



**St Luke's Church Fontainebleau**  
**The Third Sunday after Trinity**  
**Holy Communion Service**  
**21 June 2026**  
**Service led by Rev'd Dr Donald McFadyen**



Welcome to our service this morning.  
 The outline for today's service is contained in this service guide and from our [website](#).  
 You are invited to respond at various points with the words in bold print.

*If you have any prayer concerns that you would like included in our prayers today there is a book at the back of the Chapel where you can write these down.*

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Worship lies at the heart of the Christian life.  
 It is in worship that we express our theology and define our identity.  
 It is through encountering God within worship  
 that we are formed and transformed as his people.

As we sit quietly before this service commences let us prepare ourselves to meet Jesus and receive him into our hearts by spending a few moments in prayer and reflection.

**THE GATHERING**

*Please stand as we sing our first Hymn:*

**Hymn: Praise to the Lord, the Almighty (SoF 470)**

*1. PRAISE TO THE LORD, THE ALMIGHTY, the King of creation!  
 O my soul, praise Him, for He is thy health and salvation!  
 All ye who hear,  
 Brothers and sisters, draw near,  
 Praise Him in glad adoration.*

*2. Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and defend thee;  
 Surely His goodness and mercy here daily attend thee:  
 Ponder anew  
 What the Almighty can do,  
 Who with His love doth befriend thee.*

*3. Praise to the Lord, who doth nourish thy life and restore thee,  
 Fitting thee well for the tasks that are ever before thee,  
 Then to thy need  
 He like a mother doth speed,  
 Spreading the wings of grace o'er thee.*

*4. Praise to the Lord, who when tempests their warfare are waging,  
 Who, when the elements madly around thee are raging,  
 Biddeth them cease,  
 Turneth their fury to peace,  
 Whirlwinds and waters assuaging.*

*5. Praise to the Lord, who, when darkness of sin is abounding,  
 Who, when the godless do triumph, all virtue confounding,  
 Sheddeth His light,  
 Chaseth the horrors of night,  
 Saints with His mercy surrounding.*

*6. Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore Him!  
 All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before Him!  
 Let the Amen  
 Sound from His people again:  
 Gladly for aye we adore Him.*

THE GREETING

In the name of the Father,  
and of the Son,  
and of the Holy Spirit.  
**Amen.**

Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father  
and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you  
**and also with you.**

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

**Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open,  
all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden:  
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts  
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,  
that we may perfectly love you,  
and worthily magnify your holy name;  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION *Please sit or kneel as we pray together :*

We have too often exchanged the worship  
of the living God for  
idols of our own imagining.  
As we gather to offer our praises to the holy  
and undivided Trinity,  
and to worship him in spirit and in truth,  
let us call to mind our sins.

Lord Jesus, you raise us to new life.  
Lord, have mercy.

**Lord, have mercy.**

Lord Jesus, you forgive us our sins.  
Christ, have mercy.  
**Christ, have mercy.**

Lord Jesus, you feed us with the living  
bread.  
Lord, have mercy.  
**Lord, have mercy.**

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent,  
have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins,  
confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in life  
eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS *Please stand as we say together :*

**Glory to God in the highest,  
and peace to his people on earth.**

**Lord God, heavenly King,  
almighty God and Father,  
we worship you, we give you thanks,  
we praise you for your glory.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,  
Lord God, Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world:  
have mercy on us;**

**you are seated at the right hand of the  
Father:  
receive our prayer.**

**For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father.  
Amen.**

THE COLLECT FOR THE DAY

God our saviour,  
look on this wounded world  
in pity and in power;  
hold us fast to your promises of peace  
won for us by your Son,  
our Saviour Jesus Christ.  
**Amen.**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

*We sit for our first reading.*

**Jeremiah 20.7-13**

*7 O Lord, you have enticed me,  
and I was enticed;  
you have overpowered me,  
and you have prevailed.  
I have become a laughing-stock all day long;  
everyone mocks me.  
8 For whenever I speak, I must cry out,  
I must shout, 'Violence and destruction!'  
For the word of the Lord has become for me  
a reproach and derision all day long.  
9 If I say, 'I will not mention him,  
or speak any more in his name',  
then within me there is something like a burning  
fire  
shut up in my bones;  
I am weary with holding it in,  
and I cannot.  
10 For I hear many whispering:  
'Terror is all around!  
Denounce him! Let us denounce him!'*

*All my close friends  
are watching for me to stumble.  
'Perhaps he can be enticed,  
and we can prevail against him,  
and take our revenge on him.'  
11 But the Lord is with me like a dread warrior;  
therefore my persecutors will stumble,  
and they will not prevail.  
They will be greatly shamed,  
for they will not succeed.  
Their eternal dishonour  
will never be forgotten.  
12 O Lord of hosts, you test the righteous,  
you see the heart and the mind;  
let me see your retribution upon them,  
for to you I have committed my cause.  
13 Sing to the Lord;  
praise the Lord!  
For he has delivered the life of the needy  
from the hands of evildoers.*

....This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**CANTICLE: Psalm 69.8-20**

*Please say the words printed in bold:*

*I have become a stranger to my kindred,  
an alien to my mother's children.  
**It is zeal for your house that has consumed me;  
the insults of those who insult you have fallen  
on me.**  
When I humbled my soul with fasting,  
they insulted me for doing so.  
**When I made sackcloth my clothing,  
I became a byword to them.**  
I am the subject of gossip for those who sit in the  
gate,  
and the drunkards make songs about me.  
**But as for me, my prayer is to you, O Lord.***

**At an acceptable time, O God,  
in the abundance of your steadfast love,  
answer me.**  
*With your faithful help rescue me  
from sinking in the mire;  
let me be delivered from my enemies  
and from the deep waters.  
**Do not let the flood sweep over me,  
or the deep swallow me up,  
or the Pit close its mouth over me.**  
Answer me, O Lord, for your steadfast love is  
good;  
according to your abundant mercy, turn to me.*

**Do not hide your face from your servant,  
for I am in distress—make haste to answer me.**  
*Draw near to me, redeem me,  
set me free because of my enemies.*  
**You know the insults I receive,  
and my shame and dishonour;**

**my foes are all known to you.**  
*Insults have broken my heart,  
so that I am in despair.  
I looked for pity, but there was none;  
and for comforters, but I found none.*

*We say together:*

**Glory to the Father and to the Son  
and to the Holy Spirit;  
as it was in the beginning is now,  
and shall be forever.**  
**Amen.**

**Gradual Hymn: Alleluia, alleluia, give thanks (SoF 6)**

*Ref:*

*ALLELUIA, ALLELUIA,  
Give thanks to the risen Lord,  
Alleluia, alleluia, give praise to His name.*

*1. Jesus is Lord of all the earth,  
He is the King of creation.*

*2. Spread the good news o'er all the earth,  
Jesus has died and has risen.*

*3. We have been crucified with Christ,  
Now we shall live forever.*

*4. God has proclaimed the just reward,  
Life for all men, alleluia!*

*5. Come let us praise the living God,  
Joyfully sing to our Saviour.*

**THE GOSPEL READING**

Priest : The Lord be with you.

All : **And also with you.**

Priest : Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

All : **Glory to you, O Lord.**

**Matthew 10.24-39**

*Jesus said, 'A disciple is not above the teacher, nor a slave above the master; it is enough for the disciple to be like the teacher, and the slave like the master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household!*

*'So have no fear of them; for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered, and nothing secret that will not become known. What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light; and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops. Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground unperceived by your Father. And even the hairs of your head are all counted. So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows.*

*'Everyone therefore who acknowledges me before others, I also will acknowledge before my Father in heaven; but whoever denies me before others, I also will deny before my Father in heaven.*

*'Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth; I have not come to bring peace, but a sword.*

*For I have come to set a man against his father,  
and a daughter against her mother,  
and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law;*

*and one's foes will be members of one's own household.  
Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me. Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it.*

.... This is the Gospel of the Lord,  
**Praise to you, O Christ.**

THE SERMON *Please be seated.*

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *Please stand.*

Let us declare our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed:

**We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is,  
seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father;  
through him all things were made.  
For us and for our salvation he came down from  
heaven,  
was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin  
Mary  
and was made man.  
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius  
Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory to judge the living  
and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father,  
who with the Father and the Son is worshipped  
and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic  
Church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the  
forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come.  
Amen.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION *Please sit or kneel.*

...  
Merciful Father,  
**accept these prayers  
for the sake of your Son,  
our Saviour Jesus Christ.  
Amen.**

## THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

### THE GREETING OF PEACE

The risen Christ came and stood among his disciples and said, 'Peace be with you.'  
Then were they glad when they saw the Lord.

The peace of the Lord be always with you  
**and also with you.**

*You are invited to greet one another with a sign of God's peace.*

*We sing our Offertory Hymn during which the collection is taken up.*

### Offertory hymn: I will offer up my life (SoF 851)

*1. I WILL OFFER UP MY LIFE  
In spirit and truth,  
Pouring out the oil of love  
As my worship to You.  
In surrender I must give my every part;  
Lord, receive the sacrifice  
Of a broken heart.*

*Ref:*

*Jesus, what can I give, what can I bring  
To so faithful a friend, to so loving a King?  
Saviour, what can be said, what can be sung  
As a praise of Your name*

*For the things You have done?  
Oh, my words could not tell, not even in part,  
Of the debt of love that is owed by this thankful  
heart.*

*2. You deserve my every breath  
For You've paid the great cost;  
Giving up Your life to death,  
Even death on a cross.  
You took all my shame away,  
There defeated my sin,  
Opened up the gates of heaven,  
And have beckoned me in.*

Yours, Lord, is the greatness, the power,  
the glory, the splendour, and the majesty;  
for everything in heaven and on earth is yours.

**All things come from you,  
and of your own do we give you.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING *Please remain standing.*

### PREPARATION OF THE TABLE

God of our journey,  
as we walk with you on your path of obedience,  
sustain us on our way and lead us to your glory;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

The Lord be with you  
**and also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.  
**We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**It is right to give thanks and praise.**

*God is praised for his mighty acts and we respond:*

**Holy , holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory,  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

*The Last Supper is recalled and we follow with the acclamation:*

Praise to you, Lord Jesus:  
**Dying you destroyed our death,  
rising you restored our life:  
Lord Jesus, come in glory.**

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

Believing the promises of God, as our Saviour taught us, so we pray:

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,  
Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and for ever.  
Amen.**

#### BREAKING OF THE BREAD

*The president breaks the consecrated bread.*

We break the bread of life,  
and that life is the light of the world.  
**God here among us,  
light in the midst of us,  
bring us to light and life.**

#### GIVING OF COMMUNION

Draw near with faith.  
Receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ  
which he gave for you,  
and his blood which he shed for you.  
Eat and drink  
in remembrance that he died for you,  
and feed on him in your hearts  
by faith with thanksgiving.

*All baptised and communicant members of other Churches are invited to come forward and receive the bread and wine of Holy Communion. Those who do not receive Communion for whatever reason are invited to come forward to receive a blessing. At the conclusion of the Eucharistic Prayer the People say AMEN. A short time of silent prayer follows.*

#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

O God, whose beauty is beyond our imagining  
and whose power we cannot comprehend:  
show us your glory as far as we can grasp it,  
and shield us from knowing more than we can bear  
until we may look upon you without fear;  
through Jesus Christ our Saviour.  
**Amen.**

*We pray together:*

**Almighty God, we thank you for feeding us  
with the body and blood of your Son Jesus  
Christ.  
Through him we offer you our souls and  
bodies**

**to be a living sacrifice.  
Send us out in the power of your Spirit  
to live and work to your praise and glory.  
Amen.**

#### OUR NOTICES

*Please stand while we sing our Final Hymn.*

#### **Final hymn: Lord, for the years (SoF 892)**

- 1. LORD, FOR THE YEARS Your love has kept and  
guided,  
Urged and inspired us, cheered us on our way,  
Sought us and saved us, pardoned and provided:  
Lord of the years, we bring our thanks today.*
- 2. Lord, for that word, the word of life which fires  
us,  
Speaks to our hearts and sets our souls ablaze,  
Teaches and trains, rebukes us and inspires us:  
Lord of the word, receive Your people's praise.*
- 3. Lord, for our land in this our generation,  
Spirits oppressed by pleasure, wealth and care:*

*For young and old, for commonwealth and nation,  
Lord of our land, be pleased to hear our prayer.*

*4. Lord, for our world where men disown and  
doubt You,  
Loveless in strength, and comfortless in pain,  
Hungry and helpless, lost indeed without You:  
Lord of the world, we pray that Christ may reign.*

*5. Lord for ourselves; in living power remake us –  
Self on the cross and Christ upon the throne,  
Past put behind us, for the future take us:  
Lord of our lives, to live for Christ alone.*

#### THE SENDING OUT OF GOD'S PEOPLE

#### THE BLESSING

May Christ,  
who out of defeat brings new hope and a new future,  
fill you with his new life;  
and the blessing of God almighty,  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be among you and remain with you always.  
**Amen.**

#### THE DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
**In the name of Christ.**  
**Amen.**



## Safeguarding at Saint-Luke's

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Safeguarding is exactly what it says - guarding the safety of the members of our Church Community and as such it has its roots very firmly in our Christian duty to love one another. If you have any concerns, please contact our Safeguarding Officer, either in church or by email.

Our Safeguarding Officer is Roy Martin.

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## Church Notices

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### Special Service and Lunch - Sunday July 12th

You are invited to the second annual St Luke's bring-and-share lunch, on the occasion of the visit by Archdeacon Peter Hooper, on July 12 on the lawn next to the chapel. This will be Peter's final church engagement as Archdeacon, before he returns to the UK in a new role in the Diocese of Leicester.

Following the morning service, at which Peter will preach and preside, we will gather and set up 5 picnic tables, each of which can accommodate 8 persons.

In the attached sign-up sheet, please let us know if you would be willing to host a table. Each host is in charge of one table setting, including a nice tablecloth, napkins, plates, silverware, and glasses (wine glasses are available in the vestry). For ecological reasons, we will try to keep at a minimum any disposable tableware. Each table host is responsible for gathering their own utensils after the meal, to be cleaned at home.

The sign-up sheet also lists dishes, specific food categories, and drinks. Please feel free to select any number of items which you would like to contribute. FYI, we will not have access to any kitchen facilities at the school. Therefore, it will not be possible to warm up any dishes.

We will set up a common serving area for the buffet style meal. If possible, please prepare a label to identify your dish(es) - eg. quiche, etc

Following the success of the April event, Donald has assured us that he will personally intervene in order to ensure good weather. We look forward to seeing you on July 12!

Please use the link below, for a revised sign-up list, including table hosts:

[Sign-up list for Sunday July 12th](#)

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### Sunday School: dates of the next sessions

- June 28.

### **Special Series for Autumn**

I wonder how well you know the 'Big Stories' of the Old Testament which have become part of our culture, stories like David and Goliath, Samson and Delilah, Abraham and Isaac, and Jonah and the Whale? Perhaps you were told them at school, or had them read to you at home. With the decline of knowledge of the Bible, we are in danger of losing sight of them. Even our reading of Scripture at Sunday services doesn't help: we hear only parts and never the whole.

With these challenges in mind we're going to spend part of the autumn looking at one of the best loved Old Testament stories, that of Joseph and his brothers, better known as Joseph and his amazing technicolour dreamcoat. It's an inspiring lesson about reconciliation in relationships, a profoundly human need that is universal and timeless.

Over the course of four alternate Sunday morning services in September and October, beginning with 'Rentrée Sunday' on September 6th, we're going to look at the whole story, as told in Genesis 37-50. More details will follow, but for now, and perhaps over the summer, you might like to look again at the story. You could read it again, or watch a film version of it. Whatever you do, I hope you'll be able to come to the services, as together we immerse ourselves in this wonderful and hopeful story.

### **Leading Intercessions**

Our prayers on a Sunday morning are an important and integral part of our worship. We have a rota for our Intercessions which is separate from the other sign-up rota. If you would be interested in joining our merry band of intercessors, please drop Netta a line at [mcfadyens@hotmail.com](mailto:mcfadyens@hotmail.com) or send an SMS to Netta at +33 (0) 6 81 87 62 57.

Do ask if you are unsure or if you have any queries. Thank you.

## Giving to Saint-Luke's

The Anglican Church of St. Luke's Fontainebleau is 100% self-funded and our ministry depends on God's faithfulness and the faithful giving of time, talents, and money from our congregation as we seek to serve Jesus Christ through welcome, worship, and witness.

### GIVING TO ST LUKE'S CAN BE MADE IN A VARIETY OF WAYS:

1. Regular monthly giving by bank transfer. This is by far the easiest and most efficient way to provide regular financial support to St Luke's (bank details at the bottom of page).
2. Occasional or one-off donations via Bank Transfer.
3. Regular or occasional giving by cheque: either by sending a cheque made payable to "Eglise Anglicane de Fontainebleau" to the Treasurer or simply placing a cheque in the collection basket during the service.
4. Cash offerings in the collection basket in the service (Euros preferably !). Please consider replacing any giving that you would have made in cash with a cheque or an online donation during the period of suspension of physical services.

*\* All information concerning giving and donations is private and treated as confidential \**

*\* Standing orders for regular giving by bank transfer can be amended or cancelled at any time \**

### TAX CERTIFICATES

If you are a French taxpayer, you will receive an annual 'tax certificate' for your giving online, by bank transfer or cheque which will allow you to claim a reduction on your tax (\*)

*\*up to a limit for all your charitable giving of 20% of your taxable income*

### FURTHER INFORMATION

Should you require any additional information or have any questions or require assistance, please contact Christopher Burton-Page: [treasurer.stlukesfontainebleau@gmail.com](mailto:treasurer.stlukesfontainebleau@gmail.com)

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