



Living and Sharing the Good News of Jesus Christ

SUNDAY 30th JUNE 2024

FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

Jesus answered, I am the way and the truth and the life.

No one comes to the Father except through me. (John 14:6)

Sunday 30 th June	10.00am	Pre-Service Prayers in the Side Chapel
	10.30am	All Age Service, in Church and on Zoom
		Theme: The Way, The Truth, The Life
		Reading: John 14:5-7
		Leader: Anna Counsell & Dan Washbrook
		Sermon: Stuart Cocksedge

FORTHCOMING EVENTS AND SERVICES

Monday 1 st	9.30am	Prayer Meeting in Side Chapel
	11.00am	Thanksgiving Service for the life of Joan Percy
Wednesday 3 rd	9.30am	Holy Communion followed by coffee
	7.30pm	PCC Meeting in Church Rooms
Thursday 4 th	7.00am	Church in use as Polling Station (until 10.00pm)
	9.15am	Prayer Meeting in Side Chapel
		No St Luke's Toddlers today, as Church in use as Polling Station
Friday 5 th	3.30pm	Fab Friday in Church Rooms (until 4.45pm) – Reception to Year 6
	7.30pm	Youth Club in Hall (until 9.00pm) – Year 7 and up
Saturday 6 th	9.30am	Prayer Meeting in Side Chapel
	10.00am	Outside Work Party
Sunday 7 th	10.00am	Pre-service Prayers in Side Chapel
	10.30am	Morning Worship with children's groups, in Church and on Zoom

Dear St Luke's family,

As the campaigning intensifies in the lead up to the general election, we are presented with an array of claims and counter-claims, of invitations to follow this party or that leader, and of promises about what they will do if they win on 4th July. In the midst of all of this, we are reminded of the words of Jesus, who said: **"I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me"** (John 14:6). These words were the theme of Spree South West last weekend, and are the focus of our service at St Luke's this Sunday. Jesus calls us to follow him because he is the **way**. In a world of competing claims, we can confidently believe the **truth** about Jesus - he is God's Son, our Saviour. And Jesus is the one who came to offer us **life** in all its fullness. May we put our trust in Jesus and seek to put him first in our lives.

God bless, Stuart

PRAYERS

Special Prayer for The Fifth Sunday after Trinity: Almighty God, send down upon your Church the riches of your Spirit, and kindle in all who minister the gospel your countless gifts of grace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Please:

- Pray for peace in the Holy Land, across the Middle East, in Sudan and in Ukraine.
- Pray for the families of Joan Percy and Pam Knight who died recently.
- Pray for God's healing, strength and comfort for those who are unwell including Ben Cullis, Margaret Holst, George Palmer, Geraldine Rodrigues, Virginia Stacey, Claire Storey's sister Gina, and Lorna Warburton.

This week we are praying for the General Election:

Heavenly Father, we pray for our nation as we approach this General Election, for wisdom and guidance as we each decide how to cast our vote. We pray for politicians and parliamentary candidates, that they may conduct themselves with integrity and humility. And please guide those who are elected to Parliament on 4th July, that they may act with integrity and compassion, grow in wisdom, and seek justice. Amen.

NOTICES

Open Garden - Thank you!

Thank you very much to everyone who helped or supported the Open Garden on 23rd June in any way. We raised the wonderful sum of just over £800, to support the work of the Poole Wau Partnership. Judy and Richard Hudson.

Cantabile Summer Concert

A variety of music from Bach to Bernstein with The Finer String Quartet – the Cantabile Summer Concert will be held at St Luke's Church on Sunday 30th June at 6.30pm. Tickets £10 on the door with concessions for students.

Service of thanksgiving and celebration for the life of Joan Percy – Monday 1st July, 11am

This will take place at St Luke's on Monday 1st July at 11am. All are welcome, and please feel free to let others know who may like to come along. Donations in memory of Joan will be given to Lewis-Manning Hospice Care. Please don't feel obliged to wear black – the family won't be.

Friends of South Sudan and Wau

The next prayer meeting will take place on Monday 1st July from 12.30pm - 1.15pm at St Clement's Church, 55 Kinson Avenue, Poole, Dorset BH15 3PH. It will be led by Janet Davies. Tea and coffee are provided. Do come if you can!

Poole Light Orchestra's Summer Concert

At St. Clement's Church, St. Clement's Road, on Tuesday 2nd July at 7:30pm. Free admission with a retiring collection.

Outside work party - Saturday 6th July

We will be doing some work tidying up the outside areas around the church on Saturday 6th July from 10am until 1pm. Please come along and lend a hand if you can. Thank you.

Resound

The next Dorset Youth for Christ Resound event is at Castle Court School on Saturday the 6th July from 6pm to 9pm. It promises to be another fantastic youth event. Contact Anna or John Parrett for details.

Wednesday mornings are changing!

From July onwards, all our Wednesday morning services will be held 'in person' rather than on Zoom. This will give us the opportunity to share in a Holy Communion service each Wednesday at 9.30am (for approx 45 minutes), apart from the 3rd Wednesday of the month when Holy Communion is at 11.30am followed by a light lunch. All are welcome.

Joseph and his Technicolor Dream Coat' at St. Luke's

If you would like to take part in this event in March 2025 then please sign the sheet and/or attend the meeting at the Church Hall on Sun 7th July at 6pm. Rehearsals start on Sun 6th October at the Church Hall. More information from Claire Storey at claire.storey@web-image.co.uk or telephone 01202 733669

Holes Bay Walk on Saturday 13th July

Bishop Karen is joining this fundraising event with two choices of 7 or 3 miles. Starting from St Dunstan's Church Upton at 9.30am. **Please consider doing/sponsoring this walk**, funds are so desperately needed for our Christian partners in Wau, South Sudan. See Poole-Wau noticeboard or ask Maureen Honeyman who is seeking sponsorship.

Mission Partnerships Sunday & Church BBQ - Sunday 14th July

Join us at 10.30am on Sunday 14th July to support and pray for our mission partners. The Pain family, our OMF mission partners in Japan, will be with us, and Chris Pain will be preaching. Details of how to give towards the work of our mission partners will be available nearer the time. Then, straight after the service, head to the Church Hall for our summer church BBQ. Everyone is welcome to come along for good food, fun and games, and to hear more from the Pains about their work in Japan. (Suggested contribution for the BBQ of £2 for adults and £1 for children – thank you.)

Build it! Holiday Club

We are getting ready for our Build it! holiday club that is happening Tuesday 27th - Friday 30th August 9.30am – 12.30am for Reception - Year 6. Join us for a week of building, creating and modelling as we share together how we can build out relationship with God and learn stories from the Bible. We will also be playing games, doing craft, eating lots of biscuits and singing songs. Please contact Anna if you wish to book your child/ren into this year's holiday club.

Volunteers Needed Please!

Our Holiday clubs only happen because of our amazing volunteers, if you would like to help out this year with admin, craft prep, being a team leader, being a team helper, helping with refreshments, being in the drama, leading songs/actions, leading games/craft, or being in the background please sign up at the back of church or speak to Anna.

Confirmation service – Saturday 21st September

We will be hosting a confirmation service with Bishop Karen at St Luke's on Saturday 21st September at 5pm. If you would like to be confirmed, or would like to find out more, please speak to Stuart.

Giving to support the work of St Luke's Parkstone



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Week commencing 1st July – Cover in the office: Monday 9.30am – 4.30pm, Wednesday 10.30am – 4.30pm
& Friday 12.30pm – 4.30pm.
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