



WHITFIELD PARISH  
St James' | St Luke's

# Whitfield Parish

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**10am St Luke's**  
Holy Communion

**10.30am St James'**  
Morning Praise

## Sunday 2 April

St Luke's: The Gift of Brokenness  
2 Corinthians 1:3-7

St James': Commitment Sunday  
2 Corinthians 9:6-15

**Welcome to St James' & St Luke's and to our services today.**

If this is your first time, 'welcome!' We would love to meet you and give you one of our visitor packs, which are available at the back of church. If you wish to find out more about us, please fill in one of the WELCOME CARDS (also available at the back of church) and hand it to the person who led the service.

### Key Contacts

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### Office Hours

Tues 11.30 -5:00pm (Staff meeting Tues 9-11am) Weds 9:15-5.00pm

Fri10:00-3:00pm

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Our values are

Loving Jesus \* Loving each other \* Loving our town

**Our vision is to reach and transform our town with the love of Jesus**

# What's On This Week in the Parish?

## **Parish prayer at the start of each week**

Monday 9.15am St Luke's Church

## **School Prayer Meetings**

St Luke's Monday 8.45am in St Luke's School library

St James' Wednesday 9am at St James' School

**Alpha prayer course – The last one!** This Tuesday 7.30pm at St James' Church for refreshments, 7.45pm to start, ends 9.30pm.

## **16 Churches Together Prayer during lent**

This week 7.15am at Holy Trinity Dinting. Breakfast at 8.15am

## **Karibuni**

Wednesday 10-12pm St Luke's back room

**Holy Communion** Wednesday 10.30am St James' Church

## **Coffee Pot**

Thursday morning 10-11.30pm in St Luke's back room

## **Whitfield Café**

Thursday afternoon 1.30-3.30pm at the Vineyard

# Next Week's Services

## **Palm Sunday 9 April**

**St Luke's 10am Morning Praise** \*followed by church lunch and farewell to Gareth & Amanda Wood as they move to Southampton

**St James' 10.30am Holy Communion**

**7pm Encounter**

# Parish News

**Dan's India reflections** If you'd like to hear about Dan's pilgrimage to India then please join us at TOGA, 12.30pm Wednesday 5 April in the Vineyard and bring something to share at lunch.

**Messy Easter for families at St Luke's Church** Doors open at 3.45pm on Thursday 6 April. Join us for games, crafts and snacks. Organised by St Luke's MAT. For more information contact Peter Leighton at [ptrlightn@aol.com](mailto:ptrlightn@aol.com)

**Whitfield Walking Group** meet next on Friday 7 April. We will be walking a circular from Hayfield to New Mills and back. Please meet at the Sett Valley car park in Hayfield at 1.30pm and do let us know if you are coming: [davidw@glossop.org](mailto:davidw@glossop.org)

**Christian Aid Week 2017** Could you help prepare for Christian Aid Week this year in Whitfield Parish? More information please contact Steve Mitchell [steve@glossop.org](mailto:steve@glossop.org) or 07588 653888.

## **NEWS in and around the Parish**

### **Easter 2017**

**Messy Easter** St Luke's Church, Weds 5 April, 3.45pm

**Family Easter Peg Hunt** in Howard Park, Sat 8 April 3-5pm

**Maundy Thursday Supper** Vineyard, Thurs 13 April, 6.30-8pm (Please sign up at the back of both churches)

**Good Friday Altogether** St James' Church, 10.30am

**Good Friday an hour at the cross** St Luke's Church 2-3pm

**Easter Sunday Celebration** Altogether HC at 10am St Luke's & 10.30am St James'

**Please note - no Easter day sunrise service this year**

**Press Red – Addressing the Issues of Gender-Based Abuse and Violence** On Sat 29 April Miriam Hargreaves is helping out at an exciting conference put on by the Message Trust in Sharston. If you are interested, check out the website and then **let Miriam know by the end of today**

([miriam.hargreaves@btinternet.com](mailto:miriam.hargreaves@btinternet.com)) and she can book you in. (£12.00 pp £10.00 concessions to include lunch and refreshments – group of 10 or more discount of £2.00)

<http://www.message.org.uk/2017/01/25/press-red-2017-conference/>

**Skipping at St Luke's** Prior to the re-furb we're hiring a skip to arrive on Saturday 10 June. We need help to sort and stack things in church during the week, and willing volunteers on the Saturday to put things in the skip. All help gratefully received. Please sign up at the back of church so we know if we have enough help including people to make cuppas!

**Mission Partners Review** The PCC will be reviewing our 5 Mission Partners for a new 3 year cycle in May. Our mission partners are currently Change a Nation (Tearfund), Dave McGuire (Romania), Eden Bus (The Message Trust), Nick & Donna Rogers (Gamesley Cafe) and Open Doors. If you would like to nominate a new mission partner for us to consider in place of one of our existing partners or alongside them then please speak to Andrew about the process which starts at the APCM on 23 April.

# the PRAYER course post

Join us this Tuesday to explore the tool kit of prayer

**This week: PARTNERSHIP IN PRAYER: SPIRITUAL WARFARE 7.45-9.30pm, 4 April at St James (7.30 for coffee)**

'[In Christ] we are set at God's side and lifted up to Him and therefore to the place where decisions are made in the affairs of His government. And this is what takes place in ... Christian prayer ... We then find ourselves at the very seat of government, at the very heart of the mystery and purpose of all occurrence.' – *Karl Barth, theologian*

'And all shall be well and all shall be well and all manner of things shall be well.' – *Julian of Norwich, fourteenth century nun*

Praying the Promises: 'You will never pray a higher or more effective prayer than when, guided by the Holy Spirit, you go to the Word, find the promise that relates to you and your situation and say "Lord, you've said it; you do it."' – *Derek Prince*

## **Personal Prayer Tools:**

Promises of God: Learning to claim the promises of God is one of the most powerful ways we can pray because we then know that we are asking in line with his purposes and wielding 'the sword of the Spirit which is the word of God'

1. Find someone to pray with. Think of a particular stronghold in your life, family, workplace or elsewhere in the world.
2. Now think of a promise from the Bible that addresses that stronghold.
3. Remember the authority you have in Christ. Now speak out loud, claiming the promise and addressing it specifically to the issue you are thinking about. And pray "let your kingdom come Lord Jesus"

## **Articles for the Grapevine**

Please email [sarah@whitfieldparish.org](mailto:sarah@whitfieldparish.org) Any requests for an entry for the Grapevine will need to be with Sarah by Tuesday. Please email a word copy of around 100 words wherever possible of your article.

