



NO SERVICE AT 8am

10am Service of the Word for All Saints' Day, in Church & [Zoom](#)

Come and enjoy fellowship and refreshments in the WCC after the 10am service.

You are welcome to share in our worship in the following ways:

1. Come to Church All are welcome!

Remember to bring your order of service for the 10am service.

2. Join Zoom on your computer

When signed in you can 'Join a Meeting' (ID: 927 480 8728 / Passcode: 889123).

3. Join with Audio Zoom via phone

a) Call **0131 460 1196** b) Enter Meeting ID then #, then enter Meeting Passcode then #

Collect for All Saints' Day

Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: grant us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living that we may come to those inexpressible joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.



The Forerunners of Christ with Saints and Martyrs, Fra Angelico, 1423-1424, National Gallery, London

A Psalm for today, Psalm 149 Refrain: Sound praises to the Lord, all the earth.
Alleluia.

O sing to the Lord a new song; sing his praise in the congregation of the faithful.
Let Israel rejoice in their maker; let the children of Zion be joyful in their king.
Let them praise his name in the dance; let them sing praise to him with timbrel and lyre.
For the Lord has pleasure in his people and adorns the poor with salvation. **[R]**
Let the faithful be joyful in glory; let them rejoice in their ranks,
With the praises of God in their mouths and a two-edged sword in their hands;
To execute vengeance on the nations and punishment on the peoples;
To bind their kings in chains and their nobles with fetters of iron;
To execute on them the judgement decreed: such honour have all his faithful servants.
Alleluia. **[R]**

Glorious and redeeming God, give us hearts to praise you all our days and wills to reject the world's deceits, that we may bind the evils of our age and proclaim the good news of salvation in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Gospel for All Saints' Day, Luke 6. 20-31

Then Jesus looked up at his disciples and said:

Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God.

'Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled.

'Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh.

'Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice on that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets.

'But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation.

'Woe to you who are full now, for you will be hungry.

'Woe to you who are laughing now, for you will mourn and weep.

'Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets.

'But I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. Do to others as you would have them do to you'.

Come and share our short session for children and young people during our Sunday 10am service EVERY WEEK!

We invite children of all ages, with their adults, to come into the Lady Chapel during part of the service, and share in A Godly Play (a short visual storytelling of scriptures, with wondering questions, stories, crafts, puzzles, and even some acting for those that want ... for all ages to share together; then various age related activities).

We've lost a few of our helpers recently and sadly we can't offer our fortnightly breakout session for older children/young people BUT WE CAN DO SO ONCE A MONTH!! There's a display in the Lady Chapel, if you'd like to find out more! Our [Children & Young People](#) website page has loads of activities to help young people get to know the person of Jesus.



A Godly Play

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We begin the story of the prophet Samuel (and for older children, the theme of hearing from God) in our Godly Play sessions for the next few weeks.

This week we learn about the birth of Samuel.

1 Samuel 1. 9-20



The church is open each day, from early morning to mid afternoon.

An opportunity to spend some comforting time in prayer, peace and reflection

Thanksgiving Service for Dorothy Risby, 31st October, 1pm – Clive and family invite all who knew Dorothy to the service and then afterwards to refreshments in the WCC.

TLC Tuesday 1st November, 2:15pm for 2:30pm, WCC – An opportunity to be able to join in with tea and talk, read the paper, play board games ... and then later in the afternoon we welcome families after school for a short while, to share in reading/play and enjoy a biscuit/cake/fruit snack. Do come along ... and tell your friends too! This coming month, we're having a Fireworks theme!

Holy Communion, Wednesday 2nd November, 10am – A service of Holy Communion, in church. Refreshments after the service will be held in the WCC.

Tiny Tots, Wednesday 2nd November, 11 for 11:15am in the WCC – Worship for babies/toddlers and their grown-ups; with a story, singing and instruments for little ones too! Join us for refreshments, fellowship and a chance for the children to play beforehand.

Ukrainian Hospitality Support, Wednesdays from 11:30am-2pm – St Michael's is providing space at the WCC for Ukrainian guests and host families to meet together, along with informal language lessons, once a week. St Joseph's Hall is open too, as extra space for teaching or play. We are offering a light lunch / refreshments for adults and children and whatever other support we can.

Prayers for our Community, Saturday 5th November, 9:30am – All are welcome!

Bishop's Stortford Child Contact Centre fundraising event, Saturday 5th November – Join us at the Emmaus Centre, Thorley, between 2-4pm for tea/coffee and cakes, plant sale, stalls and raffle.

Commemoration All Souls' Service, 10am, Sunday 6th November – All are welcome to this reflective service, with readings, choral music, prayers and lighting of candles. Please come to the service and if you would like loved ones to be remembered by name, enter their names CLEARLY IN CAPITALS in the book by the Lady Chapel entrance.

Funeral of Madi Marchand – The Marchand family have shared that the funeral will be on Thursday 10th November, at 12:30pm at St Andrew's Church, West Street, Deal.

Remembrance Sunday, 13th November – During the 10am Parish Communion service we will be gathering round the War Memorial in the churchyard for our Remembrance Ceremonies. Our Godly Play session will include Remembrance crafts to be placed at the foot of the memorial.

A Quiet Day at Albury, Thursday 24th November, 10:30am-3pm – A day of reflection and contemplation in June's home. Places are limited, please contact June on 07539 058946 to book, or for more information.

Holly Fair on Saturday 3rd December 10am-12:30pm – All offers to help with stalls would be useful, even help for an hour rather than the whole time! We'd particularly value help with some children's activities to make this a family friendly event. All profits go to local and overseas charities, including those whom we have recently welcomed in church. Do contact Val Ashwood or Claire Conquest for more information.

Governors at our Church School: we have a couple of opportunities! Would you be interested or do you know somebody who might be? Would you like to join as a Governor appointed by the PCC, or perhaps as a Co-opted Governor if you have premises experience? Please speak to Val Ashwood for information.

Parish Office – Katharine is working from home and may be readily contacted by email, or chat to her after the Wednesday Holy Communion service.

Forthcoming Services – For the next few months, the team has planned 8am services in a similar way to August: ie. generally on the first and third Sundays of the month. In this coming rich season of worship and prayer, we will be celebrating many wonderful and special services: including our first Choral Evensong for nearly 3 years (for Christ the King), an Advent Sequence; and a service of thanksgiving for the bells, with Bishop Alan.

Charity Christmas cards available on Sundays and Wednesdays in the WCC; profits added to Holly Fair funds. A wide selection, along with the usual greeting cards and homemade jams. Thank you to those who gave jam jars: I now have plenty in preparation for marmalade making in the New Year! Rosemary Thomson.

The Vicar has been granted a period of leave by the Diocese. Please keep him in your prayers for a speedy recuperation and continue to allow him a period of privacy with his family. In the meantime, please contact Derek or June for pastoral matters or email the Parish Office with administrative concerns.

Food Bank Plea – Increased costs of living are hitting foodbanks hard. Please consider whether you can donate food: details on our [website](#) and church noticeboard.

A gentle reminder from the Churchwardens to avoid parking in the churchyard at any time – including nominated clergy spaces, whilst the bells restoration work continues. This is especially important this next six weeks, with increased contractor traffic as the project concludes.

More details of all services and events are available on the [Calendar](#) page on our website.

Do follow us on Social Media too, for regular updates.

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