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Church giving information

If you would like to set-up a regular giving to St Luke's, please note the following BACS details.

Sort code: 30-98-77

Acc num: 01395516 (PCC St Luke's)

Please reference your donation with "[your name]/planned giving". You can also donate using our card reader in church with either a credit or debit card. THANK YOU!

Pew Sheet notices

If you have a notice to include in this weekly Pew Sheet please email details to Christine Stevens (details above) before 5pm on a Wednesday.

St Luke's on WhatsApp

There is a WhatsApp "Community" for St Luke's. If you use WhatsApp, use the QR code (right) to add yourself.



You'll find several channels available from announcements, general chat to prayer requests, information for parents, and more.

If you run a group and need a channel for your activity or organisers, please speak to Rev David to get set-up.

Parish Christmas Lunch

The Christmas Parish Lunch, a two-course Christmas Dinner in aid of the Warm & Toasty Fund will be on Sunday 7th December after the service. Veggie option available also.

For those who would like to attend, please put your names on the sign-up sheet at the back of the church as soon as possible, but with a deadline of Sunday 30th Nov at the latest!

St Luke's online

You can follow St Luke's online:
Website: www.stlukestw.co.uk
Facebook: @stlukeschurchtw
Instagram: @stlukestw

Sunday 30th Nov 2025

Today is Advent Sunday



St Luke's Church, Tunbridge Wells Morning Worship

The Collect

for today and every day this week.

**Almighty God,
as your kingdom dawns,
turn us from the darkness of
sin to the light of holiness,
that we may be ready to meet
you in our Lord and Saviour,
Jesus Christ.
Amen**

Hymns for today's service

480	O come, O come
343	Jesu, lover of my soul
405	Lo, he comes with clouds
128	Come, thou long expected

Ministers today

Leading: Gerry Wenham
Preaching: Jo Wheeler
Organist: Graham King

Please remember this week in your daily prayers

- ❖ **The following people in our church community and their family:**
Sheila Phelps, Laura and Ben phillips
- ❖ **The residents of** Hill Crest Drive, Hopwood Gdns, Impala Gdns
- ❖ **Those who are unwell, undergoing treatment, or housebound**
including Paul Cookson, the Riseborough family, and Kirsty Waugh.
- ❖ **All those who grieve for those who have died**, including Jessica Larbey and Vivian Ball.
- ❖ For those in our congregation who work in the healthcare professions. For gifts of healing, care, strength, and hope and for their daily witness in their work.
- ❖ For HM the King and our nation, for loving and respectful discourse, truth and integrity in leadership.
- ❖ For the people of Israel and Palestine and for a lasting and just peace. For peace in Ukraine and the defence of their nation.

First reading:

Isaiah 2. 1-5

The word that Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem.

“²In days to come the mountain of the Lord’s house shall be established as the highest of the mountains and shall be raised above the hills; all the nations shall stream to it.

³Many peoples shall come and say, ‘Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob; that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths.’

For out of Zion shall go forth instruction, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem. ⁴He shall judge between the nations, and shall arbitrate for many peoples; they shall beat their swords into ploughshares, and their spears into pruning-hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more.”

Second reading

Matthew 24. 36-44

[Jesus said] ³⁶“But about that day and hour no one knows, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. ³⁷For as the days of Noah were, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. ³⁸For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day Noah entered

the ark, ³⁹and they knew nothing until the flood came and swept them all away, so too will be the coming of the Son of Man. ⁴⁰Two will be in the field; one will be taken and one will be left. ⁴¹Two women will be grinding meal together; one will be taken and one will be left. ⁴²Keep awake therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming.

⁴³But understand this: if the owner of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his house be broken into. ⁴⁴Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.”

Real Advent Calendars

Featuring the Christmas story and fair-trade chocolate, order online: www.realadvent.co.uk

Christmas shoeboxes

Thanks to everyone who took part. A total of 42 shoeboxes were sent to disadvantaged children.

Care home carols

We’re looking for extra singers for our Christmas Communion at Tunbridge Wells Care Centre on 18 Dec at 2pm. Talk to Rev David if you can join us. No practices needed.

Christmas Fair thanks

Many thanks to everyone who helped at yesterday’s Christmas Fair and in particular for all the hard work of the Fund Raising Team. We’ll announce the total raised in due course.



Explorers’ Nativity

Sun 14 December, 10am

For the children who wish to take part in our All-Age Nativity, there are speaking and non-speaking parts, and costumes are provided! Practice replaces usual Explorer activities on the 30th Nov and 7th Dec. Please do try to attend on those Sundays.

If you won’t be around on the 14th, please let us know so we don’t cast your child in a main role! They are nonetheless welcome to take part in rehearsals on the Sundays before.

Councillor surgery

Our new ward Councillor for the Borough Council, Ukonu Obasi, is hosting a community surgery in St Luke’s church on the 6th of Dec between 10am and Noon.

He is keen to meet local residents and understand their problems. Do think about stopping by to see him.

Next week at St Luke’s



Sunday 7th December 10am

Holy Communion
with Revs David and Amanda
Explorers meet in the hall
*There is **Coffee Club**
after the service next week.*

Christmas services

Sun 14 Dec, 10am
All-Age Explorers Nativity

Sun 21 Dec, 6pm
Christmas Carol Service

Wed 24 Dec, 4.30pm
Crib service with Christingles

Wed 24 Dec, 11.15pm
Midnight Communion

Thu 25 Dec, 10.00am
Christmas All-Age Communion

Dates for the diary

Blend after-school club
Tuesday 2nd December, 3.30pm

Church cleaning
Saturday 6th December, 9.30am

Councillor Surgery
Saturday 6th December, 10-12

Church Lunch
Sunday 7th December