

## Sunday 19th January 2025

10:30am Morning Worship - Daniel 3

 in the Church and online

The Image of Gold and the Fiery Furnace

 Leading: Michael Norman (Vicar)

Speaking: Revd. Keith Powell (Guest Speaker)

5:30pm Encounter with Holy Communion - Daniel 8 in Church A Ram, A Goat and A Little Horn! Leading: Michael Norman (Vicar) Speaking: Dave Clarke (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. ≫St Luke's Church Office ☎ 01923 246161 Church Website: www.stlukeswatford.org Church Office closed Tuesdays

Tuesday 21st			
10:00	Holy Communion		
8pm	Focus Prayer Meeting- on zoom		
Wednesday 22nd			
8pm – 10pm	CAN Community Choir - Lounge		
Saturday 25th			
8:00 - 10:00	Breakfast Club		
Sunday 26 <sup>th</sup>			
10:30am	Family Communion - Daniel 4		
4pm to 5pm	Thank you Tea – Deputy Wardens and		
	Stewards		
5:30pm	Encounter – Daniel 9		
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## **Daniel Series – morning and evening services**

Date	10:30am	Title	5:30pm
	Daniel		Daniel
	Chapter		Chapter
5/01	1	The Daniel Diet	7 – part 1
12/01	2	Nebuchadnezzar's	7 – part 2
		Dream of a Statue	
19/01	3	The Image of Gold and	8
		the Fiery Furnace	
26/01	4	Nebuchadnezzar's	9
		Dream of a Tree	
2/02	5	The Writing on the	10
		Wall	
9/2	6	Daniel and the Lion's	Bishop of Hertford –
		Den	confirmation
			service
16/2			11
23/2			12

## **Notices**

<u>Happy Birthday</u> wishes to Pam N, Reuben B and Russell H for tomorrow, Monday 20<sup>th</sup>. Please let the office know of any celebrations you would like to share.

<u>Confirmation Service at St Luke's with the Bishop of Hertford – Sunday 9<sup>th</sup></u> <u>February 2025</u> If anyone is interested in being baptised and confirmed on this date please contact Michael. There will be 3 preparatory classes for adults and separate ones for young people. Please see Michael as soon as possible or email him - <u>michael.stlukes@gmail.com</u>

<u>Half Day of Prayer</u> There are 2 more half days of prayers planned for Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> February and Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> March in St Luke's Chapel 9am - 12 noon. Anyone is welcome to come for any length of time. Prayer is key.

Entries for Magazine to the office please – deadline 20<sup>th</sup> January. Please feel free to contribute items.

**PCC Meeting** is on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> February 2025 at 8pm.

**Marika Smart** Marika's funeral will be held in the church at 10am on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> February. All are welcome to attend.

## Collect for 3rd Sunday after Epiphany

Almighty and everlasting God, mercifully look upon our infirmities, and in all our dangers and necessities stretch forth thy right hand to help and defend us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.* 

Let us pray for the world, for the church, and let us thank God for his goodness. For peace in Gaza and Lebanon. For peace in Ukraine. For humility, wisdom and understanding in our world's leaders. For the people in Tibet suffering from the aftermath of the earthquake and California struggling with fires and high winds. Let us encourage one another to go deeper into God's word, to pray and to persevere.

**World Watch List:** Christians in **North Korea** (*world's1st highest area of religious persecution- new list for 2025 launched by Open Doors on 15<sup>th</sup> January 2025*)

Those with on-going needs: Pat W, Janine (Gill Es' sister), Barbara T

**Our families in need:** Valerie T, Helen J, Veronica C, Val and Ron H, Mark H, David W

**Our wider family and friends in need:** Penny A's niece, Jo; Andrew C's brother Tony; Pam N's brother Stephen R; Adrienne C's sister Beverley and others we know and love

**Those in mourning:** friends and family of Marika Smart; friends and family of Karen Smith who sadly passed on the 30<sup>th</sup> December; friends of family of Jacky Clare who passed on the 23<sup>rd</sup> December – Jos L's dear friend. For the last 2 - 3 years she managed to come to St Luke's Church, with her carer Brolyn. Her funeral is on 24th January at 1.30pm at Christ Church Baptist Church, Kings Langley. Further info please speak to Jos; for the family and friends of Margaret F with the loss of her sister Sally; friends and family of Pennant Jones; friends and family of Tim McEwen (Andrew C's brother-in-law); 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.