

**Gospel: Matthew 17. 1-9:** Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. Then Peter said to Jesus, 'Lord, it is good for us to be here; if you wish, I will make three dwellings here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.' While he was still speaking, suddenly a bright cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud a voice said, 'This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!' When the disciples heard this, they fell to the ground and were overcome by fear. But Jesus came and touched them, saying, 'Get up and do not be afraid.' And when they looked up, they saw no one except Jesus himself alone.

As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus ordered them, 'Tell no one about the vision until after the Son of Man has been raised from the dead.' *This is the Gospel of the Lord, Praise to you O Christ*

## A Quiet Day in Lent

Take time for short, guided reflections, followed by time to relax, read or enjoy the gardens. From 10.00am—3.00pm on **Saturday 21 March** at The Grove, Bengoe. If you can't stay for the whole time, why not come for part of the day. Just bring a packed lunch. *Please contact Phil to book: 01992 504373 ; standrew.hertford@btinternet.com.*

## Next Week:

### Monday 24

8.30am **Morning Prayer**

### Tuesday 25

3.30pm **SHAKE After-School Club**

### Ash Wednesday

10.30am **Holy Communion** (Rev. Wendy Sellers) with imposition of ashes

8.00pm **Holy Communion** (Rev. Alan Stewart & Rev. Bill Church) with imposition of ashes

### Thursday 27

8.00am **Morning Prayer**

9.30am **Toddler Group**

9.30am **Calton Court** (Rev. Alan Stewart)

9.30am **Men in the Morning** at 39 Port Hill

### Saturday 29

7.00pm **LENT EVENT Quiz Supper** at Hertford URC

### Sunday 1 March—First Sunday of Lent

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

10.30am **Holy Communion**

Celebrant: Rev. Alan Stewart

Preacher: Geoff Oates

10.45am **Sele Farm Church** at Calton Court

Led by Stephane McCarthy

3.00pm **LENT EVENT Hymns & Cake**

Hertford Methodist Church

3.30pm **Sunday Social** at St Andrew's

6.00pm **TMM Youth Group**

7.00pm **Soul Food** Café-style evening worship

**Coronavirus:** Please see the posters in church for precautionary advice from the Church of England to parishioners, in particular regarding Communion.

Keep up to date online: [www.HertfordStAndrews.co.uk](http://www.HertfordStAndrews.co.uk)

*No one belongs here more than you*

# Hertford St Andrew Messenger

faith hope love

23 February 2020

Sunday before Lent

**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**

## 8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)

Celebrant: Rev. Bill Church

## 10.30am Holy Communion

Celebrant: Rev. Alan Stewart

Preacher: Rev. Wendy Sellers

First reading: Exodus 24. 12-end (Katie Seaton)

Gospel: Matthew 17. 1-9

Intercessions: Forbes Mutch

Chalice: Carol Crowhurst, Lesley Self, Frances Wilby

Hymns: **93** Christ whose glory fills the skies  
**67** Blessed assurance  
**79** Bright the vision  
Light of the world (*words overleaf*)  
**416** Lord, the light of your love  
Anthem: Be still, for the presence of the Lord  
—arr. Indra Hughes

## Post-service Prayer Ministry

After the 10.30am service, members of our Prayer Ministry Team will be available to pray with you in the Chapel and the North Transept. Please see the pew leaflet for further information.

**10.45am Sele Farm Church** at Calton Court  
Led by Melanie Seward

**3.30pm Evening Prayers (BCP)**  
at St Mary's Hertingfordbury

**4.00pm Walk, Jog, Run** meet at Hartham

**6.00pm TMM** youth group

## Young Children at St Andrew's

All children are welcome at St Andrew's, do not worry if yours make a bit of noise. Feel free to make use of the 'Children's Corner' during the service. Junior Church offers groups and activities for all children.

**Collect:** Holy God, you know the disorder of our sinful lives: set straight our crooked hearts, and bend our wills to love your goodness and your glory in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

**Exodus 24. 12-end:** The LORD said to Moses, 'Come up to me on the mountain, and wait there; and I will give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction.' So Moses set out with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up into the mountain of God. To the elders he had said, 'Wait here for us, until we come to you again; for Aaron and Hur are with you; whoever has a dispute may go to them.'

Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. The glory of the LORD settled on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it for six days; on the seventh day he called to Moses out of the cloud. Now the appearance of the glory of the LORD was like a devouring fire on the top of the mountain in the sight of the people of Israel. Moses entered the cloud and went up on the mountain. Moses was on the mountain for forty days and forty nights.

*For the Word of the Lord, Thanks be to God*

## Light of the world

Light of the world,  
You stepped down into darkness.  
Opened my eyes, let me see.  
Beauty that made this heart adore You,  
Hope of a life spent with You.

*Here I am to worship,  
Here I am to bow down,  
Here I am to say that You're my God.  
You're altogether lovely,  
Altogether worthy,  
Altogether wonderful to me.*

King of all days,  
Oh, so highly exalted,  
Glorious in heaven above.  
Humbly You came  
To the earth You created.  
All for love's sake became poor.

*Chorus*

I'll never know how much it cost  
To see my sin upon that cross (x2)

*Chorus*

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Thankyou Music*

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## Children at St Andrew's

**Junior Church** usually meets every Sunday except during the All-Age Service.

**Bubbles**

0-4 year olds

**Splash**

Key Stage 1 (4-7 year olds)

**Ripples**

Key Stage 2 (7-11 year olds)

**Deeper**

Secondary School (11 year olds and up)

**Shake After-School Club** For school years 7-11. In St Andrew's Church, Tues in term time, 3.30-5.30pm. *Contact Tracy (07503 397545).*

**TMM Youth Group** For school years 6+. Sunday evenings at St Andrew's.

**Sele Messy Church next meets 8 March!** 3.00-4.30pm at Hertford St Andrew School, Calton Avenue SG14 2EP. Fun for all the family with stories, food + crafts! *Contact Rosemary (07713 139650) or Tracy (standrewstracy@gmail.com)*

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## Midweek Services

**Wednesday Holy Communion Service**

10.30am at St Andrew's

**Meditation & Mindfulness** Explore the riches of Christian meditation and how it fits with the practice and insights of mindfulness. No need to sign up in advance. Beginners welcome. First and third Wednesdays, 8.00pm. Next on 4 March.

**Soul Space** A quiet space to be still, with music, readings, mindfulness, silence and prayers. Second Wednesdays, 8.00pm. Next on 11 March.

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**Please pray for:** *Barbara Wilbourn-Smith, Linda Radford, Colin Harding, Ellen Cook, Nan Tuck, Dennis Wiggins, Bernard Stack, Debbie, Al, Malini, Andy*

**Rest in Peace:** *Glenn Reardon*

## DATES & NOTICES...

**Sunday stretch this afternoon!** 'Walk, jog, run' is a chance to get some fresh air, stretch those legs and have a chat. Meet at Hartham Skatepark at **4.00pm** for a walk, jog or run following the mile loop (feel free to do as much or as little as you want to). All welcome, including friends/neighbours who don't attend church. If you have any questions, please contact Rachel: [rloustewart@icloud.com](mailto:rloustewart@icloud.com).

**The F Word: The Forgiveness Project** is a free thought-provoking exhibition at Christ Church, New Road, Ware, from **Tue 25—Sun 29 February**. Now seen across the world by more than 70,000 people, the Exhibition features 23 moving stories from victims and perpetrators, which movingly explore transformative alternatives to revenge, retaliation and remorse: stories which explore the option and process of giving and receiving forgiveness. For opening times, please see the posters in St Andrew's Church. [www.theforgivenessproject.com](http://www.theforgivenessproject.com)

**Ash Wednesday Services:** There will be two services of ashing on **Wednesday 26 February**; 10.30am and 8.00pm, both with Holy Communion.

**Revision of Electoral Roll:** The Electoral Roll is being revised. If you would like to be on the Roll but are not currently, please complete a form to be found at the back of the church by the entrance, and leave there for collection in the envelope provided. **Completed forms must be returned by 29 March.** A list of the names currently on the Roll is available at the back of the church during 10.30am Sunday services. If you'd like to check your details on the Roll or you no longer wish to be on the Roll, please let us know. *Any queries, please contact Carol Muhr, Clerk to the PCC, or Phil Probert, Parish Administrator.*

**Hertford URC Quiz Supper:** As part of the Lent Events season at Hertford churches, the URC are holding a Quiz Supper on **Saturday 29 February**, 6.30pm for a prompt 7.00pm start. All proceeds will go to Christian Aid. Tickets are £8 and payment can be made on your table during the evening. Tables of 8. Please bring your own drinks with a glass. Ploughman's Supper included. If you have special dietary requirements please let your table organiser know or call 01992 586585.

**Hymns and Cake:** Hertford Churches Together encourages all local churches to hold a 'Lent Event' for Christian Aid. For the past three years Hertford Methodist Church has run 'Hymns & Cake' and they would be delighted if you could join them on **Sunday 1 March**, 3.00pm-4.30pm. If you'd like *your* favourite hymn to be included, please add it to the list at the back of St Andrew's, or email the first line to: [minister@hertfordmethodist.org.uk](mailto:minister@hertfordmethodist.org.uk)

**Sunday Social starts on 1 March:** For parents and children in primary school (older siblings who would like to come are welcome, too) with refreshments, games, crafts and activities - Sunday Social, 3.30-5.30pm on Sunday 1 March at St Andrew's. If you'd like to go along, please let Tracy know for catering purposes—thank you! Email: [standrewstracy@gmail.com](mailto:standrewstracy@gmail.com)