



Sunday 26th January 2025

10:30am Family Communion - Daniel 4

in the Church and online

Nebuchadnezzar's Dream of a Tree

Leading: Michael Norman (Vicar)

Speaking: Wendy Somerville (Reader)

5:30pm Encounter – Daniel 9

in Church

Daniel's Prayer and a Mysterious Prophecy

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 28th

10:00

6 – 7pm

8pm

Holy Communion**Confirmation Class - Chapel****Focus Prayer Meeting - on zoom****Wednesday 29th**

9:15 – 11:30am

Cassiobury Infants – yr 2 workshop - church**Thursday 30th**

8pm – 10pm

CAN Community Choir - Lounge**Saturday 1st February**

9am – 12pm

Half Day of Prayer - Chapel**Sunday 2nd February**

10:30am

All Age Worship - Daniel 5

5:30pm

Encounter with Holy Communion – Daniel

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Daniel Series – morning and evening services

Date	10:30am Daniel Chapter	Title	5:30pm Daniel Chapter
26/01	4	Nebuchadnezzar's Dream of a Tree	9
2/02	5	The Writing on the Wall	10
9/2	6	Daniel and the Lion's Den	Bishop of Hertford – confirmation service
16/2			11
23/2			12

Notices

Happy Birthday wishes to John W for Tuesday 28th and Felipe I on Thursday 30th. Congratulations to Alan and Tricia E who celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary on Thursday 23rd. Please let the office know of any celebrations you would like to share.

Wera I has made a cake for all those celebrating birthdays in January – please come to gathering area after the service for a celebratory slice!

Thank you Tea – Deputy Wardens and Stewards is today at 4pm in the Lounge.

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

Kia Orana!

Our sisters in The Cook Islands welcome us and lead us for the World Day of Prayer 2025. This group of 15 islands in the South Pacific Ocean has a rich and colourful Māori heritage and a deep connection to nature. A few weeks beforehand, Revd Vicki Davies will be leading a **Bible Study** on Psalm 139 v1:18, in preparation for this service.

Do join us on **Friday 7th February @ 2pm at Christ Church, 181a St Albans Road, WD24 5BD**

Confirmation Service at St Luke's with the Bishop of Hertford – Sunday 9th February 2025 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 - michael.stlukes@gmail.com

Collect for 4th Sunday after Epiphany

O God, who knowest us to be set in the midst of so many and great dangers, that by reason of the frailty of our nature we cannot always stand upright:

Grant to us such strength and protection, as may support us in all dangers, and carry us through all temptations; 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. Let us encourage one another to go deeper into God's word, to pray and to persevere.

World Watch List: Christians in **Somalia** (*world's 2nd highest area of religious persecution*)

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

Our families in need: David W; Maeve K; Steve B; Valerie T, Helen J, Veronica C, Val and Ron H, Mark H, Antoinette M and Alured D.

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

Those in mourning: friends and family of Marika Smart; friends of family Jacky Clare – Jos L's friend. Her funeral is on 24th January at 1.30pm at Christ Church Baptist Church, Kings Langley. Further info please speak to Jos; friends and family of Karen Smith; 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 **purple**. Please do take one home to pray over.