

# Beacon



# Light

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**Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> October**

**A warm welcome to the Beacon Family of Churches  
on the Feast of St Luke the Evangelist**

## **What's on in the coming week**

**Sunday 21st October – Luke the Evangelist**



***Harvest Festival at Harescombe***

9:30 am	Painswick	Parish Communion
11:00am	Cranham	Parish Communion
11:00am	Harescombe	Harvest Thanksgiving
11:00am	Sheepscombe	Morning Worship <i>Preacher: Revd. Michael Sanders</i>

### **Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> October**

12-1.15pm	Ashwell	Community Lunches
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### **Thursday, 25<sup>th</sup> October** *Crispin & Crispinian*

9:30 am	Sheepscombe	Mid-week Worship
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### **Friday 26<sup>th</sup> October** *Alfred*

9:00am	Painswick	PSALMS Prayer Group
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### **Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> October**

#### **Bible Sunday**

9.30am	Painswick	Painswick Praise <i>Speaker: Liz Williams</i>
9.30am	Pitchcombe	Holy Communion (BCP)
11.00am	Edge	Family Praise <i>Speaker: Liz Williams</i>
11.00am	Harescombe	Morning Prayer
11.00am	Sheepscombe	Parish Communion
6.30pm	Cranham	Evening Worship

## Notices

**Community Lunches**-Monday 22nd October at Ashwell Centre from 12 noon to 1.15pm. Hosted this week by Painswick Dog Training. The money raised donated to local charities. If you have never been to enjoy the fellowship, come and bring a friend..

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Next Sunday, October 28<sup>th</sup>, is **Bible Sunday**. We shall welcome **Liz Williams of Wycliffe Bible Translators** as our guest speaker at Painswick at 9.30am and Edge at 11am. Do take the opportunity to hear her and learn more about this important work.

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**Harvest Thanks:** The harvest goods and a cheque for £138.00 from the donations at the Painswick Harvest Lunch have been taken down to The Family Haven in Gloucester. Thank you to everyone who contributed in any way in providing these needy little children with many nutritional meals.

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**Jennie Marsh Christmas Cards** Thanks to all for their support of the Trust. Last year we raised nearly £1000 from the sale of Christmas Cards, which has been used to further the projects which the JMT is involved with, in various countries in Sub-Saharan Africa. I am away until 18 October but I will be selling cards after that. One has been especially drawn by a boy at one of the schools we support in Uganda. I look forward to your support once again. -Frankie Marsh.

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### EverydayFaith

Sign up to this national Church of England initiative to receive two emails a week guiding you through your everyday faith journey. We all have roles we can appreciate as service. Duties we can see God gives that are beneficial to others and society – as a friend, parent or sibling; as a tenant support worker, crucial supply chain link, baker or banker... God calls us to a wide variety of roles, but what is it about you, about the way that God is forming you, that really shines?

Seeing God at work in our lives is often a hard thing to become aware of. Challenge yourself to look out for how God is working in your life; and share your everyday faith stories using #EverydayFaith on social media. Find out more and sign up at

<https://www.churchofengland.org/everydayfaith>

## **Beacon People**

Our prayers are asked for all who are sick, especially **Glynnis Mayes, Will Tarbuck** and **Joan Wood**. We pray for all whose prayer requests are on our prayer boards, and especially for all those people, whether they are relatives or friends, who care for the sick and disabled in their own homes. We also remember before God all who have died recently, especially **Patricia Reynolds** of Richmond Village, or whose anniversaries of death fall at this time.

## **News**

### **“A service to remember those whom we love, but see no longer”**

November is the Season of Remembrance –

All Saints: 1<sup>st</sup> November for the heroes and heroines of our faith.

All Souls: 2 November – those whom we love but see no longer.

11 November – Armistice Day – The remembrance of those who died in the two World Wars and conflicts since.

Remembering is important, painful and even helpful in coming to terms with loss and expressing gratitude for those who have been such an important part of our lives...At the service on **Sunday 4 Nov at St Mary's at 4:00 pm** we will remember, by name, those whom you wish to be mentioned at this time- those whose funerals have taken place in the Churches of the Benefice and those funerals taken by Beacon clergy and readers at the crematoria in the last 2 years will be read out. If you have others you wish to be named, and hopefully be able to be with us, please put your names on the lists in church or contact the Benefice Office. The lists will be collected on Friday 2 November.

*Please contact Cranham churchwardens if you wish names to be read at the service in Cranham on 2<sup>nd</sup> November at 7.30pm*

**Collect:** Almighty God, you called Luke the physician, whose praise is in the gospel, to be an evangelist and physician of the soul: by the grace of the Spirit and through the wholesome medicine of the gospel, give your Church the same love and power to heal; 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.

**Post Communion:** Almighty God, who on the day of Pentecost sent your Holy Spirit to the apostles with the wind from heaven and in tongues of flame, filling them with joy and boldness to preach the gospel: by the power of the same Spirit strengthen us to witness to your truth and to draw everyone to the fire of your love; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Collect for Harvest :** Creator God,  
you made the goodness of the land, the riches of the sea  
and the rhythm of the seasons; as we thank you for the harvest,  
may we cherish and respect this planet and its peoples,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Readings:** *Isaiah 35.3-6 or 2 Timothy 4.5-17, Luke 10.1-9*

**Harvest Readings:** *Joel 2.21-27 or 1 Timothy 2.1-7, Matthew 6.25-33*

**Prayer for our Parishes**

Father God, You have called us to be your servants in this place.

We ask your blessing on us all during this vacancy.

We pray for all those involved in the selection process  
of a new Vicar for the Beacon Family of Churches.

May they be guided by your Holy Spirit to recognise the one  
who can best inspire and lead us in our journey of faith.

May the person you choose be open to your calling and our needs.

‘Speak Lord for your servants are listening’

All this we ask in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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