



LOCKINGCASTLECHURCH

Welcome to Locking Castle Church

Growing a loving community by sharing Jesus with everyone

Summer 2022

Welcome to the LCC newsletter! Whether you have picked this leaflet physically or downloaded the pdf from our website, thank you for connecting with us and we hope you can find all the information you need easily – please ask if you need any help. Hello to everyone in our local community and also to our friends and partners around the world.

As the UK celebrates the Jubilee and makes the most of a summer without Covid restrictions, the contrast between our freedoms and those who are afflicted by war or facing famine becomes ever starker. But somehow, we need to hold the tension between celebrating all that is good whilst looking for opportunities to serve people who need our support and praying for God's kingdom to come. The Apostle Paul reflected this tension when he wrote in his letter to the Ephesians 'Be very careful how you live – not as unwise but as wise, making the most of every opportunity, because the days are evil... Do not get drunk on wine, which leads to debauchery. Instead be filled with the Spirit... sing and make music in your heart to the Lord, always giving thanks to God the Father for everything'. Summer is a wonderful time to 'open up the doors and let the music play' whilst we pray for opportunities to share the good news and hope of Jesus. As the *Delirious?* worship song continues: 'And here we see that, God, you're moving. A time of Jubilee is coming, when young and old return to Jesus. Fling wide, you heavenly gates! Prepare the way of the risen Lord!' So do enjoy the summer and celebrate with joy, but don't forget to pray 'come Holy Spirit' and make the most of every Kingdom opportunity he puts before us.

With my love & prayers, Tom 😊



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Origins



Summer 22 Sermon Series



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Sundays 9 & 10:30am. In order to flourish in life and know where we are going, we need to understand our origins, our place in the world & how God created us to relate to him.

Genesis 1-35 Origins: Foundations for faith. May-August 2022 sermon series

01/05	In the beginning: God	Genesis 1:1-10 Creation
08/05	Made in the image of God	Genesis 1:24-2:3 Adam and Eve
15/05	Satan's deceit	Genesis 3: 1-13 The fall
22/05	Restless wanderers	Genesis 4: 1-16 Cain and Abel
29/05	Saved from the flood	Genesis 7: 1-24 Noah and the flood
05/06	Covenant: God's promise to us	Genesis 8: 11-17, 9:1-16 Noah's covenant
12/06	Pride and progress	Genesis 11:1-9 The tower of Babel
19/06	Stepping out in faith	Genesis 12: 1-9 The call of Abram
26/06	Righteousness through faith	Genesis 15: 1-21 Abraham's covenant
03/07	Taking God at his word	Genesis 18:1-15 The three visitors
10/07	Crying out for justice	Genesis 18:16-33 Abraham pleads for Sodom
17/07	God our provider	Genesis 22: 1-14 Abraham tested
24/07	Prayer from the heart	Genesis 24: 34-51, 66-67 Isaac and Rebekah
31/07	Eat now, pay later?	Genesis 25: 21-34 Jacob and Esau
07/08	Unexpected God encounters	Genesis 28: 10-22 Jacob's ladder
14/08	The fight of faith	Genesis 32: 22-32 Jacob wrestles with God
21/08	Blessed are the peacemakers	Genesis 33: 1-11 Jacob and Esau reconcile
28/08	Building the house of God	Genesis 35: 1-15 Jacob renamed to Israel

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OFFICE OPENING HOURS: 9:30-11:30am weekdays, except Wednesday 12:30-2pm

Administrator: Katherine Hollis - 01934 519888 - office@lockingcastlechurch.org

For **Hall & Room Bookings** contact Teresa on 07727 067887 or lcchallbookings@gmail.com

For **Weddings, Baptisms and Thanksgivings** please email lccoccasions@gmail.com

SERVICES:



As Covid restrictions have finally lifted please consider those who are still vulnerable.

Masks are available in the lobby. Social distancing is available at 9am communions.

Coffee and refreshments are available after both morning services served in Room 1.

Sunday 9am Holy Communion with quieter worship and spoken prayers.

Sunday 10.30 am – Live every week at 10.30am with worship, kids activities and prayer ministry. Live streamed via [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/ChurchatStAnnes) - or just click on the link from our website.

- **5pm Church@St. Anne's West-Wick:** Gather, learn & share together - all welcome! See Andy or <https://www.facebook.com/ChurchatStAnnes> for more information.
- **Haywood Village Church: 'Tea and Toast'** 4th Sundays at 3pm. HV 'Rooted' group meets on Wednesdays 7:30-9.30pm. All Haywoodies welcome! Also, *Take5* after-school community outreach: Mondays 2.30-4pm in the HVA community room during term time. Contact Fiona - 07788 418347 for more info.
- **Oasis Midweek Café Church with favourite hymns.** Tuesdays 2:30-3:15pm at LCC. Please contact Emily on 07905 516624 or emily.pastoral@gmail.com for more details.



On your own? Join us for Sunday lunch at the The Beefeater, Hutton Moor Road on 3rd July & 7th Aug at 1pm. Pls call Sandra Blackwell on 07719 210623 for details.

Finance update: Thank you for your kind responses to the call for generous giving as we face financial challenges in 2022. God is good - the Lord is our provider! He is always faithful and if you would like to start giving to LCC, or to review your giving, please contact our treasurer Martin Purnell or speak to one of the staff team or Ecumenical Church Council.

££ Giving ££ - Regular giving. We are very thankful for the monthly provision of gifts by standing order or direct transfer. If you would like to give financially on a regular basis, simply create a standing order or print and complete the form on the website [forms page](#). If you're a tax payer please complete an [online Gift-Aid form](#) so that we can claim 25% extra from HMRC on your gifts. If you have any queries about giving please talk to our Treasurer Martin Purnell (treasurer@lockingcastlechurch.org) or John Stanley, Gift Aid secretary.

Online Giving: You can now donate online via **credit card** at lockingcastlechurch.org/giving, or by using the **GIVT** app, or by direct Bank Transfer to: **Sort code: 60-23-06 Account: 57525358** LCC can now also take card and contactless payments via the office – please ask for details.

Data Protection: If you haven't already done so, please complete our simple online contact and GDPR form at lockingcastlechurch.org/forms which will allow us to store and use your contact details so that staff and authorised leaders can stay in touch with you.

Ukraine Appeal: Please see lockingcastlechurch.org/giving to donate to Kreativity Ukraine.

CHILDREN at LCC Please contact Cathy on **07875 442139** for details... 😊

All children are welcome to join in with kids Sunday activities. Please follow everyone to registration when the children go out & stay with your child until they are signed in.

Creche Room 2 is available with toys during services for parents with young children.

Please note we need more creche leaders & helpers – could you serve once a month?

Blessed Beginnings Mondays 1-2:30pm during term-time for new parents and babies.

Kids Club! Mondays at 4:30-5:30pm during term-time (£1). Fun games, Bible stories, challenges, and prayers. Just email cathy.bond@mail.com for details.

TLC toddlers Free play, craft, refreshments and singing. See the 'Toddlers Locking Castle – TLC' Facebook group or call Jutta or Cathy Bond to join the waiting list.

Wonderfully Made Toddler group at St. Anne's Church Academy West Wick.

Wednesdays 9:30-11am during term time. Please contact Cathy Bond if you can help!

Kids resources are available from the 'LCC Sunday Kids' Facebook page, and check out the Kids page on the LCC website or [LCC KIDS ZONE](#) Youtube channel.

Is God calling you to join the youth and children's or creche teams? Pls chat to Cathy

YOUTH: Do join the *LCYouth* or *LCC Parents* FB groups for details of youth activities:

Sunday Evenings

1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th 7.00-8.30: Green Light

June: 5th, 12th Movement, 19th, 26th July: 10th, 17th, 24th

Thursday Evenings

Youth 7-8.30pm (sub's £1 per person)

June: 9th, 16th, 23rd, 30th July: 7th, 14th, 21st... No Youth in Sch Hols


4th Sunday

26th and 24th 9.30-12noon UpRising (Inter-generational Service)

For more info please contact Andy on 07956097310



**LCY for
June/July:**

- **Local Baptist Churches Prayer Gathering** Sunday 12th Jun 6-7pm at Renew193 Wellbeing cafe, 193 High Street, Worle. All invited to come together as a local Baptist family of churches to worship and pray for our town, our mission & for one another.
- **Ladies' Breakfast** Sat 11th Jun & 9th July 10am at Banwell Garden Centre. See the [W@LCC Facebook group](#) or contact Lin Thomas 07557 132680 or lin@clearly.me.uk.
- **Men's Breakfasts** at the Landing Light will be 8am on Saturday 18th Jun & 16th July. £7.50 pp for a full English (Veggie available) Pls text Pete on 07746 567236 to book.
- **LCC Cycling club** usually 9am on 4th Saturdays. Please text Steve Gurney on 07956684639 to join the WhatsApp group to find out the start point and timings!
- **Gardening** 🌿 - join in when you can and help keep our church garden beautiful! Meet 10am the following Weds & Sats: Jun 8,18, July 9, 20, Aug 10, 27. No expertise needed, pls bring gardening tools. See Sue Morley, Susan Brooks or Emily for details.
- **Kenya Hope Charity Summer BBQ** Saturday 16th July, 11am-3pm. Live music, cream teas and a craft sale in aid of Kenya Hope at Pete & Debbie Van-der Watt's, 21 Vale Crescent, BS22 2YJ. Contact Brian Humphreys on 07879 847657 for more info.
- **Deeper Theology: Resilience – deeply rooted in faith.** 7pm Mondays: June 6th & 13th in church. Continuing the series exploring practical tools & biblical resources for growing deeper roots in faith to withstand life's storms. Call Martin Thomas on 07836 674582 for more details. 
- 🙏 **Thy Kingdom Come** runs until Sun 5th June (Pentecost Sunday) and invites Christians around the world to pray for more people to come to know Jesus. For daily videos and inspiration see <https://www.thykingdomcome.global/videos>. Free Prayer Journals, Novenas and children's story books are also available from Emily.
- **Jubilee Community Fun Day. 12-3pm Sat June 4th** at the field behind the Campus. BBQ, Bouncy Castles, fun activities and games. Could you come and help? See Tom
- **Wednesday 2pm – Community Prayer** a time to pray together online. Please contact Katherine on 07811 541184 for the Zoom meeting ID and password. 🙏
- **Life Groups** are where we grow caring supportive friendships and deepen our faith through prayer, study and discussion. Groups meet at various times and places throughout the week. If you're not yet part of a Life Group we can help find the right group for you. Please call Heather Colledge 07888 725499 or Emily for more info.

INTERCESSORY PRAYER - Prayer for Everyone *Pray without ceasing (1 Thess 5v16)*

Please continue to pray for the situation in Ukraine for a peaceful resolution, and that global food supply chains will soon be restarted.

Local Ministry: Please pray for wisdom and blessing for all the staff and leaders at LCC while Tom is away on sabbatical during the summer months.

International mission partners: Our mission partner focus for June is **Arocha UK**, working to care for God's creation and educate on environmental stewardship. In July we are supporting **Open Doors** as they work to help the persecuted church. In August we are giving to **CMS** supporting Katia Rocks working in Florianopolis, Brazil.

Do contact Carolyn Campbell or one of the pastoral team if you would like any prayer.