



# LAVENHAM CHURCH

A BEACON OF HOPE

## Weekly Pewsheet

St Peter & St Paul, Lavenham – 8.00/10.00am

### Sunday 9 June 2024 The Second Sunday after Trinity

#### Services Today

Lavenham	8.00am	Holy Communion (BCP)
Lavenham	10.00am	Holy Communion (CW)
Preston St Mary	6.00pm	Evensong

#### During the Week

Sunday 9 June	10.30am–4.30pm	Lavenham Hidden Gardens ( <i>see notice</i> ) Suffolk Art Society Exhibition ends ( <i>Lavenham Church</i> )
Monday 10 June	10.00am	Think & Drink ( <i>Lavenham Village Hall</i> )
Tuesday 11 June	8.45am	Morning Prayer ( <i>Lavenham Lady Chapel</i> )
	7.15pm	Choir Practice ( <i>Lavenham Choir Vestry</i> )
Wednesday 12 June	8.45am	Morning Prayer ( <i>Lavenham Lady Chapel</i> )
	10.00am	Midweek Communion (CW trad) ( <i>Lavenham Lady Chapel</i> )
	4.00pm	Lay Elder Training (Worship) ( <i>Tenter Piece Common Room</i> )
Thursday 13 June	8.45am	Morning Prayer ( <i>Lavenham Lady Chapel</i> )
	10.00am	Community Coffee Morning ( <i>Lavenham Village Hall</i> )
	3.30pm	Gravetalk ( <i>Lavenham Guildhall</i> )

### Services next Sunday 16 June The Third Sunday after Trinity

Lavenham	8.00am	Holy Communion (BCP)
Lavenham	10.00am	Morning Worship
Preston St Mary	6.00pm	Holy Communion (BCP)

#### Looking Ahead

Monday 17 June	10.00am	Knit & Natter ( <i>Lavenham Village Hall</i> )
Tuesday 18 June	3.30pm	Ministry Team Meeting ( <i>Tenter Piece Common Room</i> )
	7.30pm	Admission of Churchwardens ( <i>St Peter Cockfield</i> )
Thursdays until 4 July	3.30pm	Gravetalk ( <i>Lavenham Guildhall</i> )
Sunday 30 June	5.00pm	Lavenham Patronal Festival Choral Evensong
Sunday 7 July	10.00am	Commissioning of Lay Elders ( <i>Lavenham</i> )
	11.30am	Friends of Lavenham Church AGM ( <i>Lavenham Village Hall</i> )

## The Benefice of Lavenham with Preston

St Peter and St Paul Lavenham St Mary the Virgin Preston

# Prayers

*Celebrating resurrection & new life we pray for:*

Waveney and Blyth Deanery: Benefice of Wrentham, Covehithe with Benacre, Henstead with Hulver and Frostenden (in vacancy); Churches on the Tourist Trail; At the start of refugee week, for greater compassion for those who are forced to leave their homes because of war, oppression, and the climate crisis; That our government will find better solutions to process the number of refugees and asylum seekers coming to this country; **Lavenham:** Lady Street, Lion Court, Long Meadow; **Preston St Mary:** Lavenham Road.

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*Sunday readings & sermons are usually to be found on the website and on Facebook*

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*Information for next week's pew sheet by the preceding Wednesday please to [pewsheet@lavenham.church](mailto:pewsheet@lavenham.church) or 01787 852787.*

**Offerings:** There is a collection plate on the table at the back of church. If you pay UK tax please use a yellow gift envelope; or use Just Giving online via [www.justgiving.com/lavenhamchurch](http://www.justgiving.com/lavenhamchurch); or for the Parish Giving Scheme, go ONLINE to <https://parishgiving.org.uk>, or scan the QR code here with your phone.



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## Notices

**Lavenham Hidden Gardens – Sunday 9 June:** Gardens are open from 10.30am to 4.30pm (tickets £5 adults, U12 free) will be available from the Market Place. The church tower will be open for tower tours and bellringing demonstrations in the afternoon and from 12noon to 4.30pm we are offering refreshments in church, and there will also be plants for sale.

**Admission of Churchwardens – Tuesday 18 June 7.30pm at St Peter's Church Cockfield:** Churchwardens who were elected at the recent APCMs in the Deanery will be admitted, including Paul MacLachlan for the first time, who will be taking over from Mary Morrey.

**Lavenham Patronal Festival – Sunday 30 June:** The Feast of St Peter & St Paul is on 29 June, and we celebrate it on the day after, Sunday 30 June, when there will be the normal morning services at 8am and 10am, and at 5pm Choral Evensong will be sung by the choir of Gonville and Caius College.

**Interested in helping in the church shop in June?** Now the number of visitors numbers are increasing & following analysis of purchases, we would like to trial having someone in the shop to help visitors at busier times. If anyone is interested in helping during June/July on Friday, Saturday, or Sunday afternoons between 2 and 4.30pm, please sign up on the form against specific dates at the back of the church. There is no requirement to sign up to regular days unless you wish to, if you can help on one afternoon only that is absolutely fine as well. Full training on the card machine will be given. If you have any questions, please speak to Rebecca Simpson (01787 249845).

**Gravetalk:** It is not easy talking about death, dying, funerals and grief. Gravetalk is designed by The Church of England to help get the conversation started. There are no right answers or wrong answers, this is not a course. It is a conversation. In small groups we will have a set of cards, upon which will be a question. The questions cover five themes; **Life:** What makes it special for you?; **Death:** memories and experience; **Society:** How our culture deals with death; **Funerals:** What happens and what could happen; **Grief:** The reality of loss. We are going to meet in **Lavenham Guildhall** on four **Thursdays** from **13 June** to **4 July**, gathering in the Café at **3.30pm** for a cup of tea (if you wish), before moving into the conversation time at **4pm**. There is no charge for joining the group. If you would like to know more please contact Revd Simon on 01787 827691 or email [rector@lavenham.church](mailto:rector@lavenham.church).

**Lavenham Life New Editor:** We have just distributed Matt George's first edition of Lavenham Life for which we must congratulate him. This June edition has been a mammoth task for Matt, involving the learning of Canva software on our new Apple Mac computer. Matt has been supported by John Page, Kevin and Katie for which he and the PCC are most grateful. We hope that you like the personalised changes that Matt has made.

**Safeguarding Training:** Face-to-face training is available locally at all levels over the next few months – **Basic Awareness** at *St Peter's Church Hall West Row* on **Wednesday 10 July** (10.00am–12.30pm), *St Martin Trimley* on **Tuesday 16 July** (10.00am–12.30pm); **Foundation** at *St Mary Hadleigh* on **Tuesday 16 July** (10.00am–12.30pm), *St Martin Trimley* on **Tuesday 16 July** (2.00pm–4.30pm);; **Leadership** at *St Luke Beccles* on **Tuesdays 18 June & 2 July** (2.00pm–4.00pm). **Basic Awareness** is accessible to everyone, and is required for everyone who has a designated role in the Church (paid or voluntary), but all parishioners are welcome and encouraged to complete it; if you are unsure which level is right for you, please check with Mary Jackson. *To book a place or for the online portal there is a link on the website home page.*

# 10.00am Holy Communion – Lavenham

## Opening Hymn



1. Christ, whose glory fills the skies,  
Christ the true, the only Light,  
Sun of Righteousness, arise,  
triumph o'er the shades of night;  
Dayspring from on high, be near;  
Daystar, in my heart appear.

2. Dark and cheerless is the morn  
unaccompanied by thee;  
joyless is the day's return,  
till thy mercy's beams I see,  
till they inward light impart,  
glad my eyes, and warm my heart.

3. Visit then this soul of mine,  
pierce the gloom of sin and grief;  
fill me, radiancy divine,  
scatter all my unbelief;  
more and more thyself display,  
shining to the perfect day.

*Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788) Music: Ratisbon, melody from Werner's Choralbuch Leipzig 1815, harmonised by William Henry Havergal (1793-1870) and William Henry Monk (1823-1889) (Ancient & Modern – 2)*

## Collect

Lord, you have taught us  
that all our doings without love are nothing worth:  
send your Holy Spirit  
and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of love,  
the true bond of peace and of all virtues,  
without which whoever lives is counted dead before you.  
Grant this for your only Son Jesus Christ's sake,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## First Reading – Genesis 3.8-15

A reading from the Book of Genesis.

They heard the sound of the Lord God walking in the garden at the time of the evening breeze, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the Lord God among the trees of the garden. But the Lord God called to the man, and said to him, 'Where are you?' He said, 'I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself.' He said, 'Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?' The man said, 'The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit from the tree, and I ate.' Then the Lord God said to the woman, 'What is this that you have done?' The woman said, 'The serpent tricked me, and I ate.' The Lord God said to the serpent, 'Because you have done this, cursed are you among all animals and among all wild creatures; upon your belly you shall go, and dust you shall eat all the days of your life. I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; he will strike your head, and you will strike his heel.'

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Psalm 130



My soul waits for the Lord.

Out of the depths have I cried to you, O Lord;

Lord, hear my voice; let your ears consider well the voice of my supplication.

If you, Lord, were to mark what is done amiss, O Lord, who could stand?

But there is forgiveness with you, so that you shall be feared. **R**

I wait for the Lord; my soul waits for him;

in his word is my hope.

My soul waits for the Lord,

more than the night watch for the morning,

more than the night watch for the morning. **R**

O Israel, wait for the Lord,

for with the Lord there is mercy;

With him is plenteous redemption

and he shall redeem Israel from all their sins. **R**

## Second Reading – 2 Corinthians 4.13 – 5.1

A reading from Paul's second letter to the Corinthians.

But just as we have the same spirit of faith that is in accordance with scripture – 'I believed, and so I spoke' – we also believe, and so we speak, because we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus, and will bring us with you into his presence. Yes, everything is for your sake, so that grace, as it extends to more and more people, may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God. So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. For this slight momentary affliction is preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, because we look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen; for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal. For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### Gradual Hymn



1. Who would true valour see,  
let him come hither;  
one here will constant be,  
come wind, come weather;  
there's no discouragement,  
shall make him once relent,  
his first avowed intent,  
to be a pilgrim.

2. Who so beset him round  
with dismal stories,  
do but themselves confound,  
his strength the more is.  
No lion can him fright:  
he'll with a giant fight,  
but he will have the right  
to be a pilgrim.

3. Hobgoblin, nor foul fiend  
can daunt his spirit;  
he knows he at the end  
shall life inherit.  
Then, fancies, fly away;  
he'll fear not what men say;  
he'll labour night and day  
to be a pilgrim.

*Words: John Bunyan (1628-1688)*

*Music: Monk's Gate, English trad, adapt Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958) (Ancient & Modern – 823)*

## Gospel Reading – Mark 3.20-35

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

### Glory to you, O Lord.

and the crowd came together again, so that they could not even eat. When his family heard it, they went out to restrain him, for people were saying, 'He has gone out of his mind.' And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said, 'He has Beelzebul, and by the ruler of the demons he casts out demons.' And he called them to him, and spoke to them in parables, 'How can Satan cast out Satan? If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but his end has come. But no one can enter a strong man's house and plunder his property without first tying up the strong man; then indeed the house can be plundered. 'Truly I tell you, people will be forgiven for their sins and whatever blasphemies they utter; but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit can never have forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin' – for they had said, 'He has an unclean spirit.' Then his mother and his brothers came; and standing outside, they sent to him and called him. A crowd was sitting around him; and they said to him, 'Your mother and your brothers and sisters are outside, asking for you.' And he replied, 'Who are my mother and my brothers?' And looking at those who sat around him, he said, 'Here are my mother and my brothers! Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

### Praise to you, O Christ.

## Offertory Hymn



1. There's a wideness in God's mercy  
like the wideness of the sea;  
there's a kindness in his justice  
which is more than liberty.  
There is no place where earth's sorrows  
are more felt than up in heaven;  
there is no place where earth's failings  
have such kindly judgement given.

2 For the love of God is broader  
than the measure of our mind,  
and the heart of the Eternal  
is most wonderfully kind.  
But we make his love too narrow  
by false limits of our own;  
and we magnify his strictness  
with a zeal he would not own.



3 There is plentiful redemption  
through the blood that has been shed;  
there is joy for all the members  
in the sorrows of the Head.  
There is grace enough for thousands  
of new worlds as great as this;  
there is room for fresh creations  
in that upper home of bliss.

Words: Frederick William Faber (1814-1863) Music: Corvedale, Maurice Bevan (1921-2006) (Ancient & Modern – 806)

Second half of tune:

4 If our love were but more simple,  
we should take him at his word;  
and our lives would be all gladness  
in the joy of Christ our Lord.

## Communion Anthem

Day by day, dear Lord, of thee three things I pray:  
To see thee more clearly, love thee more dearly,  
Follow thee more nearly, day by day.

Words: Richard of Chichester (1197-1253)  
Music: Martin How (b. 1931)

## Communion Hymn



1. Author of life divine who hast a table spread,  
furnished with mystic wine and everlasting bread,  
preserve the life thyself hast given,  
preserve the life thyself hast given, and feed and train us up for heaven.

2. Our needy souls sustain with fresh supplies of love,  
till all thy life we gain, and all thy fullness prove,  
and, strengthened by thy perfect grace,  
and, strengthened by thy perfect grace, behold without a veil thy face.

Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788)  
Music: Rhosymedre, John Edwards (1805-1885)  
(Ancient & Modern – 424)

## Post Communion Prayer

Loving Father,  
we thank you for feeding us at the supper of your Son:  
sustain us with your Spirit,  
that we may serve you here on earth  
until our joy is complete in heaven,  
and we share in the eternal banquet  
with Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## Final Hymn



1. Lord, the light of your love is shining,  
in the midst of the darkness, shining;  
Jesus, Light of the world, shine upon us,  
set us free by the truth you now bring us, shine on me, shine on me.

*Shine, Jesus, shine, fill this land with the Father's glory;  
blaze, Spirit, blaze, set our hearts on fire.*

*Flow, river, flow, flood the nations with grace and mercy;  
send forth your word, Lord, and let there be light.*

2. Lord, I come to your awesome presence,  
from the shadows into your radiance;  
by the blood I may enter your brightness,  
search me, try me, consume all my darkness, shine on me, shine on me.

3. As we gaze on your kingly brightness,  
so our faces display your likeness,  
ever changing from glory to glory;  
mirrored here may our lives tell your story, shine on me, shine on me.

Words: Graham Kendrick (b 1950)

Music: Graham Kendrick (b 1950), arr David Iliff (b 1939)

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(Ancient & Modern – 719)

# Organ

*Guillaume-Gabriel Nivers (1632-1714)*

Prelude du Deuxieme Ton

## Lavenham Benefice – Pattern of Sunday Services

	First Sunday	Second Sunday	Third Sunday	Fourth Sunday	Fifth Sunday
8.00am	Holy Communion (BCP) <i>Lavenham</i>	Holy Communion (BCP) <i>Lavenham</i>	Holy Communion (BCP) <i>Lavenham</i>	Holy Communion (BCP) <i>Lavenham</i>	Holy Communion (BCP) <i>Lavenham</i>
10.00am	Holy Communion (CW) <i>Lavenham</i>	Holy Communion (CW) <i>Lavenham</i>	Morning Worship <i>Lavenham</i>	Holy Communion (CW) <i>Lavenham</i>	Benefice Service <i>Lavenham</i>
11.30am for 12.00	Preston Praise <i>Preston St Mary</i>				
6.00pm	Evening Service <i>Lavenham</i>	Evensong <i>Preston St Mary</i>	Holy Communion (BCP) <i>Preston St Mary</i>	Evensong <i>Preston St Mary</i>	Benefice Evensong <i>Lavenham or Preston</i>

## Regular Weekday Services and Events

Monday in Lavenham Village Hall:

10.00am Knit & Natter (1st & 3rd Monday)

10.00am: Think & Drink (2nd Monday)

9.30am Men's Cooking Club (4th Monday)

10.00am Coffee Morning (5th Monday)

Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday in Lavenham Church:

8.45am Morning Prayer (CW using the Church of England Daily Prayer app)

Tuesday in Lavenham Church Choir Vestry:

7.15pm Choir Practice

Wednesday in Lavenham Church:

10.00am Holy Communion (CW traditional language)

Thursday in Lavenham Village Hall:

10.00am Community Coffee Morning

*Holy Communion services use BCP (Book of Common Prayer – 1662) at 8am (Lavenham) and 6pm (Preston) or CW (Common Worship – 2002) at 10am (Lavenham – contemporary language on Sunday, traditional language on Wednesday)*

*Morning Worship is based on CW Morning Prayer; Evensong is BCP; Evening Service at Lavenham is usually Choral Evensong but may occasionally take other forms.*