

# 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. *Meeting TODAY.*

**Please 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*

**26 January 2025**

Third Sunday of Epiphany

### **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

Preacher: Melanie Seward, Lay Reader  
First reading: 1 Corinthians 12. 12-31a  
(Keith Neat)

Gospel: Luke 4. 14-21

Intercessions: Frances Cracknell

Chalice: Charles Ledsam,  
Debbie Ledsam, Lesley Self

### **Hymns**

**678** Thy hand, O God, has guided

**288** I cannot tell

**740** Will you come and follow me

**381** Let there be love shared among us

**474** O for a thousand tongues to sing

**Anthem:** Ubi Caritas – Ola Gjeilo

*(Translation: Where there is charity and love, God is there. The love of Christ has gathered us together. Let us rejoice and be glad in it, and with a sincere heart let us love one another.)*

### **6.30pm Evening Prayer at St Mary's Hertingfordbury**

Rev. Bill Church

### **Online via Zoom today**

#### **10.30am Sunday Morning Worship**

Leader: Kath Oates, Lay Leader of Worship  
Preacher: Melanie Seward (recorded)

**7.00pm Compline** Rev. Alan Stewart

**Zoom links are emailed and on our website**

# Collect and Readings

**Collect:** God of all mercy, your Son proclaimed good news to the poor, release to the captives, and freedom to the oppressed: anoint us with your Holy Spirit and set all your people free to praise you in Christ our Lord.

## **First Reading:**

### **1 Corinthians 12. 12-31a**

For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

Indeed, the body does not consist of one member but of many. If the foot were to say, 'Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body', that would not make it any less a part of the body. And if the ear were to say, 'Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body', that would not make it any less a part of the body. If the whole body were an eye, where would the hearing be? If the whole body were hearing, where would the sense of smell be? But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose. If all were a single member, where would the body be? As it is, there are many members, yet one body. The eye cannot say to the hand, 'I have no need of you', nor again the head to the feet, 'I have no need of you.' On the contrary, the members of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, and those members of the body that we think less honourable we clothe with greater honour, and our less respectable members are treated with greater respect; whereas our more respectable members do not need this. But God has so arranged the body, giving the greater honour to the inferior member, that there may be no dissension within the body, but the members may have the same care for one another. If one member suffers, all suffer together with it; if one member is

honoured, all rejoice together with it.

Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it. And God has appointed in the church first apostles, second prophets, third teachers; then deeds of power, then gifts of healing, forms of assistance, forms of leadership, various kinds of tongues. Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? Do all possess gifts of healing? Do all speak in tongues? Do all interpret? But strive for the greater gifts. And I will show you a still more excellent way.

*For the Word of the Lord,*

***Thanks be to God***

### **Gospel: Luke 4. 14-21**

Then Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country. He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone. When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written: 'The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favour.' And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. Then he began to say to them, 'Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.'

*This is the Gospel of the Lord,*

***Praise to you, O Christ***

# News and Notices

## Joint Parish Away Day 2025

Sunday 4 May, 9.30am – 4.00pm

at All Nations College, Ware

*This year's theme: 'Peace'*

- Worship, workshops, free time
- Activities for young people
- Beautiful surroundings
- Two-course lunch
- Newcomers especially welcome
- More details in the February parish magazine (out soon)

## Soul Food on Sunday 2 February, 7.00pm in the St Andrew's Centre

**God at work:** Wherever we are in our journey of faith, do we ever reflect about how God might have been at work in our lives, maybe in certain places, incidents, decisions, relationships? At Soul Food, our monthly café-style service, we'll be exploring this with song, prayer and gentle discussion.

## coffee morning

SATURDAY  
1ST FEBRUARY

10.30AM – 12.30PM

ST ANDREW'S CHURCH  
HERTFORD SG14 1HZ

- Sausage and bacon butties
- Beer tombola
- Fairtrade coffee & home baked cakes

RAISING FUNDS TO INSTALL  
A DEFIBRILLATOR AT  
ST ANDREW'S CHURCH

[www.hertfordstandrews.co.uk](http://www.hertfordstandrews.co.uk)

# Exploring Faith

“Is there more to life than this?”  
“Who was Jesus and why did he die?”  
“Why pray?” “Why read the Bible?”

JOIN A SHORT INFORMAL COURSE EXPLORING  
THESE QUESTIONS AND THE CHRISTIAN FAITH

Interested? Contact Revd Alan:  
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Tuesdays 28th Jan, 4th, 11th, 25th Feb and 4th March 2025  
7.30pm @ The Brace Room, St Mary's Church, Hertingfordbury

**Our February Coffee Morning on Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> will include the popular Beer Tombola! Any donations for the Tombola are very welcome and can be left in the church office. Thank you**

**Please pray for:**

Georgina Laval, Julie, Judy, Shelley Ives, Pauline Rhodes, Lucy, Dino, Mike Watson, Graham Mitchell, Phoebe, Trevor, Paul Roe, Robert Ramsay, Alexander, James

**Rest in Peace:** Doreen Buckle, Gordon Perry, Jim Neat, Rita Montgomery, Oliver Clark, Richard Hodding

**Years' Mind:** Moyra Hope, Peggy Gill, Stella Parsell, Adrians Harms, Edith Dearman

**St Andrew's Diary – the week ahead**

**Monday 27**

8.00am **Morning Prayer** in the Chapel

**Tuesday 28**

3.30pm **Toastie Tuesday**

7.30pm **Exploring Faith** at St Mary's Hertingfordbury

**Wednesday 29**

10.30am **Holy Communion** *Rev. Alan Stewart*

**Thursday 30**

8.00am **Morning Prayer** in the Chapel

9.30am **Toddler Group**

**Friday 31**

5.30pm **Children's Choir**

**Saturday 1 February**

8.30am **Breathe Prayer Gathering** in the Chapel

10.30am **Coffee Morning**

**Sunday 2**

8.00am **Holy Communion (BCP)** *Rev. Alan Stewart*

10.30am **Holy Communion**

*Celebrant: Rev. Alan Stewart*

*Preacher: Geoff Oates, Lay Reader*

10.30am **Sunday Morning Worship on Zoom**

*Leader: Nick Hoyle, Lay Leader of Worship*

*Preacher: Geoff Oates, Lay Reader (recorded)*

12.30pm **Holy Baptism of Cerys Laura**

**Iris Morris-Bowman** *Rev. Alan Stewart*

7.00pm **Soul Food** in the St Andrew's Centre

*'God at Work' Led by Forbes Mutch*

*(more details on the Notices page)*

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