St Lawrence Church
LECHLADE-ON-THAMES

Bulletin - Sunday 15th November 2026

2nd before Advent

In Lechlade Memorial Hall: Main Hall

8.00am: Book of Common Prayer p195

10.00am:Together @10

5.00pm: Evensong: Baptist Church

Hymns 581(t1), 461, 571 Psalm 89:20-29
Canticles: Moeeran in D Responses: Ayleward
…….Anthem: Be thou my vision – Chilcott (NOEAB 23)

Readings: 1 John 5: 1-12, John 14:15-27

Prayer Pointers

(please take this bulletin home with you to pray)

- ✞ As it is our **Together@Ten All Age Service** today pray for families who are attending; for the parents as they seek to nurture their children in the Christian faith; and for all the adults who teach the children when they meet for their own age groups each week.
- ✞ **Pray for** world leaders and those in positions of authority - that they will lead with compassion, wisdom and integrity and for God to bring truth and light into their spheres of influence.
- ✞ Continue to pray for **International Climate Conference, COP31** (in Antalya, Türkiye, 9—20 Nov). Pray that world leaders will focus on climate resilience and sustainability, renewable energy, pushing for adequate climate finance from wealthy nations, and working together for climate justice. Pray for solutions and resources to be readily available for people who need them most, to enable them to adapt to and recover from extreme weather events.
- ✞ Continue to pray for patience and peace for all in our community who are going through **difficult times** – chronic ill health, or breakdown in relationships.
- ✞ Pray for the **Bishop of Dornakal Rt Rev Dr K Senam Raj;** pray for ongoing plans and permission for the new English Medium School to be built in Kothagudem.

Eco Tip: plan a **Green Christmas:-** Wondering what to give for Christmas? Consider an ethical alternative gift through Christian Aid or Embrace the Middle East – https://charity-gifts.christianaid.org.uk or https://shop.embraceme.org/

Please Note: The Bulletin on 20th December will be a double one, covering both 20th and 27th December.

Midweek Prayer and fellowship, do join us:

On Wednesdays at 9am when we meet in Church Cottage to pray for half an hour – for our church, town and world.

Toilet facilities in the Memorial Hall are the opposite side of the foyer to the main hall (left as you go in). The Baptist church also has toilet facilities on site.

PARKING: At the Memorial Hall there is a large car park including spaces for disabled parking. For the Baptist church there is on-street parking along Sherborne Street or Oak Street/Burford Road.

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Web: www.stlawrencelechlade.org.uk
Facebook: stlawrencelechlade ('like' to see updates)

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

Dates for your Diary.'

Mon 16 Nov: Women's Bible fellowship 1.30-3pm

Sun 22nd Nov - we are unable to use the main memorial hall. The 8am and 10am services will be in the pavilion. Children's and youth groups will be in the usual rooms**.**

Sun 29 Nov – 10am in the Memorial Hall – confirmation and communion service with Bishop Rachel.

Christmas Carol Concert, Tue . Dec.8th 7.30pm – in the Memorial Hall. Come and get into the Christmas spirit: carols, Christmas tunes, wine and mince pies (with donations) and plenty of opportunity for participation. Free entry and retiring collection in aid of Project Inspire. Help on the night with chairs would be much appreciated – laying out (from 5pm) and putting away (from c9pm).We look forward to welcoming you on the night!

Christmas information (all in the Memorial Hall):

Sun 29 Nov – 5pm – Advent carol service

Sun 13th Dec – from 3pm – Christingle workshop and service (service starts 4pm) – no children's groups @10

Sun 20th Dec – 10am – Family Carol Service
5pm – Nine Lessons and Carols

Thu 24th Dec – 4pm – Crib service
11.15pm – First Communion of Christmas

Fri 25th Dec – 8am – BCP Christmas Communion
10am – Family Christmas Communion

Sun 27th Dec – 10am – Informal service of the Word

ADVANCE DATES – weekend of 12-14 March 2027 for the Celebration Events following the opening of the newly-restored and re-ordered church building

- Fri. 12th Serenade & Sandwiches concert @12; followed by Open House for anyone wanting to see what has been achieved + refreshments
- Sat. 13th Family/children's event in the morning with refreshments
- Sat. 13th Celebration concert in the evening
- Sun. 14th Celebration Service at 10am

Other Items

Bible Study Groups:- If you are keen to find out about or join one of our midweek Bible Study Groups then please speak to or email David Ridal (david@stlawrencelechlade.org.uk).

Churchyard - many thanks to those who worked hard on the recent working party (and who provided refreshments) and made a real difference to the east end!

At St Lawrence Church we usually offer prayer ministry at the main service in the social room, which is completely private and confidential. Please do not enter the social room while prayer ministry is taking place. Please keep the door closed when there is someone receiving prayer. Thank you.'

Giving to the work of St Lawrence
There will be a **collection** in our services, or you can use the contactless unit by the Hall entrance. 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 or speak to Andrew our Vicar or Lesley our Administrator.

When **shopping online** please do try **Easyfundraising**, a way to raise funds for St Lawrence as you shop online, at no cost to you! All giving details are on the web page: www.stlawrencelechlade.org.uk/donate-to-st-lawrence