

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. **Now on a break - returning on Tuesday 14 January 2025**

TMM Youth Group

For School Years 7+. Twice a month on Sundays, 4.30-6.00pm. **Next meeting 15 December for the Christmas Party**

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 Treasurer, Nick Sharman, or our Chair of Finance Committee, Chris Seward.



Hertford St Andrew

Here with you, Here for you

8 December 2024

Second Sunday of Advent



8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)

Rev. Alan Stewart

10.30am ALL-AGE Holy Communion

Celebrant & Preacher: Rev. Alan Stewart

Reading: Isaiah 9. 2, 6 (Michael Cracknell)

Chalice: Nick Sharman, Jo Willis, Laura Ramsay

Hymns (on screen)

Light of the world (*words also on sheet*)

400 Long ago, prophets knew

60 Be still, for the presence of the Lord

288 I cannot tell

401 Longing for light (Christ, be our light!)

Fundraising Bake Sale by Hertford St Andrew School PTA after the 10.30am service!

12.30pm Holy Baptism of

Florence Mae Curtis Rev. Alan Stewart

7.00pm Soul Food

led by Rev. Alan Stewart

'Mary' Café-style evening worship in the St Andrew's Centre with music, prayers and reflection

Online via Zoom today

10.30am Sunday Morning Worship

Leader & Reflection: Kath Oates,
Lay Leader of Worship

[Compline returns on 22 December]

Zoom links are emailed and on our website

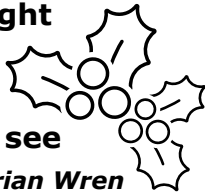
Responses and Readings

Prayer for lighting of the Advent candle

A candle burns,
the sign of your Word.
God of the prophets,
come to us again this Advent.



May your Word be a lamp to our feet and a light on our path.



Will you come and see the light *words by Brian Wren*

Will you step into the light
that can free the slave?
It will stand for what is right,
it will heal and save.
By the pyramids of greed
there's a longing to be freed.
Will you hide, or decide
to meet the light?

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A Mindful Christmas

Monday 16 December,

7.30pm in St Andrew's Church

In the rush leading up to Christmas,
a space to **reflect, recharge** and **find
comfort** in this short candlelit
service with readings, poems,
prayers and music.

www.hertfordstandrews.co.uk/christmas

Please note, there's no 10.30am
Wednesday Holy Communion Service
at St Andrew's on New Year's Day

A Reading from Isaiah Chapter 9:

The people who are now living in
darkness will see a great light.
They are now living in a very dark
land. But a light will shine on them.
A child will be born to us.

A son will be given to us.

He will rule over us.

And he will be called
Wonderful Adviser
and Mighty God.

He will also be called
Father Who Lives Forever
and Prince Who Brings Peace.

For the Word of the Lord,

Thanks be to God

Beer & Carols

SATURDAY | **FREE**
14 DECEMBER | **ADMISSION**
3.30-5.30PM | **ALL AGES**
| **WELCOME**

ST ANDREW'S CHURCH
HERTFORD SG14 1HZ

RAISING FUNDS FOR HERTFORD | **HERTFORDSHIRE CASK ALE, SEASONAL MULLED WINE AND SOFT DRINKS**

+ CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES AND FESTIVE FUN FOR ALL AGES!

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News and Notices

St Andrew's Christmas Appeal

We're supporting single homeless people in Hertfordshire this Christmas through Haven First.

If you can donate any of the items listed below, please deliver to the church by 20 Dec. Thank you!

Scan the QR code for more details



Model-making and craft kits, colouring books for wellbeing

Boxed toiletry gift sets, £5 gift cards

New gloves, scarves & hats. Good quality winter clothes

Boxes of cakes, biscuits or chocolates

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Christmas at St Andrew's

Sat 14 Dec
Beer & Carols 3.30-5.30pm

Family-friendly drop-in with carols, beer and mulled wine

Mon 16 Dec
A Mindful Christmas 7.30pm

Short candlelit service to reflect, recharge and find comfort

Wed 18 Dec
Lessons & Carols 7.30pm

Candlelit service followed by mulled wine

Sun 22 Dec
Lessons & Carols on Zoom 10.30am

Christmas Eve

Crib and Christingle 11am

Crib and Christingle 4pm

Midnight Mass 11.15pm

Christmas Day

Holy Communion 8am

Christmas Communion for all ages 10.30am

Plans are subject to change so please check our website for the latest information

www.hertfordstandrews.co.uk

Please pick up an Appeal flyer in church or visit:

www.hertfordstandrews.co.uk/christmasappeal

Choir18 Christmas Concert, Wednesday 11 December, 7.45pm at St Andrew's Church

Great choral classics celebrating Christmas, performed by the Hertford-based Choir18. No admission charge. The programme will last about an hour:

Adam lay ybounden (Boris Ord)

Benedicamus Domino (Warlock)

Bogoroditsye, Ave Maria (Rachmaninov)

Let there be peace on earth (Miller)

Christ the Appletree (Scriven)

The birds (Basil Smallman)

Hymn to the Virgin (Britten)

WGc MALE VOICE CHOIR

save the date

Welwyn Garden City Male Voice Choir

will be performing on

Friday 13th December @ 19.30

St. Mary's Church Hertingfordbury

tickets £10 from Kay Juniper

07776 340932

music from a variety of genres,
songs from shows, spirituals & traditional
English, Scottish & Irish pieces

FOHSM event

Over-60s Christmas Lunch

Friday 13 Dec, 12.30pm in the Centre

Lunch is free, but donations are gratefully accepted.

Places must be booked in advance with Jo (07572 281845) to ensure everyone is catered for.

Please pray for: Galina Vailieva, Georgina Laval, Graham Mitchell, Paul Roe, Jennifer, Phoebe, Dino, Lucy, James, Gordon, Oliver Clark, Mike Watson, Robert Ramsay, Trevor, Shelley Ives
Kevin Frazer gives thanks to Almighty God for the measure of recovery thus far granted to him

Rest in Peace: Dennis Cracknell, Dorothy Smith, Margaret Buckingham

In Year's Mind: Reg O'Smotherly, Mavis Curnock, Joan Nott, Ted Carlton

St Andrew's Diary - the week ahead

Monday 9

8.00am **Morning Prayer** in the Chapel

Wednesday 11

10.30am **Holy Communion** *Rev. Bill Church*

7.45pm **Choir 18 Christmas Concert**

Thursday 12

8.00am **Morning Prayer** in the Chapel

9.30am **Toddler Group** in the Centre

10.30am **Holy Communion** at Calton Court

10.30am **Delta Dames Home Group** in the Chapel

Friday 13

12.30pm **Over 60s Christmas Lunch** in the Centre

7.30pm **WGC Male Voice Choir** at St Mary's

Saturday 14

3.30-5.30pm **Beer & Carols**

Sunday 15

8.00am **Holy Communion (BCP)** *Rev. Bill Church*

10.30am **Holy Communion**

Celebrant: Rev. Alan Stewart

Preacher: Melanie Seward, Lay Reader

10.30am **Sunday Morning Worship** on Zoom

Led by Kath Oates, Lay Leader of Worship

Sermon: Melanie Seward, Lay Reader (recorded)

4.30pm **TMM Christmas Party** in the Centre

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