# IN TOUCH



## May 2024

St. Luke's Church, St Luke's Road T. Wells TN4 9JH www.stlukestw.co.uk

#### Dear Friends

On Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> April, Andrew was able to read a statement giving us the news we have all been longing to hear.

"The Bishop of Rochester is delighted to announce that The Revd David Green is to be appointed the new Vicar of the parish of St Luke's in Tunbridge Wells, with a plan to be licenced in the early Autumn."

David is currently Team Vicar to the Kent Downs and West Malling team ministry. His wife Kerry visited the parish with David on the day before the interview and they have three teenage children, Bethya, Nathanael and Josiah. They hope to move into the Vicarage some time in August.

### David writes

"I am looking forward to building on the good foundations already present at St Luke's, while also helping St Luke's to fulfil its missional calling in our post-Pandemic world. I thrive on being able to reach out in the local community through schools, community groups, and with baptisms, weddings and funerals. As a keen liturgist and member of the Society for Liturgical Study, I am also enthusiastic to grow and equip the local church through the importance of the church's worship and service.

I am interested in new media. I am a movie buff and have written and spoken about the use of moving imagery and films in church worship and outreach, and during a recent sabbatical explored the impact of online worship during the Pandemic. I am also a keen sports fan and particularly enjoy football and American Football. I am a former season ticket holder and long-suffering fan of Tottenham Hotspur and hold a coaching qualification with the British American Football Coaching Association!"

This is wonderful news, but meanwhile life continues here. We have a busy month ahead – please see the notices below for how you can join in. And please contact us if there is anything you feel we need to know. Sue, Andrew, Gerry and Jo

## **Highlights for May**



Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> May
Maintenance and cleaning in
the Church Hall
Please sign list if you can help

Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> May
The Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM)
is being held after the morning service. Please
stay to hear about life at St Luke's.

### Church Contacts

Vicar: position currently vacant

Church Warden: Sue Pearch and Andrew Wenham

**Licenced Lay Minister** – Jo Wheeler **Reader with PTO** –Gerry Wenham

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# Saturday 18th May





## **Services in May**

Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> May
10am Parish Communion
Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> May
10am Morning Worship
Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> May
10am Parish Communion followed by APCM
Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> May
10am Family Morning Worship