

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 usually meets every Sunday in term time except during the All-Age Service.

TMM Youth Group returns on 21 Sept

For School Years 6+.

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



7 September 2025

Twelfth Sunday after Trinity

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)

Celebrant: Rev. Alan Stewart

10.30am Holy Communion

Prayer Ministry is offered during the service – please see the small booklet in church for more details

Celebrant: Rev. Alan Stewart

Reflection: Maria Henriksson-Bell,
Lay Leader of Worship

First Reading: 2 Corinthians 3. 4-9
(Elizabeth Wittich)

Gospel: Mark 7. 31-37

Intercessions: Charles Ledsam

Chalice: Sue Little,

Carol Crowhurst, Maria Henriksson-Bell

Hymns

330 I will sing the wondrous story

521 O the deep, deep love of Jesus!

340 Jesus Christ is waiting

132 Do not be afraid

125 Crown him with many crowns

Anthem: There's a wideness in God's mercy –
Maurice Bevan

** * Copies of the Communion Setting (vocal score) are available at the back of the church*

We're taking a collection this morning for Tearfund's Afghanistan Earthquake Appeal

7.00pm Soul Food in the St Andrew's Centre (details over the page)

Online via Zoom today

10.30am Sunday Morning Worship

Leader: Nick Hoyle, Lay Leader of Worship

Sermon: From HeartEdge

Zoom links are emailed and on our website

Collect and Readings

Collect: God of constant mercy, who sent your Son to save us: remind us of your goodness, increase your grace within us, that our thankfulness may grow, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

First Reading:

2 Corinthians 3. 4-9

Such is the confidence that we have through Christ towards God. Not that we are competent of ourselves to claim anything as coming from us; our competence is from God, who has made us competent to be ministers of a new covenant, not of letter but of spirit; for the letter kills, but the Spirit gives life.

Now if the ministry of death, chiselled in letters on stone tablets, came in glory so that the people of Israel could not gaze at Moses' face because of the glory of his face, a glory now set aside, how much more will the ministry of the Spirit come in glory? For if there was glory in the ministry of condemnation, much more does the ministry of justification abound in glory!

For the Word of the Lord,

Thanks be to God

Gospel: Mark 7. 31-37

Jesus returned from the region of Tyre, and went by way of Sidon towards the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis. They brought to him a deaf man who had an impediment in his speech; and they begged him to lay his hand on him. He took him aside in private,

away from the crowd, and put his fingers into his ears, and he spat and touched his tongue. Then looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, 'Ephphatha', that is, 'Be opened.' And immediately his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. Then Jesus ordered them to tell no one; but the more he ordered them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. They were astounded beyond measure, saying, 'He has done everything well; he even makes the deaf to hear and the mute to speak.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord,

Praise to you, O Christ

Soul Food

Evening Worship

Tonight at 7.00pm

in the St Andrew's Centre

'Hungry?'

Led by Claire Goodman

Jesus talked a lot about food and feasts, and the gospels are full of stories of meals where Jesus was (and wasn't) welcome.

Tonight, we'll discuss what nourishes us when we're hungry to know more or when everything tastes the same.

News and Notices

Calling all young families

Teddy Bears' Picnic

Saturday 20th Sept 3.30 – 5pm

Please bring your Teddy,
and your own picnic!
Food, fun, games and a story!

St Mary's Church Hertingfordbury

Contact Alan 07986 979769 h.alanstewart1@gmail.com



Pet Service

Calling all Creatures
Great & Small!



A short service of thanksgiving for the pets & animals that have become part of the family

Sunday 21 September, 3.00pm
St Mary's Church, Hertingfordbury

WELWYN GARDEN CITY MALE VOICE CHOIR

Saturday 4 October 2025

CELEBRATING 90
YEARS IN SONG



7.00pm at
St Andrew's
Church
Hertford
SG14 1HZ

Licensed bar available

Concert
featuring



Tickets: £10
(Under 16s free)
Book through
TicketSource:

Booking fee applies



Bike 'n' Hike 2025

Saturday 13 September

Have fun cycling or walking to churches and chapels in your area at the same time as raising funds for your church or chapel. Please speak with Peter Ruffles for more information.

The Irish Wake

How the Irish teach us
to live, love and die



A talk by Rev. Alan Stewart

An exploration of Irish customs around death and dying, and a reflection on a good death.

St Andrew's Church, St Andrew St, Hertford
Wednesday 24 September, 7.30pm

Bike 'n' Hike Welcome

If you can help by being a welcoming face to visitors at St Andrew's on 13 September (any time between 9.00am – 5.00pm), please contact Carol Muhr.

Please pray for: Chris Haws, Hazel Taylor, June Wighton, Yvonne Norris, Phoebe, Lucy, Dino, Joy, Edward Palmer, Pauline Rhodes, Georgina Laval, Robert Ramsay, Alexander, Judy, Paul Roe, Judy, Valerie Morey, Mick Wallis
Rest in Peace: Christine Wilman, May Waddell
In Years' Mind: Keith Nichol, Richard Thompson, Neil Cook, Sandra Burling

St Andrew's Diary – the week ahead

Monday 8

8.00am **Morning Prayer** in the Chapel

Wednesday 10

10.30am **Holy Communion** *Rev. Alan Stewart*

Thursday 11

8.00am **Morning Prayer** in the Chapel

9.30am **Toddler Group**

Friday 12

Lunch Club for the Over-60s

**Friday 12 September, 12.30pm
in the St Andrew's Centre**

*Please book your place with Viv Thornton
(01992 584004)*

5.30pm **Children's Choir**

Saturday 13

From 9.00am **Bike 'n' Hike**

Sunday 14

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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7.00pm **Compline on ZOOM**

Rev. Alan Stewart

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