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

Deeper

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

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

Hertford St Andrew

The Messenger Here with you, Here for you

25 October 2026

Last Sunday after Trinity

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)

Rev. Scott Martin

10.30am Holy Communion

Prayer Ministry is offered during the service
Celebrant & Preacher: Rev. Scott Martin
First Reading: 1 Thessalonians 2. 1-8
(Peter Ruffles)
Gospel: Matthew 22. 34-end
Intercessions: Dave Shaw
Chalice: Richard Taylor,
Shirley Taylor, Carol Crowhurst
Prayer Ministry: Angie Harris, John Harris

Hymns

244 Hail to the Lord's anointed
66 Bind us together, Lord
81 Brother, sister, let me serve you
34 A new commandment
456 My Lord, what love is this
428 Love divine, all loves excelling
Anthem: Spirit of Holiness - words C. Idle, music trad. arr. John Barnard

6.30pm Evening Prayer (BCP) at St Mary's Hertingfordbury Rev. Bill Church

A quiet and traditional act of worship with readings and prayers.

Online via Zoom today

10.30am Sunday Morning Worship
Led by Nick Hoyle, Lay Leader of Worship
Reflection courtesy of HeartEdge
[Compline returns on Sunday 1 November]
Zoom links are emailed and on our website

Collect and Readings

Collect: Merciful God, teach us to be faithful in change and uncertainty, that trusting in your word and obeying your will we may enter the unfailing joy of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

First Reading:
Thessalonians 2. 1-8

You yourselves know, brothers and sisters, that our coming to you was not in vain, but though we had already suffered and been shamefully maltreated at Philippi, as you know, we had courage in our God to declare to you the gospel of God in spite of great opposition. For our appeal does not spring from deceit or impure motives or trickery, but just as we have been approved by God to be entrusted with the message of the gospel, even so we speak, not to please mortals, but to please God who tests our hearts. As you know and as God is our witness, we never came with words of flattery or with a pretext for greed; nor did we seek praise from mortals, whether from you or from others, though we might have made demands as apostles of Christ. But we were gentle among you, like a nurse tenderly caring for her own children. So deeply do we care for you that we are determined to share with you not only the gospel of God but also our own selves, because you have become very dear to us.

For the Word of the Lord,
Thanks be to God

Gospel: Matthew 22. 34-46

When the Pharisees heard that he had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, and one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. 'Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?' He said to him, '"You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind." This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: "You shall love your neighbour as yourself." On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.'

Now while the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them this question: 'What do you think of the Messiah? Whose son is he?' They said to him, 'The son of David.' He said to them, 'How is it then that David by the Spirit calls him Lord, saying,

"The Lord said to my Lord, 'Sit at my right hand, until I put your enemies under your feet'"?

If David thus calls him Lord, how can he be his son?' No one was able to give him an answer, nor from that day did anyone dare to ask him any more questions.

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

Season of Remembrance

Bereavement Service
Sunday 1 November, 2.00pm

A special service where we remember by name those who have died in recent years; with music, readings and an opportunity to light a candle in memory of loved ones.

All Souls & All Saints Service
Wednesday 4 November, 10.30am

During our Holy Communion Service, we remember by name those in our parish who have died.

(Remembrance Sunday details are on the back page)

If you would like a name to be included at either service, please write this on the list at the back of the church or speak to Phil in the church office. *www.hertfordstandrews.co.uk/remembrance*

News and Notices

An alternative for Halloween

Walk the Trail of Light through Hertford in half term!

More information in booklets at the back of church and online:
www.hertfordstandrews.co.uk/streetsoflight



At our November Coffee Morning,
we will have many stalls including local charities such as * **British Heart Foundation** * **Keech Hospice** * and * **Oxfam** * selling their Christmas goods, PLUS the wonderful * **Take Note Choir** * will sing for us (directed by our very own Sam Chaplin).
Please come and support them!







Our next All-Age Service is on the first Sunday of the month – Sunday 1 November, 10.30am – instead of the second. This is because of our Remembrance Sunday Service on 8 November (at the earlier time of 9.15am).

Remembrance Sunday, 8 November



8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)
9.15am Holy Communion
(note earlier time)
[No 10.30am service on Zoom]



Please pray for: Jean-Pierre Abner, Dolly Camp, Phoebe, Dino, Georgina Laval, Chris, James, Maria Budd, Matthew Deards, Geoff Budd, Justine Christie, Roger Beavis, Sienna, Trevor
Rest in Peace: Lawrie Wright, Gwen Rowley
In Years' Mind: George Ditton, Thora Blake, Peter Morey, Marjorie Greely, Gwyneth Ruffles, Amelia Dickins, Charles Harris

St Andrew's Diary – the week ahead

Monday 26
8.00am **Morning Prayer** in the Chapel
10.00am **Toddler Service**

Wednesday 28
10.30am **Holy Communion** *Rev. Bill Church*

Thursday 29
8.00am **Morning Prayer** in the Chapel
10.30am **Holy Communion at Calton Court**

Friday 30
12noon **Funeral of Lawrie Wright**

Sunday 1 November
8.00am **Holy Communion (BCP)** *Rev. Bill Church*
10.30am **All-Age Holy Communion**
Celebrant & Preacher: Rev. Alan Stewart
10.30am **Morning Worship on ZOOM**
Leader: Kath Oates, Lay Leader of Worship
Reflection: Courtesy of HeartEdge
2.00pm **Bereavement Service**
Rev. Alan Stewart & Rev. Bill Church
7.00pm **Compline on Zoom**
[Soul Sunday returns in January 2027]

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