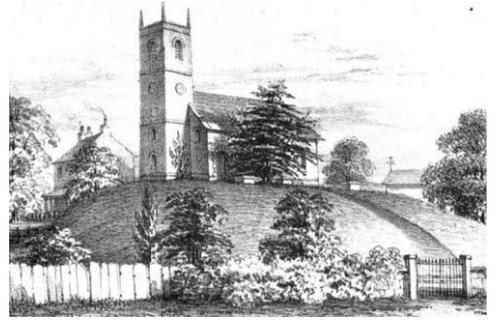


# St. Luke's Church, Goostrey

**NOTICE SHEET  
THE FIFTEENTH SUNDAY  
AFTER TRINITY  
4<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2016**



*A very warm welcome to the community here at St Luke's where worship has been offered on this site since 1150 and this building was consecrated in 1792 to provide a new Church and place of worship for the village of Goostrey.*

*An induction loop system operates here. If you make use of a hearing aid, please switch to "T" for enhanced sound. Please ensure that mobile phones, cellular phones and pagers are switched off.*

*Our Mission Statement: To be a welcoming witness to the love of God in our community: Prayer ☩ Care 4 our Community. Our door is always open.*

Our Hymns for today:

PROCESSIONAL HYMN: 170 God is love  
GRADUAL HYMN: 276 Jesus remember me (x 2)  
OFFERTORY HYMN: 380 O Lord my God  
COMMUNION As your family Lord (571SF) Kumbayah  
RECESSIONAL HYMN: 522 To God be the Glory

## **THE COLLECT**

God, who in generous mercy sent the Holy Spirit upon your Church in the burning fire of your love: grant that your people may be fervent in the fellowship of the gospel that, always abiding in you, they may be found steadfast in faith and active in service; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## **OLD TESTAMENT (HEBREW BIBLE): Jeremiah 18:1-11**

The word that came to Jeremiah from the Lord: 'Come, go down to the potter's house, and there I will let you hear my words.' So I went down to the potter's house, and there he was working at his wheel. The vessel he was making of clay was spoiled in the potter's hand, and he reworked it into another vessel, as seemed good to him.

Then the word of the Lord came to me: Can I not do with you, O house of Israel,

just as this potter has done? says the Lord. Just like the clay in the potter's hand, so are you in my hand, O house of Israel. At one moment I may declare concerning a nation or a kingdom, that I will pluck up and break down and destroy it, but if that nation, concerning which I have spoken, turns from its evil, I will change my mind about the disaster that I intended to bring on it. And at another moment I may declare concerning a nation or a kingdom that I will build and plant it, but if it does evil in my sight, not listening to my voice, then I will change my mind about the good that I had intended to do to it. Now, therefore, say to the people of Judah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem: Thus says the Lord: Look, I am a potter shaping evil against you and devising a plan against you. Turn now, all of you from your evil way, and amend your ways and your doings.

**NEW TESTAMENT READING: Philemon 1-21**

Paul, a prisoner of Christ Jesus, and Timothy our brother, to Philemon our dear friend and co-worker, to Apphia our sister, to Archippus our fellow-soldier, and to the church in your house: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

When I remember you in my prayers, I always thank my God because I hear of your love for all the saints and your faith towards the Lord Jesus. I pray that the sharing of your faith may become effective when you perceive all the good that we may do for Christ. I have indeed received much joy and encouragement from your love, because the hearts of the saints have been refreshed through you, my brother. For this reason, though I am bold enough in Christ to command you to do your duty, yet I would rather appeal to you on the basis of love—and I, Paul, do this as an old man, and now also as a prisoner of Christ Jesus. I am appealing to you for my child, Onesimus, whose father I have become during my imprisonment. Formerly he was useless to you, but now he is indeed useful both to you and to me. I am sending him, that is, my own heart, back to you.

I wanted to keep him with me, so that he might be of service to me in your place during my imprisonment for the gospel; but I preferred to do nothing without your consent, in order that your good deed might be voluntary and not something forced. Perhaps this is the reason he was separated from you for a while, so that you might have him back for ever, no longer as a slave but as more than a slave, a beloved brother—especially to me but how much more to you, both in the flesh and in the Lord.

So if you consider me your partner, welcome him as you would welcome me. If he has wronged you in any way, or owes you anything, charge that to my account. I, Paul, am writing this with my own hand: I will repay it. I say nothing about your owing me even your own self. Yes, brother, let me have this benefit from you in the Lord! Refresh my heart in Christ. Confident of your obedience, I am writing to you, knowing that you will do even more than I say.

**GOSPEL      Luke 14:25-33**

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

**All      Glory to you, O Lord.**

Now large crowds were travelling with him; and he turned and said to them, 'Whoever comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and even life itself, cannot be my disciple. Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it? Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will begin to ridicule him, saying, "This fellow began to build and was not able to finish." Or what king, going out to wage war against another king, will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty thousand? If he cannot, then, while the other is still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for the terms of peace. So therefore, none of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**All      Praise to you, O Christ**

**ADDRESS**

**POST COMMUNION**

Keep, O Lord, your Church, with your perpetual mercy; and, because without you our human frailty cannot but fall, keep us ever by your help from all things hurtful, and lead us to all things profitable to our salvation; through Jesus Christ

**⌘ Please join us for refreshments which will be served at the back of the Church after this mornings Service.**

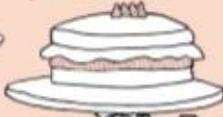
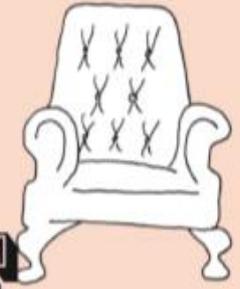
**NEXT SUNDAY**

Holy Communion 8.00am

Parish Communion 9.45am



# CLONTER FAIR & CAR BOOT SALE



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Clonter Farm Music Trust



**TODAY**



VALENTINE SCHOOL OF MUSIC

## Introducing Valentine Voices!

From 17 September 2016, introducing two brand new children's choirs on Saturday mornings in Goostrey, Cheshire.  
£5pw per choir member

Come along to a free taster session to experience what we do and to enjoy a morning of singing a variety of music, from pop to gospel!



## Free Taster Sessions

Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> September

9.45-10.45 Little Voices 5-7 year olds  
11.00-12.00 Junior Voices 8-11 year olds

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the  
storehouse  
the foodbank

## The Storehouse Food- bank at New Life Church

**Thank you yet again! ...** thanks to everyone who continues to support this important ministry in so many ways through prayer, food donations, finance, fund-raising, volunteering time and so one.

From January to end June 2016, we have helped **860 people with 23,400** items of food. This brings our overall total to **10,900 people** helped with **180,000 items of food** since we started in January 2010.

Demand for help has increased again this year as many people struggle to adjust to the effects of the ever ongoing welfare reforms, experience the loss of income through redundancy or low pay etc.

*Thank you for your help and contribution to this worthwhile cause and ministry... God Bless, The Storehouse Team.*

St. Luke's continues to support The Storehouse, the box is at the back of the church for any non perishable foods, toiletries & household goods etc. Thank you for you continued support!