



Welcome

to St. Luke Formby Parish Church

SUNDAY 27th AUGUST 2017

OUR SERVICES TODAY

8.30am Holy Communion
10.30am Holy Communion



Bible Readings: Rom. 12: 1-8 & Matt. 16: 13-20

*Read by Sue Ford & Pauline Mulford at 8.30am
and by Joyce Eddlestone & June McGibbon at 10.30am*

ALSO THIS WEEK

Monday at 8.00pm: Meditation

NEXT SUNDAY 3rd SEPTEMBER



8.30am Holy Communion
10.30am Holy Communion

Readers: Anne Dennison & Joan McDonald
Alan & Irene Powell
Sidespeople: Anne Dennison & Ruth Whittaker
Alan & Irene Powell

Contact us: Vicar - Rev. Harvie Nicol ([away on sabbatical](#))

Wardens: Sheila Rodger and Peter Griffin

Deputy Wardens - John McGibbon, Ann Wood

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WELCOME EVERYONE - IT'S GOOD TO SEE YOU

If you are visiting, please introduce yourself.
Refreshments are served in the Meeting Room
after the 10.30 am service. Do join us for a chat.

Mondays 1.30 - 3pm Mums & Tots in Meeting Room (term time only)

We have several Bible Study Groups,
Alpha Group and Uniformed Organisations.

We also have an informal lunch on the 1st & 3rd Tuesdays

Please ask for more details about any of these.

PRAYER REQUESTS: Please email prayer requests to Philip.

PASTORAL CARE: If you know someone who needs a home or hospital visit, please contact our wardens or one of our pastoral team.

GIVING BY PHONE: To support the work here at St. Luke's, text PEWS55 £5 to 70070. Other amounts may be given, just change £5 to the amount you wish to donate.

SOUP KITCHEN: A box is available at the back of church to receive your donations of tinned and packet foods. Thank you for your support.

LIFEBOAT TEA ROOM - TOMORROW IS OUR LAST OPENING

Your last chance this season to come along and help us raise funds for church. In addition to our usual delicious drinks, sandwiches and cakes, we will be serving popular breakfast rolls in the morning and during the afternoon the Vikings Skiffle Group will be providing entertainment.

A huge thank you to all our customers and even greater thanks to the many who have worked so hard to organise, work, serve and wash up all season. Well done everyone!



Toilets (and baby changing facilities in disabled toilet) are available in the Meeting Room which is open during the services.

First Aid Boxes are located in the Choir Vestry & Meeting Room Kitchen

DEFIBRILLATOR: We are raising funds to provide a defibrillator to be sited on the outside wall of the meeting room. This will be available to all, including visitors to the woods and beach. Waitrose have agreed to include us in their community green token scheme during September so please remember when you shop in Waitrose, to place your tokens in the appropriate section. The more tokens in the St Luke's defibrillator section, the greater share of £1000 we will receive.



HARVEST LEAFLETS: These will be available for distribution on Sunday 17th September. If you normally help with deliveries but will not be in church on either 17th or 24th September, please speak with Margaret or Colin.

TUESDAYS 5th and 19th SEPTEMBER: Our popular **TUESDAY LUNCH** re-starts at 12noon and all are welcome to come along and enjoy soup, sandwiches and cake in a friendly atmosphere.



SATURDAY 9th SEPTEMBER: LET'S TALK ABOUT HOLIDAYS. All are welcome to join us in the Meeting Room from 11am to 1pm as we remember past holidays and sing some old topical songs. *If anyone has any suitably related items from past holiday times Sally would be glad to borrow them.*

ALSO ON SATURDAY 9th SEPTEMBER: WOODLAND WORKSHOP: Meeting from 9.30am there is plenty of work to be done so come along (wearing strong shoes and gloves) and join in the fun!



SUNDAY 17th SEPTEMBER: LIGHT BREAKFAST Served in the Meeting Room at 9.30am. To assist with catering, please add you name to the list at the back of church if you plan to join us.

DEMENTIA AWARENESS SESSION:

SATURDAY 23rd SEPTEMBER 10am to 12noon.

Sally will be leading this session and if you have not already attended one, or even if you would like to go again, you will be most welcome and light refreshments will be served. The venue is **Formby Library**.

The next news sheet will be for 3rd September. Please pass items to **Irene Powell** to arrive no later than Tuesday 29th. August.

PLEASE PRAY FOR:-

Harvie on his sabbatical and also for Sally.
Our world and all those suffering through conflicts.
The ministry of St. Peter's, Formby and St. Mark's, Shyira.

All who mourn that they may know God's love, comfort, and peace.

Those who are facing long term health problems,
those on our email prayer chain and in our book of healing.

Those in residential or nursing homes especially those
from our own congregation and their families at home.

The housebound, elderly, and all who care for them.

Those living in:-

Pinewood Avenue Pinewood Close Queens Croft Queens Road
Rostron Crescent Sandhurst Close Sealand Avenue Sealand Cl.



SPOTLIGHT ON TROUBLED TIMES

It's been quite a summer for bad news and often it doesn't seem to be getting any better. From terrorist attacks to floods, mudslides and people we know coping with illness and loss. Is there any good news? YES. Our loving Lord holds us in the palm of His hand and never lets us go. Recently I saw on television a large emu bathing in a small pond. Apparently, even such a big bird needs to keep his feathers clean. Birds have two kinds of feathers - a fluffy part to keep them warm, and a smooth part with stiff barbs and tiny hooks which lock together, a bit like a zip. Together they form the perfect protection from wind and rain. Until their feathers are fully formed, the mother bird covers them with her own feathers. There are numerous images in the Bible, especially in the Psalms, of God providing us with similar protection. When we feel life is getting too tough, let's remember that God covers us with His love and He is our refuge and strength at all times.

St. Luke's verse for 2017

"Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put
a new and right spirit within me". Psalm 51 verse 10