

THE WEEK AHEAD

Sunday 1st February

Family Communion - 9.15am
Morning Worship - 11.15am

Tuesday 3rd February

Prayer Group, St Leonard's Church - 7pm -8pm
Bell Ringing Practice, 7.30pm

Wednesday 4th February

Places of Welcome, 10am - 11.30am
Open Church, 10am - 12pm

Thursday 5th February

BCP Holy Communion, St Leonard's Church, 10am
Ark Tots and Toddlers - 9.30am

Sunday 8th February

Family Worship- 9.15am
Celebration of Holy Communion - 11.15am



ST LAURENCE CHURCH

Sunday 1st February

Here, everyone is welcome, valued, and loved by God and each other as we explore faith and prayer together



WELCOME TO ST LAURENCE CHURCH

Whether this be your first time or hundredth time at St Laurence, you are very welcome.

We hope that in this time of worship you encounter and know the peace and love of God. If you would like further information about the worship, life and ministry of St Laurence or anything else, any member of our congregation will be happy to chat with you.

Can You Help Us Strengthen Our Worshipping Community?

As a church family, we all share in creating a warm, prayerful, and welcoming space each Sunday. Some of our much-loved ministries; welcoming at the door, offering hospitality in The Ark after the service, reading the Bible in worship, and writing or leading prayers depend on the gifts of the whole congregation.

At the moment, we are especially vulnerable at our 9.15am service, and it would be a real loss if we were unable to continue offering these simple but important ministries of welcome, worship, and hospitality.

Our current rota runs until mid-April, so any new offers of help would begin from then onwards. If you feel able to serve in any of these ways—or would simply like to explore what's involved—please do speak to Revd Gail or Revd Martin.

Together, we can continue to grow a worshipping community where everyone belongs, everyone is welcomed, and everyone plays their part.



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The parish office is open
Tuesday - Thursday 9.30am - 1.30pm

Bible Readings:

Ephesians 4.1-16 **page 1175 in Pew Bible**

John 2: 1-11 **page 1064 in Pew Bible**

The Collect Prayer

God of heaven,
you send the gospel to the ends of the earth and
your messengers to every nation: send your Holy
Spirit to transform us by the good news of
everlasting life in Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Psalm 36: 5-10

Refrain: With you, O God, is the well of life.

5 Your love, O Lord, reaches to the heavens ♦
and your faithfulness to the clouds.
6 Your righteousness stands like the strong
mountains,
your justice like the great deep; ♦
you, Lord, shall save both man and beast.
7 How precious is your loving mercy, O God! ♦
All mortal flesh shall take refuge
under the shadow of your wings.

Refrain: With you, O God, is the well of life.

8 They shall be satisfied with the abundance of your
house; ♦
they shall drink from the river of your delights.
9 For with you is the well of life ♦
and in your light shall we see light.
10 O continue your loving-kindness to those who
know you ♦
and your righteousness to those who are true of heart.

Refrain: With you, O God, is the well of life.

ALVECHURCH HISTORICAL SOCIETY 2026

Monday 2 February 7.45pm

A thousand years of heritage
St Laurence Tower Restoration Project
Graham Clark
Followed by AGM

Meetings held on the first Monday of the month
September - June in The Ark

St Leonard's Church Snowdrop Weekend

Saturday 14th February

10am - 4pm

Sunday 15th February

1pm - 4pm



Re Ark time provision during 09:15 service

Thank you for your support of this and for making it a feature in the Sunday services. Thank you for welcoming people back into the service from Ark time to "show and tell".

As a team, we're concluding that the time has come to change the provision for several reasons (fewer helpers).

In the future, we won't be scheduling Ark time routinely.

We know this is a disappointment, but it feels necessary. We will keep the provision under review so we can respond as the needs continue to change.

What we can commit to is providing resources for people in the "be space." These will be for everyone as part of our commitment to inclusion and providing an area where anyone can remain connected to the service but worship in ways they find most helpful. We know this is a disappointment, but it is necessary due to a drain on scarce resources. We will soon be sharing a list of what help we need and as always your prayers are appreciated.

If you have any questions, do chat to one of us. Sarah Linton, Helen Ayling, Martin Allen, Stephen and Ruth Pritchett



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