



**Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> April 2025**

**10:30 Family Communion**

**Isaiah 52:13 - 53:12 (page 740/1)**

**Acts 8: 26-40 (1101/2)**

**Leading:** Revd Michael Norman (Vicar)

**Speaking:** Clinton Dan Jumbo (Ordinand)

**17:30 Encounter**

**Hard Sayings of Jesus**

**Where the Vultures Gather**

**Matthew 24: 15-28 (page 993); Luke 17: 22, 30-37 (pages 1051/2)**

**Leading:** Simon Trundle (Reader-in-Training)

**Speaking:** Bill Miller (Lay Leader of Worship)



**If you are new to St Luke's Church (online too!) – welcome.** Please email your details to [office@stlukeswatford.org](mailto: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.

✉ **St Luke's Church Office** ☎ 01923 246161 **Church Website:** [www.stlukeswatford.org](http://www.stlukeswatford.org)  
**Church Office closed Tuesdays**

**Tuesday 8th April**

10:00

**Holy Communion - Church**

20:00

**Focus Prayer Meeting – Zoom****Wednesday 9th**

20:00

**Can Choir - Lounge****Friday 11th**

10:00 – 11:00

**Hour of Prayer - Chapel****Saturday 12th****8:30 – 10:00****Breakfast Club - Lounge****10:00 – 12:00****Creative Space - Lounge****Sunday 13th**

10:30

**Morning Worship**

17:30

**Encounter Service with Holy Communion**

Happy Easter holidays to all our teachers and children! Enjoy the sun and revision time.

**Life Groups at St Luke's**

All groups welcome you to attend for bible study; fellowship; praise; prayer and the encouragement of one another as we seek to follow Jesus in our daily lives. Contact [office@stlukeswatford.org](mailto:office@stlukeswatford.org) or call 01923 246161

Day	When	Where	Who	Notes
Monday (mostly fortnightly – see notes for dates)	19:30	Chapel	Edna W, Pam N	Dates for Spring 2025 - April 7, 28 May 12, 19 June 2, 16, 30 July 14
Wednesday weekly	10:15am – 12pm	Lounge and Church	Esther M; Mave C, Sarah I and Ann M	
Wednesday weekly	13:30 – 15:15	Members' Homes	Jeremy C and Adrienne C	
Wednesday weekly	19:45	Members' Homes	Melanie S; Tim W	
Wednesday weekly	20:00	Zoom	Susan M; Mary B	
Thursday (weekly)	19:30	Chapel	Wendy D; Ann M	
Friday (weekly)	19:45 – 22:00	Youth Lounge	Simon T	Men's Group

**The Chosen:** This excellent series is presenting The Last Supper Part 1 to be shown at 19:15 at Cineworld, Watford on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> April. There is only one showing here. Tickets are priced from £12.50.

**Celebrations:** Happy birthday to Amanda T (now up in Yorkshire) on Friday and Happy Ruby Wedding Anniversary to Michael and Pam on Tuesday. Please let us know of any anniversaries and birthdays you would like to share with your church family in Christ.

**Easter leaflets and posters:** Thank you for your work so far on this task!

**Sound of Musings – Saturday June 14<sup>th</sup> 3pm** We are planning an evangelistic music event on Saturday June 14<sup>th</sup> at 3pm. Pam N is organising it with Bryony Wood. Pam would like some help with general publicity and promotion help for example contacts with local radio. If you have knowledge/expertise in this area - please see Pam.

**Parish Magazine for April** is out now – on your weekly update email and some hard copies in the church too. Thank you to our wonderful contributors and Yvonne W for making it sparkle! Enjoy it.

**Formal Notice:**

**Thank you for returns so far....**

Ahead of our APCM (Annual Parish Council Meeting) on Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> May we are still in the process of renewing our electoral roll which will be completed by Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> April. Forms and box for returns are at the back of church and are also attached to the weekly email. Copies can be obtained from the office from [office@stlukeswatford.org](mailto:office@stlukeswatford.org)

**Food Bank Shopping List**

Shopping list: tinned meat; tinned fish; tinned fruit; tinned tomatoes; tinned vegetables; milk (long-life); fruit juice (long-life); cereals; rice pudding; custard; tea/coffee; mashed potatoes; pasta sauce; jam; biscuits/snack bar. Thank you for this Lent push. People have been very generous. Thank you!

**APCM – 4<sup>th</sup> May** The meeting will be followed by a Church Family Parish lunch in the hall that will also mark the **80<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the end of the Second World War**. Thank you in advance for Geoff F and his team for their organisation of this event.

**Music at St Luke's.** Recitals are free. Donations are welcome.

**Sunday April 13<sup>th</sup>, 3pm.** Charis Sykesud – violin; Jack Redman – piano. Works by Fauré, Amy Beach and Debussy

**Bryan Hogg's funeral** is on Wednesday 16 April

**2.00pm Cremation** at West Herts Crematorium, High Elms Lane, Watford WD25 0JS followed at **2:45pm** with a **Memorial Service** at St Luke's Church. There will be refreshments after the service and all are welcome at either or both services.

## The Fifth Sunday of Lent

Most merciful God,  
who by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ  
delivered and saved the world:  
grant that by faith in him who suffered on the cross  
we may triumph in the power of his victory;  
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.  
Amen.

**Let us pray for the world and the leaders of the world**, for the church, and let us thank God for his goodness. Let us encourage one another to go deeper into God's word, to pray and to persevere.

**Myanmar Earthquake Emergency Appeal** – Tearfund have asked us to donate money to support their effort to provide emergency relief in Myanmar at this terrible time. Please go to their website to donate.

**World Watch List:** Christians in **India** (*world's 11th highest area of religious persecution*)

**Mission Partners:** Sally Miller, working with Friends International (outreach to international students) in Lancaster and the North West of England.

**Those with on-going needs:** Pat W, Janine (Gill E's sister).

**Our church family in need:** Jenny R; Barbara T, Dave W; Maeve K; Steve B; Valerie T, Helen J, Veronica C, Mark H, Antoinette M and Alured D.

**Our wider family and friends in need:** Magnus, John W's dad; Angela S's mother, Rosemary R; Valerie, David W's friend; Penny A's niece, Jo; Andrew C's brother Tony; Pam N's mother, Eileen R and brother Stephen R and others we know and love.

**Those in mourning:** friends and family of Bryan Hogg; friends and family of Beverley Clinch, Adrienne C's sister; friends and family of Ron Haynes; and all those we know mourning loved ones at this time.

**Giving Thanks:** 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.