

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 returns on
7 Sept** and usually meets every
Sunday in term time except
during the All-Age Service.

TMM Youth Group

For School Years 7+.
Twice a month on Sundays in
term time, 4.30-6.00pm.

**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



** Please consider
regular giving
and using Gift Aid*
Speak to our Joint
Treasurers, Judy
& Nick Sharman



27 July 2025

Sixth Sunday after Trinity

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)

Celebrant: Rev. Scott Martin
Reflection: Maria Henriksson-Bell,
Lay Leader of Worship

10.30am Holy Communion

Prayer Ministry is offered during the service

Celebrant: Rev. Scott Martin
Sermon: Geoff Oates, Lay Reader
First Reading: Genesis 18. 20-32
(Joan Cheesman)
Gospel: Luke 11. 1-13
Intercessions: Jane Chaplin
Chalice: Jennie Gray,
Carol Crowhurst, Peter Ruffles

Hymns

704 We love the place, O God
275 Holy Spirit, hear us
679 Thy Kingdom come! on bended knee
575 Seek ye first the kingdom of God
408 Lord Jesus Christ, you have come to us
Anthem: The Lord's Prayer, set by Joanna
Forbes L'Estrange.

**6.30pm Evening Prayer at St Mary's
Hertingfordbury** Rev. Bill Church

Online via Zoom today

10.30am Sunday Morning Worship

Leader: Nick Hoyle, Lay Leader of Worship
Sermon: Geoff Oates, Lay Reader (recorded)

7.00pm Compline: Rosemary Willis

Zoom links are emailed and on our website

Collect and Readings

Collect: Creator God, you made us all in your image: may we discern you in all that we see, and serve you in all that we do; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

First Reading:

Genesis 18. 20-32

The Lord said, 'How great is the outcry against Sodom and Gomorrah and how very grave their sin! I must go down and see whether they have done altogether according to the outcry that has come to me; and if not, I will know.'

So the men turned from there, and went towards Sodom, while Abraham remained standing before the Lord. Then Abraham came near and said, 'Will you indeed sweep away the righteous with the wicked? Suppose there are fifty righteous within the city; will you then sweep away the place and not forgive it for the fifty righteous who are in it? Far be it from you to do such a thing, to slay the righteous with the wicked, so that the righteous fare as the wicked! Far be that from you! Shall not the Judge of all the earth do what is just?' And the Lord said, 'If I find at Sodom fifty righteous in the city, I will forgive the whole place for their sake.' Abraham answered, 'Let me take it upon myself to speak to the Lord, I who am but dust and ashes. Suppose five of the fifty righteous are lacking? Will you destroy the whole city for lack of five?' And he said, 'I will not destroy it if I find forty-five there.' Again he spoke to him, 'Suppose forty are found there.' He answered, 'For the sake of forty I will not do it.' Then he said, 'Oh do not let the Lord be angry if I speak. Suppose thirty are found there.' He answered, 'I will not do it, if I find thirty there.' He said, 'Let me take it upon myself to speak to the Lord.

Suppose twenty are found there.' He answered, 'For the sake of twenty I will not destroy it.' Then he said, 'Oh do not let the Lord be angry if I speak just once more. Suppose ten are found there.' He answered, 'For the sake of ten I will not destroy it.' *For the Word of the Lord,*
Thanks be to God

Gospel Reading:

Luke 11. 1-13

Jesus was praying in a certain place, and after he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, 'Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples.' He said to them, 'When you pray, say: Father, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come. Give us each day our daily bread. And forgive us our sins, for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us. And do not bring us to the time of trial.'

And he said to them, 'Suppose one of you has a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say to him, "Friend, lend me three loaves of bread; for a friend of mine has arrived, and I have nothing to set before him." And he answers from within, "Do not bother me; the door has already been locked, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot get up and give you anything." I tell you, even though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, at least because of his persistence he will get up and give him whatever he needs. *[Reading continued on next page]*

Gospel reading continued...

'So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given to you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. Is there anyone among you who, if your child asks for a fish, will give a snake instead of a fish? Or if the child asks for an egg, will give a scorpion? If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!'

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

News and Notices

AUGUST COFFEE MORNING Give and Take Pot Luck

We've had some excellent donations for the Pot Luck stall – thanks to all those who've given so far. **We could still use more!**

We're asking for surplus ceramic pots (the sort we all receive with pot plants in) containing a small tombola-type prize. It can be *ANYTHING* - any size, shape, value - the possibilities are endless. We will wrap them to disguise them, so whoever wins will have no idea what they are choosing.

You can hand your donation to Hazel Risby or leave them at the back of the Church marked for the August Coffee Morning, **by Friday at the latest, please!**

All proceeds to be shared between
St Andrew's Church and the RNLI.

coffee morning

**SATURDAY
2ND AUGUST**
10.30AM – 12.30PM

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

Pot luck
Good buys
Cake stall
Live music

 **Fairtrade coffee
& home-baked cakes**

**RAISING FUNDS FOR RNLI
AND ST ANDREW'S CHURCH**

www.hertfordstandrews.co.uk



Vacancy for an Events Administrator

The Church is looking for a volunteer to become our Events Administrator. We need someone who is organised and detail conscious to take over existing systems that are already well developed. The work can be done at any time other than the occasional meeting in church with hirers. This important role contributes greatly to the success of our fundraising events. If you are interested, please contact one of our Churchwardens, Julie or Lesley, for more information.

Please pray for: Georgina Laval,
Yvonne Norris, Daisy, Judy, Pauline Rhodes,
Mike Otto, Edward Palmer, Paul Roe, Dino,
Alexander, Robert Ramsay, Mick Wallis,
Mary Horne, Joy, Phoebe, Lucy

Rest in Peace: Pat Mutch

In Years' Mind:

Betty Major, Hilda Harms, George Hill

Mary Horne is now home from hospital and shares her
thanks to everyone for their prayers and good wishes.

St Andrew's Diary – the week ahead

Monday 28

8.00am **Morning Prayer** in the Chapel

Wednesday 30

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

7.30pm **Mindfulness & Meditation on Zoom**

Saturday 2 August

10.30am **Coffee Morning**

Sunday 3

8.00am **Holy Communion (BCP)**

Rev. Alan Stewart

10.30am **Holy Communion**

Celebrant & Preacher: Rev. Alan Stewart

* * The service will be followed by celebrations
to mark Jean McQueen's 90th Birthday * *

10.30am **Sunday Morning Worship on Zoom**

Leader: Kath Oates, Lay Leader of Worship

Sermon: Rev. Alan Stewart (recorded)

Churchyard working party

On **Saturday 9 August**, a group of us are getting
together to tidy the churchyard. We aim to be
there from 9.30-11.00am.

If you are able to join us, you would be very
welcome. Please bring gardening gloves and,
if you have them, secateurs.

Julie & Lesley, Churchwardens

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