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St Augustine's, St Giles', St Luke's (URC & Anglican), Castle St Methodist,  
St John the Evangelist (Romanian Orthodox at St Giles')*

# ASCENSION NEWS

## SEPTEMBER 2021

The Monthly Magazine from Church at Castle

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Throughout the course of these last few weeks, in a sorry chapter of worldwide history, there can be few people who have been left unmoved by the events which have unfolded with such rapidity in Afghanistan.

Images of desperate people, attempting to flee the country, in terror of their lives, have flashed across our screens and been written about in sombre words in the news.

We have heard from those most affected in Afghanistan, desperate men and women sought by the militants, speeches from world leaders, moving testimony from veterans.

Those of us who live in relative security can only begin to imagine the very limited life choices faced by others in such circumstances. We can find it almost unbearable to witness the plight of those who have few safe options and nowhere to turn in the face of almost certain disaster. But is it really an option for us to find it unbearable, speak to one another about how awful it all is and remain in that moment with a sense of impotence? As followers of Christ should we not instead be actively seeking what we can do.

We talk a lot about worldwide disasters (and Afghanistan is only one of them) saying we care, we pray, but does our prayer lead us to any kind of meaningful action? It seems to me that it is not an option to speak of either global or local disaster without asking ourselves the question, 'What can I do?', when the horrors of other peoples' lives come at us through the filter of a TV screen or news report.

We must not love our own lives and trappings, with all their comfortable routines and social 'norms', so much that we lose sight of our primary calling as Christians, to tend, to serve, to seek, to love - in effect, placing ourselves at God's disposal with at least some confidence that we will not be asked to respond to any need unprepared and on our own - we'll have the best backup!

It is easy for each of us to become so absorbed with our own personal and parochial sense of what is essential for our own daily life that we can unwittingly become almost pharisaical, both in our thinking and in the focus of our prayers.

Over the course of this next month, let us consider the questions, 'What can I do?' and 'What can we do?' whenever we encounter global, local or personal suffering, and try to seek the answers in quiet prayer. Those answers may suggest that we will be the losers in terms of time or our customary life style. Not so, for in Matthew 16:25 we can read Jesus' promise to those following and learning from him day by day;

*"If you try to hang on to your life, you will lose it. But if you give up your life for my sake, you will save it." (New Living Translation)*

*Philipa*

Beauty for brokenness  
Hope for despair  
Lord, in the suffering  
This is our prayer  
Bread for the children  
Justice, joy, peace  
Sunrise to sunset  
Your kingdom increase!

Shelter for fragile lives  
Cures for their ills  
Work for the craftsman  
Trade for their skills  
Land for the dispossessed  
Rights for the weak  
Voices to plead the cause  
Of those who can't speak

Refuge from cruel wars  
Havens from fear  
Cities for sanctuary  
Freedoms to share  
Peace to the killing-fields  
Scorched earth to green  
Christ for the bitterness  
His cross for the pain

Rest for the ravaged earth  
Oceans and streams  
Plundered and poisoned  
Our future, our dreams  
Lord, end our madness  
Carelessness, greed  
Make us content with  
The things that we need

Lighten our darkness  
Breathe on this flame  
Until your justice  
Burns brightly again  
Until the nations  
Learn of your ways  
Seek your salvation  
And bring you their praise

Graham Kendrick

## NEWS FROM THE CHURCHES

### Winning the Bishop's Churchyard Conservation Award for St Luke's Churchyard



Following the introduction in last month's *Ascension News* (August) I am delighted to report that St Luke's was considered ready for immediate entry and was given the Bronze Award. We seem to be the only urban parish to receive the award, and the only one in Cambridge apart from Chesterton St Andrew's. When the

judge came around to inspect she thought highly of many features and the variety of trees, flowers and shrubs that attracted butterflies and other insects. The new garden for the School House was especially important for the flowers in bloom (Gatekeeper and Brimstone butterflies obligingly fluttered in and there were abundant hoverflies etc on that sunny day). I had already discussed areas where grass should be raked off after mowing, and where we should leave edges uncut for 3-5 years, and more wild flowers are appearing very quickly. Can anyone get a bug hotel together? Hopefully we will deserve a silver award in 2 years' time.

Work is already beginning at St Peter's, St Giles' and the Ascension Burial Ground with advice from Diana Cook of our local Wildlife Trust, so our Parish should be well represented in the City's environmental improvements, and churchyards, now all closed for burial in Cambridge, will prove how valuable they still can be.





*A cheerful sunflower, part of the new garden that separates Smith's Nursery children and the renovated School House*

*Alison Taylor, [Alison.taylor47@ntlworld.com](mailto:Alison.taylor47@ntlworld.com)*

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## **St. Luke's Anniversary and Harvest Service, Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> September, 10.30am**

On Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> September St Luke's will celebrate this year's Harvest and also the 16<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Declaration of Intent by the two congregations to form one worshipping community and become a Local Ecumenical Partnership. 2021 is also the 32<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary Year of the Shared Church Agreement when the two congregations began worshipping in the same building after the renovation of St. Luke's. The renovation was financed in part by

money from the sale of Victoria Road URC church building, subsequently demolished. The Joint Council which oversees the Sharing Agreement and the Ecumenical Partnership was set up in 1989. This year we are delighted to welcome the Revd. Lythan Nevard, the new Synod Moderator for the Eastern Region of the URC, to our service. She will be inducted into her new position at Stowmarket on 4<sup>th</sup> September.

*Frances Klein*

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### **CHCT Ride & Stride Fundraising 2021**

Michael Bloy will be climbing onto his bike again on 11<sup>th</sup> September to raise money for Cambridgeshire Historic



Churches Trust, and St Giles'. He aims to cycle in and around Cambridge visiting as many churches as he can manage on the day, There is still time to support his efforts by donating. You may contact him by phone (01223 355686) or email (michael.bloy@yahoo.co.uk) to sponsor!

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### **St Luke's Charitable Giving Scheme**

During September St Luke's is continuing to support Barnardo's, a charity that has been protecting and supporting children and young people for over 150 years. <https://www.barnardos.org.uk/> If people would like to donate they can give cash at in-church services, or send notes or cheques to St Luke's Church in envelopes marked 'Barnardo's'. Cheques should be made out to "St Luke's Church Cambridge".

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### **A busy weekend at St Giles'**

The Friends' garden party was held on the 21<sup>st</sup> August, not the best day for what we had hoped would be a lovely afternoon in the sunshine. Thunderstorms and heavy showers were expected in the afternoon, and for once the weather forecast was right. But it did not stop us having a lovely afternoon with lots of delicious cakes. It was

especially good to see old friends again and to make some new ones. Thank you to everybody who worked hard to make this a successful afternoon, regardless of the weather. Then on Sunday afternoon our resident choir Cambridge Vocal Consort under Colin Fludgate gave a wonderful concert, with a variety of songs from Tallis to the Beatles and everything in between you could possibly (and impossibly) think of. We are grateful to them for a hugely enjoyable evening and for donating the money raised to our window fund. We hope they will be back before long. Find out about future concerts on CVC's website [www.cambridgevocalconsort.org](http://www.cambridgevocalconsort.org).

*Ank*

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## NEWS FROM THE COMMUNITY



### Cambridge City of Sanctuary

The Ascension Parish is a member of Cambridge City of Sanctuary Faiths Group. <https://cambridge.cityofsanctuary.org/cambridge-cos-faiths-group>. We have pledged support for Cambridge City of Sanctuary which means that our churches have committed to explore ways in which we can help refugees, keep informed, and keep in touch.

Cambridge City of Sanctuary is an umbrella organisation that works with other local organisations including Cambridge Ethnic Community Forum <https://www.cecf.co.uk/>

Eddie Stadnik of CECF has written the following update on what the CECF Refugee Services is doing, and what they need, to help them support Afghan Refugees who may come to Cambridge.

“Currently we are in the process of **recruiting Farsi, Dari or Pashtu speakers** as community interpreters or caseworkers.

We are promoting the **British Red Cross family and tracing service**.

We are also **raising funds** for our refugee hardship fund to help asylum seekers and refugees, including Afghan refugees as they arrive in Cambridge.

Please see the following link to our appeal on Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/donate/1135786526946244/>

or you can donate via BACS via Lloyds Bank 30-13-55 Acct number 02959873. Gift aid forms are available if required-contact CECF via [enquiries@cecf.co.uk](mailto:enquiries@cecf.co.uk) or call 01223 655241

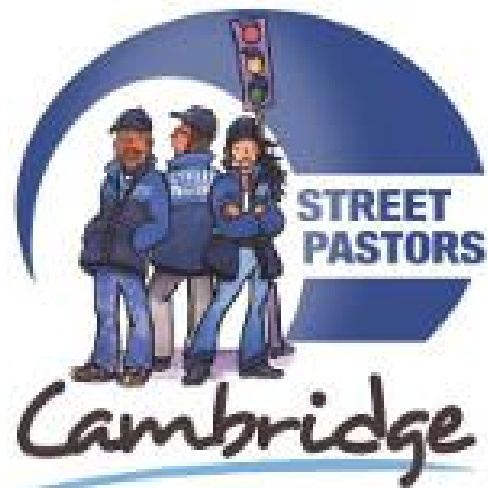
Donations can also be given by cheque. They should be written out to: Cambridge Ethnic Community Forum

This government-hosted website (*see below*) is channelling offers of support, for refugees that are arriving in the UK, to each council. If you know people who have **offers of rental property**, clothing or similar, please do ask them to follow this link to see how they can donate <https://www.help-refugees-uk.service.gov.uk/> “

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### Cambridge Street Pastors

One of St. Luke's quarterly charities last year was Cambridge Street Pastors. During lockdown they were unable to send out patrols on the streets of Cambridge late at night to look after young people who are distressed or in difficulties. From June this year the patrols have been able to go out again but only on Saturday nights and finishing at 1am, instead of 4am. Since July 19th



they have reported that the streets are even busier than before the pandemic and in particular during the week of the 9th to 15<sup>th</sup> August there were many people in distress or unable to look after themselves even though the patrols finished at 1am. For instance, on Saturday 14th August the team gave out 16 bottles of water and 11 pairs of flip flops.



Street Pastors would love to have more volunteers to help with their very valuable care for the local young people. If any church members would like to go out and observe a patrol or the NightLite safe space which is based in the newly refurbished Downing Place URC, please contact Eileen Hori (admin@cambridgestreetpastors.org.uk) and she can arrange a Saturday night for you to go out with the team. Volunteers need to be over 18, able to stay up until 4am, (to walk for 6 hours if they would like to be Street Pastors) and a Christian in attendance at a local church.

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### **Silver Sunday, 3<sup>rd</sup> October 3rd 2021**

St. Luke's Church and COPE (Cambridgeshire Older People's Enterprise) invite the 'over fifties' to a free Silver Sunday Singalong Tea Party in the Ramsey Room at St Luke's on Sunday October 3<sup>rd</sup> from 3pm to 5pm. Afternoon tea includes Cakes from the renowned Cake Stall at St Giles and sandwiches made by the St Luke's Sandwich Specialists. Rosemary Wheeler will provide live music for the Singalong. This is an opportunity to meet again, enjoy afternoon tea and sing together after our long enforced silence. Numbers are limited so reserving a place is necessary.

To reserve a place call 01223 311136 and leave a message with your name and contact details, or email: stlukes\_office@yahoo.co.uk  
COPE members can call 01223 364303 to reserve a place.

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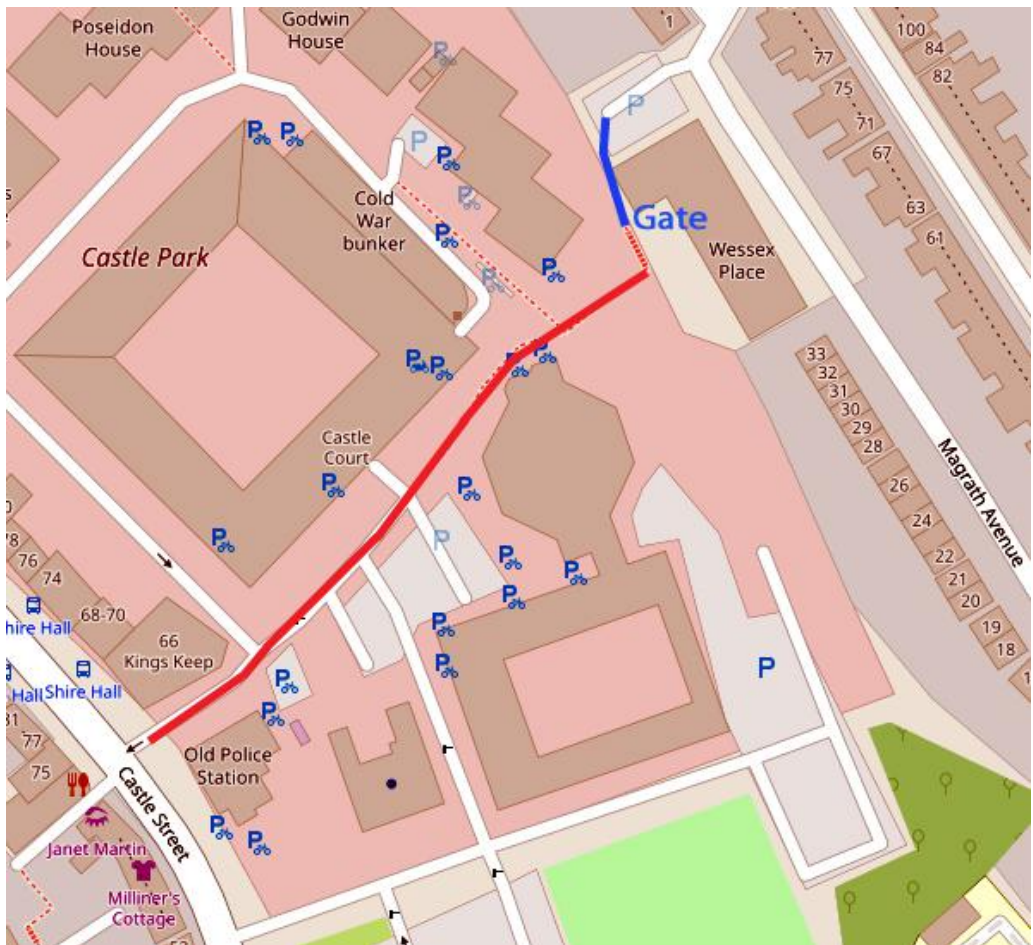
### **Update on the Shire Hall site**

*Further to last month's report Dr Jocelyne Scutt, councillor for West Chesterton, has kindly sent updated and amended information on the situation regarding ownership of the footpath.*

### **Wessex Place Cut-through -**

The Wessex Place foot path leads from McGrath Avenue to Huntingdon Road and Castle Street across the Shire Hall site, and is widely used by pedestrians and cyclists. Trinity College owns the land *up to the gate at the top of the steps* and closes the path every

year to stop its being declared a public right of way. *The County owns the land from the gate through the site to Castle Street.*



## ST LUKE'S SCHOOL IS SEEKING SCHOOL GOVERNORS



Do you want to make a difference to children in your community? Do you have some time to spare to help support an historic Cambridge school as it

emerges from the global pandemic?

*St Luke's CofE Primary* is looking for new governors from the local community to join its governing body. Experience of school governance or education is not a requirement, more important is commitment to the role and a willingness to learn. We welcome people from all walks of life and value rich and varied experience.

*St Luke's* is a small, friendly and diverse school, with a long history, at the heart of the local community. Guided by its Christian ethos, St Luke's welcomes pupils from families of all faiths and none and is affiliated with the historic Church Schools of Cambridge and Diocese of Ely Multi-Academy Trust. If you are interested in joining our governing body, or would like to find out more information, please contact the chair of governors at [chair@stlukes.cambs.sch.uk](mailto:chair@stlukes.cambs.sch.uk) or call the school office on 01223 566 879 and speak to Nicola Brunning.

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## CAN YOU GIVE TIME, SKILLS, MONEY, HOUSEHOLD ESSENTIALS?

The Besom was founded by James Odgers in 1987, with the original mission statement for Besom – that it should provide a bridge between those who want to give money, time, skills or things, and those who are in need. The Besom in Cambridge



started operations in late 2006. Cambridge is a city renowned for academic excellence and affluence, but its glossy postcard exterior conceals the lives of many people in real need. The Besom aims to make a bridge between these people and God's church in Cambridge. There are all kinds of ways in which members and groups from Cambridge churches can get involved and make a genuine, lasting difference to people's lives, such as providing much needed everyday household items to families without. <https://www.thebesomincambridge.org/>

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## SPECIAL SERVICES & EVENTS

### CAFÉ@99

**Every Monday and Friday**  
**10.45am- 12.15 pm,**  
**99 Richmond Road, CB4 3PS**  
This community café in St Augustine's has re-opened for one and a half hours on Monday and Friday mornings. All are welcome to drop in and enjoy freshly brewed Fairtrade coffee, cakes and some friendly conversation.



### TEA @ 3

**Every Wednesday, 3pm in St Giles' Garden**



With the gradual easing of restrictions and the warmer weather, we are holding our weekly Tea@3 sessions in St Giles' Garden again. As this is outdoors it may be cancelled if wet or cold. All Covid safety regulations will be observed, and a register of visitors will be kept. If you would like to come along you will be made very welcome. A play area will be set out for parents with small children from 2 to 4 pm, weather permitting.



## BREATHING SPACE

Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> September, 5.30 pm at St Luke's

Breathing Space has started to meet again in person, once a month, to pray for the parish, our churches and local communities and individual concerns. Meetings are on the first Wednesday of the month. Breathing Space welcomes new members who want to feel part of a praying community – we would love to have YOU with us. Please contact Margaret on 354561 for more information about the group.



## COP26 MINI PILGRIMAGE FROM SAWTRY TO LITTLE GIDDING

Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> September 2–4 pm

Faith groups and others across the country are taking part in pilgrimages, by bike or on foot, to the COP 26 UN conference in Glasgow in support of the climate talks at the end of October. Ely Diocese is encouraging churches to join a series of short walks in the county between 28<sup>th</sup> August and 4<sup>th</sup> September. The Ascension Parish is joining others on a 4 mile walk on the 4<sup>th</sup> September between Sawtry and Little Gidding. The walk starts at 2pm and culminates in activities and informal outdoor worship in Little Gidding. If you would like to take part please contact Sheila Rozeik for further information, [office@churchatcastle.org](mailto:office@churchatcastle.org), 01223 223774. We will walk in a group at an easy pace and lifts will be available back to the starting point in Sawtry.



<https://www.elydiocese.org/about/news-jobs-and-events/news-and-announcements/news/diocese-of-ely-cop-pilgrimage.php>

## MEN'S DISCUSSION GROUP

Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> September at 8pm

The next meeting will be led by John Gatiss. The topic and format of the meeting tbc. Further information from Richard, [richard@rcatchpole.com](mailto:richard@rcatchpole.com) or 07736 070907



## FRIENDS OF THE ASCENSION BURIAL GROUND WORKING PARTY

Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> September 10 am to 12 noon.

The Friends are meeting monthly for a socially-distanced working party at the Ascension Burial Ground, where there is much to do. All are welcome to come and help. Future provisional dates for 2021 are: 23 October, 13 November, 11 December. Please see the website listings [www.churchatcastle.org](http://www.churchatcastle.org) from month to month, to know whether these will take place as planned. If you would like to support the work of the Friends, you can obtain an application form from the Parish Office or online at [https://www.churchatcastle.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/09/FABG-Membership-form\\_2019-1.pdf](https://www.churchatcastle.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/09/FABG-Membership-form_2019-1.pdf)



## CREATIVE TEXTILES WORKSHOP

Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> September, 10.30am-12.30pm at St Giles' Church

The monthly workshops at St Giles' have recommenced on fourth Saturday mornings, with a two-hour morning session; "Anything comes or goes" will be the focus, so bring what you have been fiddling with/ creating over the last 15+ months and we will discuss how to proceed. We will set up the space to ensure suitable distancing, with each participant at their own table. Margaret Waring (Textiles Society and Embroiderers' Guild) will lead the workshops. In general all materials for the session will be provided. Please bring your own mask. Participants will be invited to make a donation (£15) to the Friends of St. Giles' Church. Please book in advance as the number of participants is limited. Email: [amwaring8@gmail.com](mailto:amwaring8@gmail.com) or [office@churchatcastle.org](mailto:office@churchatcastle.org).

## ST LUKE'S KNITTING GROUP

Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> September, 2-4 pm at St Luke's

The knitting group will restart on the last Tuesday of each month in St Luke's Church, from 2-4 o'clock. All are welcome, bring friends, whatever your level of skill, swap ideas and learn new techniques. Needles and wool will be supplied. For further details please contact Judith, 01223 357627



# WORSHIP AND PRAYER RESOURCES ONLINE

Downloadable service and worship resources are kept up-to-date on the website

<http://www.churchatcastle.org/node/2965>

Bishop of Huntingdon, Dagmar Winter, records her reflections for each Sunday on the Diocese of Ely's YouTube channel:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCTZQ-XuAgoWhTTeeBbK2l0w>

**Daily Devotions:** The United Reformed Church has daily Bible readings, reflections and Prayers for the season at

<https://urc.org.uk/>

**Sing a Hymn:** The Royal School of Church Music has uploading a whole playlist of hymns on their YouTube channel, for you to sing along with. It does not cover the whole year but there are plenty of cracking hymns to enjoy.

[https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLn-vhbQASCJhW\\_Gz8Fww32Nmy\\_XuCQmNI](https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLn-vhbQASCJhW_Gz8Fww32Nmy_XuCQmNI)

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## OUR SERVICES ONLINE ON ZOOM

You are welcome to join all and any of these services. Resources are on our website – <https://www.churchatcastle.org/resources/>

### SUNDAYS

- St Giles' Morning service, 9 am
- St Augustine's Morning Service, 9.30 am
- St Luke's Morning Service, 10.30 am
- Iona Service, monthly on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday, 7 pm (except in August)

Send an email to [office@churchatcastle.org](mailto:office@churchatcastle.org) to receive an invitation

### MONDAYS – Compline, 6 pm

A service of Night Prayer. Common Worship. Send an email to [pipking@btinternet.com](mailto:pipking@btinternet.com) to receive an invitation.

**WEDNESDAYS** – Morning Prayer, Book of Common Prayer. 10 am Send an email to [pipking@btinternet.com](mailto:pipking@btinternet.com) to receive an invitation.

**THURSDAYS** – Midweek Eucharist, Common Worship. 10am (online and also in person). Send an email to [office@churchatcastle.org](mailto:office@churchatcastle.org) to receive a link invitation or register in person attendance.

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## FOR CHILDREN

Faith at Home is a national campaign by the Church of England, to support the faith development and pastoral care of children and young people. Why the home? Home is both a place and feeling. It is where we eat, where we sleep, where we find ourselves at the start and end of our day. Home is where we can feel the strongest sense of belonging, where we can feel connected to ‘our people’, where we can feel part of ‘our tribe’. It can also be a place of doubt, questions, loneliness and fear. We are invited to imagine that we are sharing our everyday lives with each other and with God, intertwined by love as a community of growing faith. There is a series of weekly YouTube videos for children of all ages and for parents and families:



<https://www.churchofengland.org/our-faith/faith-home/i-am-parent>

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## IF YOU DON'T HAVE THE INTERNET



### FREE HYMNS & PRAYERS ON YOUR TELEPHONE

This is an excellent national initiative for those who are especially isolated:

A free national phonenumber **Daily HOPE** will be available 24 hours a day on **0800 804 8044**

Callers will hear a special greeting from the Archbishop of Canterbury before being able to choose from a range of options, including Prayer during the Day and Night Prayer updated daily from Common Worship, and a recording of the Church of England's weekly

national online service. An option called **Hymn Line** also offers callers a small selection of hymns, updated daily.

## WORSHIP RESOURCES FOR EVERYONE

We can send resources for people to use at home. If you would like a printed copy of any prayers, hymns or services please ring Sheila Rozeik on 01223 223774

As a ministry team we can also telephone those who would like to say the service with someone else and share the liturgy with them. If you would like one of us to share the service with you or know of someone else who doesn't have technology who might appreciate it, then please let Philipa know - ring 07967 196560. Equally, please contact her if you feel able to take the lead role in sharing.

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## NOTICES



- **Boost parish funds when you shop online**

The Parish of the Ascension has been a registered charity for two years, and has joined the Give as You Live scheme. This means that anyone can now donate to the Ascension Parish funds, at no extra cost to themselves, whenever they are shopping online. Don't forget to click on the Give as You Live icon on your browser when starting to shop and select the Parish of the Ascension. Our registered charity name is long - *The PCC Of The Ecclesiastical Benefice Of The Ascension, Cambridge (St. Giles with St. Peter, St. Luke And St. Augustine)* - so here is a shortcut to sign up:

<https://www.giveasyoulive.com/join/ascensionparishcambridge>

*Did you know, when you sign up to @GiveasyouLive the retailers you shop with will make a donation to us for every purchase you make? It's completely free, and the funds help us to keep providing our vital service. Sign up for us today!*

- It is good to hear news about people, and what you are doing for and in your communities practically and creatively. We will try to reflect this in the next magazine. Send your news via email to:

[office@churchatcastle.org](mailto:office@churchatcastle.org) or post to Janet Bunker, 95 Richmond Road, Cambridge, CB4 3PS

- If you would like to have the Ascension News delivered to someone electronically or as a print copy, please send the details to [office@churchatcastle.org](mailto:office@churchatcastle.org) or phone 01223 223774
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**WHO'S WHO IN THE PARISH OF THE ASCENSION, CAMBRIDGE  
MINISTRY TEAM AND CHURCH COUNCILLORS 2020 – 2021  
(post APCM 2021)**

Contact details are on our website or may be supplied via the Parish Office.

**Ministry Team ex-officio on PCC**

**Team Rector** Philipa King  
**Team Vicar** Janet Bunker  
**URC Minister** Charles Mather  
**Assistant Priest** Ank Rigelsford  
**Assistant Priest** Tom Ambrose  
**Retired Priest** Owen Spencer Thomas  
**Licensed Lay Ministers** Margaret Cooper, Marie Lucchetta-Redmond (until 30 June 2021), Sylvia Pick (Emerita)  
**Authorised Lay Minister for children** Gill Ambrose  
**Authorised Lay Pastoral Minister** Sue Mudie

**Churchwardens ex-officio on PCC (elected annually)**

**St Augustine's** Mark Wills, Philip Mead  
**St Giles'** Richard Catchpole  
**St Luke's** Paul Gibbs

**Deanery Synod representatives 2020–2023 ex officio on PCC**

**St Augustine's** vacant  
**St Giles'** vacant  
**St Luke's** Jane Holmes



**Parochial Church Council** – all members of the PCC are ex-officio members of the appropriate DCC

<b>St Augustine's</b>	2019 – 2022 Patricia McGuire *, Secretary
	2020 – 2023 Antony Rix
	2021–2024 vacancy
<b>St Giles'</b>	2019 – 2022 vacancy
	2020 – 2023 vacancy
	2021–2024 vacancy
<b>St Luke's</b>	2019 – 2022 Frances Klein *
	2020 – 2023 Gill Ambrose *
	2021–2024 Judith Crowe *

#### **District Church Councils**

<b>St Augustine's</b>	2019 – 2022 vacancy
	2020 – 2023 vacancy
	2020 – 2023 vacancy
	2021 – 2024 vacancy
<b>St Giles'</b>	2019 – 2022 Helen Kinsey
	2020 – 2023 Valerie Anderson
	2020 – 2023 Arthur Hibble
	2021 – 2024 Margaret Waring

\* not eligible for re-election when current term ends in year indicated

#### **St Luke's Ecumenical Church Council as at Annual Congregational Meeting on 21<sup>st</sup> March 2021:**

Gill Ambrose, May Block, Margaret Cooper, Judith Crowe, Isobel Fox, Paul Gibbs–*ex officio* (Churchwarden but expires after APGM 2021 with no apparent replacement), Lib Hallam, Jane Holmes, Joan Jeans, Frances Klein *co-opted* (Finance Officer), Sue Mudie, Heather Richardson and Ken Smith.

#### **St Luke's Joint Council as at Annual Congregational Meeting on 21<sup>st</sup> March 2021:**

May Block, Margaret Cooper, Judith Crowe, Paul Custerson, Isobel Fox, Paul Gibbs, Frances Klein, Ken Smith.

## ONLINE

ChurchatCastle: [www.churchatcastle.org](http://www.churchatcastle.org),  
Twitter [@churchatcastle](https://twitter.com/churchatcastle)

St. Augustine's: <https://stas.org.uk>,  
Twitter [@stascambridge](https://twitter.com/stascambridge)

St. Giles': <https://www.facebook.com/saintgileschurch>

The Friends of St. Giles' Church: <https://www.fosg.org>

## GENERAL ENQUIRIES

**Ascension Parish Office Parish Administrator:** Sheila Rozeik  
Email: [office@churchatcastle.org](mailto:office@churchatcastle.org), [officeatcastle@btinternet.com](mailto:officeatcastle@btinternet.com)  
Post: St. Giles' Church, Castle Street, Cambridge, CB3 0AQ  
Tel: 01223 223774, 01223 315000 (recorded messages only),  
**Please note:** Sheila is running the Parish Office from home, but her core working hours are **Mondays to Fridays between 9am and 1pm**. Please bear this in mind and avoid contacting her unnecessarily outside these times.

**St. Luke's Church Centre** Centre Supervisor – Heather Taplin,  
01223 311136. Email: [stlukes\\_office@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:stlukes_office@yahoo.co.uk)  
**NB:** Currently St. Luke's Office will be open only from 9.30am to 12.30 pm on Wednesdays until further notice. If entry or information is needed please email [stlukes\\_office@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:stlukes_office@yahoo.co.uk)  
Phone calls on 01223 311136 will be picked up but there may be a delay in replying.  
Matters involving the ministry team should be referred to the Parish Administrator, as above.

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## SERVICES IN SEPTEMBER 2021

Day	St Giles' 9 am	St Augustine's 9.30 am	St Luke's 10.30 am	Other
<b>SUNDAY 5 SEPTEMBER</b> Trinity 14 Climate Sunday	Sunday Eucharist in person & ZOOM	Climate Sunday Service of the Word ZOOM	Climate Sunday Service of the Word	Climate Sunday Service online 4pm Glasgow Cathedral
<b>SUNDAY 12 SEPTEMBER</b> Trinity 15	Sunday Eucharist in person & ZOOM	Sunday Communion in person & ZOOM	Sunday Communion in person & ZOOM	
<b>SUNDAY 19 SEPTEMBER</b> Trinity 16	Sunday Eucharist in person & ZOOM	Service of the Word ZOOM	Sunday Communion in person & ZOOM	IONA Evening Service of Welcome 7pm on ZOOM
<b>SUNDAY 26 SEPTEMBER</b> Trinity 17	Sunday Eucharist in person & ZOOM	Sunday Communion in person & ZOOM	Joint Harvest & Anniversary service in person & ZOOM	

### MIDWEEK SERVICES

**Mondays 6pm – Compline, St Luke's Zoom**

**Wednesdays 10 am – Morning Prayer, St Luke's Zoom**

**Thursdays 10 am – Eucharist, St Giles' in person and on Zoom**

**NB:** This plan is provisional and will be subject to change should one of the ministers become unavailable, in which case the service will be cancelled.

Mask wearing and registration of attendance is continuing to keep our churches as Covid-safe as possible.

We welcome visitors – please contact the Parish Administrator during working hours to register that you wish to attend in person or to receive the Zoom link. Email: [office@churchatcastle.org](mailto:office@churchatcastle.org),  
Tel: 01223 223774, between 9am and 1pm on weekdays

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