In Our Community: News & Events. Much Hadham Open Gardens Day

The Friends of Much Hadham Parish Church invite you to its Open Garden Day on Sunday 22 June, 12 noon to 5 pm. Gardens large and small will be open, mainly with easy access to the High Street. A chance to enjoy the historic village. Entrance fee is £5, with accompanied children free. Registration and free car parking is at the Village Hall, as well as refreshments available.

Bike 'n Hike Saturday 13 September

Get sponsored to take part and have a great day out visiting beautiful churches. All money raised is divided equally between your own church and the Trust to give grants to repair churches and chapels in Beds and Herts.

Remember you can keep up to date with upcoming events on the River Ash Churches website and Facebook page.

Afternoon tea on the first Sunday every month, 3 - 5 pm at Albury Village Hall.

Much Hadham Baby and Toddler Group meets on Tuesdays in term time 9.30- 11.30 in Much Hadham Village Hall.

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Sunday 25 May 2025 Easter 6 @ St Cecilia's Little Hadham The Benefice of Albury, Little Hadham & Much Hadham We Are Living God's Love

Our Church is for more than "hatched, matched, dispatched & jingle bells". It is our history, handed over to us by our grandparents for our grandchildren. Keep it alive. Attend & support your church. Bank details:

Little Hadham Parochial Church Council Sort code: 20-36-98 A/C No. 80588806



Celebrant & Preacher: Rev'd Tayo Wale Falope

Looking Ahead: May into June

Thursday 29 May 7:30 pm

Ascension Day Benefice Holy Communion @ St Andrew's Much Hadham

Sunday 1 June 2025 9:15 am

Benefice Holy Communion (BCP) @ St Mary's Albury

Sunday 8 June 2025. 9:15 am

Pentecost Sunday Benefice Holy Communion @ St Andrew's Much Hadham

Sunday 15 June 2025. 9:15 am

Trinity Sunday Benefice Holy Communion @ St Cecilia's Little Hadham

- There will be service @ St Thomas' Church, every 5th Sunday of the month.
- Some of the services in the Benefice will be BCP.

Please Keep In Our Prayers:



Stuart Saggers David Stroud Tamsin Farrell

Peter Radley Joanne Luxford Marj Ellis

And the bereaved families of:

Rosemary Stephens, Margaret Radley, Ken Twort

Food For Thought! THROUGH HER PRAYERS MY FRIEND TOUCHED GOD WITH ONE HAND AND THROUGH THE DEPTHS OF HER CARE, TOUCHED ME WITH ANOTHER. Joyce Huggett

Pray for others & show them love & care!

Our Hymns for this service are:

Opening:	CP516 Love Divine All Loves Excelling
Gradual:	CP362. Tell Out My Soul
Offertory:	CP160. Thine Be The Glory
Closing:	CP530. Now Thank We All Our God

We Pray The Collect Together:

God our redeemer, you have delivered us from the power of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of your Son: grant, that as by his death he has recalled us to life, so by his continual presence in us he may raise us to eternal joy; 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.

We Listen To God's Word

Revelation 21.10, 22-22.5

¹⁰ And in the spirit, he carried me away to a great, high mountain and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God. ²² I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. ²³ And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God is its light, and its lamp is the Lamb. ²⁴ The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it. ²⁵ Its gates will never be shut by day-and there will be no night there. ²⁶ People will bring into it the glory and the honour of the nations. ²⁷ But nothing unclean will enter it, nor anyone who practises abomination or falsehood, but only those who are written in the Lambs book of life.

¹ Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb ² through the middle of the street of the city. On either side of the river is the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, producing its fruit each month; and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations.³ Nothing accursed will be found there anymore. But the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him; ⁴ they will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads.⁵ And there will be no more night; they need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign for ever and ever. This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 67

¹ God be gracious to us and bless us and make his face to shine upon us,

² That your way may be known upon earth, your saving power among all nations.

³ Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.

⁴ O let the nations rejoice and be glad, for you will judge the peoples righteously and govern the nations upon earth.

⁵ Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.

⁶ Then shall the earth bring forth her increase, and God, our own God, will bless us.

⁷ God will bless us, and all the ends of the earth shall fear him.

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

Gospel Reading; John 5.1–9

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

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹ After this there was a festival of the Jews, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem.² Now in Jerusalem by the Sheep Gate there is a pool, called in Hebrew Bethzatha, which has five porticoes.³ In these lay many invalids-blind, lame, and paralysed. ⁵ One man was there who had been ill for thirty-eight years. ⁶ When Jesus saw him lying there and knew that he had been there a long time, he said to him, do you want to be made well? The sick man answered him, Sir, I have no one to put me into the pool when the water is stirred up; and while I am making my way, someone else steps down ahead of me.⁸ Jesus said to him, stand up, take your mat and walk.⁹ At once the man was made well, and he took up his mat and began to walk. Now that day was a sabbath. This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Post Communion Prayer

God our Father, whose Son Jesus Christ gives the water of eternal life: may we thirst for you, the spring of life and source of goodness, through him who is alive and reigns, now and for ever. **Amen**