

Notices & Community News

Bible Study: Joseph: From Pit to Palace: Exploring Joseph's journey of faith, adversity, & forgiveness.

29 July 7:45pm – 9:00pm

Venue: Mark & Sue Stephens' home

To book or for further details, please email:

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Baptism does not have to wait, kindly contact us to fix a date.

Afternoon Tea:

First Sunday Monthly, 3-5pm Albury Village Hall.

Much Hadham Baby and Toddler Group:

Tuesdays (term time) 9:30-11:30 am, Much Hadham Village Hall.

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Sunday 26 July 2026

Trinity 8

St Andrew's Church, Much Hadham
The Benefice of Albury, Little Hadham
& Much Hadham

We Are Living God's Love

Today's Service

Conversations with God

Celebrant: Revd Canon Stephen Fielding



There is a hearing loop system in place

Our Next Services

Sunday 2 August. 9:15 am Trinity 9

St Mary's Church, Albury

Benefice Holy Communion

Sunday 2 August. 5:00 5:30 pm

St Andrew's Church, Much Hadham

Taizé Service

With Diana Dillon

Sunday 9 August, 9:15 am Trinity 10

St Andrew's, Much Hadham

Benefice Holy Communion

Sunday 16 August. 9:15 am Trinity 11

St Cecilia's Church, Little Hadham

Service of the Word

With Karin Green

Sunday 23 August, 9:15 am Trinity 12

St Andrew's, Much Hadham

Sermon in Conversation: Carrying on After a Loss

We hold before God:



David Stroud

Jenny Fennell

John Elton-Barratt

Sheila Rowntree

And the bereaved families of:

Madeline Bazley

John Cragg

Robert Smith

Paul Prosser

In loving memory (July):

Ibukun Wale Falope

Dorothy M Craggs

We remember with love those who are no longer with us.

Welcome!

*If you are visiting today, you are very welcome.
Please join us for refreshments after the service.*

Today's Hymns

Opening: A&M 629 Father Hear The Prayer We Offer

Gradual: A&M 816 Thy Kingdom Come O God

Offertory: A&M 409 There Is A Longing In Our Hearts

Closing: A&M 663 How Shall I Sing That Majesty

The Collect (said together)

Lord God, your Son left the riches of heaven and became poor for our sake: when we prosper save us from pride, when we are needy save us from despair, that we may trust in you alone; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Benefice Prayer (said together)

Almighty God, who calls us with Andrew to come and see your Son: give us hearts like Mary to magnify the Lord, faith like Thomas to confess, "My Lord and my God," and joy like Cecilia to sing to you a new song; that our churches of St Andrew, St Mary, St Thomas and St Cecilia may proclaim your love and faithfully serve our communities; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Readings

Psalm 138 (*Please join in the bold text*)

¹ I will give thanks to you, O Lord, with my whole heart; before the gods will I sing praise to you.

² **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.**

³ In the day that I called to you, you answered me; you put new strength in my soul.

⁴ **All the kings of the earth shall praise you, O Lord, for they have heard the words of your mouth.**

⁵ They shall sing of the ways of the Lord, that great is the glory of the Lord.

⁶ **Though the Lord be high, he watches over the lowly; as for the proud, he regards them from afar.**

⁷ 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.

⁸ **The Lord shall make good his purpose for me; your loving-kindness, O Lord, endures for ever; forsake not the work of your hands.**

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

As it was in the beginning is now and shall be forever. Amen

Colossians 2.6-15

⁶ As you therefore have received Christ Jesus the Lord, continue to live your lives in him, ⁷ rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving. ⁸ See to it that no one takes you captive through philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition,

according to the elemental spirits of the universe, and not according to Christ. ⁹ For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily, ¹⁰ and you have come to fullness in him, who is the head of every ruler and authority. ¹¹ In him also you were circumcised with a spiritual circumcision, by putting off the body of the flesh in the circumcision of Christ; ¹² when you were buried with him in baptism, you were also raised with him through faith in the power of God, who raised him from the dead. ¹³ And when you were dead in trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made you alive together with him, when he forgave us all our trespasses, ¹⁴ erasing the record that stood against us with its legal demands. He set this aside, nailing it to the cross. ¹⁵ He disarmed the rulers and authorities and made a public example of them, triumphing over them in it.

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Luke 11.1-13

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹ He 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.' ² He said to them, 'When you pray, say: Father, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come.

³ Give us each day our daily bread. ⁴ And forgive us our sins, for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us. And do not bring us to the time of trial.'⁵ 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; ⁶ for a friend of mine has arrived, and I have nothing to set before him." ⁷ 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."⁸ 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. ⁹ '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. ¹⁰ For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. ¹¹ Is there anyone among you who, if your child asks for a fish, will give a snake instead of a fish? ¹² Or if the child asks for an egg, will give a scorpion? ¹³ 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!'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to you O Christ