ST LUKE'S CHURCH. MONTHLY MATTERS.

St Luke's Church Dates and News October 2026

Services in October

Sunday 4th	10.30am	Holy Communion
Wednesday 7th	10.30am	Midweek Communion
Sunday 11th	8.45am	Holy Communion
	10.30am	Morning Worship
Wednesday 14th	10.30am	Midweek Communion
Sunday 18th	8.45am	Holy Communion
	10.30am	All Together Café Church - followed by **Church Lunch**
	6.30pm	3rd Sunday
Wednesday 21st	10.30am	Midweek Communion
Sunday 25th	8.45am	NO Holy Communion
	10.30am	Worship Block
Wednesday 28th	10.30am	Midweek Communion

Vicar's Message

I want to say a big thank you to all those who gave their time to help to get our gardens and green spaces looking better on Saturday 26th October. My special thanks go to Penny Hill and David Gibbons who have recently taken on the joint role of Gardens Overseers having a special responsibility for planning our ongoing maintenance and improvements.

There are two more opportunities for you to join in with this work. On Saturday 10th October we have our next Maintenance Morning where we pull together to give our time to brightening up our church buildings as well as our green spaces. On Saturday 21st November we have our final Garden Party of the year. Both events run from 9:30am to 12pm and any help you can give on these days will be greatly appreciated.

Sunday 18th October is the St Luke's Festival on the Anglican church calendar so what better way to celebrate than to have our next Church Lunch. This will also be our Cultural Sunday service where we will have a particular emphasis on Christians around the world. If there is a Christian practice you are familiar with from another culture which you think might be appropriate in our service speak to me about it, I'd love to consider how we can incorporate it. We will also have the Lord's Prayer said in all the languages we have in our church. If you speak another language I would really like to hear from you.

For the church lunch we are inviting you to bring food from another culture, and especially hot food. Keep an eye on the church WhatsApp and emails in the coming week for invitations to bring some tasty food to share and to sign up to come to our lunch. We'd love to have as many of our church family together as possible for food and fellowship.

Aneal

Little Fishes
Mondays, 10-11:30am,

£2 per child

Our Toddler Group runs weekly at St Luke's with space and activities for babies, toddlers and pre-schoolers.
Booking essential:
https://www.stlukesreigate.org.uk/little-fishes

The Alternative Update

Our PCC (Church Council) have taken the decision this year to not host our usual event, The Alternative - *an alternative way for people to gather on Halloween within the safety of our church for games, crafts, inflatables fun and food*.

In recent years it has seemed our event has benefitted children from other churches rather than from our own church family or our community and so we have decided to take some time to rethink what we are offering.

We are immensely grateful to all who help with this event, especially the Tams family!

T'n'T Afterschool Club
Tuesday's termtime, 3:20-4:40pm

We're excited to have launched our new afterschool club for primary school aged children.
With crafts, games, toast, refreshments and an interactive bible story.
www.StLutesReigate.org.uk/tnt



Service of Commemoration and Thanksgiving
Sunday 1st November, 4pm

Join us for our special service in which we remember before God the people we love who have died and give thanks for the gift they were to us.

Bring a photo of your loved one, or the order of service from their funeral to help us remember them.

SAVE THE DATE!

PRAYER MATTERS.

To guide you in your prayers this month:

1. Thurs: Pray for King Charles whose knowledge about, and care for the world, governs his life.
2. Fri: Pray for King Charles as he seeks to serve this nation to the best of his ability; Street Pastors
3. Sat: Give thanks for his Christian faith. Pray for all his family to come to know Jesus.

4. Sunday: ***Give thanks to the Lord our God and King his love endures for ever***
5. Mon: Pray for our new Prime Minister, with so many expectations on him at home and abroad.
6. Tues: Pray for our local MP, Rebecca Paul, and the division of Surrey County Council.
7. Weds: Pray for the Chief Constable of Surrey, for all police officers and fire fighters.
8. Thurs: Pray for our own responsibilities in the areas where we live.
9. Fri: Pray for Public Transport to serve us well.
10. Sat: Give thanks that we are blessed with 2 libraries. **Pray for** all who sustain them.

11. Sunday: ***Give thanks to the Lord of lords who alone does great wonders***
12. Mon: Pray for our government to continue to respect the sanctity of life.
13.Tues: Pray for The Alzheimer's Society, seeking to support those who suffer and their families.
14. Weds: Pray for the hospice movement throughout the country, to receive the funding they need.
15. Thurs: Pray for Macmillan nurses caring for people in their homes. Attend a coffee morning if you can.
16. Fri: Pray too for Marie Curie and St Catherines giving end of life care.
17. Sat: Lord help us to care for members of our church family in need.

18. Sunday: ***Open Doors Mission 'going where following Jesus costs the most'***
19. Mon: Pray for Christians in prison in Yemen, facing hunger and torture.
20. Tues: Pray for Christians amid the conflict in Iran, suffering physically, mentally and financially.
21. Weds: Pray for Christian children who are bullied because of their faith in many countries.
22. Thurs: Pray for all Christians, especially girls, who have been kidnapped, to be returned home.
23. Fri: Pray for those who have had to leave family and home when coming to know Jesus as Saviour.
24. Sat: Pray for churches in China, having to conform to restrictions put upon them by Government.

25. Sunday: ***In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth ……..and it was good***
26. Mon: Pray for all who farm the earth and are suffering the effects of climate change.
27. Tues: Lord, give wisdom to farmers who may need to change the crops they sow.
28. Weds: Lord, help us as consumers to share generously (in our red box) and not to waste food.
29. Thurs: Pray for Tearfund, working hard to discover and teach new ways of farming.
30. Fri: Help us too, Lord, to be careful with your precious gift of water; Street Pastors
31. Sat: Pray for Aneal, Sabrina, Belle and Jacob and their wider families.

For those who are sick & suffering: Maggi J, JoJo L, Shirley H, Joey, Liz B, Angela P, Mandie F, Jude W

We pray for the following members of our church family; Aneal & Sabrina A and family, Linz & Jenny B and family, James & Jess Beale and family, Anne B, Sara B & family, Hannah & Casey B & family, Liz & Barney B .

Grieving families: Appadoo's; Hill's; Wetherall's; Scott's; McHansen's; Raper's; Harnett's; Brown's; Herbert's; Benn's

Dates for your diary…..

Mon 5th Oct	10.00am	Little Fishes
Tues 6th Oct	3.20pm	T'n'T Afterschool Club
Sat 10th Oct	9:30am-12pm	Church Maintenance Morning
Mon 12th Oct	10.00am	Little Fishes
Tues 13th Oct	3.20pm	T'n'T Afterschool Club
Weds 14th Oct	11.30am	Lunch Matters
Mon 19th Oct	10.00am	Little Fishes
Sat 24th Oct	2.00pm	Thanksgiving Service for Jean H
Mon 26th Oct	10.00am	Little Fishes
Weds 28th Oct	11.30am	Lunch Matters
Sun 1st Nov	4.00pm	Commemoration & Thanksgiving Service
Mon 2nd Nov	10.00am	Little Fishes
Tues 3rd Nov	3.20pm	T'n'T Afterschool Club

Zoom Prayer Meetings on Zoom

Monday 9am & 7:30pm // Wednesday 7:15am // Friday 8am

Zoom codes available through ChurchSuite or WhatsApp group.
For any questions or Prayer request, contact Annie (07906 944562), Nige (07504 084975)

3rd Sunday – 18th October 7-8pm

Third Sunday is a service where we seek **intimacy** and an **encounter** with our living God in more creative and open ways then we can on a Sunday morning. We meet for a time of extended sung worship and prayer as we expectantly wait to hear what God is saying to us.

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