

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. *Back on 15 September.*

Toastie Tuesday After-School Club For Secondary School Years. In St Andrew's Church, Tues in term time from 3.30-5.00pm. *Back on 10 September.*

TMM Youth Group

For School Years 7+. Usually on 1st and 3rd Sundays in the month, 4.30-6.00pm. *Back on 8 & 22 September.*

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.



Hertford St Andrew

Here with you, Here for you

1 September 2024

Fourteenth 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 small booklet in church for more details

Celebrant: Rev: Alan Stewart

Preacher: Melanie Seward, Lay Reader

First Reading: James 1. 17-end

(Julia Donovan)

Gospel: Mark 7. 1-8, 14-15, 21-23

Intercessions: Jane Chaplin

Chalice: Sue Little,

Carol Crowhurst, Frances Wilby

Hymns

48 At the name of Jesus

238 Great is thy faithfulness

287 I bind unto myself today

485 O God, you search me

and you know me

584 Sing of the Lord's goodness

Online via Zoom today

10.30am Sunday Morning Worship

Leader: Kath Oates, Lay Leader of Worship

Sermon: Melanie Seward, Lay Reader (recorded)

7.00pm Compline on Zoom

Rev. Alan Stewart

Zoom links are emailed and on our website

Collect and Readings

Collect:

Merciful God, your Son came to save us and bore our sins on the cross: may we trust in your mercy and know your love, rejoicing in the righteousness that is ours through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

First Reading: James 1. 17-27

Every generous act of giving, with every perfect gift, is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. In fulfilment of his own purpose he gave us birth by the word of truth, so that we would become a kind of first fruits of his creatures.

You must understand this, my beloved: let everyone be quick to listen, slow to speak, slow to anger; for your anger does not produce God's righteousness. Therefore rid yourselves of all sordidness and rank growth of wickedness, and welcome with meekness the implanted word that has the power to save your souls.

But be doers of the word, and not merely hearers who deceive themselves. For if any are hearers of the word and not doers, they are like those who look at themselves in a mirror; for they look at themselves and, on going away, immediately forget what they were like. But those who look into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and persevere, being not hearers who forget but doers who act—they will be blessed in their doing.

If any think they are religious, and do not bridle their tongues but deceive their hearts, their religion is worthless. Religion that is pure and undefiled before God, the Father, is this: to care for orphans and widows in their distress, and to keep oneself unstained by the world.

For the Word of the Lord,

Thanks be to God

Gospel: Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

Now when the Pharisees and some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered around him, they noticed that some of his disciples were eating with defiled hands, that is, without washing them. (For the Pharisees, and all the Jews, do not eat unless they thoroughly wash their hands, thus observing the tradition of the elders; and they do not eat anything from the market unless they wash it; and there are also many other traditions that they observe, the washing of cups, pots, and bronze kettles.) So the Pharisees and the scribes asked him, 'Why do your disciples not live according to the tradition of the elders, but eat with defiled hands?' He said to them, 'Isaiah prophesied rightly about you hypocrites, as it is written, "This people honours me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me; in vain do they worship me, teaching human precepts as doctrines." You abandon the commandment of God and hold to human tradition.'

Then he called the crowd again and said to them, 'Listen to me, all of you, and understand: there is nothing outside a person that by going in can defile, but the things that come out are what defile.' For it is from within, from the human heart, that evil intentions come: fornication, theft, murder, adultery, avarice, wickedness, deceit, licentiousness, envy, slander, pride, folly. All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord,

Praise to you O Christ

News and Notices

coffee morning

**SATURDAY
7TH SEPTEMBER
10.30AM - 12.30PM**

**ST ANDREW'S CHURCH
HERTFORD SG14 1HZ**

- ☑ Oxfam ethical & sustainable products
- ☑ Local organic & free-range farm eggs
- ☑ Bring-and-buy local produce

**+ Fairtrade coffee
& home baked cakes**

**RAISING FUNDS FOR ST ANDREW'S
AUDIO-VISUAL UPGRADE
& ECO-CHURCH ACTIVITIES**

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If you have any of your own surplus garden or allotment produce, please bring it on the morning of the 7th - and any homemade chutneys, jams etc are also very welcome.



Romans

The Romans Course **Tuesday evenings at St Mary's** **Hertingfordbury, from Sept-Nov**

The Bible Society Romans Course is a ten-session programme which helps you study Paul's letter to the Romans. The course tackles ten big themes which are key to understanding the Christian faith.

When and where

We'll meet every Tuesday evening from 10 Sept through to 19 Nov (except 15 Oct) in the Brace Room at St Mary's Hertingfordbury. Tea and coffee is served from 7.45pm before the session starts at 8.00pm. We expect each session to finish at around 9.15pm.

How do I sign up?

To register for the course, or for more information, please email Kath Oates:

kathoates2022@virginmedia.com

**Please register with Kath
by Thursday 5 September**

*Find
out more*
Search for Course



Do you have any books that are in good condition and that you no longer need?

Please consider donating them for the bookstall at our September Coffee Morning. Books can be left at the back of the church labelled 'Coffee Morning'. Thank you! *Rosemary Willis*

Licensing & Installation of Rev. Simon Cutmore

as Incumbent Designate
of All Saints' Hertford

4 September at 7.30pm
(Please be seated by 7.15pm)

We offer a warm welcome to Simon and his family. All are welcome to attend.

RSVP: wardens@allsaintshertford.org

Sunday 8 September

At our September 10.30am All-Age Service we will be welcoming our new Children & Families Worker, Lindsey Betteridge, and commissioning our youth and children's work. We invite all those who are involved with Junior Church, Toastie Tuesday, Toddler Group and TMM to be there.

Soul Food

Sunday 8 September, 7.00pm

in the St Andrew's Centre

'Reasons to be fearful'

What helps us deal with our fears?

Café-style service with songs, prayers and discussion

led by Claire Goodman.

Please pray for: Trevor, Phoebe, Debbie Hartnett, Oliver Clark, Paul Roe, Jean Walls, Anthony Collinson, Dino, Nancy, Robert Ramsay, Jan Woodland, Gordon, Paul, Pauline Rhodes
Rest in Peace: Debbie Garrod, Hilary Mason
Year's Mind: Jill Scott-Haughton, Walter Simpson, Nell Lloyd

St Andrew's Diary - the week ahead

Monday 2

8.00am **Morning Prayer** in the Chapel

Wednesday 4

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

7.30pm **Licensing & Installation of**

Rev. Simon Cutmore at All Saints' Hertford

Thursday 5

8.00am **Morning Prayer** in the Chapel

9.30am **Toddler Group** in the St Andrew's Centre

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

10.30am **Holy Communion** at Calton Court

Saturday 7

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

10.30am **Coffee Morning** with Oxfam

Sunday 8

8.00am **Holy Communion (BCP)**

Celebrant: Rev. Bill Church

10.30am **All-Age Holy Communion**

Celebrant & Preacher: Rev. Alan Stewart

Commissioning those working with children and young people

10.30am **Sunday Morning Eucharist** on ZOOM

Celebrant & Preacher: Rev. Bill Church

12.30pm **Holy Baptism of Wren Rhodes**

Rev. Alan Stewart

4.30pm **TMM Youth Group** in the St Andrew's Centre

7.00pm **Soul Food** in the St Andrew's Centre

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