



Sunday 10th August 2025 – Trinity 8

08:00 Holy Communion - Chapel

**10:30 All Age Worship
Holiday Club – Deep Sea Divers
A pearl of great value**

Matthew 13: 45 – 46 (page 980)

Matthew 14: 13 – 21 (page 981)

Leading: Bekki Hadley (Children's and Family Team Leader)

Speaking: Michael Norman (Vicar)



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

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

Office closed on Tuesdays

Tuesday 12th

10:00 **Holy Communion** - Chapel
 13:00 **Chris Bruty Funeral** – Chapel followed by refreshments
 20:00 **Focus** - Zoom (not in person)

Sunday 17th

10:30 **Morning Worship** – Philemon

Summer Series:

August 10 th	Holiday Club Talk – All Age Worship
August 17 th	Philemon
August 24 th	2 John and 3 John
August 31 st	Jude
September 7 th	Acts resumes...

Celebrations: Happy 40th Wedding Anniversary to John and Edna W on Saturday 9th August! Happy Birthday to Susan M on the 13th August. Please let us know of any anniversaries and birthdays you would like to share with your church family in Christ.

Please pray for the marriage of Matthew and Wei Fong for all to go well in the preparations and on the joyous day itself on the 23rd August at 1pm. The link for livestream is <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=92ra9xHcqik> “Wedding Ceremony of Matthew and Wei-Fong | 12:30 for 1:00pm on 23rd August 2025”

Please pray for St Luke’s people at the following events over the summer:

Bethany House party 9th – 17th August
 Green Belt 21st – 24th August

Alpha Introductory Supper, Wednesday 24th September, 7.30pm. The ideal way of encouraging people to come to Alpha is through invitation. Please invite friends, family and work colleagues to come along with you to this supper. Please pray for one or two people and then ask them over the next few weeks. Remember it is our responsibility to both ask and pray; the person’s response is their responsibility. Please pray for this event and the course.

Drama Helpers: Thank you to the helpers and actors with the drama for our series in Acts. We need more actors for the September 28th drama. Please see Pam N if you fancy a go. Children particularly welcome.

Hospitality Team We are still looking for church members willing and able to help serve drinks and food at one-off events like funerals and weddings. Please see Michael or contact the office if you are interested.

Some life groups are continuing throughout the summer. If you are new to church and would like to find out more please contact the office.

Music at St Luke's The next recital will be on Sunday September 14th at 3pm with Amy Naddermier playing the flute and piccolo. Entry is free but donations are welcome. There will be refreshments served afterwards.

Please pray for:

Chris Bruty's Funeral on Tuesday 12th August at 12 noon Committal at the West Herts Crematorium followed by a funeral service in St. Luke's Chapel at 1pm followed by refreshments.

Marion Edwards's Funeral on Tuesday 19th August at St. Luke's at 12 noon.



Collect for the Eighth Sunday after Trinity

Almighty Lord and everlasting God,
we beseech you to direct, sanctify and govern
both our hearts and bodies
in the ways of your laws
and the works of your commandments;
that through your most mighty protection, both here and ever,
we may be preserved in body and soul;
through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ,
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 conflicts in the Holy Land; Gaza; Iran; Ukraine; Sudan and Sub-Saharan Africa. At home please pray 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.

Partners in Mission: Rennie Grove Peace - renniegrovepeace.org

Rennie Grove Peace Hospice Care is a charity providing care and support for adults and children with progressive life-limiting illness and those who care for them, Buckinghamshire and Hertfordshire. Care is provided at no cost to their patients and families and they rely on the generosity of the local community to fund the majority of the costs of the service they provide. Please pray for them.

World Watch List: Cuba (*world's 26th highest area of religious persecution*)

Our church family in need: Pat W; Di and Jeff G; Cynthia D; Janet A; Jenny R; Barbara T; Dave W; Maeve K; Valerie T; Helen J; Veronica C; Mark H; Antoinette and Carl M; Alured D

Our wider family and friends in need: Kathryn M (Carl's mother); Heather S; Angela S's parents, Rosemary and Brian R; John M and Valerie, friends of David W; Penny A's niece, Jo; Andrew C's brother Tony; Pam N's mother, Eileen R and brother Stephen R; Janine (Gill E's sister) and others we know and love.

Those in mourning. Friends and family of **John Crowder; John Warner; Marion Edwards; Chris Bruty; Walter Paterson** 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 **peach**. Please do take one home to pray over.