Sunday 18th October, 2020 - St. Luke the Evangelist
10.00 Parish Communion

Opening hymn: All creatures of our God and King

1. All creatures of our God and King,
   Lift up your voice and with us sing
   Alleluya, alleluya!
   Thou burning sun with golden beam,
   Thou silver moon with softer gleam:

   Refrain: O praise him, O praise him,
             Alleluya, Alleluya, Alleluya!

2. Thou rushing wind that art so strong,
   Ye clouds that sail in heaven along,
   O praise him, Alleluya!
   Thou rising morn, in praise rejoice,
   Ye lights of evening, find a voice: Refrain

3. Thou flowing water, pure and clear,
   Make music for thy Lord to hear,
   Alleluya, Alleluya!
   Thou fire so masterful and bright,
   That givest man both warmth and light: Refrain

4. Dear mother earth, who day by day
   Unfoldest blessings on our way,
   O praise him, Alleluya!
   The flowers and fruits that in thee grow,
   Let them his glory also show: Refrain

5. And all ye men of tender heart,
   Forgiving others, take your part,
   O sing ye, Alleluya!
   Ye who long pain and sorrow bear,
   Praise God and on him cast your care: Refrain

6. And thou, most kind and gentle death,
   Waiting to hush our latest breath,
   O praise him, Alleluya!
   Thou leadest home the child of God,
   And Christ our Lord the way hath trod: Refrain

7. Let all things their Creator bless,
   And worship him in humbleness,
   O praise him, Alleluya!
   Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son,
   And praise the Spirit, three in One: Refrain

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Gloria:
Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Collect:
Almighty God, you called Luke the physician, whose praise is in the gospel, to be an evangelist and physician of the soul: by the grace of the Spirit and through the wholesome medicine of the gospel, give your Church the same love and power to heal; 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. Amen

First Reading: Isaiah 35. 3 - 6
Strengthen the weak hands, and make firm the feeble knees. Say to those who are of a fearful heart, ‘Be strong, do not fear! Here is your God. He will come with vengeance, with terrible recompense. He will come and save you.’ Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped; then the lame shall leap like a deer, and the tongue of the speechless sing for joy. For waters shall break forth in the wilderness, and streams in the desert.

Second Reading: 2 Timothy 4. 5 - 17
As for you, always be sober, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully. As for me, I am already being poured out as a libation, and the time of my departure has come. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. From now on there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give to me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing. Do your best to come to me soon, for Demas, in love with this present world, has deserted me and gone to Thessalonica; Crescens has gone to Galatia, Titus to Dalmatia. Only Luke is with me. Get Mark and bring him with you, for he is useful in my ministry. I have sent Tychicus to Ephesus. When you come, bring the cloak that I left with Carpus at Troas, also the books, and above all the parchments. Alexander the coppersmith did me great harm; the Lord will pay him back for his deeds. You also must beware of him, for he strongly opposed our message. At my first defence no one came to my support, but all deserted me. May it not be counted against them! But the Lord stood by me and gave me strength, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion’s mouth.

Gradual hymn: Immortal, invisible, God only wise

1. Immortal, invisible, God only wise,
   In light inaccessible hid from our eyes,
   Most blessèd, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,
   Almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise.

2. Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light,
   Nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might;
   Thy justice like mountains high soaring above
   Thy clouds which are fountains of goodness and love.

3. To all life thou givest - to both great and small;
   In all life thou livest, the true life of all;
   We blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree,
   And wither and perish - but nought changeth thee.

4. Great Father of glory, pure Father of light,
   Thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight;
   All laud we would render: O help us to see
   'Tis only the splendour of light hideth thee.

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The Lord appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. He said to them, ‘The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest. Go on your way. See, I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and greet no one on the road. Whatever house you enter, first say, “Peace to this house!” And if anyone is there who shares in peace, your peace will rest on that person; but if not, it will return to you. Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the labourer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; cure the sick who are there, and say to them, “The kingdom of God has come near to you.”

Offertory hymn: Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart

1. Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart,
   Be all else but naught to me, save that thou art,
   Be thou my best thought in the day and the night,
   Both waking and sleeping, thy presence my light.

2. Be thou my wisdom, be thou my true word
   Be thou ever with me, and I with thee, Lord,
   Be thou my great Father, and I thy true son,
   Be thou in me dwelling, and I with thee one.

3. Be thou my breastplate, my sword for the fight,
   Be thou my whole armour, be thou my true might,
   Be thou my soul's shelter, be thou my strong tower,
   O raise thou me heavenward, great Power of my power.

4. Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise,
   Be thou my inheritance now and always,
   Be thou and thou only the first in my heart,
   O Sovereign of heaven, my treasure thou art.

5. High King of heaven, thou heaven's bright Sun,
   O grant me its joys after vict'ry is won,
   Great Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
   Still be thou my vision, O Ruler of all.

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Sanctus/Benedictus:
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Agnus Dei:
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, grant us peace.

Communion hymn: Just as I am, without one plea

1. Just as I am, without one plea
   But that thy blood was shed for me,
   And that thou bidd'st me come to thee,

   Reftain: O Lamb of God, I come.

2. Just as I am, though tossed about
   With many a conflict, many a doubt,
   Fightings within, and fears without, Reftain
3. Just as I am, poor, wretched, blind;
   Sight, riches, healing of the mind,
   Yea all I need, in thee to find,  
   *Refrain*

4. Just as I am, thou wilt receive,
   Wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve:
   Because thy promise I believe,  
   *Refrain*

5. Just as I am (thy love unknown
   Has broken every barrier down),
   Now to be thine, yea thine alone,  
   *Refrain*

6. Just as I am, of that free love
   The breadth, length, depth and height to prove,
   Here for a season then above,
   *O Lamb of God, I come.*

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**Post Communion Prayer:**
Almighty God, who on the day of Pentecost sent your Holy Spirit to the apostles with the wind from heaven and in tongues of flame, filling them with joy and boldness to preach the gospel: by the power of the same Spirit strengthen us to witness to your truth and to draw everyone to the fire of your love; through Jesus Christ our Lord.  

Amen

**Final hymn: We have a gospel to proclaim**

1. We have a gospel to proclaim,
   Good news for men in all the earth,
   The gospel of a Saviour's name:
   We sing his glory, tell his worth.

2. Tell of his birth at Bethlehem,
   Not in a royal house or hall,
   But in a stable dark and dim:
   The Word made flesh, a light for all.

3. Tell of his death at Calvary,
   Hated by those he came to save,
   In lonely suffering on the cross:
   For all he loved, his life he gave.

4. Tell of that glorious Easter morn,
   Empty the tomb, for he was free:
   He broke the power of death and hell
   That we might share his victory.

5. Tell of his reign at God's right hand,
   By all creation glorified:
   He sends his Spirit on his Church,
   To live for him, the Lamb who died.

6. Now we rejoice to name him King:
   Jesus is Lord of all the earth.
   This gospel message we proclaim;
   We sing his glory, tell his worth.

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**Hello Children**  Mary Mouse is very happy to see you all back in church again! She is social distancing, so cannot be picked up or touched, but she will be in church every Sunday, see if you can spot her.

**Sunday Club** will not meet until further notice. We will be offering a regular Mary Mouse letter. For details contact Gillian, gillian.pett29@gmail.com

**INTERCESSIONS**

Please refer any pastoral concerns for members of the congregation or members of the local community to any member of the Ministry team including our Co-ordinator for Pastoral Services, Mrs Frances Simms. Please pray for the sick, frail, housebound and those in care. Please let the Vicar know about all cases of sickness and others for whom we should pray.

**SUPPORTING OUR CHURCH**

Before the pandemic we were already concerned about the increasing financial deficit we have been facing for several years. Some of our regular expenses, e.g. utilities, have been reduced during lockdown, but ongoing expenses have continued. Additionally the provision of sanitiser products, signage and other purchases connected with providing online services has added costs. Our greatest expense by far is the Ministry Share paid to the Diocese (currently £52,189 pa), which has to be found every month, under all circumstances. We still very much need the support of all our Church members and visitors.

Donations can be made by:

- Parish Giving Scheme (PCC’s preferred option)
- Standing Order or Bank transfer
- Donating via the Giving Page on website https://www.stmarysgreatshelford.org/
- Traditional envelope donations (posted through the vicarage letterbox, or left in the collection box at the back of church). Please write your PIN on the envelope, if you have one.

To help further, at no cost to yourself, please Gift Aid your donations if you are able. Our Treasurer Pat Brown is happy to assist with any of the above. Contact details: phone 07811 563597 or email: patbrown2591@yahoo.co.uk. Thank you very much for all your support.

**ST. MARY'S GREAT SHELFORD - WEEKLY NEWSLETTER**

**A warm welcome** if you are visiting us for the first time. Please see the risk assessment on display at the back of church or on our website. A reminder that face masks must be worn at all times during services.

**Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM): Today - 18th Oct. after the Parish Communion in the church. Nomination forms** for the posts of Churchwarden, together with PCC members are at the back of church. An apology list is also available here.

**Evening Prayer:** We have started to offer Evening Prayer according to the Book of Common Prayer in church again; after a trial run on alternate Sundays, it will now be held in church on the first Sunday of each month, at 4pm. On all other Sundays, Evening Prayer will be live via Zoom at 6.30pm. A link will be sent out as usual; please contact Simon if you would like to receive this.

**My sincere thanks** to The Rev'd Dr. Julie Norris for providing service cover on the last two weekends during my sick leave.

**Services by Zoom:** Now that we can offer public services, we still want to extend our online offering to those who for very good reasons will not yet feel comfortable in attending church.
Andrew Johnson RIP: Andrew, FRICS, was baptised and married at St Mary's. He had a distinguished career in the property sector, and pursued many hobbies - particularly rowing, both as a participant and as an inspirational coach. His family funeral will take place at St Mary's on 22nd Oct, at 10.30am. A memorial service is planned for next year for colleagues, rowers and friends to attend. We remember Debbie and the family in our prayers.

Susan Pryor RIP: Susan's funeral will take place on Wed. 4th Nov. at 11.30am, at St Mary's. Susan died in a local care home recently and rather suddenly; the family have a long connection with Gt. Shelford and her father's funeral took place in the parish church in the early 2000's I believe. We remember Susan and her family in our prayers.

Congratulations to James & Hannah Dennis who celebrated their marriage at St Mary's on Sat. 10th Oct.

Cambridge Month of Accompanied Prayer, November 2020:
Once again the team are offering an opportunity for people to be accompanied once a week by a trained guide in November 2020. Most days and evenings will be possible, to suit you. Due to the pandemic these ‘meetings’ will be on a virtual platform or by telephone. There will be no charge for participation. We will need to limit the number of participants to 20. Sadly, this year we will be without Sr Anna Hawke who died earlier in the year but we are very keen to continue with the work about which she was so enthusiastic.
An introductory session will be held on Zoom on Sunday 1 November, All Saints Day, at 3pm, followed by the chance to meet with your guide and arrange a mutually convenient time of day.
If you are interested, please email (or ring) for more details and an application form – Kay Dodsworth: ekdodsworth@gmail.com; 01223 234493 or 07786910406.
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Independent Inquiry into Child Sexual Abuse (IICSA) Report: You will no doubt have seen the coverage in the press this week about the publication of the report of the Independent Inquiry into Child Sexual Abuse (IICSA) into the Anglican Church in England and Wales. The Archbishop of Canterbury issued this statement in response:-

“To fail on safeguarding casts a profound stain across every good thing we do. I have said this before and I continue to stand by it. But I am acutely aware as we come towards the end of this year that while there is a genuine commitment for the safeguarding of children and vulnerable adults to be the highest priority of all parts of the Church, it is evident we still have not got it right.

The report published today is a stark and shocking reminder of how so many times we have failed – and continue to fail - survivors. Apologies are vital, but they are not enough. We have to listen. We have to learn. And we have to act.

In calling for the enquiry, through a letter to the then Home Secretary Theresa May in 2014, I was aware that although it would be something that survivors had demanded it would also be a deeply painful process to tell their stories. I am very grateful to them for their courage. We cannot and will not make excuses and I must again offer my sincere apologies to those who have been abused, and to their families, friends and colleagues.

There is clearly much to respond to and an in-depth consideration of today’s report is vital. IICSA has shone a light on the past and present to help us better inform our future safeguarding work. They are owed our thanks which we give wholeheartedly. I pray this report and its recommendations will result in the changes needed to make our Church a safer place for all, now and for future generations.”

Clearly we need to continue to pray for those whose lives have been deeply scarred by historic abuse.

Daily HOPE: This is an excellent national Church of England initiative for those who are especially isolated and do not have access to the internet. Daily HOPE is a freephone line, available 24 hours a day on 0800 804 8044. Callers will hear a special greeting from the Archbishop of Canterbury before being able to choose from a range of options, including Prayer During the Day and Night Prayer updated daily, from Common Worship, and a recording of the Church of England’s weekly national online service. A section called Hymn Line will also offer callers a small selection of hymns, updated daily. An option entitled ‘Hymns We Love’,
We are delighted to welcome visitors to St Mary's for private prayer and reflection.

Sunday 18th October, 2020
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10:00 Parish Communion
18:30 Evening Prayer by Zoom link

Sunday 25th October, 2020
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10:00 Parish Communion
18:30 Evening Prayer by Zoom link

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Applications for baptisms, marriages and the calling of Banns of marriage should be made please to the Parish Administrator.

Small scale marriages and Baptisms are now permitted under quite strict conditions. Please make contact with the Parish Administrator in the first instance.
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