

**SUNDAY 31<sup>ST</sup> MAY 2026**  
**TRINITY SUNDAY**

**'This is how we know what love us: Jesus Christ laid down his life for us.  
 And we ought to lay down our lives for our brothers and sisters.'** (1 John 3:16)

<b>Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> May</b>	<b>10.00am</b>	<b>Prayer Time</b> in Side Chapel
	<b>10.30am</b>	<b>Morning Worship</b> with children's groups, in Church and on Zoom
	Theme:	Input from PACE on the theme of forgiveness
	Reading:	Matthew 18:21-35
	Leader:	Stuart Cocksedge
	Speaker:	Dave Pegg (PACE Schools Worker)

**SERVICES AND EVENTS**

Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> June	9.30am	Prayer Meeting in Side Chapel
Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	9.30am	Holy Communion in Church, followed by coffee
	6.30pm	Watoto Concert in Church
Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup>	9.15am	Prayer Meeting in Side Chapel
	10.00am	St Luke's Toddlers in Church (until 11.30am)
	11.00am	Holy Communion at Pennant House
	6.30pm	Youth Deeper in Church Rooms (until 8pm)
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup>	3.30pm	Fab Friday in Church (until 5pm)
Sunday 7 <sup>th</sup>	9.00am	Holy Communion in Church
	10.00am	Prayer Time in Side Chapel
	10.30am	All Age Service in Church and on Zoom

**Dear St Luke's family,**

The summer term can sometimes be a quieter time in the life of the church, but at the moment it feels rather busy, as we prepare to welcome **Watoto** for an exciting concert on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June, with a number of us hosting choir members in our homes. Following on from this, we'll be starting the **Hope Explored** course on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> June (see next page). There are also events for **older people** over the summer, our young people once again going to the **SPREE** youth weekend in June, our annual **Mission Partnerships Sunday** on 12<sup>th</sup> July with a guest speaker from Bible Society, and our 'Under the Sea' **children's holiday club** at the end of August. **Please pray** for all of these events, that we may shine brightly with the light of Christ as we seek to share God's love with those around us. And before all of this, it will be good to welcome Dave Pegg from **PACE** to St Luke's this Sunday morning. Hope to see you there!

God bless, Stuart

**PRAYERS**

Prayer for Trinity Sunday: Holy God, faithful and unchanging: enlarge our minds with the knowledge of your truth, and draw us more deeply into the mystery of your love, that we may truly worship you, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

- Pray for protection and relief for all affected by conflict in the Middle East and Ukraine, and for all affected by the global economic impacts of war.
- Pray for all affected by the Ebola outbreak.
- Pray for our Beacon Project as we raise funds, apply for grants, and seek approvals for the project to progress.
- Pray for God's guidance and strength for the St Luke's Staff Team as they lead and serve at St Luke's.
- Pray for God's healing and comfort for those who are unwell, including Jane Diggle, Marianne Mutlow, Rosemary Reeves and Iain Wilson.

To add a name to this prayer list, please let the church office know and we will add it for four weeks. At the end of this time, please let us know if you would like the name to stay on the list, otherwise we will take it off. Thank you.



We encourage you to prayerfully consider what you could give now and/or pledge to give later, to help us to ensure that St Luke's Church is a bright, warm, welcoming place where the love of God is made known, now and into the future.  
<https://stlukesparkstone.org.uk/888/St-Lukes-Beacon-Project>

## This week we are praying for Tearfund

- Please pray for Tearfund as they share Jesus and offer practical support to those in poverty around the world.
- Pray for peace, comfort and strength for Tearfund partner churches, their leaders and volunteers who give so much of themselves to the needs of their communities.
- Pray for Tearfund partners working in areas affected by war, conflict and natural disasters, that in these challenging and uncertain times they may continue to share God's love and hope in tangible ways.

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Sunday 7 <sup>th</sup> June 2.30pm	<b>Cream teas</b> served by Guides and Rangers at the Church Hall (until 5.30pm)
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> June 2pm	<b>Strawberry Cream Tea for Seniors</b> at the Vicarage (until 4pm)
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> June 7.30pm	<b>Hope Explored</b> course begins at the Vicarage (see below)
Sunday 14 <sup>th</sup> June 6pm	<b>Prayer &amp; Worship Gathering</b> in Church
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> – Sunday 28 <sup>th</sup> June	<b>Spree South West 2026</b> Youth Weekend at Westpoint, Exeter
Sunday 28 <sup>th</sup> June 6.30pm	<b>Summer Cantabile Concert</b> in Church
Sunday 12 <sup>th</sup> July 10.30am	<b>Mission Partnerships Sunday</b> in Church
Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup> July – Sunday 2 <sup>nd</sup> August	<b>New Wine Festival</b> at Royal Bath & West Showground, Shepton Mallet
Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> August	<b>'Under the Sea' Holiday Club</b> for primary age children in Church

### NOTICES

#### Guest speaker from PACE – Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> May 10.30am

We are looking forward to welcoming Dave Pegg, Secondary Schools Worker at PACE (Programme for Applied Christian Education), to speak at our service this Sunday. You may remember Dave joining us about a year ago to speak about the work of PACE in our local schools. This time, Dave will be sharing a lesson he delivers in schools on the theme of forgiveness. Do join us for this!

#### Poole-Wau Prayer Meeting – Monday 1st June

The next meeting will be held at St John's Heatherlands, Parkstone BH14 0AA. All welcome from 12.15pm for a 12.30pm start. Tea and coffee provided, bring your own sandwiches if you wish to.

#### Watoto Children's Choir Concert – Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June 6.30pm

The Watoto concert is fast approaching! Thank you to everyone who is helping with this exciting outreach event. It is a great opportunity to invite friends to. **The concert is free to attend, but to help us keep track of numbers, please book tickets using the link below, or via the church office.** Click here to book your tickets:

[www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/watoto-childrens-choir-in-better-days-2026-tickets-1979974652485?aff=oddtcreator](http://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/watoto-childrens-choir-in-better-days-2026-tickets-1979974652485?aff=oddtcreator)

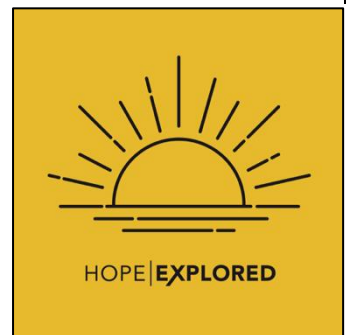
#### Hope Explored – beginning on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> June 7.30pm

**As a follow up to the Watoto concert, we are going to run the Hope Explored course.**

**What is it?** Over three sessions, Hope Explored presents the life, death and resurrection of Jesus, and provides an opportunity to discover how he fulfils three great longings we all experience: the longing for hope, peace, and purpose.

**When is it?** 7.30pm at the Vicarage on Thursdays 11<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> June.

**How can I get involved?** If you would like to know more about Hope Explored, invite a friend, or offer to help on the course, please speak to Stuart or email [vicar@stlukesparkstone.org.uk](mailto:vicar@stlukesparkstone.org.uk).



#### Guides & Rangers Cream Teas – Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> June 2.30pm – 5.30pm

Please join the Guides and Rangers for a delicious cream tea at the Church Hall on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> June 2026, 2.30pm – 5.30pm. All welcome. Proceeds to support the residential opportunities offered to the Guides and Rangers.

#### Strawberry Cream Tea for Seniors – Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> June 2pm – 4pm

An afternoon at the Vicarage for older members of our church community to enjoy good company and good food in the form of a strawberry cream tea! If you would like to come, please let the church office know. We look forward to welcoming you.

#### PACE Cream Tea – Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> June 2.30pm – 4.30pm

Taking place at St Paul's Throop, this will be a great opportunity hear about PACE's work in our local schools, as well as enjoying a lovely cream tea. There will be outdoor games for children.

#### New Wine Festival 2026

Tickets are now available for the New Wine Festival which takes place from Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> July until Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> August. Follow this link for more info or to buy tickets: [www.festival.new-wine.org/book-now](http://www.festival.new-wine.org/book-now)

#### Giving to support the work of St Luke's Parkstone

To set up regular giving, please go [www.parishgiving.org.uk](http://www.parishgiving.org.uk) and search for St Luke's Parkstone or scan this QR code:

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

Office opening hours week commencing 1<sup>st</sup> June: Mon 10am-12pm & 1.30pm-3.30pm, Wed 9.30am-3pm, Fri 9.30am-3pm

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