

Welcome to Locking Castle Church

Growing a loving community by sharing Jesus with everyone

September 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.

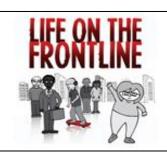
It feels very strange to be writing my last newsletter article at LCC. We have had such a blessed time serving in WsM over the past 13 years and it has been a privilege to see all that God has done in so many people's lives. Ecclesiastes reminds that 'there is a time for everything and a season for every activity under the heavens:... a time to plant... and a time to uproot.' A new season is coming for LCC and I have been struck by some verses from 2 Corinthians 6 where Paul writes: 'I tell you, now is the time of God's favour, now is the day of salvation!' Remember Jesus' words in John 4v35: 'Open your eyes and look at the fields. They are ripe for harvest!' As LCC enters a time of transition with new leadership and new direction, this is a wonderful opportunity to seek the Lord and respond to his call: The best time for mission is today! The message of Jesus Christ, his love and forgiveness when we call upon him is just as powerful today as it has ever been. The enduring God-given virtues of faith, hope and love are the answers to the growing anxiety and disillusionment of our society today. People need to know they are loved and we all have an exciting part to play in sharing the love of God with them on our 'frontlines' wherever we are.

Thank you so much for all the love you have shared with us over the past 9 years. LCC is an awesome church and a wonderful community –the best is yet to come so keep **growing a loving community by sharing Jesus with everyone**. Go for it!

With my love & prayers, Tom ©

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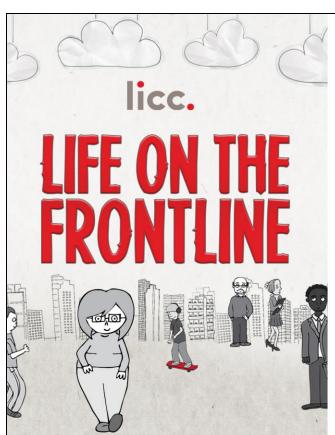
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Sundays 9 & 10.30: Discover together how we as Christians can make a difference wherever we are and identify our own frontlines.

04/09The Frontline CallMatthew 28:16-2011/09The Frontline CommissionJeremiah 29:4-14

18/09 The Frontline Community Colossians 3:12-17

Acts 3:1-10

02/10 The Frontline Cry Matthew 6:9-13

09/10 The Frontline Commitment Acts 4:23-31

25/09 The Frontline Concern

Your frontline is the place where you spend much of your time, where you meet people who don't know Jesus. It's the place God has called you, the place of possibility and potential. We may be old or young, healthy or infirm, employed or not – we still have a 'frontline'. A place God has put us.

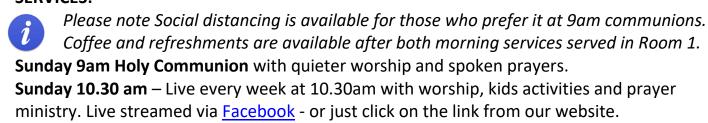
Often though, we don't see our frontlines in this light. But just imagine what the impact might be on our neighbourhoods, workplaces, schools – on the whole nation – if we could help each other make a difference for Christ in these places. Imagine how God could work through you, right where you are.

Video: https://youtu.be/TVKbvE-HQeI

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SERVICES:



- > **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 at Haywood village Academy. 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 4th September 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.

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

Midweek childrens groups start back from Mon 12th Sept. Pls see Cathy for details 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 <u>LCC KIDS ZONE</u> 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:

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To help
young people
discover
who
they are
and all
they can be
through
Jesus.

Sunday Evenings

7.00-8.30: Green Light 4th. 11th.18th

Thursday Evenings

Ynot? 7-8.30pm (sub's £1 per person)

8th , 15th , 22nd, 29th

4th Sunday

UpRising (Inter-generational Service) 25th (9.30am to set up)

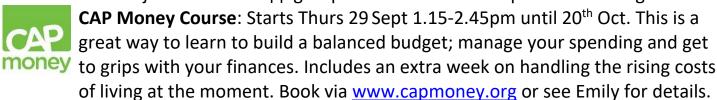
For more info please contact Andy on 07956097310





Creative day Saturday 17th Sept 10am-4pm at LCC. Creative Bible Journaling (why and how we do it), worship and prayer. £15 per person (£10 for U16s) All materials including a notebook provided. Please bring a packed lunch and bibles etc. To book your place please contact Cathy or Sandie on 07952 441917, or click the link on the LCC Facebook page.

- ➤ **BBQ Lunch** 12:45pm Sunday 18th September. Come and enjoy burgers together and say farewell to Tom and Mims on their last Sunday at LCC. Burgers are provided but please bring a salad, cake or drinks. If raining we will still go ahead and eat in the hall!
- ➤ Ladies' Breakfast 2nd Saturdays at 10am at Banwell Garden Centre. See the <u>W@LCC</u> Facebook group or contact Lin Thomas 07557 132680 or lin@clearly.me.uk.
- ➤ Men's Breakfast at the Landing Light will be 8am on Saturday 10th September. £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 10am Sat 17th and Wed 28th Sept. No expertise needed, pls bring gardening tools. See Sue Morley, Susan Brooks or Emily for details.
- ➤ Wednesday 2pm Community Prayer a time to pray together online. Please contact Katherine on 07811 541184 for the Zoom meeting ID and password.
- 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)

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Please continue to pray for the situation in Ukraine for a peaceful resolution, and that the global food and energy crisis will soon ease for everyone affected.

International mission partners: Our mission partner focus for September is **Kreativity Ukraine**, supporting the church team and all those affected by the war.

Local Ministry: Please pray for wisdom and guidance for all the staff and leaders at LCC during the transition period following Tom and Mims' move to Bath.

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