

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

23 March 2025

Third Sunday of Lent

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)

Rev. Bill Church

10.30am Holy Communion

Celebrant: Rev. Alan Stewart

Reflection: Maria Henriksson-Bell,
Lay Leader of Worship

First Reading: 1 Corinthians 10. 1-13
(Scott Martin)

Gospel: Luke 13. 1-9

Intercessions: Rod Willis

Chalice: Sue Little, Frances Wilby, Laura Ramsay

Hymns

67 Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine

642 There is a green hill far away

600 Such love, pure as the whitest snow

142 Father in heaven, how we love you

581 Sing for God's glory

Anthem: Thou art God – Lionel Bourne

4.30pm TMM Youth Group

6.30pm Evening Prayer at St Mary's

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

7.00pm Compline Rev. Alan Stewart

Zoom links are emailed and on our website

Collect and Readings

Collect: Eternal God, give us insight to discern your will for us, to give up what harms us, and to seek the perfection we are promised in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

First Reading:

1 Corinthians 10. 1-13

I do not want you to be unaware, brothers and sisters, that our ancestors were all under the cloud, and all passed through the sea, and all were baptised into Moses in the cloud and in the sea, and all ate the same spiritual food, and all drank the same spiritual drink. For they drank from the spiritual rock that followed them, and the rock was Christ. Nevertheless, God was not pleased with most of them, and they were struck down in the wilderness.

Now these things occurred as examples for us, so that we might not desire evil as they did. Do not become idolaters as some of them did; as it is written, 'The people sat down to eat and drink, and they rose up to play.' We must not indulge in sexual immorality as some of them did, and twenty-three thousand fell in a single day. We must not put Christ to the test, as some of them did, and were destroyed by serpents. And do not complain as some of them did, and were destroyed by the destroyer. These things happened to them to serve as an example, and they were written down to instruct us, on whom the ends of the ages have come. So if you think you are standing, watch out that you

do not fall. No testing has overtaken you that is not common to everyone. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tested beyond your strength, but with the testing he will also provide the way out so that you may be able to endure it. *For the Word of the Lord,*
Thanks be to God

Gospel: Luke 13. 1-9

At that very time there were some present who told him about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices. He asked them, 'Do you think that because these Galileans suffered in this way they were worse sinners than all other Galileans? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish as they did. Or those eighteen who were killed when the tower of Siloam fell on them—do you think that they were worse offenders than all the others living in Jerusalem? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish just as they did.'

Then he told this parable: 'A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard; and he came looking for fruit on it and found none. So he said to the gardener, "See here! For three years I have come looking for fruit on this fig tree, and still I find none. Cut it down! Why should it be wasting the soil?" He replied, "Sir, let it alone for one more year, until I dig round it and put manure on it. If it bears fruit next year, well and good; but if not, you can cut it down."'

This is the Gospel of the Lord,
Praise to you, O Christ

Direct to your Inbox! Receive news about what's happening at St Andrew's and in the community, sermons, service information and links to online worship... we would love to keep in touch with you! If you'd like to receive emails, please complete our consent form – there are paper copies at the back of the church or you can scan the QR code (right) or go to: www.hertfordstandrews.co.uk/communication



News and Notices

coffee morning

**SATURDAY
5TH APRIL**

10.30AM – 12.30PM

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

- ☑ Easter Egg Tombola
- ☑ Pop-up Stalls
- ☑ Children's Crafts
- ☑ Fairtrade coffee
- ☑ Home baked cakes



**IN AID OF CHIPS AND
ST ANDREW'S CHURCH**

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The popular chocolate tombola will be back with an Easter theme at our April Coffee Morning. Any **donations of Easter Eggs would be very much appreciated** – please leave with Phil in the church office or outside the office door. Thank you!



Please support this fundraiser
for St Andrew's Primary School



Cakes baked by the
PTA and decorated
by the children
of St Andrew
Primary School

Palm Sunday, 13 April
at St Andrew's Church
11.30am onwards
(Service begins at 10.30am)

All proceeds to
the PTA to help
the children
of St Andrew
Primary School

PTA Bake Sale

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New Electoral Roll

This year, a new Church Electoral Roll is being prepared. By being on the Roll you are able to vote at the Church's Annual General Meeting (27 April). Everyone who wishes to be included on the Roll must complete an application form by **Sunday 30 March** (those who were on the previous Roll will need to apply again). Paper copies of the form are in church, or the form can be completed on the church website (look under 'About Us' – 'Electoral Roll'). Please return completed paper forms in the post box in the porch or hand it to a Churchwarden, Carol Muhr or Phil Probert.

Scan the QR code to go
straight to the Electoral Roll
page on the church website...



Last chance
to book -
the deadline
is today!

Peace
Away Day 2025

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

There's information in the March parish magazine, on letters at the back of the church and online:

www.hertfordstandrews.co.uk/awayday



Welwyn Garden City Male Voice Choir

will be performing on **Saturday 29 March** at 7.30pm
at **St Mary's Church, Hertingfordbury**. *Music from a variety of genres, songs from shows, spiritual & traditional English, Scottish & Irish pieces.* For tickets (£10 each), please contact Kay Juniper on 07776 340932.

Please pray for: Alexander, Julie, Judy, Dino, Lucy, Phoebe, Paul Roe, Georgina Laval, Robert Ramsay, Pauline Rhodes, Joan Cheesman, Mike Watson

Rest in Peace: Robert Smith, Alan Warman, Graham Mitchell, Pierre Mberi

Year's Mind: Evelyn Hayden, Greg Brown, Ivy Buck, Joan Beagles, Joan Bowyer, Fred Harris, Charles Norman Smith (Priest)

St Andrew's Diary – the week ahead

Monday 24

8.00am **Morning Prayer** in the Chapel

9.00am-3.00pm **Experience Easter** school workshop

Tuesday 25

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

Wednesday 26

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

7.30pm **Mindfulness & Meditation** on Zoom

Thursday 27

8.00am **Morning Prayer** in the Chapel

***** THE CHURCH IS CLOSED TO VISITORS ALL DAY WHILE WORK IS CARRIED OUT ON THE AV SYSTEM**

9.30am **Toddler Group** (access Centre from outside, please)

Friday 28

5.30pm **Children's Choir**

Saturday 29

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

****Clocks go forward by an hour in the early hours of Sunday****

Sunday 30 – Mothering Sunday

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

10.30am **Mothering Sunday All-Age Holy Communion with Choir and Organ and the Holy Baptism of Lennox Eloise Harman.**

Flowers for mums and carers, plus a special performance by Hertford Children's Choir.



10.30am **Sunday Morning Worship on Zoom**

Leader: Nick Hoyle, Lay Leader of Worship

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

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