

Notices & Community News

Save the date: Much Hadham Harvest Festival is on 11 October – service in church at 9:15 am with lunch in the Village Hall 12:30 pm for 1:00 pm.

Evening Service: There will be no more Evening Worship after October 4, until April 2027

Weekly one-page update of services and events in the Benefice is available. Email the office with the subject line “add me to weekly update” if wanted.

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 27 September 2026

Trinity 17 (Proper 21)

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

We Are Living God's Love

Today's Service

A Guide to the Eucharist

Celebrant & Teacher: Revd Mark Rodel



There is a hearing loop system in place

Our Next Services

Sunday 4 October. 9:15 am Trinity 18
St Mary's Church, Albury
Harvest Festival

Sunday 4 October. 5:00-5:30 pm
St Andrew's Church, Much Hadham
Music & Personal Reflection

Sunday 11 October. 9:15 am Trinity 19
St Andrew's Church, Much Hadham
Harvest Festival

Sunday 18 October. 9:15 am Trinity 20
St Cecilia's Church, Little Hadham
Harvest Festival

Thursday 22 October. 10:00 am
St Cecilia's Church, Little Hadham
Midweek Eucharist (BCP)

Sunday 25 October. 9:15 am Trinity 19
St Andrew's Church, Much Hadham
Benefice Eucharist – Bible Sunday

We hold before God:



David Stroud	John Elton-Barratt
Jenny Fennell	Sheila Rowntree
Julian Lewthwaite	

And the bereaved families of:

John Cragg	Paul Prosser
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Dr Natalie Jennings

In loving memory (September):

Kathleen Lilian Critoph – 26 Sep 2025
Meryl Hart – 14 Sep 1994

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 753 O Praise Ye The Lord

Gradual: A&M 455 My God, And Is Thy Table Spread

Offertory: A&M 445 God Is Here As We His People

Closing: A&M 588 And Can It Be

The Collect (said together)

Gracious God, you call us to fullness of life: deliver us from unbelief and banish our anxieties with the liberating love of Jesus Christ our Lord.

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 34.8-10 (Please join in the bold text)

⁸ O taste and see that the Lord is gracious; blessed is the one who trusts in him.

⁹ **Fear the Lord, all you his holy ones, for those who fear him lack nothing.**

¹⁰ Lions may lack and suffer hunger, but those who seek the Lord lack nothing that is good.

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

1 Corinthians 11.23-26

²³ For I received from the Lord what I also handed on to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took a loaf of bread, ²⁴ and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, 'This is my body that is for you. Do this in remembrance of me.' ²⁵ In the same way he took the cup also, after supper, saying, 'This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.'

²⁶ For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Luke 24.13-35

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

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹³ Now on that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, ¹⁴ and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. ¹⁵ While they were

talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, ¹⁶ but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. ¹⁷ And he said to them, 'What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?' They stood still, looking sad. ¹⁸ Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, 'Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?' ¹⁹ He asked them, 'What things?' They replied, 'The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, ²⁰ and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. ²¹ But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. ²² Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, ²³ and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. ²⁴ Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but they did not see him.' ²⁵ Then he said to them, 'Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! ²⁶ Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?' ²⁷ Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures. ²⁸ As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. ²⁹ But they urged him strongly, saying, 'Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over.' So he went in to stay with them. ³⁰ When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. ³¹ Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight. ³² They said to each other, 'Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?' ³³ That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. ³⁴ They were saying, 'The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!' ³⁵ Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to you O Christ

Post Communion Prayer

Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, and make us continually to be given to all good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord.