

Welcome

Welcome to St Andrew's, especially if you are visiting for the first time. Refreshments are served after the service - it would be lovely to meet you.

No one belongs here more than you

Children and Families

All children are welcome at St Andrew's, do not worry if yours make a bit of noise.

Junior Church meets every Sunday in term time except during the All-Age Service.

Toastie Tuesday

After-School Club

For Secondary School Years. In St Andrew's Church, Tues in term time from 3.30-5.00pm.

TMM Youth Group

For School Years 7+.

Twice a month on Sundays, 4.30-6.00pm. *Next meeting TODAY and then Sun 3 Nov.*

See our website for more details.

Supporting St Andrew's

If you would like to support the work of our church, there is a **contactless card reader** by the church entrance or you can donate to our Barclays account:

Hertford St Andrew PCC

A/C No: 50715050

Sort Code: 20-20-37

Alternatively, you can speak to our Joint Treasurers, Judy & Nick Sharman, or our Chair of Finance Committee, Chris Seward.



20 October 2024

Twenty-first Sunday after Trinity

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)

Rev. Bill Church

10.30am Holy Communion

Prayer Ministry is offered during the service – please see the small booklet in church for more details

Celebrant: Rev. Alan Stewart

Reflection: Forbes Mutch,

Lay Leader of Worship

First Reading: Genesis 32. 24-29

(Peter Ruffles)

Gospel: John 4. 1-26

Intercessions: Charles Ledsam

Chalice: Jennie Gray,

Laura Ramsay, Lesley Self

Hymns

336 Jesus calls us here to meet him

311 In Christ there is no east or west

54 Beauty for brokenness

98 Come, all who look to Christ today

106 Come, Holy Spirit, come!

4.30pm TMM Youth Group

2.00pm Holy Baptism of Jacob Exley

Rev. Bill Church

Online via Zoom today

10.30am Sunday Morning Worship

Leader: Kath Oates, Lay Leader of Worship

Reflection: Forbes Mutch, Lay Leader of Worship (recorded)

7.00pm COMPLINE on Zoom

Zoom links are emailed and on our website

Collect, Readings & Responses

Collect: Almighty God, in whose service lies perfect freedom:
teach us to obey you with loving hearts and steadfast wills;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

First Reading: Genesis 32. 24-29

Jacob was left alone; and a man wrestled with him until daybreak. When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket; and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. Then he said, 'Let me go, for the day is breaking.' But Jacob said, 'I will not let you go, unless you bless me.' So he said to him, 'What is your name?' And he said, 'Jacob.' Then the man said, 'You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans, and have prevailed.' Then Jacob asked him, 'Please tell me your name.' But he said, 'Why is it that you ask my name?' And there he blessed him.

For the Word of the Lord,

Thanks be to God

Gospel:

John 4. 1-26

When Jesus learned that the Pharisees had heard, 'Jesus is making and baptising more disciples than John' —although it was not Jesus himself but his disciples who baptised — he left Judea and started back to Galilee. But he had to go through Samaria. So he came to a Samaritan city called Sychar, near the plot of ground that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. Jacob's well was there, and Jesus, tired out by his journey, was sitting by the well. It was about noon.

A Samaritan woman came to draw water, and Jesus said to her, 'Give me a drink'. (His disciples had gone to the city to buy food.) The Samaritan woman said to him, 'How is it that you, a Jew, ask a drink of me, a woman of Samaria?' (Jews do not share things in common with Samaritans.) Jesus answered her, 'If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, "Give me a drink", you would have asked him, and he would have given you living

water.' The woman said to him, 'Sir, you have no bucket, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water? Are you greater than our ancestor Jacob, who gave us the well, and with his sons and his flocks drank from it?' Jesus said to her, 'Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, but those who drink of the water that I will give them will never be thirsty. The water that I will give will become in them a spring of water gushing up to eternal life.' The woman said to him, 'Sir, give me this water, so that I may never be thirsty or have to keep coming here to draw water.'

Jesus said to her, 'Go, call your husband, and come back.' The woman answered him, 'I have no husband.' Jesus said to her, 'You are right in saying, "I have no husband"; for you have had five husbands, and the one you have now is not your husband. What you have said is true!' The woman said to him, 'Sir, I see that you are a prophet. Our ancestors worshipped on this mountain, but you say that the place where people must worship is in Jerusalem.' Jesus said to her, 'Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshippers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father seeks such as these to worship him. God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth.' The woman said to him, 'I know that Messiah is coming' (who is called Christ). 'When he comes, he will proclaim all things to us.' Jesus said to her, 'I am he, the one who is speaking to you.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord,

Praise to you O Christ

News & Notices

CHURCH CLOSURE

MON 4-FRI 8 and MON 11-WED 13 NOV

Work to install our new sound system will be taking place from 4-8 November and 11-13 November - during this time the church will be closed to visitors.

Morning Prayer (Mon & Thu) and Mindfulness & Meditation (Wed eve on 6th) will still happen in church, as will our Sunday services on 10th.

There will be no 10.30am Communion Service on Wed 6 November.

The 10.30am Communion Service on Wed 13 November will take place at our sister church, St Mary's Hertingfordbury.

Remembering loved ones

All Souls & All Saints Service

Wednesday 30 October, 10.30am

During our Holy Communion Service, we remember by name those in our parish who have died.

Service for the Bereaved

Sunday 17 November, 2.00pm

**** Please note, this service is later in the month than usual ****

A special service where we remember by name those who have died in recent years; with music, readings and an opportunity to light a candle in memory of loved ones.

If you would like a name to be included at either service, please write this on the list at the back of the church or speak to Phil in the church office.

www.hertfordstandrews.co.uk/remembrance

Folk at St Andrew's—coming up...

Gigspanner Big Band,

Sun 3 Nov – almost sold out

Megson, Thu 14 Nov

Four-times nominated

at the BBC Folk Awards



Virtual Auction of Promises

THANK YOU to everyone who took part in our Virtual Auction – to those who offered promises and those who made a bid, it's been fantastic. **We're delighted that the Auction has raised in excess of £3,000!**

Fundraising for our Target 25K Appeal continues – please see



the flyers or our website for all of the details.

Large Jam Jars needed

In preparation for my mammoth marmalade making in January, I'd be grateful for a few more 1lb-sized jam jars. Please leave in the marked box at the back of the church. Thank you!
Sue Mulligan

coffee morning

**SATURDAY
2ND NOVEMBER
10.30AM – 12.30PM**

**ST ANDREW'S
CHURCH
HERTFORD
SG14 1HZ**

Christmas cards and gifts from local charities | Music
Royal British Legion poppies
Freshly-brewed tea & coffee
Homemade cakes and bakes



**IN AID OF ROYAL BRITISH LEGION
& ST ANDREW'S CHURCH**

www.hertfordstandrews.co.uk

Please pray for:

Richard Miles, Anthony Collinson, Kevin Frazer,
Debbie Hartnett, Oliver Clark, Denis Cracknell, James,
Trevor, Paul, Lucy, Dino, Phoebe, Pauline Rhodes,
Robert Ramsay, Paul Roe, Gordon, Nancy

Rest in Peace:

Barry Parsell, Barbara Hurford, Harold Chaplin

Year's Mind: Derek Sidney Webster, Donald Butler,
Lily McCracken, Margaret Miles, Horace Woollard,
Stephen Raw, George Ditton

St Andrew's Diary - the week ahead

Monday 21

8.00am **Morning Prayer** in the Chapel

Tuesday 22

3.30pm **Toastie Tuesday After-School Club**

7.45pm **Romans Course (6)** at St Mary's Hertingfordbury

Wednesday 23

10.30am **Holy Communion**

Rev. Alan Stewart & Rev. Scott Martin

7.30pm **Mindfulness & Meditation** on Zoom

Thursday 24

8.00am **Morning Prayer** in the Chapel

9.30am **Toddler Group**

3.00pm **Memorial Service for Barbara Hurford**

7.00pm **Rehearsal for Wedding Blessing**

Saturday 26

1.00pm **Wedding Blessing: Darren & Lucy Fowles**

Sunday 27

8.00am **Holy Communion (BCP)**

Celebrant: Rev. Alan Stewart

Reflection: Adrian Walter, Lay Leader of Worship

10.30am **Holy Communion**

Celebrant: Rev. Alan Stewart

Preacher: Melanie Seward, Lay Reader

10.30am **Sunday Morning Worship on Zoom**

Nick Hoyle & Adrian Walter, Lay Leaders of Worship

6.30pm **Evening Prayer at St Mary's** *Rev. Bill Church*

7.00pm **Compline** *Rev. Alan Stewart*

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