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. *Next on 25 May*.

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.



18 May 2025 Fifth Sunday of Easter

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. Bill Church Preacher: Rev. Scott Martin First Reading: Acts 11. 1-18 (Richard Taylor) Gospel: John 13. 31-35 Intercessions: Andrew Goodman Chalice: Jennie Gray, Debbie Ledsam, Peter Ruffles

Hymns

- 10 Alleluia, alleluia, hearts to heaven
- 466 Now the green blade riseth
- 289 I come with joy, a child of God
- 501 O Lord, your tenderness
 - 48 At the name of Jesus

Anthem: I give you a new commandment – Peter Aston

Online via Zoom today 10.30am Sunday Service online

Leader: Kath Oates, Lay Leader of Worship Sermon: Courtesy of HeartEdge, St Martin-in-the-Fields

7.00pm Compline

Melanie Seward, Lay Reader **Zoom links are emailed and on our website**

Collect and Readings

Collect: Risen Christ, your wounds declare your love for the world and the wonder of your risen life: give us compassion and courage to risk ourselves for those we serve, to the glory of God the Father. Amen

First Reading: Acts 11. 1-18

Now the apostles and the believers who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God. So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticised him, saying, 'Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?' Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, 'I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners; and it came close to me. As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. I also heard a voice saying to me, "Get up, Peter; kill and eat." But I replied, "By no means, Lord; for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth." But a second time the voice answered from heaven, "What God has made clean, you must not call profane." This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven. At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction between them and us. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man's house. He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, "Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; he will give you

a message by which you and your entire household will be saved." And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, "John baptised with water, but you will be baptised with the Holy Spirit." If then God gave them the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God?' When they heard this, they were silenced. And they praised God, saying, 'Then God has given even to the Gentiles the repentance that leads to life.' For the Word of the Lord,

Thanks be to God

Gospel: John 13. 31-35

When he had gone out, Jesus said, 'Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been alorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will alorify him at once. Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, "Where I am going, you cannot come." I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.'

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

News and Notices

SATURDAY 7TH JUNE 10.30AM - 12.30PM ST ANDREW'S CHURCH HERTFORD SG14 1HZ

coffee

Plant sale Marmalade stall Live music Fairtrade coffee & Home-baked cakes

RAISING FUNDS FOR CANCER RESEARCH UK AND ST ANDREW'S CHURCH

www.hertfordstandrews.co.uk



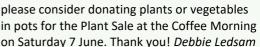
7.30pm at St Andrew's Church, Hertford SG14 1HZ

Tickets from www.ticketsource.co.uk/st-andrews-church

www.hertfordstandrews.co.uk

PLANT SALE PRODUCE

To any green-fingered folk who are sowing seeds or dividing perennials,



Ascension Day Service Thursday 29 May, 8.00pm at St Andrew's Our Ascension Day service uses the traditional structure of the Eucharist interspersed with beautiful congregational chants in the style of Taizé, along with hymns.

Appeal for Raffle Prizes

Throughout the year, we hold many concerts and fundraising events at St Andrew's - Raffles are always a popular way to boost income.

If you could donate any prizes for our Raffles (perhaps gift sets or gift cards, wine, chocolates, plants or unwanted presents such new electronics), please leave them in the Church office or hand to one of the Churchwardens. This is an ongoing appeal!

Thank you. Lesley Self and Julie Markey, Churchwardens

Hertfordshire Festival of Music at St Andrew's

Illustrated Talk – Hertford During the War: The Evacuee Story I Thursday 12 June, 5.00-6.00pm

The Landscape of the Wanderer: Three Pictures by Paul Nash Saturday 14 June, 10.30am -12noon





The Archdeacon of Hertford, The Venerable Janet Mackenzie, will be leading us in our worship at the 10.30am Holy Communion service on Sunday 15 June.

Please pray for: Mike Otto, Pauline Rhodes, Robert Ramsay, Mary Acheson, Dino, Alma Cartwright, Paul Roe, Edward Palmer, Valerie Dunn, Judy, Pam Caddow, Graham Williams, Georgina Laval, Lucy, Daisy, Alexander, Phoebe, Chris Seward Rest in Peace: Graeme, Anthony Waight In Years' Mind: Eddie Mason, Arthur Risby, Maisie Ditton, Gwen Wigginton, Brenda Squires, Elsie Petitt, Francis Edward Carpenter, Audrey Cobb

St Andrew's Diary – the week ahead

8.00am Morning Prayer in the Chapel

Monday 19

Tuesday 20 9.30am Funeral of Anthony Waight at North Herts Crematorium 3.30pm Toastie Tuesday After-School Club Wednesday 21 10.30am Holy Communion Rev. Scott Martin and Adrian Walter, Lay Leader of Worship Thursday 22 8.00am Morning Prayer in the Chapel 9.30am Toddler Group Friday 23 5.30pm Hertford Children's Choir @ St Andrew's Sunday 25 8.00am Holy Communion (BCP) Rev. Scott Martin 10.30am Holy Communion Rev. Bill Church and Forbes Mutch, Lay Leader of Worship 10.30am Sunday Morning Worship on Zoom Leader: Nick Hoyle, Lay Leader of Worship Reflection: Forbes Mutch, Lay Leader of Worship (recorded) 4.30pm TMM Youth Group 6.30pm Evening Prayer St Mary's Hertingfordbury [No Compline]

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