

# St Luke's Newsletter

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MAY 2018 Edition



## ST LUKE'S JUNIOR CHOIR REHERSALS Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup> May at 10.45am

*Let's make Junior Choir a success.*

Rev Sara or Leslie will be helping with practise and it would be appreciated if we could always have at least one parent with us as well.



## Interment of Ashes - Dr Gerald Davies

Dr Gerald Davies has sadly died at the age of 97 years. Dr Davies served the community of Whyteleafe for over 55 years before retiring in 2003. Many people in the village will have many fond memories of Dr Davies who cared for them and their families any time night and day. His ashes are to be interred on Tuesday June 12th at 11 am in the St. Luke's memorial garden and the family have indicated that members of the community are welcome to join them at the graveside for this brief service.

## Changes at St Luke's and Chaldon

After nearly six years of inspiring leadership here at St Luke's and at St Peter & St Paul, Chaldon, last month marked the time to say goodbye to Reverend Tim Goode as he moved to become the Rector of St Margaret of Antioch in Lee, South London.

On Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> April, there was a farewell reception at St Luke's when both congregations, as well as friends from the wider communities, gathered to thank Tim and his wife Bernie for their contribution to the life of both parishes. For the first time for weeks the clouds cleared and the sun shone down and added a special note of cheer to the afternoon. Speeches were kept to a minimum, but a personalised re-write of the words to the tune of a well-known hymn was sung lustily by everyone – no-one present will think of "The Church's One Foundation" in quite the same way again!



Many churches find that the 'vacancy' as it is known (when the priest moves away and there is the natural delay in appointing a successor) is a worrying time and can be one when negative attitudes creep into parish life. Here in Whyteleafe, and in Chaldon, we are greatly blessed to have three inspiring leaders willing and very able to lead us through this time – our Curate, Revd Helen Burnett, a retired priest, Revd Sara Goatcher and a Reader, Mrs Leslie Shannon. Sunday and midweek services are already planned, and the 'occasional offices' (births, deaths and marriages) will continue to be taken care of by this highly experienced team.

Because we don't have full-time clergy at the moment, any enquiries should be directed to our Church Administrator, Alison Pannett, please email: [stlukeswhyteleafe@gmail.com](mailto:stlukeswhyteleafe@gmail.com).

And as if to mark the start of a new phase in our life here at St Luke's, on Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> April we held our Annual Church Meeting. The Reports which were presented showed that we are a congregation which continues to expand and which is vital and enthusiastic. Our Churchwardens explained how the Church would continue to flourish in the coming months as the process of finding a new incumbent priest is worked out.

All is well at St Luke's – our new Mission Statement says it all:

**inspirational preaching**  
**great fellowship**  
**shared teamwork**



**The Corner House Cafe  
in the Transept, St Luke's**



**Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> May  
2.30 - 4.30pm**

The perfect place to make new friends,  
enjoy a traditional English tea and join in a variety of activities.  
Just turn up.  
You'll have a great time.

**MORNING PRAYER 8.30am**

At 8.30am on Wednesday Morning all members of Caterham Churches are welcome to join the Caterham Churches Together Morning Prayer.

Each month a different church is chosen to lead the prayers.

**In May on Wednesday mornings they are meeting at Sacred Heart Church, Essendene Road, Caterham.**

**LADIES' FELLOWSHIP  
WHYTELEAFE**

meets at 8 p.m. on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of each month in the Hall of St Luke's Church, Whyteleafe Hill. We have speakers and entertainments, outings and visits to the theatre and restaurants.

With a membership of around 20 the atmosphere is informal and friendly and you will be made very welcome if you wish to join us.

We have an annual membership fee of £15 but visitors and those who can only come occasionally pay just £2 for the evening.

For further information contact Diane 020 8660 5341.

DATE	Speaker
May 9 <sup>th</sup>	Roger Packham "Have I got news for you"
May 23 <sup>rd</sup>	TBA

**Bring and Share Lunch at St Luke's**

**Sunday May 6<sup>th</sup> at 1pm**

If you would like to come please sign up on the noticeboard in the transept.



If you need to contact a member of clergy please telephone our Curate, Rev. Helen Burnett, on 01737 243606 or Email: stlukeswhyteleafe@gmail.com

**Date for your Diary  
Archdeacon's Visitation Service**  
Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> May at 8pm at St John the Evangelist, Hurst Green  
All are welcome to support our churchwardens and PCC members



**Team Eucharist  
Ascension Day Services  
Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> May**

10.30am at St Peter and St Paul, Chaldon

7.30pm at St Paul's, Woldingham

**PARISH REGISTER**

**Graveside Burial**

13<sup>th</sup> April Denis Stoner

**Services During May**

**Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> May**

7.30pm Wholeness & Healing Eucharist

**Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> May – ROGATION SUNDAY**

8.00am BCP Eucharist

9.30am All Age Eucharist

**Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> May**

7.30pm Conversation and Compline

**Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> May Ascension Day Eucharist**

10.30am CHALDON CHURCH

7.30pm WOLDINGHAM CHURCH

**Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> May 7<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter**

9.30am Eucharist & Inklings

**Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> May**

7.30pm Conversation and Compline

**Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> May Pentecost**

9.30am Eucharist & Inklings

**Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May**

7.30pm Conversation and Compline

**Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> May**

8.00pm Archdeacon's Visitation Service at St John the Evangelist, Hurst Green

**Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> May Trinity Sunday**

9.30am Eucharist & Inklings

**Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> May**

7.30pm Conversation and Compline

**Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> June 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday After Trinity**

8.00am BCP Eucharist

9.30am All Age Eucharist