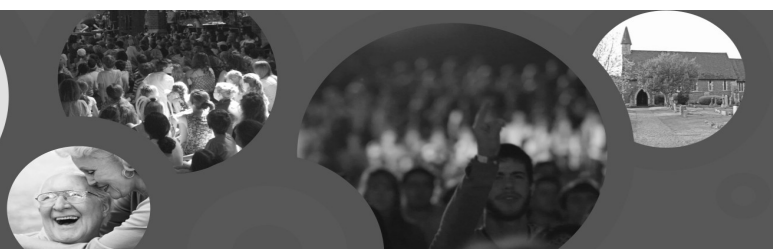


## Church Matters



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Next week	9.15 Service Warden	9.15 Prayers	9.15 Readings	10.15 Coffee	10.45 Service Warden	10.45 Prayers	10.45 Readings	Sunday Club	Screen / Sound
Sun 17 <sup>th</sup> August	Rex T	Rex T	Barbie H	N/A	Ann WM	In Service	Martin V	N/A	N/A

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# BURPHAMCHURCH

SHARING THE GOOD NEWS OF JESUS

SUNDAY'S READINGS AND INFORMATION

## 10TH AUGUST 2025

### TRINITY 8

## HEROES OF FAITH: RUTH

**9.15am Communion Service at CHS**

**10.45am Morning Praise with Communion at St. Luke's**



**Large print weekly sheets are available at the back of church**



News, events and talks at...

[www.burphamchurch.org.uk](http://www.burphamchurch.org.uk)



## Collect & Readings 10<sup>th</sup> August 2025

Lord God, your Son left the riches of heaven and became poor for our sake: when we prosper save us from pride, when we are needy save us from despair, that we may trust in you alone; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

### Ruth 1: 1-18 NIV-UK

<sup>1</sup> In the days when the judges ruled, there was a famine in the land. So a man from Bethlehem in Judah, together with his wife and two sons, went to live for a while in the country of Moab. <sup>2</sup> The man's name was Elimelek, his wife's name was Naomi, and the names of his two sons were Mahlon and Kilion. They were Ephrathites from Bethlehem, Judah. And they went to Moab and lived there.

<sup>3</sup> Now Elimelek, Naomi's husband, died, and she was left with her two sons. <sup>4</sup> They married Moabite women, one named Orpah and the other Ruth. After they had lived there about ten years, <sup>5</sup> both Mahlon and Kilion also died, and Naomi was left without her two sons and her husband.

<sup>6</sup> When Naomi heard in Moab that the LORD had come to the aid of his people by providing food for them, she and her daughters-in-law prepared to return home from there. <sup>7</sup> With her two daughters-in-law she left the place where she had been living and set out on the road that would take them back to the land of Judah.

<sup>8</sup> Then Naomi said to her two daughters-in-law, 'Go back, each of you, to your mother's home. May the LORD show you kindness, as you have shown kindness to your dead husbands and to me. <sup>9</sup> May the LORD grant that each of you will find rest in the home of another husband.'

Then she kissed them goodbye and they wept aloud <sup>10</sup> and said to her, 'We will go back with you to your people.'

<sup>11</sup> But Naomi said, 'Return home, my daughters. Why would you come with me? Am I going to have any more sons, who could become your husbands? <sup>12</sup> Return home, my daughters; I am too old to have another husband. Even if I thought there was still hope for me – even if I had a husband tonight and then gave birth to sons – <sup>13</sup> would you wait until they grew up? Would you remain unmarried for them? No, my daughters. It is more bitter for me than for you, because the LORD's hand has turned against me!'

<sup>14</sup> At this they wept aloud again. Then Orpah kissed her mother-in-law goodbye, but Ruth clung to her.

<sup>15</sup> 'Look,' said Naomi, 'your sister-in-law is going back to her people and her gods. Go back with her.'

<sup>16</sup> But Ruth replied, 'Don't urge me to leave you or to turn back from you. Where you go I will go, and where you stay I will stay. Your people will be my people and your God my God. <sup>17</sup> Where you die I will die, and there I will be buried. May the LORD deal with me, be it ever so severely, if even death separates you and me.' <sup>18</sup> When Naomi realised that Ruth was determined to go with her, she stopped urging her.

*This is the word of the Lord:*

**Thanks be to God**

### Drop In Thursdays:

Coffee and Company, 10.30am in the church hall. All Welcome!

*Hear Here clinic runs 1st Thursday of the month.*

**No Drop In at CHS on 14<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup> August.**

### Communion at St. Luke's and Thursday

**Midweek at CHS.** Both of these services will be taking a break during August.

The **10.45am service on Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> August** will be at St. Luke's followed by a BYO picnic.



**Tuesday Prayers** 10 -10.30am at CHS An opportunity to pray together. Tea & Coffee available. All Welcome.

At our intergenerational service on Sunday we thought about heroes like Superman and Mr Incredible and their superpowers. In the story (2 Kings 6) Elisha's superpower was listening in on enemy signal traffic; from his own house! Very useful to the King of Israel.

But, actually his superpower was his relationship with God, which meant he was listening to God, and tuned in to his voice. As we've been learning over the last few weeks of evening studies, listening to God, for ourselves and for others is something we can all do. But it takes time and the desire to be in God's presence.

Let's pray that God will open our eyes and ears so that we "walk by faith not by sight" (2 Cor 5.7). Blessings, William.



### Holiday At Home For all Ages

Book your boarding ticket for **Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> August, 10am - 1pm.**

£2 per day, 7yrs and under free. Children to be accompanied by an adult.

To book email: [office@burphamchurch.org.uk](mailto:office@burphamchurch.org.uk) or sign up on the sheet.

Pay in the office or on the day.



### FREE Kids' Summer Event

Join us for a day packed with fun, food and activities at

### FoodWise Healthy Food & Fun Day!

perfect for children aged 5 - 11!

Session: 10am–12pm or 1-3pm

Location: The Guildford Institute, GU1

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[hcguildford@freedom-leisure.co.uk](mailto:hcguildford@freedom-leisure.co.uk) to

### MEN'S MINISTRY

Connect with God, others and food!

Invite friends!

### Men's Curry Evening

**Tuesday 26th August, 7.30pm**

Chat to James for more info.

### Church Growth Conference

Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> September 10am - 3.30pm

at Welcome Church, Woking.

Cost £12 including lunch. Book on:

**ChurchGrowth2025.Eventbrite.co.uk**

or speak to the office. All Welcome!

### Darlene's Retirement Leaving Tea and collection.

You are invited to attend on

**Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> August, 2.30pm** at CHS.

If you would like to contribute to a gift:

<https://app.collectionpot.com/pot/3385526>

**Please sign up on the sheet**

### Sign up for the BBQ Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> August

Church BBQ at the vicarage

**HELP NEEDED**

Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> Marquee set up, BBQ loans please Help on the day.



### Upcoming Services at CHS & St. Luke's

**Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> August**

**9.15am** Communion Service

**10.45am** St Luke's Morning Praise with BYO picnic

**Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> August**

**9.15am** Communion Service

**10.45am** Holy Communion with children in church