

CHURCH FAMILY NEWS

Next week's service will be a 11am Communion service, look forward to seeing you there.

Still urgently required Church secretary please see Viv or Lisa if this role is something you would be able to take on, assisting in the smooth running of St. Mary Magdalene, Lyminster.

Please continue to pray for Ashley, Luke, Erika and Sophie that they grow in their love and knowledge of Christ following their Baptism.

Poor St Clares at Crossbush Taize Service 7pm last Friday of each Month and Taize Service 6pm first Sunday of the month at United Reform/ Trinity Church High Street Littlehampton.

New Sermon Series for June & July Will focus on Jesus and the Kingdom that will have no end. In Luke's gospel we will see people opening their hearts as to who he is. Fully God and fully human.

Gerry is still collecting Postage stamps the box is on the chess by front entrance.

Tea and Coffee rota still has some spaces waiting to be filled, new volunteers welcomed.

Prayer group meets every 3rd Wednesday of the Month 7:30 at Gills. All welcome.

PRAYER LIST

Sister Aelred, Carol Hatton's good friend Lynne Rule-Peters, Sue Arthur, Tina Ward, Richard and his Father and a family member of one of our congregations waiting for a diagnosis/treatment plan. Please email names for prayer list to wickinformation@gmail.com



27 July 2025

Abraham: Trusting when you don't know the way.

Welcome to St Mary Magdalene Church, Lyminster and to our church building which has been a place of worship for nearly 1,000 years. If you are visiting, or this is your first time here, please make yourself known to one of the welcomers.

We hope that you feel welcome and able to share in the good news of Jesus our risen Lord and Saviour. Please contact Lisa, priest in charge of St. Mary Magdalene and All Saints Wick, Churchwarden or welcomers if you'd like to, and please stay to get to know us better after the service. This week's service will be led by Revd Bill Meyers.

ALL ENQUIRIES

Our Clergy

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HYMN NUMBERS

585 The Church one foundation
548 One more step
208 Christ is made the sure foundation
622 Will you come and follow me

COLLECT for The Sixth Sunday after Trinity

Creator God, you made us all in your image: may we discern you in all that we see, and serve you in all that we do; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Trusting God When You Don't Know the Way

In our reading this Sunday from Genesis 12, we hear how God called Abraham to leave everything familiar — his home, his family, his country — and go to a land God would show him. Abraham didn't have a map or full explanation, just a promise. Yet he trusted and Went. Faith often looks like that: trusting God even when the next step isn't clear. I think of a friend who, after 20 years in a stable job, felt prompted to retrain for chaplaincy. It meant uncertainty, financial sacrifice, and stepping into the unknown. But she followed God's call — and today she supports patients and families in a hospital, shining Christ's light where it's most needed. Whether you're starting school, facing a change, or seeking direction — remember: you can trust the One who leads you, even when you don't yet see the way.

BIBLE READINGS

Genesis 12: 1-9

1 The Lord had said to Abram, 'Go from your country, your people and your father's household to the land I will show you. 2 'I will make you into a great nation, and I will bless you; I will make your name great, and you will be a blessing. 3 I will bless those who bless you, and whoever curses you I will curse; and all peoples on earth will be blessed through you.' 4 So Abram went, as the Lord had told him; and Lot went with him. Abram was seventy-five years old when he set out from Harran. 5 He took his wife Sarai, his nephew Lot, all the possessions they had accumulated and the people they had acquired in Harran, and they set out for the land of Canaan, and they arrived there. 6 Abram travelled through the land as far as the site of the great tree of Moreh at Shechem. At that time the Canaanites were in the land. 7 The Lord appeared to Abram and said, 'To your offspring I will give this land.' So he built an altar there to the Lord, who had appeared to him. 8 From there he went on towards the hills east of Bethel and pitched his tent, with Bethel on the west and Ai on the east. There he

built an altar to the Lord and called on the name of the Lord. 9 Then Abram set out and continued towards the Negev.

Psalms 105: 1-15

1 Give praise to the Lord, proclaim his name; make known among the nations what he has done. 2 Sing to him, sing praise to him; tell of all his wonderful acts. 3 Glory in his holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice. 4 Look to the Lord and his strength; seek his face always. 5 Remember the wonders he has done, his miracles, and the judgments he pronounced, 6 you his servants, the descendants of Abraham, his chosen ones, the children of Jacob. 7 He is the Lord our God; his judgments are in all the earth. 8 He remembers his covenant for ever, the promise he made, for a thousand generations, 9 the covenant he made with Abraham, the oath he swore to Isaac. 10 He confirmed it to Jacob as a decree, to Israel as an everlasting covenant: 11 'To you I will give the land of Canaan as the portion you will inherit.' 12 When they were but few in number, few indeed, and strangers in it, 13 they wandered from nation to nation, from one kingdom to another. 14 He allowed no one to oppress them; for their sake he rebuked kings: 15 'Do not touch my anointed ones; do my prophets no harm.'

Hebrews 11:8-10

8 By faith Abraham, when called to go to a place he would later receive as his inheritance, obeyed and went, even though he did not know where he was going. 9 By faith he made his home in the promised land like a stranger in a foreign country; he lived in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. 10 For he was looking forward to the city with foundations, whose architect and builder is God.

Luke 1: 46-55

46 And Mary said: 'My soul glorifies the Lord 47 and my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour, 48 for he has been mindful of the humble state of his servant. From now on all generations will call me blessed, 49 for the Mighty One has done great things for me – holy is his name. 50 His mercy extends to those who fear him, from generation to generation. 51 He has performed mighty deeds with his arm; he has scattered those who are proud in their inmost thoughts. 52 He has brought down rulers from their thrones but has lifted up the humble. 53 He has filled the hungry with good things but has sent the rich away empty. 54 He has helped his servant Israel, remembering to be merciful 55 to Abraham and his descendants for ever, just as he promised our ancestors.'

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Unfortunately there will be no 4 pm or 9.30 service during August.

Therefore August service times will be :

- August 10th 11am Communion
- August 24th 11am Communion
- August 31st 8.30 BCP Please note just for August on 5th sunday
- August 31st 11am Communion

Rest-Retreat-Recharge

Whether you are going away, staying at home, or having days out, intentionally feed yourself spiritually. Perhaps try a 5 day/ 2 week/4 week Bible reading plan on the YouVersion Bible app or read this summer's Christian Bestseller – The Greatest Story Ever Told by Bear Grylls, or try a podcast such as Inspired with Simon Guillebaud.

St Mary Magdalen regular service pattern at the moment

1st Sunday of the month	All together communion 4pm
2nd Sunday	Communion 11am
3rd Sunday	All together 9.30am
4th Sunday	BCP Communion 8.30 am
	Communion 11am
5th Sunday	Communion 11am