



PARISH OF CIRENCESTER
St John Baptist | Holy Trinity | St Lawrence

St Luke Evangelist
18th October 2026

Collect

Almighty God,
you called Luke the physician,
whose praise is in the gospel,
to be an evangelist and physician of the soul:
by the grace of the Spirit
and through the wholesome medicine of the gospel,
give your Church the same love and power to heal;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Isaiah 35.3-6

³ Strengthen the weak hands, and make firm the feeble knees.

⁴ Say to those who are of a fearful heart, 'Be strong, do not fear!

Here is your God. He will come with vengeance,
with terrible recompense. He will come and save you.'

⁵ Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped;

⁶ then the lame shall leap like a deer, and the tongue of the speechless sing for joy.
For waters shall break forth in the wilderness, and streams in the desert;

Acts 16.6-12a

⁶ They went through the region of Phrygia and Galatia, having been forbidden by the Holy Spirit to speak the word in Asia. ⁷ When they had come opposite Mysia, they attempted to go into Bithynia, but the Spirit of Jesus did not allow them; ⁸ so, passing by Mysia, they went down to Troas. ⁹ During the night Paul had a vision: there stood a man of Macedonia pleading with him and saying, 'Come over to Macedonia and help us.' ¹⁰ When he had seen the vision, we immediately tried to cross over to Macedonia, being convinced that God had called us to proclaim the good news to them.

¹¹ We set sail from Troas and took a straight course to Samothrace, the following day to Neapolis, ¹² and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony.

Luke 10.1-9

10 After this the Lord appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. **2** He said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest. **3** Go on your way. See, I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. **4** Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and greet no one on the road. **5** Whatever house you enter, first say, "Peace to this house!" **6** And if anyone is there who shares in peace, your peace will rest on that person; but if not, it will return to you. **7** Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the labourer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. **8** Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; **9** cure the sick who are there, and say to them, "The kingdom of God has come near to you."

Post Communion

Almighty God,
who on the day of Pentecost
sent your Holy Spirit to the apostles
with the wind from heaven and in tongues of
flame,
filling them with joy and boldness to preach
the gospel:
by the power of the same Spirit
strengthen us to witness to your truth
and to draw everyone to the fire of your love;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

or Lord God, the source of truth
and love,
keep us faithful to the apostles'
teaching and fellowship,
united in prayer and the breaking
of bread,
and one in joy and simplicity of
heart,
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

BCP Sunday 18th October - St. Luke The Evangelist

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This Week's Sunday Services more information: www.cirenparish.co.uk

**St John Baptist: 8a.m. BCP and 10a.m. Eucharist; 1p.m. Baptism;
4p.m. Choral Evensong**

Holy Trinity: 8a.m. Eucharist and 10a.m. Eucharist

St Lawrence: 10.30a.m. Eucharist; 4p.m. Restore@4

Next week's CW Readings for Sunday 25th October – Bible Sunday

Nehemiah 8.1-4a [5-6] 8-12; Colossians 3.12-17; Matthew 24.30-35

BCP Sunday 25th October - The Twenty-First Sunday after Trinity

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Next Week's Sunday Services more information: www.cirenparish.co.uk

St John Baptist: 8a.m. BCP and 10a.m. Eucharist; 4p.m. Evening Worship

Holy Trinity: 8a.m. Eucharist and 10a.m. Eucharist

St Lawrence: 10.30a.m. Eucharist

Parish Forum open for enquiries Mon, Thu, Fri...10a.m. – Midday
Canon Graham is available every Monday 5.30 - 6.30p.m. in the Parish Forum

NOTICES FOR THE PARISH

Congratulations and Well Done to the congregation at **Holy Trinity**, Watermoor. This year you managed a whopping **8 crates of provisions** for the **Harvest** food bank appeal this year, more than last year. All of which put a great big smile on the volunteers at the food bank. Please carry on the good work.

Arise Africa Campaign. Last year at least 4,491 Christians in sub-Sahara Africa were martyred for their faith. There is a tide of violent persecution that is threatening the future of the African church. Read more in October Parish Magazine and this is your last chance to sign the petition at the back of Holy Trinity & St John Baptist churches.

Mothers' Union. Diocesan Council on **Wednesday October 21st** at 10.30am, St Philips & St James Church, Hucclecote

The next **prayer meeting** to pray for Cirencester will be on **Wednesday 21st October** at **2.30pm** in the **Parish Forum**. The theme for this month will be praying for those in need in our town. Please come along & join us, everyone is welcome

Mothers' Union Corporate Communion: The next service is on **Thursday October 22nd** at 12noon in St John Baptist.

Give Love in a Box this year -Teams4U Shoebox Appeal. Alan and Claire Jones (HTW) have agreed to coordinate this appeal for the three churches in our Parish. The aim is to convey the Christmas message of love to children who are living in countries where poverty and need are prevalent. Leaflets can be found at all three churches and will explain in more detail what Teams4U do and what to put in a box. Please would you consider filling a box with gifts to brighten a child's life at Christmas time? Boxes are available from Alan and Claire for £1 each or you are very welcome to cover and fill one of your own. Boxes will be collected from all three churches on the first Sunday in November. Please contact Alan and Claire for further information. Tel. 07966373964

Cirencester History Festival from **23rd October** until **1st November 2026**. For poster containing names please see the Parish Website. Full details of all events on their website: cirencesterhistoryfestival.org

The Directors of Cornerstone are seeking to employ a Church Shop Manager 12 hours per week *(This is a Job share)* **in The Parish Church.**

Application form and Job Description available from

office@cirenparish.co.uk

Closing date for applicants 30th October 2026

A home for a **Yamaha baby grand piano** is being sought particularly with a family who will appreciate and care for it. More details from the **Parish Office** (see below).

Future Concerts in the Parish Church:

Saturday 7th November: Cirencester Male Voice Choir and others

Tickets: www.cirencestermvc.co.uk

Friday 13th November :The Tallis Choral Foundation

Tickets: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/handel-messiah-tickets-1999486272265?aff=oddtcreator>

Friday 20th November: The South Wales Male Choir

Saturday 21st November: Cirencester Electric Strings

Saturday 29th May 2027: Illuminated Orchestra

Tickets: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/tribute-to-hans-zimmer-film-favourites-illuminated-cirencester-tickets-2003126456153>

Mothers' Union: Thank you to all those who supported the **Soup Lunch** last Wednesday. £214.24 was raised for Mothers' Union Projects

From the Parish Calendar:

- Mon 19 Oct 1.30pm: Funeral (Tudor Jones) – Holy Trinity
- Tue 20 – Fri 23 Oct: Traffic Lights in Watermoor Road
- Tue 20 Oct 5pm: Choral Scholars Evensong – St John Baptist
- Thu 22 Oct 9.15am: Seedlings – St Lawrence
- Fri 23 Oct 7pm: History Festival Opening Concert – St John Baptist
- Sat 24 Oct 9am: Bell Peal – Holy Trinity

Contact Details:

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Monday to Saturday:

St John Baptist: Morning Prayer: Daily at 9am (not Saturday)

Midday Eucharist: Daily at noon (Saturday at 10am)

Evening Prayer: Monday, Wednesday, Friday at 5pm

Little Angels: Mondays at 9.30am

Holy Trinity: Eucharist: Wednesdays at 7pm

St Lawrence: Drop In: Wednesdays at 9am

Parish Forum: Coffee & Chat: Thursdays at 10am

Contributions to pewleaflet@cirenparish.co.uk by Tuesday evening please!