

THE PARISH OF ABBOTS LANGLEY

St Lawrence the Martyr, Abbots Langley
with the Church of the Ascension, Bedmond

5th July 2026

FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY



TODAY

8.00am Eucharist at St Lawrence Church

President & Preacher: Revd Peter Waddell

Reader: Hilary Causer

9.30am Eucharist at St Lawrence Church

President & Preacher: Revd Peter Waddell

Readers: Kathryn Sanders
Wendy Meldrum

Intercessions: Roland Maxted

11.30am Eucharist at The Church of the Ascension

President & Preacher: Revd Peter Waddell

Reader: Wendy Ball

Readings:

Zechariah 9.9–12 (P. 898)

Psalms 145.8–15 (P. 592)

Romans 7.15–25 (P. 153)

Matthew 11.16–19, 25–end (P. 11)

Hymns:

250 All creatures of our God and King

469 I heard the voice of Jesus say

308 Just as I am

466 How shall I sing that majesty

5.00pm Breathing Space
St Lawrence Church

6.30pm Nameless Youth Group
Breakspear Room

WELCOME

Welcome to our worship today, especially to visitors and newcomers! Do please make yourself known, and stay for refreshments in the church hall afterwards.

All baptised Christians are welcome to receive communion here. If for any reason you'd rather not, do come for a blessing instead, bringing the service booklet with you as a sign that's what you'd prefer.



Please tell a welcomer before the service if you would like a gluten-free wafer at communion. There is no obligation to receive the wine if this causes anxiety.

Our main Sunday morning service is filmed for live video streaming as well as other special services and can be viewed at www.churchmedia.tv/abbotslangley or via our website www.abbotslangley.org.uk.

Recordings may also be retained and made available through other sites (e.g. Facebook and YouTube). The objective of this is to provide accessibility to those who are unable to attend.

For those unable to attend church due to medical reasons, we will be delighted to bring communion to you at home: please do ask! A T-loop is provided for hearing-aid users.



Refreshments will be served in the Breakspear Room after the 9.30am service



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THE PRAYERS AND BIBLE READINGS

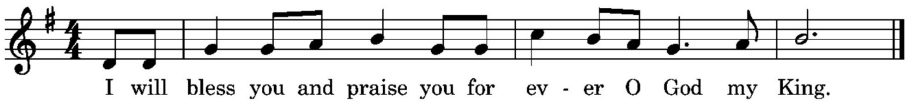
COLLECT:

Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of the Church is governed and sanctified: hear our prayer which we offer for all your faithful people, that in their vocation and ministry they may serve you in holiness and truth to the glory of your name; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

POST COMMUNION:

Grant, O Lord, we beseech you, that the course of this world may be so peaceably ordered by your governance, that your Church may joyfully serve you in all godly quietness; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Psalm 145 vv8-15 Response



PSALM 145.8-15

Response: *I will bless you and praise you for ever O God my King.*

8 The Lord is gracious and merciful, long-suffering and of great- goodness.

9 The Lord is loving to everyone and his mercy is over all his creatures.

Response:

10 All your works praise you O Lord, and your faithful servants bless you.

11 They tell of the glory|of your kingdom and speak of your mighty power,

Response:

12 To make known to all peoples your mighty acts and the glorious splendour of your kingdom.

13 Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom; your dominion endures throughout all ages.

Response:

14 The Lord is sure in all his words and faithful in all his deeds.

15 The Lord upholds all those who fall and lifts up all those who are bowed down.

Response:

ANTHEM

Lead me, Lord

S. S. Wesley

Lead me, Lord, lead me in thy righteousness,
make thy way plain before my face.
For it is thou, Lord, thou, Lord only,
that makest me dwell in safety.

FOR OUR PRAYERS	THE COMING WEEK
- Soul Survivor Church, Watford - Those ordained this weekend - The work of the YMCA - The people of Malosa, Malawi FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL OR IN NEED Chris Ballard; Christopher Seabrook; Bernard Eamer; Clive Moon; Sophie Bellamy; Pamela Cotton; Deborah Hurril FOR THE DEPARTED Madeleine Walters; John Littler; Kim Smith; John Davis	Monday–Saturday, 9.15am Morning Prayer <i>In the Corpus Christi Chapel</i> <u>Monday 6th July</u> 10.00am Coffee Morning <i>**Cancelled this week**</i> 10.00am Funeral of Kim Tracy Smith <i>St Lawrence Church</i> 7.30pm Bell Ringing Practice <i>St Lawrence Church</i> <u>Tuesday 7th July</u> 10.30am Tiny Tots <i>Breakspeare Room</i> 8.00pm Bloses <i>Breakspeare Room</i> <u>Wednesday 8th July</u> 11.00am Mothers’ Union <i>Breakspeare Room</i> 12.00pm Eucharist <i>St Lawrence Church</i> 2.00pm Pastoral Visitors Meeting <i>Breakspeare Room</i> 3.30pm Messy Church <i>Abbots Langley Methodist Church</i> 6.30pm Junior Choir Rehearsal <i>St Lawrence Church</i> 8.00pm Choir Rehearsal <i>St Lawrence Church</i> <u>Thursday 9th July</u> 8.00pm Friends and Faith Group <i>Breakspeare Room</i> <u>Friday 10th July</u> 2.00pm Craft and Conversation <i>Breakspeare Room</i> <u>Saturday 11th July</u> 1.30pm Wedding of Lindsey Silvester and Robert Waller <i>St Lawrence Church</i>
NEXT SUNDAY	
Sunday 12th July 2026 6th Sunday after Trinity 8.00am Eucharist at St Lawrence Church 9.30am Eucharist at St Lawrence Church 11.30am Eucharist at The Church of the Ascension (Tin Church) 5.00pm CTAL: Festival Songs of Praise	
READINGS NEXT SUNDAY	
Isaiah 55.10-13 (P.696) Romans 8.1-11 (P. 153) Matthew 13.1-9, 18-23 (P. 13)	
LYCHGATE APPEAL	
The Lychgate Appeal is well underway, and so far we have raised £8,462. Thank you to everyone for your support.	
AVAILABILITY	
Peter is off on Tuesday.	

There is no collection during today's service. If you would like to give this morning, please use the contactless giving point at the back of Church, or just leave your gift on the offering plates at the back or scan the QR code. Thank you.



Many of our worshippers **support the work of the Parish financially** through regular planned giving. If you don't yet, please do—ideally using the Parish Giving Scheme. It is really easy to do: just visit www.parishgiving.org.uk and search for 'Abbots Langley and Bedmond'. Alternatively, please call 0333 002 1260. For any queries about giving to the parish, please

We are hosting two events today (5th July) as part of the Abbots Langley Festival! Please come support **The Friends of St Lawrence Tours and Wedding Exhibition** in the church, 12.00-4.00pm. There will be a wedding dress display, an opportunity to look at the church, and refreshments. In the church hall, the Abbots Langley Crafters are holding a **Craft Fair**, 10.30am-4.00pm. Why not make a day of it and enjoy both events?

At tonight's **Breathing Space** at 5pm we will be discussing "Can a bad person be a

good leader?" All are welcome, refreshments to follow.

As part of the Abbots Langley Festival, St Lawrence will be hosting the Churches Together Abbots Langley **Festival Songs of Praise** service on 12th July at 5pm. All are welcome. Please note that there will be no Choral Evensong on this date.

Open Garden: Bishop of St Albans' hidden two acre city centre oasis is open to the public 2-4pm on July 12th and 19th. Abbey Gate House, Abbey Mill Lane AL3 4HD. Entry £5/adult. Dogs on leads. No toilets.

Volunteers Needed:

We are looking for a volunteer to work alongside Brenda Southorn on the 2nd Monday of each month at our Coffee Mornings in the Breakspear Room. If you are able to help fill this slot, please contact Carol Higgs, crl.higgs@googlemail.com. Thank you!

If anyone is willing to provide a lift to church, either occasionally or on a regular basis, please contact Whitney at the church office.

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***If anyone needs the ministry of a priest at any time,
please contact Peter directly.***