



**A Notice from The Treasurer and Wardens:** During Advent we look forward to the birth of Jesus, and reflect on God's amazing generosity in sending His son into the world, ultimately to give His life, paying the penalty for our sins, and so offering us forgiveness and eternal life. Clearly our response must be one of awe and thanksgiving. How we can respond in practice will be taken up after Easter in 2021 during a short Giving Programme which is being planned across the church, and which will ask us to examine our own generosity in response to God's sacrificial actions.

Over recent months St. Luke's, like many churches, has suffered from reduced income during the Covid pandemic. As we now have the hope of emerging from this pandemic through the availability of vaccinations, we can turn to thinking about how we can start rebuilding "normality" in the church whilst also, of course, continuing the week-by-week operation of the church. We will need to think seriously about how we can contribute – our time, talents, and of course money. The Giving Programme will help us do this in the longer term. Over the weeks before the Giving Programme starts we also need urgently to reassess our current situation - how we redress the effects of the reduced income over most of 2020, and also cover the ongoing need.

So, we are making an appeal to any church members who are in a position to help the church with donations in the short term. Of course we realise that many individuals have themselves suffered financially during the pandemic, and will not be in a position to contribute. However, if you are able to make a contribution, ways of doing this are listed below.

In the meantime, do please pray for the forthcoming Giving Programme. Also please pray that we may soon be able to come together again as a congregation in the church building, and start rebuilding our "normality", living together as "The Body of Christ" in this community.

**How to donate:**

- **Via the donate button on the [church web site](#)**
- **Cheque payable to St. Luke's Church, Lodge Moor (Send to Church Office)**
- **By bank transfer, to the following account.**

**HSBC Sort Code: 40:41:07 Account Number: 81393197**

Yours in Christ,

Claire Marr (Churchwarden)

Joan Russon (Churchwarden)

Ashley Ellis (Treasurer)

Comfort  
and Joy



## Church services during January and February 2021

As you know, we are still in a period of restrictions on our services, creating several challenges with the current worship in the building. In response to this, a plan for services during January and February has been put together, see below.

Everyone is welcome to all the services, which provide a variety of ways to come together and worship. The plan for future months will be reviewed in February, and we will keep you updated. Thank you all very much for your patience as we respond to an ongoing period of uncertainty.

DATE	SERVICES IN CHURCH (LIVESTREAMED)	SERVICES ONLINE
3 <sup>rd</sup> January	Connect Live	Google-site
10 <sup>th</sup> January	Morning worship	Connect online
17 <sup>th</sup> January	Connect Live (with children's groups if/when appropriate)	Google-site
24 <sup>th</sup> January	Holy Communion	Connect online
31 <sup>st</sup> January	Whole church	None
7 <sup>th</sup> February	Connect Live	Google-site
14 <sup>th</sup> February	Morning worship	Connect online
21 <sup>st</sup> February	Connect Live (with children's groups if/when appropriate)	Google-site
28 <sup>th</sup> February	Holy Communion	Connect online

A man was out hiking in the Yorkshire Dales when he met God.

"What are you doing here, Lord?" he asked

And the Lord replied:

"Working from home"

