Notices:

- 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

Electoral Roll renewal for St Andrew's is nearly complete. Completed forms need to be returned to the Electoral Roll Officer, Carol French by 30 April.

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.

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Sunday 27 April 2025 Easter 2 @ St Andrew's Much 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:

Much Hadham Parochial Church Council (Registered Charity no. 1152748) Sort code: 20-36-98 A/C No. 20000078



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

Looking Ahead: May

Sunday 4 May 2025 9:15 am Benefice Holy Communion @ St Cecilia's Little Hadham

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

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.

Please Keep In Our Prayers:



Stuart Saggers Peter Radley Joanne Luxford Margaret Radley David Stroud Tamsin Farrell

Please bring to our notices, those who we need to keep in our prayers.

Our Hymns for this service are:

Opening: 198 At The Lamb's Feet We Sing
Gradual: 671 I Will Sing The Wonderous Story
Offertory: 507 WE Have A Gospel To Proclaim
Closing: 203 Good Christians All Rejoice and Sing

We Pray The Collect Together:

Risen Christ, for whom no door is locked, no entrance barred: open the doors of our hearts, that we may seek the good of others and walk the joyful road of sacrifice and peace, to the praise of God the Father.

We Listen To God's Word

<u>Psalm 150</u>

¹Praise ye the Lord. Praise God in his sanctuary: praise him in the firmament of his power.

²Praise him for his mighty acts: praise him according to his excellent greatness.

³Praise him with the sound of the trumpet: praise him with the psaltery and harp.

⁴Praise him with the timbrel and dance: praise him with stringed instruments and organs.

⁵Praise him upon the loud cymbals: praise him upon the high sounding cymbals.

⁶Let every thing that hath breath praise the Lord. Praise ye the Lord.

<u> Acts 5. 27 - 32</u>

²⁷And when they had brought them, they set them before the council: and the high priest asked them, ²⁸Saying, Did not we straitly command you that ye should not teach in this name? and, behold, ye have filled Jerusalem with your doctrine, and intend to bring this man's blood upon us.

²⁹Then Peter and the other apostles answered and said, We ought to obey God rather than men.
³⁰The God of our fathers raised up Jesus, whom ye slew and hanged on a tree.

³¹Him hath God exalted with his right hand to be a Prince and a Saviour, for to give repentance to Israel, and forgiveness of sins.

³²And we are his witnesses of these things; and so is also the Holy Ghost, whom God hath given to them that obey him.

This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Reading: John 20. 19 - end

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

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

¹⁹Then the same day at evening, being the first day of the week, when the doors were shut where the disciples were assembled for fear of the Jews, came Jesus and stood in the midst, and saith unto them, Peace be unto you. ²⁰And when he had so said, he shewed unto them his hands and his side. Then were the disciples glad, when they saw the Lord. ²¹Then said Jesus to them again, Peace be unto you: as my Father hath sent me, even so send I you. ²²And when he had said this, he breathed on them, and saith unto them, Receive ye the Holy Ghost: ²³Whose soever sins ye remit, they are remitted unto them; and whose soever sins ye retain, they are retained. ²⁴But Thomas, one of the twelve, called Didymus, was not with them when Jesus came. ²⁵The other disciples therefore said unto him, We have seen the Lord. But he said unto them, Except I shall see in his hands the print of the nails, and put my finger into the print of the nails, and thrust my hand into his side, I will not believe. ²⁶And after eight days again his disciples were within, and Thomas with them: then came Jesus, the doors being shut, and stood in the midst, and said, Peace be unto you. ²⁷Then saith he to Thomas, Reach hither thy finger, and behold my hands; and reach hither thy hand, and thrust it into my side: and be not faithless, but believing. ²⁸And Thomas answered and said unto him, My Lord and my God. ²⁹Jesus saith unto him, Thomas, because thou hast seen me, thou hast believed: blessed are they that have not seen, and yet have believed. ³⁰And many other signs truly did Jesus in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book: ³¹But these are written, that ye might believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing ye might have life through his name. This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, O Christ.

Post Communion

Lord God our Father, through our Saviour Jesus Christ you have assured your children of eternal life and in baptism have made us one with him: deliver us from the death of sin and raise us to new life in your love, in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, by the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ.