

Sunday 9th February 2025

10:30am Morning Worship in the Church and online Daniel in the Lion's Den – Daniel 6 (pages 890 - 892) Leading: Dave Clarke (Reader) Speaking: Dan (from Open Doors)

5:30pm Confirmation and Baptism Service with The Right Revd Dr Jane Mainwaring (Bishop of Hertford)



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 Tuesday

Tuesday 11th 10:00am 7pm 8pm	Holy Communion Focus Prayer Meeting - Chapel PCC Meeting - Lounge
Wednesday 12th	Lounge
10:00am	Marika Smart – funeral – all welcome
Thursday 13th	
8pm – 10pm	CAN Community Choir - Lounge
Saturday 15th	
8:30am – 10am	Breakfast Club - Hall
Sunday 16th	
10:30am	Morning Worship – The Messiah Foretold in Isaiah
5:30pm	Encounter Service - Daniel 11

Children and Youth Groups at St Lukes

Tuesdays 5:30 – 6:45pm	Kid's Club	(7 -11 year olds)
Tuesday 7:30 – 9pm	K2	(school years 10-11)
Thursday 6:15pm – 7:30pm	BASE	(school years 7 -9)

Life Groups at St Luke's

All groups welcome you to attend for bible study; fellowship; praise; prayer and the encouragement of one another as we seek to follow Jesus in our daily lives. Contact office@stlukeswatford.org or call 01923 246161

Day	When	Where	Who	Notes
Monday (mostly fortnightly – see notes for dates)	20:00	Chapel	Edna W, Pam N	Dates for Spring term 2025 - Feb 10; Feb 24; March 10; March 24; April 7
Wednesday weekly	10:15am – 12pm	Lounge and Church	Esther M; Mave C and Ann M	
Wednesday weekly	13:30 – 15:15	Homes	Jeremy C and Adrienne C	
Wednesday weekly	19:45	Members' Homes	Melanie S; Tim W	
Wednesday weekly	20:00	Zoom	Susan M; Mary B	
Thursday (weekly)	19:30	Chapel	Wendy D; Ann M	(not when Alpha is running)
Friday (weekly)	19:30 – 21:00	Youth Lounge	Simon T	

<u>Celebratory wishes</u> for birthdays for Marion H on Thursday and Wendy D on Saturday 8th. Please let the office know of any celebrations you would like to share.

<u>Marika Smart's Funeral</u> at St Luke's – 12th February 10:00am. All are welcome to attend.

Wednesday Life Group on 12th February will meet at 11:30am after Marika's funeral. Bring and Share lunch.

Children and Family Team Worker.

We are looking for someone who will be responsible for supporting and developing the spiritual life of children from the early years to age 11, and for engaging and encouraging families through their life issues, and in their walk with Jesus. This post will be either a full-time role or part-time with job share a possibility, negotiable for the right candidate. The hours of the post can be fitted around those with study or family commitments but will include Sunday mornings and some after-school hours. Informal visits are warmly welcomed. Please contact the vicar directly on 01923 242208 or vicar@stlukeswatford.org

Additional information and application form available on our website. We look forward to hearing from you.

PCC Meeting – Tuesday 11th February at 8pm in the church lounge.

Deanery Synod – Tuesday 18th February at 7:30pm at All Saints, Leavesden

Confirmation and Baptism Service Sunday 9th – 5:30pm

Congratulations to Michelle E; Stella P who are being confirmed and Stephanie G who is being confirmed and baptised in the evening at 5:30pm. We also welcome Helen from St Michael's and All Angels who will be confirmed.

All are welcome to attend this service and there will be cakes and tea served afterwards.

Music at St Luke's

Sunday Feb 16th 3pm, St Luke's Church Watford. Quintet (wind quintet formed in September 2023 by students at the Royal Academy of Music). To include works by Ravel, Amy Beach and Nielsen.

Collect for the Fourth Sunday before Lent

Almighty God, by whose grace alone we are accepted and called to your service: strengthen us by your Holy Spirit and make us worthy of our calling; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Let us pray for the world, for the church, and let us thank God for his goodness. Let us encourage one another to go deeper into God's word, to pray and to persevere.

World Watch List: Christians in **Libya** (*world's 4th highest area of religious persecution*)

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

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

Those in mourning: friends and family of Marika Smart; friends of family of Jacky Clare; friends and family of Karen Smith 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 **orange.** Please do take one home to pray over.