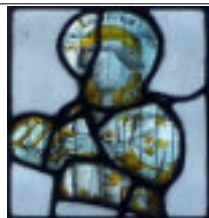


THE PARISH OF ABBOTS LANGLEY

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

18th October 2026

LUKE THE EVANGELIST/HARVEST FESTIVAL AT BEDMOND



TODAY

8.00am	Eucharist at St Lawrence Church
President & Preacher:	Revd Lizzie Hood
Reader:	Dennis Spooner
9.30am	Eucharist at St Lawrence Church
President & Preacher:	Revd Lizzie Hood
Readers:	Norman Meldrum Peter Faulkner
Intercessions:	Brenda Southorn
11.30am	Eucharist at The Church of the Ascension
President & Preacher:	Revd Lizzie Hood
Reader:	Frances Foulsham
Readings:	
St Lawrence:	Bedmond:
Isaiah 35.3-6 (P. 673)	Deut 8.7-18 (P. 172)
Psalms 147.1-7 (P. 593)	Psalms 65 (P. 539)
2 Tim 4.5-17 (P. 211)	2 Cor 9.6-end (P. 180)
Luke 10.1-9 (P. 68)	Luke 12.16-30 (P. 71)
St Lawrence Hymns:	Bedmond Hymns:
534	257
348	253
383	375
612	251
1.00pm	Sunday Lunch
5.00pm	Taize Service
6.30pm	Nameless Youth Group

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 hall after the 9.30am service



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THE PRAYERS AND BIBLE READINGS

COLLECT:

God, our light and our salvation: illuminate our lives, that we may see your goodness in the land of the living, and looking on your beauty may be changed into the likeness of Jesus Christ our Lord.

POST COMMUNION:

God our Father, whose Son, the light unfailing, has come from heaven to deliver the world from the darkness of ignorance: let these holy mysteries open the eyes of our understanding that we may know the way of life, and walk in it without stumbling; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Psalm 96 vv 1-9 Response



O sing to the Lord a new song: O sing to the Lord all the earth.

PSALM 96:

Response: *Sing to the Lord a new song:
sing to the Lord all the earth.*

- 1 Sing to the Lord a new song;
sing to the Lord all the earth.
- 2 Sing to the Lord and bless his name;
tell out his salvation from day to day.
- 3 Declare his glory among the nations and
his wonders among all peoples.

Response:

- 4 For great is the Lord and greatly to be
prais'd;
he is more to be feared than all gods.
- 5 For all the gods of the nations are but
idols;
it is the Lord who made the heavens.

Response:

- 6 Honour and majesty are before him;
power and splendour are in his sanctuary.
- 7 Ascribe to the Lord you families of the
peoples;
ascribe to the Lord honour and strength.

Response:

- 8 Ascribe to the Lord the honour due to his
name;
bring offerings and come into his courts.
- 9 O worship the Lord in the beauty of
holiness;
let the whole earth tremble before him.

Response:

ANTHEM:

Go Forth and Tell

David Ogden

1. Go forth and tell! O church of God, awake!
God's saving news to all the nations take:
proclaim Christ Jesus, Saviour, Lord and King,
that all the world his worthy praise may sing.
2. Go forth and tell! God's love embraces all;
he will in grace respond to all who call;
how shall they call if they have never heard
the gracious invitation of his word?
3. Go forth and tell! where still the darkness lies;
in wealth or want, the sinner surely dies:
give us, O Lord, concern of heart and mind,
a love like yours which cares for all mankind.
4. Go forth and tell! the doors are open wide;
share God's good gifts, let no one be denied;
live out your life as Christ your Lord shall
choose,
your ransomed powers for his sole glory use.
5. Go forth and tell! O church of God, arise!
Go in the strength which Christ your Lord
supplies;
go till all nations his great name adore
and serve him, Lord and King for evermore!

FOR OUR PRAYERS	THE COMING WEEK
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Bushey Parish• Our church choirs• Those who live at Shannon House• Refugees and migrants	<p>Monday–Saturday, 9.15am Morning Prayer <i>In the Corpus Christi Chapel</i></p> <p><u>Monday 19th October</u> 10.00am Coffee Morning <i>Breakspeare Room</i></p> <p>7.30pm Bell Ringing Practice <i>St Lawrence Church</i></p> <p><u>Tuesday 20th October</u> 10.30am Tiny Tots <i>St Lawrence Church</i></p> <p><u>Wednesday 21st October</u> 12.00pm Eucharist <i>St Lawrence Church</i></p> <p>6.30pm Junior Choir Rehearsal <i>St Lawrence Church</i></p> <p>8.00pm Choir Rehearsal <i>St Lawrence Church</i></p> <p><u>Thursday 22nd October</u> 8.00pm Alpha Course <i>Breakspeare Room</i></p> <p><u>Friday 23rd October</u> 10.00am Tin Church Craft Group <i>The Tin Church</i></p> <p>2.00pm Craft and Conversation <i>Breakspeare Room</i></p> <p><u>Saturday 24th October</u> 10.00am–2.30pm PCC Away Day <i>The Tin Church</i></p>
NEXT SUNDAY	
<p>Sunday 25th October 2026 Last Sunday after Trinity</p> <p>8.00am Eucharist at St Lawrence</p> <p>9.30am Eucharist at St Lawrence</p> <p>11.30am Eucharist at the Tin Church</p> <p>3.30pm The Spark Service at St Lawrence</p>	
READINGS NEXT SUNDAY	
<p>Leviticus 19.1–2, 15–18 (P. 143)</p> <p>Psalm 1 (P. 500)</p> <p>1 Thessalonians 2.1–8 (P. 200)</p> <p>Matthew 22.34–end (P. 24)</p>	
AVAILABILITY	
<p>Peter is off on Monday this week.</p>	

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.

Time and Talents: A final call for 'Time and Talents' leaflets to be returned to the wooden ballot box at the back of the church or to the Church Office. Additional leaflets can be found at the back of the church.

We're delighted to announce that Mary Spire, Joe Halford and Tim Grosvenor will be baptised and confirmed, and that Stephen Chiles, Thomas Shephard and Sabrina Grosvenor will be confirmed at **7.30pm on**

24th October at St Albans Cathedral. Everyone is welcome!

Starting next week on the last Sunday of every month during the 9.30am service, **Bible Story Time** for young children in the Break-spear Room.

Friends of St Lawrence Quiz Night: the Quiz added a fantastic **£1,282** which will be used for the maintenance of our ancient church building. Many thanks to all who supported this event.

Watford Foodbank extends its heartfelt thanks to the congregation at St Lawrence Church for their generous Harvest Festival collection, totalling an impressive **207kg** of donations. Donations of toiletries are currently needed.

Christian Aid are hosting a fundraising dinner at La Banq on Monday 9th November at 7pm. A 2-course meal for £23. <https://tinyurl.com/banq26> or contact Peter Jowsey on 07837 400480.

SAVE THE LYCHGATE

Our historic lychgate has stood at the entrance to St Lawrence Church for over 120 years and now needs essential restoration. Please support our appeal—every donation is greatly appreciated.

PLEASE DONATE WHATEVER YOU CAN USING THE QR CODE OR
THE DONATE PAGE ON OUR WEBSITE.



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