- Every service is a "Family Service". Children of all ages are welcome and will have something to help us out with if they want to. Carrying the cross, the offering plate round, even giving us lovely sounds of baby chatter (it's not crying to us). There is a children's corner too.
- Baptism does not have to wait, kindly contact us to fix a date.

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.

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 4 May 2025 Easter 3

@ 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.

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Revd Tayo will be leading us in worship today. Please stay for refreshments & catching up after the service.

Looking Ahead: May

Sunday 11 May 2025 9:15 am

Benefice Holy Communion @ St Mary's Albury

Sunday 18 May 2025 9:15 am

Benefice Holy Communion @ St Andrew's Much Hadham

Thursday 22 May 2025 10:00 am

Mid-week Communion @ St Cecilia's Little Hadham

Sunday 25 May 2025 9:15 am

Benefice Holy Communion @ St Cecilia's Little Hadham

Please Keep In Our Prayers:



Stuart Saggers Peter Radley Joanne Luxford Marj Ellis

Margaret Radley **David Stroud** Tamsin Farrell

Our Hymns for this service are:

Opening: CP159 The Strife Is O'er The Battle Done Gradual: CP556 Praise The Lord Ye Heavens Adore Offertory: CP513 Lord The Light Of Your Love Closing: CP599 Thine For Ever God Of Love

We Pray The Collect Together:

Risen Christ, you filled your disciples with boldness and fresh hope: strengthen us to proclaim your risen life and fill us with your peace, to the glory of God the Father.

We Listen To God's Word

Psalm 30

- ¹ I will exalt you, O Lord, because you have raised me up and have not let my foes triumph over me.
- ² O Lord my God, I cried out to you and you have healed me.
- ³ You brought me up, O Lord, from the dead; you restored me to life from among those that go down to the Pit.
- ⁴ Sing to the Lord, you servants of his; give thanks to his holy name.
- ⁵ For his wrath endures but the twinkling of an eye, his favour for a lifetime. Heaviness may endure for a night, but joy comes in the morning.
- ⁶ In my prosperity I said, I shall never be moved. You, Lord, of your goodness, have made my hill so strong.
- ⁷ Then you hid your face from me and I was utterly dismayed.
- 8 To you, O Lord, I cried; to the Lord I made my supplication:
- ⁹ What profit is there in my blood, if I go down to the Pit? Will the dust praise you or declare your faithfulness?
- ¹⁰ Hear, O Lord, and have mercy upon me; O Lord, be my helper.
- ¹¹ You have turned my mourning into dancing; you have put off my sackcloth and girded me with gladness;
- ¹² Therefore my heart sings to you without ceasing; O Lord my God, I will give you thanks for ever.
 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.

Revelation 5.11 - end

¹¹ Then I looked, and I heard the voice of many angels surrounding the throne and the living creatures and the elders; they numbered myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, ¹² singing with full voice, Worthy is the Lamb that was slaughtered to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honour and glory and blessing! ¹³ Then I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, singing, To the one seated on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honour and glory and might for ever and ever! ¹⁴ And the four living creatures said, Amen! And the elders fell down and worshipped.

This is the word of the Lord. All: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Reading: John 21.1 – 19

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John. *All:* Glory to you, O Lord.

¹ After these things Jesus showed himself again to

the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias; and he showed himself in this way. ² Gathered there together were Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples. ³ Simon Peter said to them, I am going fishing. They said to him, we will go with you. They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing. 4 Just after daybreak, Jesus stood on the beach; but the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. ⁵ Jesus said to them, Children, you have no fish, have you? They answered him, No. ⁶ He said to them, Cast the net to the right side of the boat, and you will find some. So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in because there were so many fish. ⁷ That disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, It is the Lord! When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on some clothes, for he was naked, and jumped into the lake. 8 But the other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, only about a hundred yards off. 9 When they had gone ashore, they saw a charcoal fire there, with fish on it, and bread. ¹⁰ Jesus said to them, Bring some of the fish that you have just caught. 11 So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, a hundred and fifty-three of them; and though there were so many, the net was not torn. 12 Jesus said to them, Come and have breakfast. Now none of the disciples dared to ask him, who are you? because they knew it was the Lord. ¹³ Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them and did the same with the fish. ¹⁴ This was now the third time that Jesus appeared to the disciples after he was raised from the dead. 15 When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, Simon son of John, do you love me more than these? He said to him, Yes, Lord; you know that I love you. Jesus said to him, Feed my lambs. 16 A second time he said to him, Simon son of John, do you love me? He said to him, Yes, Lord; you know that I love you. Jesus said to him, Tend my sheep. ¹⁷ He said to him the third time, Simon son of John, do you love me? Peter felt hurt because he said to him the third time, Do you love me? And he said to him, Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you. Jesus said to him, Feed my sheep. ¹⁸ Very truly, I tell you, when you were younger, you used to fasten your own belt and to go wherever you wished. But when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will fasten a belt around you and take you where you do not wish to go. 19 (He said this to indicate the kind of death by which he would glorify God.) After this he said to him, Follow me.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, O Christ.