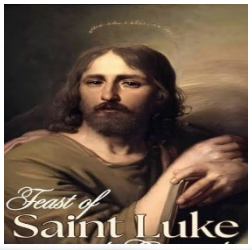
The Benefice of St Paul`s Low Moor and Christ Church Chatburn

A Warm Welcome to St Paul's as we celebrate the 20th Sunday after Trinity, leading our Church into Growth, Praying for Spiritual, Missional and numerical growth. What shall we say the Kingdom of God is? It is like a mustard seed, which is smallest of all seed on earth. Yet when planted, it grows and becomes the largest of all garden plants, with such big branches that the birds can perch in its shade.



Notices for Sunday 18th October 2026

Welcome to our service

We invite you to be seated 5 minutes before our service begins for a time of peace and reflection

Hymns:

676 - Immortal invisible, God only wise

604 - Brother, sister let me serve you

621 - Dear Lord and Father of mankind

HC 805 - There is a Redeemer

522 - We cannot measure how you heal

Events coming up :

Bridgerton Meets Pop -Thursday 22nd Oct, 7pm

An evening of strings, songs and showstoppers, featuring the Clitheroe Pop Choir and String Quartet. Tickets are £10 (under 16s £6). For tickets, please contact Peter Riley direct– 07973 627500.

Clitheroe Ukulele Orchestra – Sunday 15th November at 2pm

Join us for an afternoon of music from the Clitheroe Ukulele Orchestra. With some tunes to make us dance from our seats Tickets are £6, including refreshments.
For tickets see Wendy / Ash

Messy Church request

Help Us Light Up Advent!

Our Advent Messy Church on 29th November will be making beautiful Advent lanterns, and we need your help! If you have any empty glass jars, please leave them at the back of church over the next few weeks.

Thank you for helping us make something magical!
The Messy Church Team

Diary Dates:

October & November 2026:

As we celebrate the Festival of St Luke today - Patron Saint of Physicians

Sunday 18th
9.30am – Holy Communion

Thursday 22nd
7pm – Pop choir Event with string Quartet

Sunday 25th
9.30am – Holy Communion
1.15pm - Baptism Luca Robert Lockwood

Thursday 29th
7pm – Choir practice

Sunday 1st November
9.30am - A special Service for All Saints and All Souls where those who have lost loved ones, especially in the past year, will be remembered.

Regular Activities:

Line Dancing – Tuesday 1:15pm
Pilates – Wednesday - 11am

Rainbows meet up every
Tuesday & Wednesday 5pm – 6pm

A heartfelt thank you to everyone who contributed so generously to our Harvest Appeals. Thanks to your kindness, together with contributions from Edisford School's Reception Class, we delivered an amazing 103.6 kg of food, toiletries and cleaning products to the Ribble Valley Foodbank.
The church has also donated £50 to the Bishop's Harvest Appeal for Sudan.
Your generosity is truly appreciated and will make a real difference to the lives of others.

Reaching out and growing together in God's love

Sunday October 18th

20th Sunday after Trinity - St Luke

Collect
Almighty God, you called Luke the physician, whose praise is in the gospel, to be an evangelist and physician of the soul:
by the grace of the Spirit and through the wholesome medicine of the gospel,
give your Church the same love and power to heal; 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.

The reading is taken from Paul's letter to Timothy
5 As for you, be sober in everything, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully. **6** As for me, I am already being poured out as a libation, and the time of my departure has come. **7** I have fought the good fight; I have finished the race; I have kept the faith. **8** From now on there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing. **9** Do your best to come to me soon, **10** for Demas, in love with this present world, has deserted me and gone to Thessalonica; Crescens has gone to Galatia, Titus to Dalmatia. **11** Only Luke is with me. Get Mark and bring him with you, for he is useful to me in ministry. **12** I have sent Tychicus to Ephesus. **13** When you come, bring the cloak that I left with Carpus at Troas, also the books, and above all the parchments. **14** Alexander the coppersmith did me great harm; the Lord will pay him back for his deeds. **15** You also must beware of him, for he strongly opposed our message.**16** At my first defence no one came to my support, but all deserted me. May it not be counted against them! **17** But the Lord stood by me and gave me strength, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth.

This is the word of the Lord

Hear The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

The Mission of the Seventy-Two
10 After this the Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. **2** He said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest. **3** Go on your way; I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves.
4 Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals, and greet no one on the road. **5** Whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace to this house!'
6 And if a person of peace is there, your peace will rest on that person, but if not, it will return to you. **7** Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the labourer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. **8** Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; **9** cure the sick who are there, and say to them, 'The kingdom of God has come near to you.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord

Post Communion Prayer

God our Father, whose Son, the light unfailing,
has come from heaven to deliver the world from the darkness of ignorance: let these holy mysteries open the eyes of our understanding that we may know the way of life, and walk in it without stumbling; through Jesus Christ our Lord.