## 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 Joint Treasurers, Judy & Nick Sharman, or our Chair of Finance Committee, Chris Seward.



### **9 February 2025** Fourth Sunday before Lent

### 8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)

Rev. Bill Church

# 10.30am All-Age Holy Communion and CIVIC SERVICE

Prayer Ministry is offered during the service We welcome The Worshipful the Mayor of Hertford, Councillor Rachel Carter, and members of the Town Council

Celebrant & Preacher: Rev. Alan Stewart First reading: Luke 2. 41-50 (Rachel Carter) Chalice: Nick Sharman, Jo Willis, Laura Ramsay

#### Hymns

- **30** Amazing grace!
- 330 I will sing the wondrous story
- **495** O let the Son of God enfold you 10,000 Reasons *(words on sheet and on screen)*
- 487 O happy day!

#### 4.30pm TMM Youth Group

meeting in the St Andrew's Centre

### **Online via Zoom today**

10.30am Sunday Morning Eucharist Celebrant & Preacher: Rev. Bill Church

7.00pm Compline Rev. Alan Stewart Zoom links are emailed and on our website

## **Reading and Notices**

**Luke 2. 41-50:** Every year, the parents of Jesus went to Jerusalem for the Passover Festival. When Jesus was twelve years old, they went to the festival as usual. When the festival was over, they started back home, but the boy Jesus stayed in Jerusalem. His parents did not know this; they thought that he was with the group, so they travelled a whole day and then started looking for him among their relatives and friends. They did not find him, so they went back to Jerusalem looking for him. On the third day they found him in the Temple, sitting with the Jewish teachers, listening to them and asking questions. All who heard him were amazed at his intelligent answers. His parents were astonished when they saw him, and his mother said to him, "Son, why have you done this to us? Your father and I have been terribly worried trying to find you."

He answered them, "Why did you have to look for me? Didn't you know that I had to be in my Father's house?" But they did not understand his answer.

For the Word of the Lord, Thanks be to God



## **News and Notices**

### Harry runs for National Eczema Society

In April, Harry Longman (who worships at St Andrew's) will be running the London Marathon. He is fundraising for the National Eczema Society (NES), a charity which means a lot to him having suffered from a severe form of eczema throughout his life.

Harry says, "In January 2024, I suffered from an intense three-month flare-up covering 75% of my body, which had a drastic effect on my physical and mental wellbeing. Thankfully, after many hospital visits and dermatology

appointments, I was able to get the condition under control. Thousands of people are suffering from eczema daily, some as severely as my case. I am going through the pain of running the London Marathon on behalf of those people, as a sign of gratitude that I was able to get my life back, and on behalf of the great work that NES do."

NES provides vital support services such as helplines, support groups and online resources that help suffering individuals and families cope. The funds contribute to research initiatives aimed at understanding the causes of eczema and developing better treatments with the hope of one day finding a cure for all.

Harry would be pleased to speak to you after the 10.30am service this morning about how his training is going! Please help him reach his £2,000 target - any donation, large or small, is greatly appreciated. https://2025tcslondonmarathon.enthuse.com/pf/harry-longman

Lunch Club for the Over-60s Friday 14 February, 12.30pm in the St Andrew's Centre Please book your place with Jo Willis (07572 281845)

### BOOK APPEAL!

We welcome donations of second-hand books (fiction and non-fiction) for the book stall at our March Coffee Morning. Please leave at the back of the church. Thank you! The History of Richard Hale School: A Talk by Eric Riddle Tuesday 18 February, 8.00pm in the St Andrew's Centre

Part of the Friends of Hertford Museum programme of talks. Arrive 7.45pm for 8.00pm start. Tea & coffee provided. £3pp.

**Prize Appeal**: We have a few raffles coming up at St Andrew's and welcome any prize donations! Please leave with a Churchwarden or in the Church Office. Thank you 😌





#### Lent is coming...

**On Ash Wednesday, 5 March**, our traditional services mark the beginning of the season of Lent: 10.30am and 8.00pm Holy Communion at St Andrew's Church, with the imposition of ashes.

**Please pray for:** Pauline Rhodes, Trevor, Georgina Laval, James, Lucy, Dino, Julie, Paul Roe, Mike Watson, Judy, Phoebe, Graham Mitchelli, Robert Ramsay, Alexander

#### **Rest in Peace**:

Rita Montgomery, Richard Hodding Years' Mind: Ethel Hagger, Henry John, Graham Roche, Ethel Dickins, Dorothy Baggueley, Jim Ramsay, Ethel Mortimer, Paul Melbourne

#### St Andrew's Diary – the week ahead Monday 10

8.00am Morning Prayer in the Chapel

#### Tuesday 11

3.30pm Toastie Tuesday 7.30pm Exploring Faith St Mary's Hertingfordbury

#### Wednesday 12

10.30am Holy Communion Rev. Alan Stewart & Rev. Scott Martin

#### Thursday 13

8.00am Morning Prayer in the Chapel 9.30am Toddler Group

11.30am Funeral of Richard Hodding

#### Friday 14

12.30pm Lunch Club for Over-60s \*Please book your place with Jo Willis (07572 281845)\*

#### 5.30pm Children's Choir

#### Sunday 16

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP) Rev. Alan Stewart
10.30am Holy Communion
Rev. Alan Stewart
10.30am Sunday Morning Worship on Zoom
Leader: Kath Oates, Lay Leader of Worship
Sermon: Rev. Alan Stewart (recorded)
7.00pm Compline on Zoom Rev. Alan Stewart

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