

THE PARISH OF ABBOTS LANGLEY

St Lawrence the Martyr, Abbots Langley
with the Church of the Ascension, Bedmond

9th June 2019

PENTECOST



TODAY

8.00 am Holy Communion in St Lawrence
President & Preacher: The Revd Peter Waddell
Reader: Mike Jefford

9.30 am Second Sunday Communion Service in St Lawrence
President & Preacher; The Revd Peter Waddell
Hymns: Jesus is the name we honour - 321 -
454 - Spirit of God - 317

11.15 am Holy Communion
in the Tin Church
President & Preacher: The Revd Peter Waddell
Hymns: 388 - 69 - 321 - 354
Reader: Linda Ball

12.45 pm Christening for Grace Barber

6.30 pm Evening Prayer in St Lawrence
Leader: The Revd Peter Waddell

SERVICES THIS WEEK

Holy Communion said in St Lawrence

12.00 noon Wednesday

Morning Prayer said in St Lawrence

9.30 am Monday to Friday

Evening Prayer said in St Lawrence

5.15 pm Monday to Friday

Quiet Reflection in St Lawrence

11.15 am Wednesday

Early Prayer in St Lawrence

8.15 am Thursday

WELCOME

Welcome to everyone at our worship today especially to visitors, newcomers and those who have come to hear their Banns of Marriage read - please introduce yourself if you are new or a visitor.

If you usually receive **Communion** in your own church, please do so here. If not, you are welcome to come to the altar rail for a **Blessing**, and if you carry a book with you the priest will know not to offer you the bread and wine.



Please tell a sidesperson before the service if you would like a **gluten-free wafer**.

A **T-loop** is provided for hearing-aid users.



For our younger members in St Lawrence:
Seekers (aged 3-10) start in church;
Creche in the Breakspear Room;
Quiet Corner in church

Please join us for **coffee, tea or juice and biscuits** in the church hall after the 9.30 am service.



A **collection** is taken at each main service. If you are a UK tax payer, please complete a gift aid envelope.

This money is fundamental to the life of the church: its ministry, mission and charitable giving.

As we receive no income from the Government or any other external body, we are reliant on the generosity of the community and our fundraising endeavours to ensure that the important work of the parish continues.

Many regular members of the congregation give by direct debit and so put nothing in the bag as it passes by.

*If you would like to set up a regular direct debit, please ask for a **Parish Giving Scheme** pack.*

THE PRAYERS AND BIBLE READINGS

Bibles are available in the book rack by the door where you entered.

COLLECT: God, who as at this time taught the hearts of your faithful people by sending to them the light of your Holy Spirit: grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgement in all things and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort; through the merits of Christ Jesus our Saviour, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

FIRST READING Genesis 11.1-9 Bible page 9

The story of the Tower of Babel gives a reason for the diversity of different languages, when among the descendants of Adam, there might have been only one language. It also represents in symbolic terms the final disintegration of that order and unity that God had created in the beginning.

SECOND READING Acts 2.1-21 Bible page 115

The harvest 'Feast of Weeks' (Lev. 23.15-21) had come to commemorate the giving of the Law on Sinai. The giving of the Holy Spirit is similarly accompanied by noise and fire. All nations are enabled to hear the Gospel, each in its own tongue, and this becomes the mission of the apostles: the Spirit-inspired proclamation of Christ to the whole world.

GOSPEL John 14.8-17,25-27 Bible page 105

To know Jesus is the goal of all religious longing, as Jesus tells Philip, because he reveals God by the perfect unity that exists between him and the Father. Those who follow him will do works that reveal the purposes of God even more plainly by drawing others into that unity. The Spirit of truth, the Advocate or Paraclete, will be another counsellor in the same way that Jesus was a counsellor to them.

POST COMMUNION

PRAYER: Faithful God, who fulfilled the promises of Easter by sending us your Holy Spirit and opening to every race and nation the way of life eternal: open our lips by your Spirit, that every tongue may tell of your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Pentecost

O Holy Spirit - give me stillness of soul in you.

Calm the turmoil within -
with a deep trust in you.

Heal the wounds of sin within - with the
joy of your forgiveness.

Strengthen the faith within -
with the awareness of your presence.

Confirm the hope within -
with the knowledge of your strength.

Give fullness to the love within -
with an outpouring of your love.

Amen.

FOR OUR PRAYERS

GIVE THANKS FOR

- » the work of the Holy Spirit in the Church and in our lives
- » the joy of diversity without division

PRAY FOR

- » renewal in the Church
- » greater unity and joy in the Gospel
- » Grace Barber to be christened in St Lawrence today
- » those who live in Henderson Place; Hercules Way; Hewlitt
- » the YMCA Chaplaincy based at Woodside and for Chris Moffatt, the Chaplaincy and Support Worker

THOSE WHO ARE ILL OR IN NEED

- » Stan Johnson : Ben : Paul Maxted

RIP

- » David Gallagher (Hunton Bridge) : Martin Bird

NEXT SUNDAY

TRINITY SUNDAY 16th June 2019

8.00 am Holy Communion in St Lawrence
President & Preacher: The Revd Peter Waddell

9.30 am Second Sunday Communion Service in St Lawrence
President & Preacher: The Revd Guy Buckler

11.15 am Holy Communion in the Tin Church
President & Preacher: The Revd Peter Waddell

12.45 pm Sunday Lunch Club in the hall

12.45 pm Christening for Lilah Mitchell
5.30 pm Burial of Ashes of Winifred Shirran

6.30 pm Evening Prayer in St Lawrence
Leader: The Revd Peter Waddell

7.30 pm Pilgrim Course on The Creeds in the Tin Church

THE COMING WEEK

Monday 10th

2.15 pm Tiny Tots in the Breakspear Room
7.30 pm Ringers practice in St Lawrence tower

Tuesday 11th

10.15 am Tuesday Coffee in the Breakspear Room
12.40 pm Funeral of David Gallagher at the Crematorium
7.00 pm Youth Club meets in the church hall

Wednesday 12th

11.00 am Mothers' Union in the B'spear Rm
11.15 am Quiet Reflection in the Corpus Christi Chapel
12.00 noon Holy Communion inc MU Corporate Communion in St Lawrence followed by light lunch in the Breakspear Room
3.30 pm Messy Church in the Methodist Church
7.45 pm Choir practice in St Lawrence
8.00 pm Bereavement Visitors

Thursday 13th

10.30 am Home Communion at Hanover Gdns

Friday 14th

10.00 am Craft Morning in the Tin Church
10.00 am AHAL Coffee in the Henderson Hub, Abbots Langley High St
1.00 pm Ascension Acorns in the Tin Church
2.00 pm Craft & Conversation in the Breakspear Room
4.30 pm Wedding rehearsal in St Lawrence
6.15 pm Youth Choir practice in the Breakspear Room

Saturday 15th

12.00 noon Wedding of Lee Attard and Megan Clarke in St Lawrence
12.00 noon-5.00 pm Open Garden in The Abbot's House in aid of the Friends of St Lawrence

AVAILABILITY

Peter's day off is Thursday this week

READINGS NEXT SUNDAY

Proverbs 8.1-4,22-31; Romans 5.1-5;
John 16.12-15

NOTICES

► A **PILGRIM COURSE** on **The Creed** is starting this evening at 7.30 pm led by Peter in **the Tin Church** (not Breakspear Room), and on Tuesday 18th June at 1.00 pm led by Sally in the Breakspear Room. For those coming on Tuesdays there will be a light lunch from 12.30 pm. Books (£5 each) are available in the office.

► Our **APOLOGIES** but there will not be a Choral Evensong this evening (as advertised in *Outlook*) as too many choir members are unavailable to sing.

► Friends of St Lawrence **OPEN GARDEN** on Saturday 15th June in The Abbot's House Garden from 12.00 noon to 5.00 pm. Live music, cream teas, raffle, etc. Entry is £5 adults; £2 children under 12; under 3 are free. Come and wander round or sit in this garden in the heart of the village - and support the Friends.

► Ecumenical Choir, *Joyful Noise*, conducted by Sarah Moreton (Youth Choir leader), presents Roger Jones' musical **SNAKES AND LADDERS** on Saturday 15th June in Hemel Hempstead Methodist Church at 4.00 pm. Tickets £10 (£5 under 16) from 07929 645179; all proceeds to Diabetes UK.

► **ST LAWRENCE CHURCH FETE - 22nd June** - if you are able to offer any prizes for the tombola please get them to Marcus, Sue or the office well before the day. Cakes, plants, books and other items can be brought on the day. We need plenty of help on the day so please do sign up on the flip chart in Church or let Carol know crl.higgs@googlemail.com. This year's charities are Watford Town Centre Chaplaincy, New Hope and AL Carers Network.

► **CHRISTIAN AID** - if you took an envelope and haven't yet returned it, please do so, to the Church Office.

► **THEATRE TRIP** - the Social Committee has booked tickets to see 'The Girl on the Train' at Wycombe Swan on Thursday 19th September leaving the lych gate at 5.45 pm. The cost is £42 per ticket to include the coach fare and driver gratuity. If you would like to go please speak to Pam in the Office.

► Come and enjoy a **PRACTICAL ART WORKSHOP**: 'The Art of the Sky' in the Tin Church on Thursday 20th June from 10.00 am to 12.00 noon. This is part of a series of themed practical half-day workshops held in a variety of small and unusual venues. Suitable for all abilities. Materials and refreshments provided. Please contact Susan Cooke on 0 7 9 6 2 8 6 8 0 2 8 or mscooke044@btinternet.com to book or for further details.

► **GOOD NEIGHBOURS** are desperate for more **DRIVERS** to take villagers to local appointments - if you want to find out what sort of commitment is required, please speak to Linda North or Marcus Coultrup.

► **OUTLOOK** (church magazine) is on sale for June - copies are 50p each.

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If anyone needs the ministry of a priest at any time, day or night, please contact Peter directly.

MESSY CHURCH

Next one: **Wednesday 12th June**; theme: **Dazzling Disciples!** in the Methodist church and hall from 3.30 to 6.00 pm for all primary and younger aged children with their parents/carers: stories, activities and fun, finishing with supper.

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