

**"Listen to my instruction and be wise; do not disregard it."**

(Proverbs 8:33)

The book of Proverbs can be seen by some as confusing with pithy sayings that at face value seem to contradict each other. One commentator writes that 'For the logical mind the book seems to be a hodgepodge collection, having no rhyme or reason in its grouping of sayings. They jump from one topic to another like scatterbrains in a living-room conversation.' I do not believe this!

I believe there is a richness in the book of Proverbs that we would miss if we didn't take the time to study them. In the opening chapter of the book of Proverbs the author expresses that it was written so that the readers would gain wisdom and insight. Our verse above echoes that; we are to listen to all of God's word to us, seek His wisdom, and not disregard it.

As we work through this series on Proverbs my prayer is that we gain fresh insight into how to live wise and godly lives. That we would think about the choices we make in life and see God at work in every area of our daily lives.

So, what wisdom does God want to give us today? Let's listen. And be wise in how we put that into practice. Let's not disregard it but let it transform and change us.

*Claire Coleman*

## **Wisdom for Life Study Groups – Start this Week!**

On 12th June we will be starting a six-week sermon series on Proverbs and from that week, we will also be running Study Groups on the book. These will complement what we learn through the sermons.

There will be four or five study groups running between St. Luke's and St. George's. We will be using the LICC booklet: [Proverbs: Wisdom for the Whole of Life.](#)

To let us know which Study Group you may like to join, especially if you did not attend a group for Christianity Explored, then [please fill in the online form.](#)

## **This Sunday's Services on livestream:**

[Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> June](#)

Click the above link to access the livestream for this week's service. You can also use the link to watch the service at a later time.

This Sunday we are back at St. Luke's and Sunday Club groups will be running as normal. We will also be hearing from Maggie Paddison from ACTS – Active Christianity in Thanet Schools, who help us run Christmas Unwrapped and Easter Cracked.

## **Weekly Calendar**

### **Sunday 12<sup>th</sup>**

**Family Service** (St. Luke's Church), Proverbs 8:1-4,22-31 - 11:00am-12:00pm

**Youth Initiative** (St. Luke's Church), 5:00pm-7:30pm

**Wisdom for life** (Dorothy Drive), 5:30pm-7:00pm

### **Monday 13<sup>th</sup>**

**Daily Prayer** (St. Luke's Church) - 9:30-10:00am

**Wisdom for life** (Margate Road), 7:30pm-9:00pm

## **Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup>**

**Daily Prayer** (St. George's Church) - 9:30-10:00am

## **Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup>**

**Wisdom for life** (Lyndhurst Road), 2:00pm-3:30pm

**Wisdom for life** (South Eastern Road), 7:30pm-9:00pm

## **Thursday 16<sup>th</sup>**

**Daily Prayer** (St. Luke's Church) - 9:30-10:00am

**Cafe4All** (St. Luke's Church), Coffee and Chat for all - 10:00-11:30am.

**Wisdom for life** (Winterstoke Crescent), 7:30pm-9:00pm

## **Friday 17<sup>th</sup>**

**Play and Praise** (St. Luke's Church Hall) – 10:00-11:30am

**Gather, Women's Drop-In** (St. Luke's Church) - 12:30-2:30am

## **Saturday 18<sup>th</sup>**

**Daily Prayer** (St. George's Church) - 9:30-10:00am

## **Sunday 19<sup>th</sup>**

**Family Communion** (St. Luke's Church), Proverbs 10:1-16, 23-30 –  
11:00am-12:00pm

**Youth Initiative** (St. Luke's Church), 5:00pm-7:30pm

**Wisdom for life** (Dorothy Drive), 5:30pm-7:00pm

## **Prayer Requests**

Be assured I will do my best to check that people are happy for the requests to be shared before including them. Please pray for...

- Thanks for last Sunday's Jubilee celebrations at St. George's.
- Alison and David Hawthorn and family, after the death of David's daughter last week.
- Nicky Galer, Chris Miller and family after the death of Nicky's brother, Paul last week.
- Baby Hope as she has a few appointments/tests with her cardio team over the coming weeks for her heart defect.
- Michelle (Terry De Vere's wife) undergoing chemotherapy.
- David Gill recently out of hospital after a heart operation.
- Ken Tipler that the pain from his bone cancer can be kept under control.

Please also continue to pray for: Mitch Styles, Flo Baldock, Jean Hann, Shirley Crabb, Joy Smithers, Nathan Court, Pauline Emptage, Collette Judge, Barb (Gloria's daughter's friend), Rita Ryan, David Perkins.

## **Platinum Jubilee**

Thank you to all those who helped to make our Platinum Jubilee thanksgiving service and big lunch such a success. It was a great celebration with St. Luke's and St. George's coming together and welcoming other visitors as well, especially Ramsgate's mayor, Raushan Ara.

You can [read more about the events and watch a video](#) made by the mayor's team on the St. George's website.

## **Sailor's Church**

The Sailor's Church in the Harbour are planning on running services through July this year at 6pm on Sunday evenings. Everyone is welcome to attend.

## **Claire's Ordination – Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> July**

Claire our curate is being ordained as 'Priest' at **5:30pm on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> July at Canterbury Cathedral**. This is an important moment in her journey of ministry and it would be great if a good number from both churches could come to support her at the Cathedral. We will also look to see if we can organise some kind of social celebration on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> July for all to join in.

## **Thanet Light Orchestra Concert – Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> July, 7pm**

Thanet Light Orchestra who rehearse at St. Luke's on Thursday evening are putting on a concert to raise money for church funds on Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> July. Tickets are £10 on the door, but we will make cheaper ones available in advance for church members. Children will be admitted free. It should be a great event so do make sure the date is in your diary.

## **Growing Faith: Youth and Children's Vision**

As mentioned at last week's annual meeting: a date for your diaries: Growing Faith: Youth and Children's Vision - Monday 26th September, 7:30-9:00pm with Ben Hatfield, Canterbury Diocese's Children and Young People's Ministry Adviser. A chance for parents and those interested in supporting or being involved in our work with children and young people to learn, discuss and pray about our vision to grow faith in our children and young people.

## **Book to see the vicar:**

If you would like to arrange to see Paul the vicar about anything, then please use this following link to book an appointment: <https://calendly.com/worledge/meet-with-paul>

## **Links to Share:**

### **Should we eat meat?**

It's BBQ season and many of us are enjoying sausages and burgers. Some, however, have decided not to eat meat. In this fairly academic paper the writer explores the question as to whether Christians should eat meat or not. [Read more...](#)

### **Exiles on Mission – Book Recommendation and Review**

This article reviews a recent book that looks at some of the major challenges facing the church in the West and how we should respond. [Read more...](#)

Finally, let's pray that God will help us to grow in Christ-inspired wisdom for all of our lives.

Yours in Christ,

Paul Worledge  
(Vicar, St. Luke's Ramsgate)