



Sunday 7th June 2026 – 1st Sunday after Trinity Sunday

10:30am Morning Worship

Against the Grain

Mark 2: 1 - 28

Leading: Simon Trundle (Reader)

Speaking: Bill Miller (Lay Leader of Worship)

5:30pm

Encounter

Belt of Truth

John 14: 1 – 21

Ephesians 6: 10 - 18

Leading: Bill Miller

Speaking: Neil Brookes (Youth Director and Ordinand)



If you are new to St Luke's Church (online too!) – welcome. Please email your details to office@stlukeswatford.org and we will email back a welcome form for you to complete. **Weekly updates** by email – contact church office if you would like to receive them. Office closed Wednesday.

St Luke's Church Office ☎ 01923 246161 **Church Website:** <https://www.stlukeswatford.org/>

June	
Tuesday 9th	
10:00	Holy Communion - Church
17:30- 18:45	Kid's Club – years 3,4,5,6
20:00 – 21:00	Focus Prayer Meeting (Zoom)
Thursday 11th	
09:30 – 11:00	Toddlers – babies and carers. All welcome
Saturday 13th	
09:30 – 12:00	Creative Space
09:00 – 12:00	Half Day of Prayer
Sunday 14th	
10:30	Family Communion Investing in People Mark 3: 1 - 35
15:00	Music Recital: Three Pianists.
17:30	Encounter Ephesians 6: Breastplate of Righteousness

Celebrations: Happy Birthday to Ann M on Friday. Please let us know of any birthday and anniversary celebrations that you would like to share with your church family.

Mimi's Fundraising Fun Quiz Night – Saturday 20th June, 6:30pm Mimi is fundraising for her world challenge trip to Tanzania where she will be staying in a community and helping at a village school. She is organising a family-friendly event in the hall. Please BYO drinks and snacks with a minimum donation of £5 per person. Please do email her to book your table – or chat to her at church to find out more.

St Andrew's Bookshop invite you to join them on **12th–13th June** in Great Missenden, Bucks, for a weekend of conversations, creativity, and ideas with bestselling authors including John Lennox, Patrick Regan, Al Gordon, Michelle Guinness, and Rachael Newham, alongside 20+ Christian speakers and writers across the weekend. Alongside the talks and Q&As, there will also be workshops for aspiring writers and artists. You need to book online: individual session £5.00; day ticket, £20 and a weekend ticket is £35.

Assistant Youth Director Neil, our Youth Director, is currently also undertaking training for ordained ministry as an Ordinand. The Assistant Youth Director will

work alongside Neil in supporting the spiritual development of young people aged 11–18 and in encouraging their families as they parent for faith through life's challenges. An application form, and additional information about St Luke's are available from the Church Office or on the website <https://stlukeswatford.org>

Church Administrator We are looking for an administrator for 25 – 30 hours a week but hours are negotiable with a potential job share. Please email the office by the end of the 7th June. Job commencing from 1st July. Details are on the website where you will find the job description and application form.

The Bishop of St Albans is opening the garden to public on 28th June; 4th July; 12th July and 19th July between 2pm and 4pm at Abbey Gate House, Abbey Mill Lane, St Albans, AL3 4HD. Entrance is £5 with dogs permitted on leads.

Half Day of Prayer 13th June. It is three one-hour sections: 9 – 10 in the chapel; 10 – 11 around the church; 11 – 12 will be a prayer activity in the chapel.

Church meal 19th July – put this in your diaries.

Toddlers Thursdays 9.30am	Midweek Life Groups Various days
(Family) Breakfast Club Alternate Saturdays 8.30am	Alpha Evenings, this Autumn
Kids Club (Junior School age) Tuesdays 5.30pm	Badminton/Table Tennis Friday evenings
Rock Solid (years 7-9 club) Mondays 6.30pm	Community Choir Wednesday evenings
Base (years 9-11 club) Tuesdays 6.30pm	Knitting Group Monday mornings
K2 (years 11-13 club) Tuesdays 8.00pm	Creative Space Monthly
Uniformed organisations Guides & Scouts	Friday Club tea party Last Friday in month 2.30pm
Rooms available for booking	Community Coffee Tuesdays 11.15am

Music at St Luke's.

Sunday Recital 14th June 3pm

Three pianists. Natalie Bleicher, Hannah Gill and Tim Pryce

(To include works by Chopin,, Rachmaninoff and original compositions)

Entry free, donations welcome, followed by light refreshment

Collect for First Sunday after Trinity Sunday

O God,
the strength of all those who put their trust in you,
mercifully accept our prayers
and, because through the weakness of our mortal nature
we can do no good thing without you,
grant us the help of your grace,
that in the keeping of your commandments
we may please you both in will and deed;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Let us pray for God's sovereign plan in the Middle East; a speedy ending and a way through this difficult time; let us continue to pray for the Ukraine; let us pray for the threat to world energy supplies. Let us pray for the Ebola outbreak in the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC), where numbers are growing fast. Please pray for the work of agencies trying to bring compassion and relief to people there struggling in extreme poverty and facing a terrifying reality. Pray that a vaccine can soon be found. At home, please pray for the church and let us thank God for his goodness. We **give thanks** for the many answers to prayer this week. The next prayer list is **orange**. Please do take one home to pray over.

World Watch List: Iraq (18th area of religious persecution).

Partners in Mission: Please pray for Alastair's work in bible translation. Pray for clarity for future plans.

Our church family in need:

Our wider family and friends in need:

Those in mourning: We pray for the friends and family of all we know mourning loved ones currently.