

Bulletin for Sunday 28th September 2025 15th Sunday after Trinity

8.00am: BCP Holy Communion

10.00am: Informal Service of the Word with groups

for children in the Cottage

5.00pm: Choral Evensong

Readings: Daniel 3:1-30, Matthew 6:19-24 **Hymns**: 368, 416(T1), 443 **Psalm**: 134

Canticles: Brewer in D Responses: Sanders **Anthem**: Lord, for thy tender Mercy's sake – Farrant

(NOEAB 138)

Prayer Pointers

(please take this bulletin home with you to pray)

- As we pray for an **end to hostilities** around the world, let us pray for the day when 'nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war anymore' but that instead 'they shall beat their swords into ploughshares, and their spears into pruninghooks'. (Micah 4:3)
- This is **Fairtrade Fortnight** (22nd Sept to 5th Oct)
 - Pray for farmers around the world who are finding the rate of climate change far greater than their ability to adapt.
 - · Pray that companies and consumers will be willing to pay a little bit more for food and drink in order to help farmers escape poverty and to adapt to environmental shocks.
 - Pray for ourselves that our commitment to justice may bear fruit in our lives, in the choices we make and in the priorities we set ourselves (buying Fairtrade where possible).
 - Pray for the Fairtrade movement for all who campaign and spread the message.
- Pray for Harrison Mungai (of iServeAfrica. training young Christian leaders in Nairobi) and his family as Harrison continues his travels to supporters in UK. Pray for all the young people he has been training in Nairobi as they go out to serve in the name of Christ.

Midweek Prayer and fellowship, do join us:

1st Monday (usually!) each month: we meet for our monthly Parish Prayer time, currently at the Vicarage.

Wednesdays 9am: we meet in the cottage to pray for half an hour - for our church, town and world.

Thursdays 10am in church - Holy Communion (BCP)

Toilet facilities are in the Church Cottage, next to the church - go through the blue gate in the wall to the right as you exit the church, into the cottage and then turn right (follow the signs inside).

PARKING: The gravel outside the church is for a max of 2 Blue Badge holders attending church services. Please do not park there from 30 minutes before any service.

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Please submit items for the bulletin by 6pm on Wednesday to bulletin@stlawrencelechlade.org.uk

Dates for your Diary

Mon 29th Sep - 1.30pm-3pm in the Cottage - Ladies' Fellowship meets, this week to finish the studies on Women of the New Testament.

Wed 1st Oct - 9.15am in church - Little Lights pram service, play and refreshments for all pre-schoolers from new-born and their carers. No need to book, no charge.

Thu 2nd Oct – 7.30pm at the Trout Inn – Men Aloud Out Mon 6th Oct - 7.30pm at the Vicarage - Parish Prayer **Meeting** – join us to pray for ourselves, our church, our world.

Wed 8th Oct - 2pm at the Memorial Hall - Mothers' Union monthly meeting, we hear from Ruth Creighton speaking on 'The British Legion'.

Sat 18th Oct - 9am-11am in church - Ladies' Breakfast. Join us for breakfast, fellowship, worship and hear our speaker Anne de Leyser from Stanford-in-the-Vale on 'Becoming a People of Blessing'. Tickets £8 from Vicky Jones, vickyjones700@gmail.com

Sat 18th Oct - 9.30am at The Trout - Men's 'Full English' Breakfast. Ram Prasad will be our guest speaker on 'A Nepalese living in Rochdale and preaching Christianity'. Numbers are limited, please complete your details on the form at the back of church as soon as possible. £13.50 per person - please pass your monies to Richard Bell (in cash) at least a week before the event.

Accommodation required: Could you please host Ram & Keshari overnight on Saturday 18 and/or Sunday 19 October? Full details from Richard Bell.

Help needed! We are looking for adults (male and female) to help with the Sunday morning children's groups - Sparks (2½-5) and Flares (6-11) – on a once-a-month basis from November, as a 2nd adult in each group (no pre-session preparation required). All adults will need DBS checks and safe-quarding training. Please speak to Tessa (253100) for further information.



If you have flown on holiday this year, don't forget to offset your carbon footprint. See https://www.climatestewards.org/offset/. The money will be used to support trusted community projects (in Africa, Nepal and Peru) which bring multiple local

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benefits alongside carbon mitigation.

There will be a **pew collection** in our services, or you can use the contactless unit by the font in church. Or scan this QR code to go to the giving web page and a gift aid declaration.



Parish Giving Scheme – a great way to give to the work of the church through your bank account. If you would like to know more please take a pack from by the font or speak to Andrew our Vicar or Lesley our Administrator.

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