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.

* We're sorry there's no Junior Church today *

JC usually 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, 3.30-5.00pm.

TMM Youth Group

For School Years 7+. Usually first and third Sundays, 4.30-6.00pm.

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.



5 May 2024 Sixth Sunday of Easter

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)

Rev. Alan Stewart

10.30am Holy Communion

Prayer Ministry is offered during the service

We welcome Bryan Fries to share with us a little about the work of Young Life

Celebrant & Preacher: Rev. Alan Stewart First reading: 1 Thessalonians 5. 12-18

(Joan Cheesman) Gospel: Luke 18. 1-8

Intercessions: Andrew Goodman

Chalice: Sue Little,

Carol Crowhurst, Laura Ramsay

Hymns

238 Great is thy faithfulness

404 Lord, I come to you

714 What a friend we have in Jesus Jesus, all for Jesus (on separate sheet)

605 Take my life, and let it be

4.30pm TMM Youth Group

Online via Zoom today 10.30am Morning Worship

Led by Nick Hoyle

Sermon: Rev. Alan Stewart (recorded)

7.00pm Compline
Rev. Alan Stewart

Zoom links are emailed and on our website

Collect and Readings

Collect: Risen Christ, by the lakeside you renewed your call to your disciples: help your Church to obey your command and draw the nations to the fire of your love, to the glory of God the Father. Amen

First Reading: 1 Thessalonians 5, 12-18

But we appeal to you, brothers and sisters, to respect those who labour among you, and have charge of you in the Lord and admonish you: esteem them very highly in love because of their work. Be at peace among yourselves. And we urge you, beloved, to admonish the idlers, encourage the faint-hearted, help the weak, be patient with all of them. See that none of you repays evil for evil, but always seek to do good to one another and to all. Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you. For the Word of the Lord,

Thanks be to God

Gospel: Luke 18. 1-8

Then Jesus told them a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. He said, 'In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, "Grant me justice against my opponent." For a while he refused; but later he said to himself, "Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear

me out by continually coming." 'And the Lord said, 'Listen to what the unjust judge says. And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?'

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

Exploring Confirmation

We're holding a **two-session Exploring Confirmation course**on Tuesdays 14 and 21 May,
7.30-8.30pm, in The Brace Room
at St Mary's Church Hertingfordbury.
Each session will be tailor-made
for those who come, with an
opportunity to choose the questions
you want to explore.

A Service of Confirmation with Bishop Stephen Venner will take place at St Andrew's on Tuesday 4 June at 7.30pm.

Please see the flyers in church or our website (<u>www.hertfordstandrews.co.uk</u>) for more details.

Ascension Service

Thu 9 May, 8.00pm at St Andrew's

A special Taizé-style service with Eucharist.

Next Sunday, 12 May, 7.00pm in the St Andrew's Centre, our Soul Food worship considers the 'The Reluctant King'.





SAT 11th MAY @7.30pm at St.Mary's Church Hertingfordbury tickets £10 msg Kay Juniper 07776 340932

The choir was founded in 1935 by a group of Welshmen who had moved to WGC in search of work. They enjoy singing music from a variety of genres including songs from shows, spirituals, traditional English, Scottish & Irish pieces.

a FOHSM event

Nick Sharman is being 'installed' in his new role at St Paul's Cathedral during Evensong at the Cathedral on Wed 22 May, 5.00pm. Everyone is warmly invited. Please let Nick know if you can be there (nick.sharman@ntlworld.com) and he will make sure there is a seat reserved for you in the Quire.

May's Lunch Club for the Over-60s

Friday 10th, 12.30pm in the St Andrew's Centre. Please book your place with

Jo Willis: 07572 281845

News and Notices

Welcome to St Andrew's A safe space for all

At the Hertford Pride Family Day on **Sunday 12 May**, the Chapel in St Andrew's Church is offered as a safe space for reflection or prayer. You're invited to light a candle and place some salt in the bowl of water symbolising our tears.



An original artwork by Alan Stewart will be displayed – it's called LOVEisLOVE and depicts Christ stretched out across a map of the world. The countries marked in red are the places where it is still illegal to be LGBTQIA +



Help is needed to do some tidying in the churchyard and inside the church – please come along for however long you can.

Refreshments will be provided.

Please let Shirley know if you can help:
call 01992 302995, email on
shirleytaylor06@gmail.com or just turn up.

Please pray for:

Debbie Hartnett, Pauline Rhodes, Dino, Robert Ramsay, Trevor, The Revd. Richard Allen, The Revd. Rachel Allen, Phoebe, Nancy, Sheila Woods, Paul Roe, Debbie Garrod, Oliver Clark, Francesco di Paolis, Michael & Val O'Smotherly

Rest in Peace: Colin Kime, Jean Martin In Year's Mind:

Steven Childs, Martin Woollard, Winifred North

St Andrew's Diary – the week ahead Monday 6

8.00am Morning Prayer in the Chapel

Tuesday 7

3.30pm TOASTIE TUESDAY After-School Club

Wednesday 8

10.30am Holy Communion Rev. Alan Stewart

7.30pm Mindfulness & Meditation on ZOOM

Thursday 9 - ASCENSION DAY

8.00am Morning Prayer in the Chapel

9.30am Toddler Group

8.00pm Ascension Day Service

Rev. Alan Stewart

Saturday 11

10.00am-2.00pm **Spring Tidy** at St Andrew's 7.30pm **WGC Male Voice Choir** at St Mary's

Hertingfordbury

Sunday 12

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)

Rev. Bill Church

10.30am All-Age Holy Communion

Celebrant & Preacher: Rev. Alan Stewart

10.30am Sunday Morning Eucharist on Zoom

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12.00-4.00pm Hertford Pride Family Day Chapel

in St Andrew's open for reflection and prayer

12.30pm Holy Baptism of Stanley Pilgrim

Rev. Alan Stewart

7.00pm Soul Food Led by Forbes Mutch

[No Compline]

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