

THE PARISH OF ABBOTS LANGLEY

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

3rd August 2025

THE SEVENTH 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
- Reader:** Nigel Higgs
- Intercessions:** Revd Peter Waddell
- 11.30am** Eucharist at the Church of the Ascension
- President & Preacher:** Revd Peter Waddell
- Reader:** Wendy Ball
- Readings:**
Hosea 11: 1 - 11 (P. 857)
Ecclesiastes 1: 2, 12 - 14; 2: 18 - 23 (P. 626)
Colossians 3: 1 - 11 (P. 198)
Luke 12: 13 - 21 (P. 71)
- Hymns:**
250: All creatures of our God and king
Ps. 107 (St. Lawrence)
368 *Be Thou My Vision (Bedmond)*
278: Alleluia, sing to Jesus
324: Sweet Sacrament Divine
482: Jerusalem the golden
- 5.00pm** BCP Evening Prayer at St Lawrence Church

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:

Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: graft in our hearts the love of your name, increase in us true religion, nourish us with all goodness, and of your great mercy keep us in the same; 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:

Lord God, whose Son is the true vine and the source of life, ever giving himself that the world may live: may we so receive within ourselves the power of his death and passion that in his saving cup, we may share his glory and be made perfect in his love; for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

PSALM 107:1-9



Give thanks to the Lord, give thanks to the Lord, for_ he is gra - cious.

Response:

***Give thanks to the Lord,
give thanks to the Lord,
for he is gracious.***

1 O give thanks to the Lord for he is
gracious,
for his steadfast love endures for ever.
2 Let the redeemed of the Lord say this,
those he redeemed from the hand of the
enemy,
3 And gathered out of the lands from the
east and from the west,
from the north and from the south.

Response

4 Some went astray in desert wastes
and found no path to a city to dwell in.
5 Hungry and thirsty,
their soul was fainting within them.
6 So they cried to the Lord in their trouble
and he delivered them from their distress.

Response

7 He set their feet on the right way
till they came to a city to dwell in.
8 Let them give thanks to the Lord for his
goodness
and the wonders he does for his children.
9 For he satisfies the longing soul
and fills the hungry soul with good.

Response.

FOR OUR PRAYERS

- For the people of Gaza
- For St. Paul's Church, Langleybury
- For all suffering from addiction
- For families in breakdown

FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL OR IN NEED

Chris Ballard; Christopher Seabrook; Olive Reeder; Laya Watters; Richard Constable; Sandra Clarke; Jane Anderson; Wendy Ball; Harvey Southorn, Julie Marsden

FOR THE DEPARTED

Joyce Sones; Heather Reed

NEXT SUNDAY

10th August 2025

St Lawrence Day Patronal Festival

- 8.00am Eucharist at St Lawrence Church
- 11.00am St Lawrence Day Patronal Festival at St Lawrence Church
- 5.00pm BCP Evening Prayer at St Lawrence Church

READINGS NEXT SUNDAY

Tobit 4:5-11
2 Corinthians 9:6-10
Matthew 6:19-24

AVAILABILITY

Peter is off Tuesday to Friday.
Helen is off on Friday.

THE COMING WEEK

Monday - Saturday, 9.15am

Morning Prayer
In the Corpus Christi Chapel

The Church Office is closed all week and will reopen on Monday 11th August

Monday 4th August

10.00am Coffee Morning
Breakspear Room

7.30pm Bell Ringing Practice
St Lawrence Church

Tuesday 5th August

4.15pm Visiting Bell Ringers
from Zimbabwe
St Lawrence Church

Wednesday 6th August

10.00am Coffee Morning
The Tin Church

12.00pm Eucharist
Corpus Christi Chapel

2.00pm Compassionate Café
Breakspear Room

Friday 8th August

2.00pm Craft and Conversation
Breakspear Room

Saturday 9th August

3.00pm Wedding of Christine Turner and
Christopher Swann
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: churchwarden2@abbotslangley.org.uk

10th August St Lawrence Day Patronal

Festival 11am followed by BBQ. The preacher for this service will be Revd Lizzie Hood.

Please note there is no 9.30am service on this day and no service at Bedmond. We need to know numbers for people coming to the BBQ so please sign the list at the back of church before 6th August to let us know you can come. If you are able to provide a dessert please sign the list.

MALAWI AFTERNOON TEA: Saturday

16th August 3 - 5.30pm. Venue: St Lawrence Churchyard. Make sure you book your place for Afternoon Tea. £12.50pp includes cream scone, tea and cake. Bring along your friends ... you can book tables of up to 8! To book your table please contact Eileen and David Adams on 01923 265228 or email:

david.adams31@ntlworld.com. If you are able to make a cake for the day, please contact Wendy Meldrum.

Open Garden at Pic Corner, Bedmond Sunday 7th September 2pm – 5pm.

Step back in time with a V80-themed afternoon in a beautiful garden setting. Explore: a stunning sunken garden, children's trail, wooded areas and a flourishing vegetable garden. Enjoy tea, coffee, and homemade cakes in a relaxed countryside atmosphere. Entry: £6.00; Children FREE Parking available. Come along and enjoy a nostalgic afternoon for the whole family!

Maintenance work - following the latest Quinquennial Inspection it was discovered that certain sections of the French drain installed around the church, to reduce damp problems, is compromised with soil and debris. In order for us to continue to maintain the church in a responsible manner we have to carry out necessary maintenance work to rectify the problem. See notice in porch for more information.

A casual vacancy has arisen for a lay member of General Synod to represent the diocese of St Albans. There now needs to be an election to fill this vacancy for the remainder of the current term (due to end during the summer of 2026). Nominations open on Monday 21 July and will close at 12 noon on Wednesday 20 August. Please speak to Peter or Helen if you are interested in this role.

Coffee Morning at the Tin Church -

Wednesday 6th August 10am - 12.00pm. Filter coffee and a selection of teas available. Cakes. Handmade cards, home produce, books and bric a brac on sale. All are welcome.

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