

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.

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 30 August

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

- Deeper is back on 6 Sept

For Y6+, usually meets on 1st
and 3rd Sundays in term time

**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



2 August 2026
Ninth Sunday after Trinity

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)

Rev. Alan Stewart

10.30am Holy Communion

Prayer Ministry is offered during the service

Celebrant: Rev. Alan Stewart

Reflection: Maria Henriksson-Bell,

Lay Leader of Worship

First Reading: Romans 9. 1-8 (Debbie Ledsam)

Gospel: Matthew 14. 13-21

Intercessions: Jo Willis

Chalice: Jennie Gray,

Maria Henriksson-Bell, Peter Ruffles

Prayer Ministry: Forbes Mutch, Andrew Goodman

Hymns

289 I come with joy, a child of God

181 Gather around, for the table is spread

375 Let all mortal flesh keep silence

463 Now let us from this table rise

263 Here is love vast as the ocean

240 Guide me, O thou great Redeemer

12.30pm Holy Baptism of Rosie

Eleanor Milton Rev. Alan Stewart

Online via Zoom today

10.30am Sunday Morning Worship

Leader: Kath Oates, Lay Leader of Worship

Reflection: Courtesy of HeartEdge

[Compline returns on 13 September]

Zoom links are emailed and on our website

Collect, Readings and Notices

Collect: Gracious Father, revive your Church in our day, and make her holy, strong and faithful, for your glory's sake in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

First Reading: Romans 9. 1-8

I am speaking the truth in Christ—I am not lying; my conscience confirms it by the Holy Spirit—I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. For I could wish that I myself were accursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my own people, my kindred according to the flesh. They are Israelites, and to them belong the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises; to them belong the patriarchs, and from them, according to the flesh, comes the Messiah, who is over all, God blessed for ever. Amen.

It is not as though the word of God had failed. For not all Israelites truly belong to Israel, and not all of Abraham's children are his true descendants; but 'It is through Isaac that descendants shall be named after you.' This means that it is not the children of the flesh who are the children of God, but the children of the promise are counted as descendants.

For the Word of the Lord,

Thanks be to God

Gospel: Matthew 14. 13-21

Now when Jesus heard this, he withdrew from there in a boat to a deserted place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for

them and cured their sick. When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, 'This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves.' Jesus said to them, 'They need not go away; you give them something to eat.' They replied, 'We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish.'

And he said, 'Bring them here to me.' Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven, and blessed and broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. And all ate and were filled; and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full. And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

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

A message of thanks from Bill



Thank you to all those who arranged and attended the surprise event after Evensong last Sunday and thanks for all the cards and good wishes.

News and Notices



What is a Coffee Morning without cake?

The cakes and bakes at our St Andrew's Coffee Mornings always go down very well with a cuppa! But we wouldn't be able to offer such a glorious spread each month were it not for our brilliant Bakers Galore team - and not only is there enjoyment in the eating, the savoury and sweet delights help us raise money for various charities and for our church.

We welcome more bakers!

If you're not already one of those who contributes two or three times a year on the Bakers Galore rota, would you consider joining the team? We'd love to hear from you.

For more information, please get in touch with Shirley Taylor: shirleytaylor06@gmail.com Thank you



Lunch Club for the Over-60s Friday 7 August, 12.30pm in the St Andrew's Centre

Please book your place with Viv Thornton
(01992 584004)



Sponsored Bike 'n Hike

BEDS AND HERTS HISTORIC CHURCHES TRUST

Bike 'n Hike in Beds 'n Herts

This year's Bike 'n Hike is on **Saturday 12 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. More details from: **Bike 'n Hike website:**
<https://bedshertshct.org.uk/bike-n-hike/>

We will be offering a welcome and refreshments at St Andrew's Church – if you can help (any time between 9–5), please contact Carol Muhr on 01992 587753. Thank you!

Many of our regular activities and services take a break during the summer – this is when they return:

Junior Church 30 August
Toddler Group 3 Sept; **Deeper** 6 Sept
Soul Sunday 6 Sept
Mindfulness & Meditation 9 Sept
Compline 13 Sept; **Breathe** 19 Sept

MEGSON

"The most original duo on the British folk scene"
- The Guardian



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**SATURDAY
26 SEPTEMBER 2026
7.30pm at St Andrew's Church,
Hertford SG14 1HZ**

Tickets from

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

www.megsonmusic.co.uk

July worship software trial

On every Sunday in July, we displayed the entire 10.30am service on the screens and over the course of the month experimented with different functions. We welcome your feedback and invite you to fill in a short questionnaire (online via the QR code or on paper in church). Please share your views by 20 August (extended deadline). Thank you. *Adrian Walter, Lay Leader of Worship*





Change of location

Midweek Holy Communion on Wednesday 26 August

Our 10.30am Holy Communion will
take place at St Mary's Hertingfordbury
instead of St Andrew's on Wednesday 26 August.



'God's Little Wonders' *Toddler Service continues throughout the summer*

*10.00am on Mondays at St Andrew's
with songs, instruments, story & snacks*

Please pray for: Geoff Budd, Jill, Trevor,
Pauline Rhodes, Paula Collins, Phoebe, Chris, Carol,
James, Beryl Wrangles, Roger Beavis, Jean-Pierre
Abner, Dino, Jean, Georgina Laval, Matthew Deards

Rest in Peace: Jane Hillen, James Donnelly

In Year's Mind: George Hill, Bruce Robertson,
Hilda Harms, Alec McCracken, Gary Wighton

St Andrew's Diary – the week ahead

Monday 3

8.00am **Morning Prayer** in the Chapel

10.00am **Toddler Service**

Wednesday 5

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

Thursday 6

8.00am **Morning Prayer** in the Chapel

10.30am **Holy Communion** at Calton Court

Friday 7

12.30pm **Lunch Club for the Over-60s**

in the St Andrew's Centre **Please book
your place with Viv (01992 584004)**

Sunday 9

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

10.30am **All-Age Holy Communion**

Celebrant & Preacher: Rev. Alan Stewart

10.30am **Morning Worship on ZOOM**

Leader: Nick Hoyle, Lay Leader of Worship

Reflection: Courtesy of HeartEdge

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