



St Luke's Church Fontainebleau

The First Sunday after Trinity Holy Communion Service

07 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: Will you come and follow me? (SoF 1120)

1. WILL YOU COME AND FOLLOW ME

If I but call your name?

Will you go where you don't know

And never be the same?

Will you let My love be shown,

Will you let My name be known,

Will you let My life be grown in you,

And you in Me?

2. Will you leave yourself behind

If I but call your name?

Will you care for cruel and kind

And never be the same?

Will you risk the hostile stare,

Should your life attract or scare?

Will you let Me answer prayer

In you and you in Me?

3. Will you let the blinded see

If I but call your name?

Will you set the prisoners free

And never be the same?

Will you kiss the leper clean,

And do such as this unseen,

And admit to what I mean

In you and you in Me?

4. Will you love the 'you' you hide

If I but call your name?

Will you quell the fear inside

And never be the same?

Will you use the faith you've found

To reshape the world around,

Through My sight and touch and sound

In you and you in Me?

5. Lord, Your summons echoes true

When You but call my name.

Let me turn and follow You

And never be the same.

In Your company I'll go

Where Your love and footsteps show;

Thus I'll move and live and grow

In You and You in me.

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 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.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

We sit for our first reading.

Hosea 5.15 – 6.6

*I will return again to my place
until they acknowledge their guilt and seek my
face.
In their distress they will beg my favour:
'Come, let us return to the Lord;
for it is he who has torn, and he will heal us;
he has struck down, and he will bind us up.
After two days he will revive us;
on the third day he will raise us up,
that we may live before him.
Let us know, let us press on to know the Lord;
his appearing is as sure as the dawn;
he will come to us like the showers,*

like the spring rains that water the earth.'
Impenitence of Israel and Judah
What shall I do with you, O Ephraim?
What shall I do with you, O Judah?
Your love is like a morning cloud,
like the dew that goes away early.
Therefore I have hewn them by the prophets,
I have killed them by the words of my mouth,
and my judgement goes forth as the light.
For I desire steadfast love and not sacrifice,
the knowledge of God rather than burnt-
offerings.

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

Thanks be to God.

CANTICLE: Psalm 50: 7-15

Please say the words printed in bold:

7 'Hear, O my people, and I will speak,
O Israel, I will testify against you.
I am God, your God.
**8 Not for your sacrifices do I rebuke you;
your burnt-offerings are continually
before me.**
9 I will not accept a bull from your house,
or goats from your folds.
**10 For every wild animal of the forest is
mine,
the cattle on a thousand hills.**

11 I know all the birds of the air,
and all that moves in the field is mine.
**12 'If I were hungry, I would not tell you,
for the world and all that is in it is mine.**
13 Do I eat the flesh of bulls,
or drink the blood of goats?
**14 Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving,
and pay your vows to the Most High.**
15 Call on me in the day of trouble;
I will deliver you, and you shall glorify
me.'

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: Christ's is the world in which we move (SoF 685)

1. *CHRIST'S IS THE WORLD in which we move,
Christ's are the folk we're summoned to love,
Christ's is the voice which calls us to care,
And Christ is the One who calls us here.*

Ref:

*To the lost Christ shows His face;
To the unloved He gives His embrace:
To those who cry in pain or disgrace,
Christ makes with His friends
A touching place.*

2. *Feel for the people we most avoid,
Strange or bereaved or never employed;*

*Feel for the women, and feel for the men
Who fear that their living is all in vain.*

3. *Feel for the parents who've lost their child,
Feel for the women whom men have defiled,
Feel for the baby for whom there's no breast,
And feel for the weary who find no rest.*

4. *Feel for the lives by life confused,
Riddled with doubt, in loving abused;
Feel for the lonely heart, conscious of sin,
Which longs to be pure but fears to begin.*

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 9:9-13, 18-26

As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax booth; and he said to him, 'Follow me.' And he got up and followed him.

And as he sat at dinner in the house, many tax-collectors and sinners came and were sitting with him and his disciples. When the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, 'Why does your teacher eat with tax-collectors and sinners?' But when he heard this, he said, 'Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. Go and learn what this means, "I desire mercy, not sacrifice." For I have come to call not the righteous but sinners.'

While he was saying these things to them, suddenly a leader of the synagogue came in and knelt before him, saying, 'My daughter has just died; but come and lay your hand on her, and she will live.' And Jesus got up and followed him, with his disciples. Then suddenly a woman who had been suffering from haemorrhages for twelve years came up behind him and touched the fringe of his cloak, for she said to herself, 'If I only touch his cloak, I will be made well.' Jesus turned, and seeing her he said, 'Take heart, daughter; your faith has made you well.' And instantly the woman was made well. When Jesus came to the leader's house and saw the flute-players and the crowd making a commotion, he said, 'Go away; for the girl is not dead but sleeping.' And they laughed at him. But when the crowd had been put outside, he went in and took her by the hand, and the girl got up. And the report of this spread throughout that district.

.... 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: Speak, O Lord (SoF 2032)

*1. SPEAK, O LORD, as we come to You
To receive the food of Your holy word.
Take Your truth, plant it deep in us;
Shape and fashion us in Your likeness,
That the light of Christ might be seen today*

*In our acts of love and our deeds of faith.
Speak, O Lord, and fulfil in us
All Your purposes, for Your glory.*

2. *Teach us, Lord, full obedience,
Holy reverence, true humility.
Test our thoughts and our attitudes
In the radiance of Your purity.
Cause our faith to rise, cause our eyes to see
Your majestic love and authority.
Words of power that can never fail;
Let their truth prevail over unbelief.*

3. *Speak, O Lord, and renew our minds;
Help us grasp the heights of Your plans for us.
Truths unchanged from the dawn of time
That will echo down through eternity.
And by grace we'll stand on Your promises,
And by faith we'll walk as You walk with us.
Speak, O Lord, till Your church is built
As the earth is filled with Your glory.*

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

Alleluia. Christ our passover is sacrificed for us.
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

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

Living God,
your Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread:
open the eyes of our faith, that we may see him in all his redeeming work;
who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.
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: Hills of the north, rejoice

*1. Hills of the North, rejoice,
river and mountain-spring,
hark to the advent voice;
valley and lowland, sing.
Christ comes in righteousness and love,
he brings salvation from above.*

*2. Isles of the Southern seas,
sing to the listening earth,
carry on every breeze
hope of a world's new birth:
In Christ shall all be made anew,*

his word is sure, his promise true.

*3. Lands of the East, arise,
he is your brightest morn,
greet him with joyous eyes,
praise shall his path adorn:
your seers have longed to know their Lord;
to you he comes, the final word.*

*4. Shores of the utmost West,
lands of the setting sun,
welcome the heavenly guest*

*in whom the dawn has come:
he brings a never-ending light
who triumphed o'er our darkest night.*

*5. Shout, as you journey home,
songs be in every mouth,*

*lo, from the North they come,
from East and West and South:
in Jesus all shall find their rest,
in him the universe be blest.*

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.



Safeguarding at Saint-Luke's

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.

His email address is: sgofficer.stlukesfontainebleau@gmail.com

Church Notices

Save the date - 12 July 2026

As you may have read in the notices a little while ago, Archdeacon Peter Hooper, who serves the chaplaincies in France, Switzerland and Monaco, is leaving his role and moving to a new post in England. I'm delighted to announce that he will pay a final visit to us at St Luke's on **Sunday July 12th**. I understand from Peter that the first chaplaincy in France he visited on becoming Archdeacon was Fontainebleau, and this upcoming visit will be the last chaplaincy visit he makes before leaving, so he feels it is especially fitting. We plan to have a celebratory lunch for Peter after the service - more details in due course. For now, please save the date and come and thank this friend of St Luke's for all he's done to help the church. Donald.

Sunday School: dates of the next sessions

- June 14, 28.

Men's Breakfast - 20 June 2026

Our next breakfast will be on Saturday June 20th at 10am at Donald and Netta's apartment, 2 rue des Bois, Fontainebleau. Please drop Donald a line to let him know you'll be there (chaplain.stlukesfontainebleau@gmail.com), so he can make sure there are enough croissants to enjoy over fine coffee.

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 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

THANK YOU - your generous giving, whatever the amount, large or small, is so important to us and is greatly appreciated.

					
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