



Sunday 19th October 2025 – Trinity 18

10:30am Morning Worship

The Council of Jerusalem

Acts 15: 1 – 21; 15: 22 - 35

Leading: Michael Norman (Vicar)

Speaking: Charles Hudson (Archdeacon)

5:30pm Encounter with Family Communion

'Meals as Enacted Salvation'

Luke 22: 7 - 20

Leading: Neil Brookes (Ordinand)

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:** <https://www.stlukeswatford.org/>

The office is closed on Wednesdays

Monday 20th Note: church office is closed today
 18:30 – 19:45 **Rock Solid** – Youth Lounge

Tuesday 21st
 10:00 **Holy Communion**
 20:00 **Focus** - Zoom
 17:30 – 18:45 **Kids Club** – Main Hall
 18:30 – 19:45 **Base (years 9 – 11)** – Upper Hall
 20:00 – 21:15 **K2 (years 11 – 13)**– Main Hall

Weds 22nd
 19:30 **Alpha** - Lounge

Friday 24th
 10:00 – 11:00 **Hour of Prayer** – Chapel

Saturday 25th
 08:30 **Breakfast Club**

Sunday 26th
 10:30 **Church Family Communion with baptism of Isabelle**
 16:00 **Deputy Wardens and Stewards - tea in lounge**
 17:30 **Encounter - Meals as Enacted Promise: Luke 24**

October				
19	The Council of Jerusalem	Acts 15	Meals as Enacted Salvation	Luke 22
26		Acts 16: 1 - 15	Meals as Enacted Promise	Luke 24
November				
2	Athens	Acts 17	Symbols of the Prophetic: The Eagle	
9	Corinth	Acts 18	Symbols of the Prophetic: The Lion	
16	Paul in Ephesus	Acts 19	Symbols of the Prophetic: The Ox	
23	Encouragement and the Prophetic	Acts 20: 1-12; Acts 21: 10-14	Symbols of the Prophetic: Wind; Dove etc	
30			Symbols of the Prophetic: The Man	
December				
7			Symbols of the Prophetic: The Shepherd	

Celebrations: Happy Birthday to Antoinette M on Thursday and Angela S on Friday. Please let us know of any anniversaries and birthdays you would like to share with your church family in Christ.

Katie O is running the Yorkshire marathon today (19th October) to raise money for her neighbour, Rony, who is suffering life-changing injuries following a terrible accident. Please pray for him and his family.

justgiving.com/crowdfunding/run4rony

Sunday 9th November at 3pm – Annual Service for the Bereaved – Church on Remembrance Sunday. There will be a list of loved ones to be remembered at the back of church.

Christmas Pudding Night – Friday 14th November Save the date! More information to follow from the Pudding A Team.

Tearfund Big Quiz Saturday 15th November – join us with hundreds of other churches over the country for a night of fun that will raise thousands to help end extreme poverty. Teams of up to 8, bring friends and your own drinks, meal provided. Sign up using Churchsuite QR code:



Care For the Family, 18th November, High Wycombe with Rob Parsons as guest speaker. You can book a place on this link:
<https://www.careforthefamily.org.uk/events/tourevents/>

Prophecy Day led by Reverend Keith Powell Saturday 22nd November at St Luke's 10am - 4pm. There will be a **Bring and Share** meal on Sunday 23rd. More information to follow.

New Wine Women's Day Saturday 7th February 2026. For more details, please speak to Helen J Booth.

Thank you for all the work posting leaflets. If you still have one, please return zipped folders– we are still missing 4.

Partners in Mission: We support a children's home in Kisumu. They have recently appointed a new Youth Worker, Kelvin. He hosted a Bible Week in August for 70 children who lived in the school accommodation for the week. Kelvin plans to reach out to 18 – 25 year olds in the area where there is a high level of unemployment. The home feeds 150 children daily. Nearby Tiengr'e School, due to the charity financing the building of a kitchen/dining room, feeds 1000 children when they are in school. This has made a great difference to the lives of these children. The charity continues to help support other local schools with the provision of boreholes and proper toilets a priority. <https://www.kisumuchildren.org.uk/>

Collect for the Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity

Almighty and everlasting God,
increase in us your gift of faith
that, forsaking what lies behind
and reaching out to that which is before,
we may run the way of your commandments
and win the crown of everlasting joy;
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 people suffering from the earthquakes in Afghanistan; for continuing ceasefire 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.

World Watch List: Bhutan (*world's 36th highest area of religious persecution*)

Week of Prayer for World Peace concludes this week. Watford Interfaith Association is meeting at Cassiobury Park Peace Garden at 3pm today (19th October).

Our church family in need: Gill E; Di and Jeff G; Cynthia D; Janet A; Barbara T; Maeve K; Helen J; Veronica C; Alured D; Pat W.

Our wider family and friends in need: Brenda and Peter T; Narwi and Sabrina; Jean, Pam R's mum; Heather S; 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 **Jean Taylor**, Carolyn's mother 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 **blue**. Please do take one home to pray over.