



St Mark's Church

LEAMINGTON SPA

Belonging... Believing... Becoming...

A community of believers, sharing God's love with the world

Sunday 21st September

10.00am Morning Worship

Values: Becoming Isaiah: 58:6-12; 1 Peter 2: 4-10

Leader: Revd Tim Broadbent

Preacher: Amanda di Giovanni

After the service, please join us for refreshments at the back of church.

Order of Service:

Welcome, Song, Children leave,
Confession, Song, Reading, Ser-
mon, Song, Prayers, Song,
Blessing

Welcome Brunch in the lounge from 11.15am

This service is livestreamed: www.youtube.com/StMarksChurchLSpa

6.30pm Evening Worship

Luke 16: 19-31. An informal service with sung worship, prayer and discussion.

Led by Amanda di Giovanni

Refreshments served from 6pm.

Order of Service:

Welcome, Confession,
3 Songs, Reading, Discussion,
Sharing & Prayer, Song, Blessing

Tuesday 22nd September

7.30pm-9.30pm Prayer Evening in the Church

Wednesday 24th September

9.15-10.45am Toddlers in the Hall

7-8.30pm Youth Group 'Uno' in the Upper Room

7.30pm-9.30pm Prayer Evening in the Church

Church open for private
prayer Tue, Wed, Thu
and Fri 9-1.

Thursday 25th September

9.00-10.20am Church open for private prayer & café

10.30am Holy Communion

7.30pm-9.30pm Prayer Evening in the Church

Resources from the

Friday 26th September

7.30-10.00pm 'Make': community craft night

Saturday 27th September. 10am-12pm Prayer morning in church.

If you have items to be included in the weekly notice sheet please email office@st-marks.net **by 10am Wednesday**. Keep in touch via www.st-marks.net or St Mark's Facebook Page. Contact the office to receive this notice sheet by email (or to stop receiving it). Our privacy policy can be found on the website.

Events and activities coming up

Podcasts. You can now listen to weekly sermons from St. Mark's as a podcast. This means you can catch up anytime, whether you missed a Sunday or want to listen again. Find us on **Apple Podcasts, Spotify, and many more** by searching *St. Mark's Church Leamington Spa*, or visit our website for links.



Marie Calvert is abseiling down Coventry Cathedral on 27 September, in aid of My-ton Hospice! She would really value your support. The easiest way to donate is online, follow the link below. Or cash/cheques are all acceptable too. Any amount, however big or small is much appreciated, thank you. www.justgiving.com/page/marie-calvert-2

Make is a community craft night with drinks and snacks taking place on 26 September at 7.30 in the Community Centre hall. All are welcome, but under 16s must bring a parent. Suggested donation of £5 to cover materials.

Sunday 28th Gathered Grace 6.30pm. Refreshments from 6.00pm

Monday 29th September. Streams Evening for women at St Paul's Church Leamington Spa, coffee from 7.15pm and worship and teaching from 7.45pm. Ruth Dowsett speaking on Rhythms of Rest-the key to living sustainably. For more info speak to Beryl Chisholm.

Harvest Festival at St Mark's – 11 & 12 October.

Saturday 11 October. Open Church & Harvest Fair (11am–4pm). Artwork of every kind by members of the congregation – photography, painting, pottery, poetry and more. Teas, coffees, cakes, jams and other homemade treats, all to enjoy or take home. Space to pause, reflect, and share in the season of harvest. Contact events@st-marks.net for more information or if you wish to contribute.

Sunday 12 October. Harvest service including collection of food items for Foodbank. They need: long life milk; tinned items (vegetables, fruit, spaghetti, meat, fish **not** soup or baked beans); coffee (small jars); instant mash potatoes; ketchup / mayonnaise; squash; shower gel; shaving foam / gel; washing up liquid; deodorants (male / female). They have plenty of cereal.

Harvest Lunch 12 noon: soup & rolls and crumble. Please fill in a flier and put it in the basket at the back of church, or email the office if you would like to come. *Replies by 6th October please.*

SWIGS - 17 October - a date for your diary (St Mark's women's inclusive group socials). Our next meet up will be on Friday 17th October with a similar format as before. Do pass this date onto any else you think may like to come, and thank you to everyone who offered to help - Sophie and Hannah will be in touch!

Church Weekend at Home 2026. Save the date: 26-28 June.

Prayer Week



Please join us in prayer for St Mark's, our Parish, our town, our country, and our world.

Tuesday 23rd September – Prayer for St Mark's and our Parish

Wednesday 24th September – Prayer for St Mark's, Leamington & the UK

Thursday 25th September – Prayer for St Mark's, the World & the Environment

Each evening will start with refreshments from 7.30pm with opening worship at 7.50pm, followed by a Bible reading and short time of discussion in groups. Then we will turn to prayer with various themes and ways of praying, including time to pray for one another. Finishing by 9.30pm.

Saturday 27th September.

10am–12pm Prayer stations, collective worship, group prayer and a prayer labyrinth.

Prayer Ministry

We would like to increase the number of people on our after service prayer ministry team. If you are interested in joining the team please speak to Beryl Chisholm. We like our team to have some training in prayer ministry and one way of doing this is to attend the excellent Prayer Training offered by The Well Christian Healing Centre

Sat 27th Sept from 9.30am to 3.15pm part 1 and part 2. Cost £25, bring a packed lunch.

Thurs 23 Oct from 7.15pm till 9.45pm part 1. Cost £15.

Both at The Well Christian Healing Centre, 20 Augusta Place Leamington Spa CV32 5EL.

Please speak to Amanda or email the office to discuss costs.

Prayer

For your prayers...

- World leaders and the many areas of conflict in the world
- The church in Turkey. www.givinghopetoturkey.org



Opportunities to ask for Prayer.

- After the morning service on Sundays (except all-age services) members of our trained prayer ministry team are available to pray with and for you.
- Put a note in the prayer box at the back of church. This can be anonymous. It will be passed to the prayer team.
- By emailing prayer@st-marks.net or contacting us via the website at <https://www.st-marks.net/contact>. Your message will be passed on to the team.

If you would like to be part of the prayer team please contact the office.

Join us for prayer.

- Around 9.45am before the Sunday morning service.

Staff & Office

Days off Tim does not usually work Tuesdays. Ros does not work Saturdays. Amanda works Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Karen works Tuesday and Thursday. Please avoid office related questions on Sundays.



Contact information

Tim vicar@st-marks.net phone 01926 421004 and follow the instructions.

Office The office is usually open Monday-Friday 9-1. Staff meeting 11.30-12.30 Monday. Email office@st-marks.net or phone as above.

Ros ros@st-marks.net or phone as above.

Safeguarding Officer Sue Turner safeguarding@st-marks.net

Events Coordinator Marcella King events@st-marks.net

Treasurer David Robinson treasurer@st-marks.net

PCC Secretary Sue Holden sue@st-marks.net

Children & Young People

Sundays (except all age services and school summer holidays)

Under 4's Kids Church

Climbers (Reception to Year 3). Explorers (Year 4-6).

These meet together on the 1st Sunday of the month.

Pathfinders (Yr 7 and up)

1st Sunday 'Food & Faith' For Yr 10 and up 4.30pm in the Upper Room.



Wednesdays (term time). 'Uno' Youth group (Yr 7 and up)

Giving financially to St Marks. We are very grateful to all those who support St Mark's financially (as well as through prayer and giving time in so many areas).



We would like to encourage everyone to prayerfully consider supporting us financially. The best way to do this is by using the Parish Giving Scheme. More information and instructions on setting up donations can be found here <https://www.parishgiving.org.uk/home/>. If you pay income tax please consider Gift Aiding your donation, however you make it.

If you are writing or updating your will, please consider leaving us a legacy.

Donating items to St Mark's. We are happy to accept items for Food Bank <https://shorturl.at/DxxPx> and the Cyrenians supported Accommodation Service <https://coventrycyrenians.co.uk/> (Men's toiletries). These can now be left in the red boxes under the seat near the south door.

We appreciate that people like things to be re-used eg toys, books etc but **please do not leave items without speaking to Amanda, Ros or Tim.**

Small Groups at St Mark's. You can find out a bit about each group on the notice board at the back of church (opposite the kitchen door). Speak to Amanda di Giovanni for more information or email office@st-marks.net

Getting involved at St Mark's. If you would like to find out more about being part of our Welcome or Coffee Teams, leading intercessions, reading in church, joining the music groups, helping with children's or youth work, Chaplaincy Team at Leamington College, cleaning the church... Please contact the office and we will put you in touch with the relevant person.

Inclusive Church. St Mark's is part of this network of churches, groups and individuals uniting together around a shared vision. www.inclusive-church.org



Sight Loss Friendly Church. If you, or someone you know, are affected by sight loss please let the office know how we can help.



Eco Church. We achieved our Silver Award in October 2024. Our current focus is Carbon Net Zero. Please contact the office to find out more.



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