



NO SERVICE AT 8am

10am Parish Communion, in Church

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

Collect for The Sixth Sunday after Trinity

Merciful God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as pass our understanding; pour into our hearts such love toward you that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; 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.

A Psalm for today, Psalm 138

Refrain: Your loving-kindness, O Lord, endures for ever.

I will give thanks to you, O Lord, with my whole heart;
before the gods will I sing praise to you.

I will bow down towards your holy temple and praise your name,
because of your love and faithfulness;

for you have glorified your name and your word above all things.

In the day that I called to you, you answered me; you put new strength in my soul. [R]

All the kings of the earth shall praise you, O Lord,

for they have heard the words of your mouth.

They shall sing of the ways of the Lord, that great is the glory of the Lord.

Though the Lord be high, he watches over the lowly;

as for the proud, he regards them from afar. [R]

Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you will preserve me;

you will stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies;

your right hand will save me.

The Lord shall make good his purpose for me;

your loving-kindness, O Lord, endures for ever; forsake not the work of your hands. [R]

*Lord our God, supreme over all things, look upon the humble and lowly
and put new strength into our souls to complete your purpose for us
in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

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

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

PRAYER, COUNSEL AND SUPPORT

If parishioners would value the prayers, counsel and support of the church, in time of need for themselves or others on their hearts, please do reach out to the ministry team. Do speak to us in person at church services and events, or use contact details on next page. Thank you.



A Gospel reading for today, Luke 11. 1-13

Jesus was praying in a certain place, and after he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, 'Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples.' He said to them, 'When you pray, say: Father, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come. Give us each day our daily bread. And forgive us our sins, for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us. And do not bring us to the time of trial.' And he said to them, 'Suppose one of you has a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say to him, "Friend, lend me three loaves of bread; for a friend of mine has arrived, and I have nothing to set before him." And he answers from within, "Do not bother me; the door has already been locked, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot get up and give you anything." I tell you, even though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, at least because of his persistence he will get up and give him whatever he needs. 'So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given to you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. Is there anyone among you who, if your child asks for a fish, will give a snake instead of a fish? Or if the child asks for an egg, will give a scorpion? If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!'

CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE

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). **Today, we'll be concluding our series, Good News, with Psalm 95. 1-7 and learning about our Wonderful God!**

Our [Children & Young People](#) website page has loads of activities to help young people get to know the person of Jesus.

Our young person's choir - If your child is 7 or over and interested in joining, please contact Nathan Collins (stmicroelsbsdom@gmail.com) We will also be starting choral and organ scholarships for our young people.



Last week we continued our series, Good News, hearing about the Friends of God (Acts 13. 1-3; 15. 1-35), talking about who tells us about Jesus and how we can tell people too.



Newsletter and Notices

Communion Music – To help with congregational singing at communion, the Sidespeople have melody versions of some settings available for worshippers. We'll sing the Salisbury setting by Ives **this Sunday 27th July**. If you'd be helped by having some music for these, do ask for a score when you pick up your service books.

Holy Communion, Wednesday 30th July, 10am – A service of Holy Communion, in church. Refreshments after the service are held in the WCC.

Tiny Tots, Thursdays from 12:30-2/2:30pm – Held weekly in the Windhill Churches Centre, Tiny Tots is for parents/carers and babies/preschoolers in term time; and older children in school holidays. We start with playtime and tea/coffee, then songs, stories, activities and a prayer. There's easy buggy access and baby change facilities, and you're welcome to bring a packed lunch if you like. It's also ok to be late, we understand! We look forward to welcoming you soon! Thank you all for your continued support of Tiny Tots. **In these school holidays we look to again welcome older siblings to the group.** If anyone has any puzzles with larger pieces, or games that don't have small parts, such as Buckaroo, draughts, chess and are looking to give them a new home please think of Tiny Tots. We would really appreciate them to keep the slightly older children busy. Thank you so much, Shell and Heather.

Prayers for our Community, Saturday 2nd August, 9:30-10am – All welcome.

Forthcoming 8am services – We'll celebrate Holy Communion at 8am next on **Sunday 3rd August**, then 31st August.

HBW 2025, 'Once upon a time...', Monday 4th - Friday 8th August – Please pray for the children and for all those involved in the event.

TLC Tuesdays, next meeting on Tuesday 5th August in the WCC, 2:15pm for 2:30pm – In August, we'll be having a fundraising afternoon for the charity *Breast Cancer Now*; with Bingo and a special raffle, tea/coffee and cake: it'll be £5 each for the whole afternoon on this occasion.

"Summer of Hope" fundraising Garden Party, Saturday 9th August, 2:30pm – All MU members past and present are invited to this event at 21 Cranwell Gardens. Entry £3. Please RSVP to Barbara Eldridge (with dietary requirements) by email (barbaraheleneldridge@gmail.com) or phone 01279 653753 before **Friday 1st August**.

Quiet Days in Albury, next on Thursday 28th August – Days of reflection and contemplation in June's home; contact the Office for more information.

Our craft group meets on alternate Mondays in the WCC, 10am - 12noon – All welcome! We might bring along our own current crafting hobby and sometimes one of the group shares a craft. We're taking a short summer break and next meet on **Monday 8th September**.



The first meeting to start planning the Holly Fair (6th December 10am) this year is Thursday 11th September at 8pm in WCC. Please come along whether you're new or a regular. We raise money for the charities supported by our Charities Support Group. If you can help but are unable to be at the meeting please let one of the CSG know (e.g. Claire, Carole, Val, Martyn).

Forthcoming Services using the Book of Common Prayer (1662) – Sunday 14th September, 6pm: Choral Evensong for Holy Cross Day; **Sunday 26th October, 10am:** BCP Choral Eucharist for Bible/Reformation Sunday.

Enormous thanks to all who baked, helped and supported our Coffee Morning earlier this month. We raised around £240 for WCC funds.

New PCC Governor for St Michael's School – Would you like to be a school governor? It's a rewarding and important role in a friendly team and we currently have one vacancy for September. There are 7 foundation governors appointed by the PCC at church or St Albans diocese to uphold the Christian ethos of the school as well as taking other responsibilities. See Mark Johnson (chair) or Val Ashwood or email chair@stmichaelsmi.herts.sch.uk

Clerk for St Michael's School Governors – This is a paid role and involves taking minutes for the 5 Full Governor meetings as well as doing the paperwork for new governor appointments, learning about governance and working with the chair and other governors. See Mark Johnson or Val Ashwood (details as notice above).

Is there anyone who would like to take over the very rewarding task of cleaning the church silver? Fae has been working with the silver, quietly and conscientiously for many years and a successor is required. Please speak to Peter if interested.

Giving Season literature is in the cross aisle in church. Please pick up a named envelope for yourself and deliver any others if you're able. If there isn't a named envelope, please take one of the Giving Season envelopes in the Publicity Area.

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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