



Sunday 5th April 2026 – Easter Day

8am

Holy Communion – Chapel

10:30am Family Communion

Mary!

John 20: 1 -18

Leading: Revd Michael Norman

Speaking: Neil Brookes (Youth Director and Ordinand)

5:30pm

Encounter

Jehovah Sabaoth – the Lord of Hosts

Joshua 5.13-15

1 Samuel 17.45-47

Revelation 19.11-16

Leading: Revd Michael Norman

Speaking: Simon Trundle (Reader)



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/>

Tuesday 7th

10:00 Holy Communion - Church

Saturday 11th

08:30 Breakfast Club

Sunday 12th

10:30 Morning Worship Romans 8: 22 - 27

17.30 Encounter: El Olan The Everlasting God

Celebrations: Happy Anniversary to Geoff and Pam F on the 5th; Happy Anniversary to Michael and Pam N and Happy Anniversary to Yvonne and Alan on Wednesday 8th and Happy Birthday to Amanda T on Saturday 11th.

Thank you to everyone who has helped with Holy Week this year and to everyone who has supported it.

Electoral roll revision. There will be a minor revision of the electoral roll this year. If you signed up last year **you don't need to do anything**. If you are not on the electoral roll and would like to be, please sign an electoral roll form between 5th April (Easter Sunday) and 26th April.

Half Day of Prayer- the next Saturday prayer Morning will be on **Saturday 18th April:** 9am to 12 noon. This will cover the rest of April and the Anniversary Celebrations in May. The May half day will be on Saturday 16th May.

Monday 20th April is the delivery date for articles for the next church magazine. Please send your contributions to the church office (office@stlukeswatford.org). This issue will be published just ahead of the 20th Anniversary Week-end. It's not too late for articles on **'What St Luke's means to me'** - we'd love to hear from you. If we don't have space for all the contributions in the next magazine they will be included in successive issues.

Prayer Walk Tuesday 12th May there will be an opportunity to Prayer Walk the Parish at 7pm from the Church. Please join us.

St Luke's Anniversary Appeal 2026.

If you would like to make a donation for our Anniversary Appeal, please take one of the forms at the back of the church and either return it in the collection or give it to the treasurer. Alternatively, please send donation direct to our church account, "Parochial Church Council of St Lukes Watford", Sort code: 20-91-79, Acc. no: 70687472 with reference "20th AA" or place it in a marked envelope with the offering.

The Annual Parochial Church Meeting (including the Annual Meeting of Parishioners for Election of Churchwardens) will be held on Sunday 17th May during the Morning Service (Treasurer's report and Vicar's address) followed by the meetings afterwards at 11:45am. The annual report will be out before the end of April. There will be elections for Deanery Synod and PCC members this year.

Easter Monday Pilgrimage 'HOPE' is at the heart of this year's 80th Anniversary Easter Monday Pilgrimage to St Albans Cathedral on the 6th April 2026. We would love as many as possible to join this celebration and walk with us from St Luke's. Dogs and children are welcome and there are opportunities to join us en route for a shorter walk. Speak to Jill Rogers or Caroline Tearle for more information.

Starting
9.30am
St Luke's
carpark

hope

EASTER MONDAY PILGRIMAGE

Easter Monday Pilgrimage
Monday 6 April 2026
Procession 2:30pm
Service 3pm
St Albans Cathedral

emp.stalbansdiocese.org

Spring Sermon Series cont.

12 th April	Morning Worship Romans 8: 22 - 27	El Olan – The Everlasting God
19 th April	Family Communion Romans 8: 28 - 30	El Shaddai – God Almighty
26 th April	Morning Worship Romans 8: 31 - 34	Holy Communion Jehovah Tsedkinu – The Lord our Righteousness
3 rd May	Family Communion Romans 8: 34 - 39	Jehovah Shama – The Lord is There

Notes:

Collect for Easter Day

God of glory,
by the raising of your Son
you have broken the chains of death and hell:
fill your Church with faith and hope;
for a new day has dawned
and the way to life stands open
in our Saviour Jesus Christ.

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. 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 **red**. Please do take one home to pray over.

World Watch List: Libya (9th area of religious persecution).

Partners in Mission: Please pray for Andrea and Clive Thomas. They are based in Pokhara and support the International Nepal Fellowship (INF) which is a Christian health and development organisation serving the poor and marginalised in Nepal. Please pray for them as they make flight plans to return to the UK.

Our church family in need: Veronica C; Michael N; Antoinette M; Gill E; Di and Jeff G; Cynthia D; Barbara T; Alured D; Pat W.

Our wider family and friends in need: Jenny, Cynthia's sister; Martin G, David W's friend Mary's brother; C. Gou, Stephanie's dad; Alison M, Bill M's sister; Brenda and Peter T; 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 brother Stephen R; Janine (Gill E's sister) and others we know and love.

Those in mourning: We pray for the friends and family of Eileen Rawson; Graham Cooke (Jeremy's dad). Please pray for all those we know mourning loved ones currently.