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

Please note new date! 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 23rd June 2025 – Helen is on holiday but messages and emails will be checked periodically

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