

# THE PARISH OF ABBOTS LANGLEY

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

20th October 2024

THE TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY



## TODAY

- 8.00am** Eucharist at  
St Lawrence Church
- President:** Revd Helen Neville  
**Preacher:** Revd Peter Waddell
- Reader:** Tom Betteridge
- 9.30am** Eucharist at  
St Lawrence Church
- President:** Revd Helen Neville  
**Preacher:** Revd Peter Waddell
- Reader:** Carol Higgs
- Intercessions:** Sally Sanderson
- 11.30am:** Eucharist at the Church of  
the Ascension
- President &  
Preacher:** Revd Peter Waddell
- Reader:** Linda Ball
- Readings:**  
Job 38: 1 - 7 (34 - end) (P. 494)  
Isaiah 53: 4 - end (P. 694)  
Hebrews 5: 1 - 10 (P. 217)  
Mark 10: 35 - 45 (P. 45)
- Hymns:**  
401: Come let us join our cheerful songs  
Psalm 104: (at St. Lawrence)  
496: Lead us Heavenly Father, lead us  
432: From Heaven you came  
127: When I survey the wondrous cross  
398: Christ triumphant, ever reigning
- 5.00pm:** Taizé Service  
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](http://www.churchmedia.tv/abbotslangley) or via our website [www.abbotslangley.org.uk](http://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:

Grant, we beseech you, merciful Lord, to your faithful people pardon and peace, that they may be cleansed from all their sins and serve you with a quiet mind; 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.

### POST COMMUNION:

Father of light, in whom is no change or shadow of turning, you give us every good and perfect gift and have brought us to birth by your word of truth: may we be a living sign of that kingdom where your whole creation will be made perfect in Jesus Christ our Lord.



At your re - buke, O Lord, the wa - ters fled.

### PSALM 104:

#### Refrain

Bless the Lord, O my soul.  
O Lord my God, how excellent is your greatness!  
You are clothed with majesty and honour,  
wrapped in light as in a garment.

#### Refrain

You spread out the heavens like a curtain  
and lay the beams of your dwelling place in  
the waters above.  
You make the clouds your chariot  
and ride on the wings of the wind.

#### Refrain

You make the winds your messengers  
and flames of fire your servants.  
You laid the foundations of the earth,  
that it never should move at any time.

#### Refrain

You covered it with the deep like a  
garment;  
the waters stood high above the hills.  
At your rebuke they fled;  
at the voice of your thunder they hastened  
away.

#### Refrain

They rose up to the hills and flowed down  
to the valleys beneath,  
to the place which you had appointed for  
them.

You have set them their bounds that they  
should not pass,  
nor turn again to cover the earth.

#### Refrain

You have set them their bounds that they  
should not pass,  
nor turn again to cover the earth.  
O Lord, how manifold are your works! In  
wisdom you have made them all; the earth  
is full of your creatures.

I will sing to the Lord as long as I live;  
I will make music to my God while I have  
my being.

#### Refrain

### ANTHEM:

**Comfort, O Lord, the soul of thy servant**  
*William Crouch*

Comfort, O Lord, the soul of thy servant.  
For unto thee do I lift up my soul.

## FOR OUR PRAYERS

- For All Saints Leavesden
- For our emergency services
- For all far from home
- For all who are weary

### FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL OR IN NEED

Chris Ballard; Jo; Liz Brooker; Christopher Seabrook; Bernie Eamer; Stephen Murray; Frank Tilley; Shanta Thuladar; Wendy Westoby

### FOR THE DEPARTED

Joan Sanders; Paul Birch

## NEXT SUNDAY

**27th October 2024**

Bible 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 Service at St Lawrence Church

## READINGS NEXT SUNDAY

Isaiah 45: 22 - end (P. 686)  
Psalm 119: 129 - 136 (P. 581)  
Romans 15: 1 - 6 (P. 159)  
Luke 4: 16 - 24 (P. 59)

## 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 21st October

10.00am Coffee Morning  
*Breakspeare Room*

7.30pm Bell Ringing Practice  
*St Lawrence Church*

### Tuesday 22nd October

10.30am Tiny Tots  
*Breakspeare Room*

### Wednesday 23rd October

12.00pm Eucharist  
*St Lawrence Church*

6.30pm Youth Choir Practise  
*St Lawrence Church*

8.00pm Choir Practise  
*St Lawrence Church*

### Thursday 24th October

2.00pm Funeral of Joan Sanders  
*St Lawrence Church*

8.00pm Friends and Faith Group  
*Breakspeare Room*

### Friday 25th October

10.00am Bedmond Bells Craft and Chat  
*The Church of the Ascension*

2.00pm Craft and Conversation  
*Breakspeare Room*

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](http://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: [churchwarden2@abbotslangley.org.uk](mailto:churchwarden2@abbotslangley.org.uk) Parish Giving Packs can be collected from St Lawrence Church or from the Church Office.

**Elsa Jean McTaggart with Gary Lister - Hebridean Fire.** Friday 1st November 7.30pm in St Lawrence Church. Profits from the concert will go to the Malawi Project. Tickets £14.  
[www.ticketsource.co.uk/flatpacktheatre](http://www.ticketsource.co.uk/flatpacktheatre) or call 01923 444619

**Immy and Kathy in Concert** - Saturday 30th November 5pm in St Lawrence Church. Soprano songs, classical, musical and modern. Retiring collection for the Friends of St Lawrence and the Malawi Project. Cake and refreshments available for a donation afterwards.

**Sunday lunch is today** at 1.00pm in the church hall.

**The next Spark Service** will be on Sunday 27th October in St Lawrence Church. All are very welcome to this informal service which happens on the last Sunday of every month. Meet at 3.30pm for refreshments with the service starting at 4.00pm and ending at 5.00pm. We hope to see you there!

**Friends of St Lawrence Quiz** - the Quiz on 28th September made a surplus for the Friends of St Lawrence of £1,317. A brilliant result from a most enjoyable evening. Many thanks to all who supported this event and enabled it to happen. Our apologies for the delay in publishing this result.

**If you would like to sing in the Christmas services** (Advent, Nine Lessons, Midnight Mass especially), please drop Marianne an email. Christmas rehearsals will be starting very soon and we would love to encourage some of our musical congregation to be involved, who aren't regularly in the choir!  
[directorofmusic@abbotslangley.org.uk](mailto:directorofmusic@abbotslangley.org.uk)

**There will be a reading for Abbots Langley Player's April play 2025** in the Barn (behind the Henderson Hub) at 8pm this coming Wednesday, October 23rd. The play is Rules for Living by Sam Holcroft - a dark comedy. All welcome. Any further details from ALP sec. on 01923 264697.

**Light up the Night** - Looking for a warm and welcoming stop while you're out trick-or-treating? Drop in to St Lawrence Church for some light-themed crafts, fun games, hot chocolate, and, of course, a treat or two to take home! Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> October 4pm-6pm.

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