

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

TOASTIE TUESDAY

After-School Club

For Secondary School Years.
In St Andrew's Church, Tues
in term time, 3.30-5.00pm.

TMM Youth Group

For School Years 7+.
Usually first and third
Sundays, 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

Alternatively, you can speak to
our Joint Treasurers, Judy & Nick
Sharman, or our Chair of Finance
Committee, Chris Seward.



28 April 2024

Fifth Sunday of Easter

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)

Rev. Bill Church

10.30am Holy Communion

Celebrant: Rev. Bill Church

Sermon: Geoff Oates, Lay Reader

First reading: 1 John 4. 7-16 (Michael Cracknell)

Gospel: John 15. 1-8

Intercessions: Chris Seward

Chalice: Charles Ledsam,

Debbie Ledsam, Maria Henriksson-Bell

Hymns

9 Alleluia, alleluia

201 God is love

699 We hail thy presence glorious

102 Come down, O love divine

555 Praise to the Lord

Anthem: Led like a lamb to the slaughter –
Graham Kendrick arr. Richard Lloyd

Service followed by APCM

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

Online via Zoom today

10.30am Morning Worship

Led by Kath Oates, Lay Leader of Worship

Sermon: Geoff Oates, Lay Reader (recorded)

7.00pm Compline

Rev. Alan Stewart

Zoom links are emailed and on our website

Collect and Readings

Collect: Risen Christ, your wounds declare your love for the world and the wonder of your risen life: give us compassion and courage to risk ourselves for those we serve, to the glory of God the Father. Amen

First Reading: 1 John 4. 7-16

Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love. God's love was revealed among us in this way: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another. No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God lives in us, and his love is perfected in us.

By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit. And we have seen and do testify that the Father has sent his Son as the Saviour of the world. God abides in those who confess that Jesus is the Son of God, and they abide in God. So we have known and believe the love that God has for us. God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them.

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

Gospel:

John 15. 1-8

'I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine-grower. He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples.'

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

Exploring Confirmation

We're holding a **two-session Exploring Confirmation course** on Tuesdays 14 and 21 May, 7.30-8.30pm, in The Brace Room at St Mary's Church Hertingfordbury. Each session will be tailor-made for those who come, with an opportunity to choose the questions you want to explore. A Service of Confirmation with Bishop Stephen Venner will take place at St Andrew's on Tuesday 4 June at 7.30pm.

Please see our website (www.hertfordstandrews.co.uk) or the flyers in church for more details.

News and Notices

Meditation & Art in Nature

Monday 6th May (Bank Holiday)

10.30-4.30pm



A one-day workshop with led meditation, mindfulness and creative printing outside in a local mature garden/woodland. Led by Rosemary Willis and Fiona Fouhy.

- No prior experience necessary.
- All materials provided.
- Bring your own lunch.
- Suggested donation £20.

For further information and to book a place, contact Rosemary Willis:

rosemarywillis77@hotmail.com

Saturday 4 May – a day of prayer for the work with our children and young people

We are setting aside a day for our congregation to pray for our work with our children and young people, and in particular that God would send us the right person to lead this invaluable work.

On Saturday 4 May we will start with a special Breathe (8.30am in the Chapel and also on Zoom), then we encourage you to pray throughout the day as much as you can, ending at 6.00pm with a call to pray where we are. Alan will produce a short Evening Prayer liturgy to help with this, which will be available in church and emailed.

www.hertfordstandrews.co.uk/breathe

coffee morning

**SATURDAY
4TH MAY**

**10.30AM - 12.30PM
ST ANDREW'S CHURCH
HERTFORD SG14 1HZ**

- 🌱 Plant sale
- 🎵 Organ music

+ Fairtrade coffee
& home baked cakes

**RAISING FUNDS FOR
CANCER RESEARCH UK
AND ST ANDREW'S CHURCH**

www.hertfordstandrews.co.uk

Nick Sharman is being 'installed' in his new role at St Paul's Cathedral during Evensong at the Cathedral on Wed 22 May, 5.00pm. Everyone is warmly invited. If you let Nick know (nick.sharman@ntlworld.com), he will make sure there is a seat reserved for you in the Quire.

St Andrew's Spring Tidy

Saturday 11 May, 10.00am-2.00pm

Help is needed to do some tidying in the churchyard and inside the church – please come along for however long you can. Refreshments will be provided. Please let Shirley know if you can help: call 01992 302995, email on shirleytaylor06@gmail.com or just turn up.

Please pray for:

Phoebe, Trevor, Nancy, Dino, Michael and Val
O'Smotherly, Francesco di Paolis, Oliver Clark,
Robert Ramsay, Debbie Garrod, Pauline Rhodes,
Paul Roe, Debbie Hartnett

Rest in Peace: Jean Martin

In Year's Mind:

Syd Elliott, Nathan Thomas Gardner (former
Rector of this Parish)

St Andrew's Diary – the week ahead

Monday 29

8.00am **Morning Prayer** in the Chapel

Tuesday 30

3.30pm **TOASTIE TUESDAY After-School Club**

Wednesday 1 May

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

7.30pm **Mindfulness & Meditation** in person at
St Andrew's Church and livestreamed on ZOOM

Thursday 2

[Polling Station in St Andrew's Centre]

8.00am **Morning Prayer** in the Chapel

10.00am **Delta Dames Home Group** in Chapel

10.30am **Holy Communion** at Calton Court

Saturday 4 – Day of Prayer for Youth Work

8.30am **Breathe** in the Chapel

10.30am **Coffee Morning**

6.00pm **Pray where you are for our Youth Work**

Sunday 5

8.00am **Holy Communion (BCP)**

Rev. Alan Stewart

10.30am **Holy Communion**

Celebrant & Preacher: Rev. Alan Stewart

with Bryan Fries talking to us about Young Life

10.30am **Sunday Morning Worship on Zoom**

Leader: Nick Hoyle

Preacher: Rev. Alan Stewart (recorded)

7.00pm **Compline on Zoom** *Rev. Alan Stewart*

**Please note that there's no Junior Church during
our 10.30am service next Sunday, 5 May.**

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