

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

Prayer Ministry

Prayer Ministry is offered during communion and after the 10.30am service – please see the small booklet in church for details.

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.

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



12 April 2026 Second Sunday of Easter

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)

Rev. Alan Stewart

10.30am Holy Communion

Prayer Ministry is available (see details left)

Celebrant: Rev. Alan Stewart

Preacher: Rev. Scott Martin

First Reading: Acts 2. 14a, 22-32 (Richard Taylor)

Gospel: John 20. 19-end

Intercessions: Andrew Goodman

Chalice: Sue Little

Jenny Mutch, Laura Ramsay

Prayer Ministry: Julia Donovan, Charles Ledsam

Hymns

90 Christ the Lord is risen again

466 Now the green blade riseth

240 Guide me, O thou great Redeemer

557 Purify my heart

310 In Christ alone

Anthem: Christ is risen - a round, attributed to Haydn

7.00pm Soul Sunday (details on back page) An Easter Perspective on Life

Online via Zoom today

10.30am Sunday Morning Worship

Leader: Nick Hoyle, Lay Leader of Worship

Reflection: Courtesy of HeartEdge

Compline returns on Sunday 19th

Zoom links are emailed and on our website

Collect and Readings

Collect: Risen Christ, for whom no door is locked, no entrance barred: open the doors of our hearts, that we may seek the good of others and walk the joyful road of sacrifice and peace, to the praise of God the Father. Amen

First Reading: Acts 2. 14a, 22-32

Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them: 'Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say.

'You that are Israelites, listen to what I have to say: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with deeds of power, wonders, and signs that God did through him among you, as you yourselves know—this man, handed over to you according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of those outside the law. But God raised him up, having freed him from death, because it was impossible for him to be held in its power. For David says concerning him, "I saw the Lord always before me, for he is at my right hand so that I will not be shaken; therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced; moreover, my flesh will live in hope.

For you will not abandon my soul to Hades, or let your Holy One experience corruption. You have made known to me the ways of life; you will make me full of gladness with your presence."

'Fellow Israelites, I may say to you confidently of our ancestor David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. Since he was a prophet, he knew that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would put one of his descendants on his throne. Foreseeing this, David spoke of the resurrection of the Messiah, saying, "He was not abandoned to Hades, nor did his flesh experience corruption. This Jesus God raised up, and of that all of us are witnesses.

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

Gospel: John 20. 19-31

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.' When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.'

But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, 'We have seen the Lord.' But he said to them, 'Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.'

A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' Then he said to Thomas, 'Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.' Thomas answered him, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him, 'Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.'

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

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

News and Notices

What a line up!
Something for everyone!

CELEBRATING

The Natural World

An evening exploring the beauty, wonder and importance of the countryside through music, art and conversation



Speaker: Tony Juniper

Chair of Natural England and one of the UK's leading voices on nature and the environment

Artist: Clay Thompson

An illustrated talk about capturing nature's patterns and beauty through drawing



Singer: Craig Joiner

Award-winning singer-songwriter and passionate advocate for the natural world

THURSDAY 21 MAY

7.30pm

**St Andrew's Church
Hertford SG14 1HZ**

TICKETS £15
Licensed bar

MORE INFO >>



Use the QR code to book or visit

www.hertfordstandrews.co.uk/celebratingthenaturalworld

Join us at St Andrew's
for an inspiring evening

If you'd like to know more about the **Celebrating The Natural World** event, please speak to Jenny or Forbes Mutch or email them at standrewsfolk2@gmail.com or, better still, book via the QR code on the poster or visit:

www.hertfordstandrews.co.uk/celebratingthenaturalworld

**Lunch Club for
the Over-60s**
Friday 17 April, 12.30pm
in the St Andrew's Centre
*Please book your place
with Viv Thornton
(01992 584004)*

**We're looking for
a single mattress to help
a local family.**

If you can offer one (standard size - new, or old in good condition), please get in touch with the Parish Administrator (contact info on the back page). Thank you

Annual Parochial Church Meeting: Sunday 26 April

Our APCM is for everyone who worships at St Andrew's – we are called to gather to elect our new Churchwardens and appoint new members of the PCC, to talk about the year that has passed and plans for the year to come. The meeting will be at 12noon in church, after the 10.30am service.



Church Away Day: Sunday 10 May

Those who have expressed an interest in the Away Day have been sent final booking details by email or can use the forms in St Andrew's or St Mary's.

**We need your confirmation
details by Friday 17 April, please.**

Many thanks.



Soul Sunday

April's Soul Sunday - 12 April, 7.00pm

Led by *Melanie Seward and Sam Chaplin*

An Easter Perspective on Life

Ever feel... angry, frustrated, jealous, bored?

After Easter Sunday, now we've had the eggs and the holiday, what does the message of Easter say about coping with the reality of daily life?

Gentle discussion, songs and prayers. Refreshments from 6.45pm and we start at 7.00pm in the St Andrew's Centre (behind the church).

Please pray for: Rosie Phipps, Phoebe, Joy, John Cook, Pat Nicholls, Matthew Deards, Sienna, June Roe, Pauline Rhodes, Maureen Kelly, Robert Ramsay, Dino, Lucy, Paul Markey, Roger Beavis, Geoff Budd, Alexander, Georgina Laval, David Quantrill

Rest in Peace: Joan Pyle, Ron Roe

In Year's Mind: Eileen Page

St Andrew's Diary – the week ahead

Monday 13

8.00am **Morning Prayer** in the Chapel

Wednesday 15

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

7.30pm **Mindfulness & Meditation on ZOOM**

Thursday 16

8.00am **Morning Prayer** in the Chapel

9.30am **Toddler Group**

Friday 17

12.30pm **Lunch Club for the Over-60s** in the St Andrew's Centre **Please book your place with Viv (01992 584004)**

5.30pm **Hertford Children's Choir**

Saturday 18

8.30am **Breathe** in the Chapel and on ZOOM

Sunday 19

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

10.30am **Holy Communion**

Celebrant & Preacher: Rev. Alan Stewart

10.30am **Morning Worship on ZOOM**

Led by Kath Oates, Lay Leader of Worship

Sermon: Rev. Alan Stewart (recorded)

7.00pm **Compline on ZOOM**

Quick Contacts

CLERGY

Rev. Alan Stewart

01992 582726

h.alanstewart1@gmail.com

Rev. Bill Church

01992 410469

churchwj@hotmail.com

Rev. Scott Martin

07766295768

scottmar73@hotmail.com

CHURCHWARDENS

Julie Markey 07801 236003

Lesley Self 07952 958963

churchwarden.hertfordstandrews@gmail.com

ADMINISTRATOR

Office Hours: Tue, Wed, Fri 9-2

Philippa Probert 01992 504373

standrew.hertford@btinternet.com

CHILDREN & FAMILIES

Lindsey Betteridge

07974 141083

TMM YOUTH GROUP

standrew.hertford@btinternet.com

SAFEGUARDING OFFICER

Julie Hollings

safeguarding.hertfordstandrews@gmail.com

JOINT TREASURERS

Judy & Nick Sharman

01992 423561

treasurer.hertfordstandrews@gmail.com

THE ST ANDREW'S CENTRE

Administrator 07593 055223

standrewscentre@hotmail.com

www.hertfordstandrews.co.uk

**Hertford St Andrew,
St Andrew Street SG14 1HZ**

Find us on 