

"give me neither poverty nor riches; but give me only my daily bread." (Proverbs 30:8b)

This week we finish our series on Proverbs and the short sayings that offer us such wisdom for life. One of the frustrations on preaching on Proverbs is there is so much that could be said and so little that can be fitted in. Do take time to read through the book of Proverbs yourself and pray that God may grow your wisdom as you do so (James 1:5).

Jesus and the New Testament writers clearly valued the wisdom of Proverbs. Jesus's sermon on the mount, which ends with an encouragement to be a wise man and the letter of James with its call to pray for wisdom at the start and its warnings about the dangers of the tongue are particularly rooted in the Old Testament wisdom literature.

Proverbs are also quoted in a number of places: Hebrews 12:5-6 quotes 3:11-12 as it discusses God's discipline; James 4:6 and 1 Peter 5:5 quote 3:34 to encourage us to humility; 1 Peter 4:18 quotes 11:31 to warn of God's judgement; Romans 12:20 quotes 25:21-22 to persuade us to forgive others and 1 Peter 2:22 quotes 26:11 as a description of the wicked.

You may also spot that the quote above from 30:8 on the topic of wealth is referenced in a very important place: the Lord's prayer. Reading Proverbs 30:7-9 helps us understand what Jesus wants us to pray for when we say 'give us today our daily bread.' It also shows us how much Jesus values the teaching of Proverbs, especially when it comes to questions of money.

Join us this Sunday for the last talk on Proverbs and learn wisdom with money.

Paul Worledge

Thanet Light Orchestra Concert – St. Luke's this Saturday 16th July

This concert will include a century old Thanet Concert overture amongst other great music. It will be on **Saturday, 7pm at St. Luke's**, with the Thanet Light Orchestra. Tickets will be £10 on the door, under 18s will be free. Do consider coming and bringing others for this treat of Classical Music at a great price! All proceeds go to St. Luke's.

This Sunday's Services on livestream:

[Sunday 17th July – Wisdom and Wealth \(Proverbs 28:6,8,11,19-22; 30:7-9\)](#)

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.

Weekly Calendar

Sunday 17th

Family Service (St. Luke's Church), Proverbs 28:6,8,11,19-22; 30:7-9 -
11:00am-12:00pm

Special Youth Led Service with YWAM (St. Luke's Church), 6:00pm-7:00pm

Monday 18th

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

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

Tuesday 19th

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

Wednesday 20th

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

Thursday 21st

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

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

Friday 22nd

Saturday 23rd

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

Sunday 24th

All Age Service & baptism (St. Luke's Church), Hebrews 10:1-18 - 11:00am-12:00pm

Youth Led Service, Sunday 17th, 6pm, St. Luke's

This term our youth led evening service on Sunday 17th June 6pm at St Luke's is being supported by a visiting Mission Adventures outreach team from Youth With A Mission (YWAM). They will be taking the lead, ably supported by the youth from YI. The service is for all ages to join together and is a more interactive and informal style of worship.

Matt Kenney and Alex Bole's wedding

Matt and Alex would like to invite all at St. Luke's who know them to attend their wedding service at St. Luke's on Friday 29th at 2pm.

Sailor's Church

Evening services continue at the Sailor's Church in the Harbour at 6pm, throughout July.

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 the birth of Florence to Vanessa's son and his wife, Tim and Ella Shingles.
- Thanks that Pauline Emptage's procedure last week has greatly reduced the pain in her back and leg.
- Ken, Gloria's husband who is now in the hospice and Gloria for healing for her knee.
- Alison and David Hawthorn and family as they continue to grieve after David's daughter's funeral this week.
- Rita Ryan and family. Colin's funeral is tomorrow, Friday, but Rita will have to watch from her hospital bed. Pray for her as she recovers in hospital from a big operation.
- Collette Judge, Kate Page, Michelle (Terry De Vere's wife) and Emma (friend of Kelly) undergoing treatment for cancer.

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

Volunteer Forms – Last Chance to complete

If you have not yet filled in either an online or paper form to say what you might be interested in volunteering to do from September, then please do so by the end of this Sunday 17th July.

We are keen for **everyone** who attends St. Luke's regularly to fill in a volunteer form to help us effectively set up teams for September. It's just as helpful to know who doesn't want to do what as it is to know who does, so please do respond as soon as possible using the paper form at the back of church or (preferably) the online form:

www.stlukesramsgate.org/volunteering-for-september-2022.html

Advance Notice: Confirmation Service, Sunday 6th November

Confirmation is the church's way of adults making a public commitment to their faith to follow Jesus, either as a confirmation of their baptism as a child or alongside baptism as an adult. Bishop Rose is booked to join us for this service on Sunday 6th November. If anyone is interested in being confirmed or baptised, especially if you are a new Christian, then please speak to Paul. There will be a preparation course running in September / October.

2022 Harvest Appeal: Compassion

As part of our Harvest appeal, St. Luke's chooses a particular charity to support through one off financial giving. This year the PCC have decided to support Compassion, which supports children in poverty through local churches around the world. For example, our Sunday Club sponsors John in the Philippines through Compassion.

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:

Last week's Sermon:

[Wisdom in Relationships \(Proverbs 27:5-18\)](#)

God did not create us to live in isolation. In fact, we need to relate to one another in order to grow in our faith.

Video: Not giving up on peace

Joan Busolo, CMS manager in Africa, speaks about her own journey as a disciple of Jesus and how discipleship and peacemaking are intimately linked. [Watch Video or read transcript.](#) (6 minutes 20 seconds)

Video: Being a Gay Christian

Anne shares her experience of growing up gay and then becoming a Christian whilst at university. She describes some of the harder times and the new contentment she's found sharing her life with others in a community house. [Watch Video.](#) (4 minutes 20 seconds).

Finally, let's pray that God will help us continue to increase in wisdom.

Yours in Christ,

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