

THE PARISH OF ABBOTS LANGLEY

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

19th May 2024
PENTECOST



TODAY

- 8.00am** Eucharist at
St Lawrence Church
- President:** Revd. Peter Waddell
Preacher: Revd. Helen Neville
- Reader:** Tom Betteridge
- 9.30am** Eucharist at
St Lawrence Church
- President:** Revd. Peter Waddell
Preacher: Revd. Helen Neville
- Reader:** Kathryn Sanders
- Intercessions:** Roland Maxted
- 11.30am** Eucharist at the Church of
the Ascension
- President:** Revd. Peter Waddell
Preacher: Revd. Helen Neville
- Reader:** Wendy Ball
- Readings:**
Acts 2: 1 - 21 (P.115)
(Romans 8: 22 - 27) (P. 154)
John 15: 26 - 27; 16: 4b - 15 (P. 107)
- 5.00pm:** Pentecost Evensong
St Lawrence Church
- 6.30pm:** Nameless Youth Group
St Lawrence Church Hall

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!



**Refreshments
will be served in
the Church Hall
after the 9.30am
service.**



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THE PRAYERS AND BIBLE READINGS

COLLECT:

God, who as at this time taught the hearts of your faithful people by sending to them the light of your Holy Spirit: grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgement in all things and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort; through the merits of Christ Jesus our Saviour, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER:

Faithful God, who fulfilled the promises of Easter by sending us your Holy Spirit and opening to every race and nation the way of life eternal: open our lips by your Spirit, that every tongue may tell of your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

PSALM: 104.26-37 *Chant by John Harper*

- 26 O Lord, how manifold are your works!
In wisdom you have made them all;
the earth is full of your creatures.
- 27 There is the sea, spread far and wide, and
there move creatures beyond number,
both small and great.
- 28 There go the ships, and there is that
Leviathan which you have made to play in
the deep.
- 29 All of these look to you to give them their
food in due season.
- 30 When you give it them, they gather it;
you open your hand and they are filled
with good.
- 31 When you hide your face they are
troubled; when you take away their
breath, they die and return again to the
dust.
- 32 When you send forth your spirit, they are
created, and you renew the face of the
earth.
- 33 May the glory of the Lord endure for
ever; may the Lord rejoice in his works;
- 34 He looks on the earth and it trembles; he
touches the mountains and they smoke.
- 35 I will sing to the Lord as long as I live; I
will make music to my God while I have
my being.
- 36 So shall my song please him while I
rejoice in the Lord.
- 37 Let sinners be consumed out of the earth
and the wicked be no more.
Bless the Lord, O my soul.
Alleluia. Alleluia.

ANTHEM: 'Come Holy Ghost'

Orlando Gibbons:

*Come, Holy Ghost, the Maker, come;
Take in the souls of thine thy place;
Thou whom our hearts had being from,
Oh, fill them with thy heav'nly grace.*

*Thou art that Comfort from above,
The Highest doth by gift impart;
Thou spring of life, a fire of love,
And the anointing Spirit art.*

Choral Evensong for Pentecost

Sunday 19th May 5.00pm
St Lawrence Church

Canticles: *Stanford in Bb.*

Preces and Responses: *William Smith*

Introit:

My Eyes for Beauty Pine (Herbert Howells)

Anthem:

Cantique de Jean Racine (Gabriel Fauré)

Psalm:

104.26-37

Hymns:

175: Come down o love divine

174: Breathe on me, breath of God

FOR OUR PRAYERS

- For the whole church, that it may be renewed in the Spirit
- For the parish of St. Paul's, Langleybury
- For the Nameless youth group
- For the people of Malosa, and our Malawi team

FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL OR IN NEED

Chris Ballard; Martin Greeves; Jo; Sean Furlong; The Princess of Wales; Stephen Maxted; Liz Brooker; Christopher Seabrook

FOR THE DEPARTED

Wendy Bryant; Susan Andrews; Tony Horrox; Joyce Moore

NEXT SUNDAY

26th May 2024

Trinity Sunday

- 8.00am Eucharist at
St Lawrence Church
- 9.30am Eucharist at
St Lawrence Church
- 11.30am Eucharist at the Church of
the Ascension
- 3.30pm The Spark at St Lawrence
Church

READINGS NEXT SUNDAY

Isaiah 6: 1 - 8 (P. 645)
Romans 8: 12 - 17 (P. 153)
John 3: 1 - 17 (P. 90)

AVAILABILITY

Peter is off on Monday
Helen is off on Friday.

THE COMING WEEK

Monday - Saturday, 9.15am

Morning Prayer

In the Corpus Christi Chapel

Monday 20th May

10.00am Coffee Morning

Breakspear Room

1.45pm Tiny Tots

Breakspear Room

7.30pm Bell Ringing Practice

St Lawrence Church

Tuesday 21st May

8.00pm Property Committee Meeting

Breakspear Room

Wednesday 22nd May

11.15am Contemplative Prayer

In the Corpus Christi Chapel

12.00pm Eucharist

St Lawrence Church

6.30pm Youth Choir

St Lawrence Church

7.30pm Gravetalk

Henderson Hub

8.00pm Choir Rehearsal

St Lawrence Church

Thursday 23rd May

8.00pm Friends and Faith Group

Breakspear Room

Friday 24th May

10.00am Bedmond Bells Craft and Chat

Church of the Ascension

2.00pm Craft and Conversation

Breakspear Room

Saturday 25th May

7.30pm Spring Concert

Watford Brass Band

St Lawrence Church

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. 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 email: giving@abbotslangley.org.uk. Parish Giving Packs can be collected from St Lawrence Church or from the Church Office.

May concerts - The final concert in the series is 25th May 7.30pm Watford Band 'Last Night of the Proms'. Tickets £10 www.ticketsource.co.uk or from Carol Higgs.

The Sunday lunch in May has been changed to Sunday 26th May at 1.00pm.

Ever wondered what Adam and Eve, talking snakes, Noah and his ark, Babel and its tower have to do being a Christian today? **The Friends and Faith group** are turning their attention for the next few months to the book of Genesis. Come and discover what it's all about, with great company and refreshments! Every Thursday evening from 8pm in the Breakspear Room; sessions always done by 9.30pm and all welcome.

Memorial Tablets - We are currently in the process of looking into laying memorial tablets around the edge of the Garden of Remembrance. If you have a loved one buried in the Garden of Remembrance and are interested in this memorial option, please contact the Church Office.

Church Fete - Saturday 15th June 12.00pm-3.00pm (At the front of St Lawrence Church). COULD WE ASK FOR YOUR SUPPORT, PLEASE DONATE ...Bottles, tins, packets, toiletries or unwanted gifts for the tombola. Cakes, jams or chutney. Plants. Raffle prizes **Please let us have the tombola items in advance** but the others can be brought along on the day from 9.30am onwards or to the office in advance.

New Hope Appeal - "Cultivate" is a New Hope recovery service which exists to support those recovering from homelessness, substance dependency and complex trauma through horticultural therapy and wellbeing opportunities. New Hope are currently looking to raise £10,000 to support this service. Donations will be match-funded (doubled) by Big Give if you are able to donate between 14th and 28th May. To donate go to www.newhope.org.uk/restore Thank you. Ian Bond"

Gravetalk - Wednesday 22nd May 7.30pm Hendershot Hub. Discussions in small groups about many issues around death, dying and funerals all in a relaxed café environment. For more information or to book a free place email: bereavement.ctal@yahoo.com

DIOCESAN ELECTIONS ARE HAPPENING NOW! Talk to Peter if you would like to be involved in this crucial Diocesan body.

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