



Worshipping God with joy, growing in faith, serving with love, and welcoming all



## Ninth Sunday after Trinity

28 July 2024

<p><b>Sunday</b>      10.00 am      Holy Communion</p> <p><b>Collect</b> Almighty God, who sent your Holy Spirit to be the life and light of your Church: open our hearts to the riches of your grace, that we may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit in love and joy and peace; 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. Amen.</p> <p><b>Readings</b></p> <p>2 Kings 4.42-44      Elisha is enabled to feed a hundred people</p> <p>Ephesians 3.14-21      Jews and Gentiles are united in prayer and praise</p> <p>John 6.1-21      Jesus feeds the five thousand</p> <p><b>Zoom</b>      Join Zoom Meeting: <a href="#">CLICK HERE</a> Meeting ID: 861 3500 8616. Passcode: 599753 Landline dial in contact: 0330 088 5830</p> <p>12noon      Baptism of Layla-Rose</p> <p>1.30pm      Burial of Ashes: Philip Norman Martyn Hickin, RIP</p> <p>4.00pm      Choral Evensong, St George's, Letchworth SG6 1DA</p> <p><b>Private Prayer at St Andrew's Church.</b> Please note our church is usually open for private prayer Monday - Saturday, <b>09.00 am - 4.00 pm.</b></p>	<p><b>This Week</b></p> <p><b>Tuesday 30 July</b></p> <p>7.30pm      PCC Meeting, The Ivel Room</p> <p><b>Thursday 1 August</b></p> <p>9.30am      Holy Communion, followed by coffee, Chapter House</p> <p>Readings Jeremiah 18.1-6 Matthew 13.47-53</p> <p><b>Saturday 3 August</b></p> <p>10.00am –12.00pm      Coffee shop, Chapter House</p> <p><b>Sunday 4 August</b>      Tenth Sunday after Trinity</p> <p>8.00am      Holy Communion</p> <p>10.00am      Parish Communion followed by coffee, Chapter House</p>
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**Requesting our Prayers:** Margaret Allison, Sean Allison, Jennifer Baglin, Val Whiteley, Catherine, Princess of Wales, King Charles III, Bobbie Ball, Shelagh Hizzey, Ian Pearson, Ruth Atkinson, Angela Morris, Val Scott, Maurice Darnell and Paul Bennett.

**Continue to Pray for:** Wendy Walters, Ricardo Landsman, Julia Pilgrim.

**Mafambisa.** We pray for the people of our partner community of Mafambisa, for the vulnerable and orphaned children, the care workers, the caregivers and all who support them. By name this week we pray for careworker: Virginia, children: Bongane, Phinah, Excellent, Dineo, Thobela Mfanafuthi, Mdluli Lindokuhle. [www.standrewslink.blogspot.co.uk](http://www.standrewslink.blogspot.co.uk).

**We pray for the souls of** all the recently departed, and for families and friends preparing for services of thanksgiving and celebration of life. We remember with prayers and thankful, privileged, memories those whose Year's Mind fall at this time: 29th Joan Tolson, 3rd Lucy Andrews, 4th Stanley Morley.

**Egg Boxes for Holiday Club** Please can people save 6 hole egg boxes for group 2 at holiday club –please leave below the notice board in the foyer! Thank you. *Sue Thorn.*

**MU Wednesday 7th August** Meet at Sandy RSPB from 2pm. All welcome - just a chat and a cuppa at the café. *Maggie McLoughlin.*

**St Andrew's Church Summer Holiday Club 2024 –Holiday Club Preparation Service** Please join the Holiday Club team for our preparation service on Sunday 11th August at 6pm. Come along to support the team as they prepare for an exciting week in the church calendar. Many thanks. *Holiday Club Team.*

**Holiday Club Service of Praise and Barbeque - Sunday 18 August at 11.00am** Please join us for the Holiday Club service of praise and BBQ. This is a real opportunity to support the leaders and volunteers and to share with the children in what they have been doing all week! *Chris Parker*

**St Andrew's Church Holiday Club 2024 –Plea for help!** Thank you to everyone who has already got in touch to volunteer to help at Holiday Club this summer. As a reminder –Holiday Club this year will be Tuesday 13th to Friday 16th August plus the Service and BBQ on Sunday 18th August. We have had a wonderful response from the families of Biggleswade and will be welcoming over 170 children to our church for the 4 days.

**We are asking for your help to set up the marquees and fencing on Thursday 8th August from 6pm and Saturday 10th August from 4pm. There are lots of jobs to complete before we can welcome the children and a number of the team will be in South Africa at this time so we would appreciate any help you can give with these important jobs.**

Please contact Emma Pallett, Chris Parker or Sally Wells whose details are below as soon as possible to let us know if you are available to help and on which days.

Emma Pallett, Holiday Club Leader, [emmapallett@hotmail.com](mailto:emmapallett@hotmail.com), 07900 697945

Chris Parker, Youth Co-ordinator, [chris2prker@btinternet.com](mailto:chris2prker@btinternet.com), 07702 250776

Sally Wells, Registration Co-ordinator, [sally@thewellsfamily.org.uk](mailto:sally@thewellsfamily.org.uk), 07932 760864.

Many thanks, *Holiday Club Team.*

**New Parish Safeguarding Officer (PSO)** The Vicar and Churchwardens, on behalf of the PCC, have appointed Helen Tranter as our new Parish Safeguarding Officer (PSO) taking over the role from Nicola Woodward, our current PSO. This will take effect from 13th August, 2024. The safeguarding contact email will remain the same as before. A new Safeguarding designated telephone number will be in due course. Helen will be commissioned for this new role amongst us during the 10am Family Communion: Education Sunday on Sunday 8th September, 2024. Thank you to Nicola for serving in this role over the past year. We now look forward to working with Helen as our new PSO starting this summer. *Revd. Liz, Vicar.*

**Donation From Emergency Mission Fund** The PCC has agreed to make a donation of £500 to the Appeal for Relief after the hurricane in the Caribbean. This sum has been sent through All Saints Bedford, who have links with the Caribbean. The sum came from our Emergency Mission Fund, which is created from a proportion of our annual stewardship giving. *Andrew Rutt, Treasurer.*

**LEPROSY MISSION** I will be opening the collection boxes on Monday 5th August and sending the money collected to the charity. If you have a box which needs emptying, please it to church on any of the following dates: Thursday 25th, Sunday 28th, Thursday 1st or Sunday 4th August. If it is easier, I can collect boxes so please contact me on 01767 310394 or 077382 39243. I can provide new collection boxes and leaflets about the charity. Thank you *Sue Oldroyd.*

**Children's Society Collection Boxes:** I will be happy to receive your box for opening and counting from Sunday 21st July to Sunday 4th August and the Thursdays in between. *Rob Butcher Children's Society Box Organiser*

### Future Dates

Sunday 11 August	6.00pm	Holiday Club Preparation Service
Tuesday 13 –Friday 16		Holiday Club
Sunday 18 August	9.30am	Parish Communion
	11.00am	Holiday Club Service of Praise and BBQ
Thursday 22 August	9.30am	Holy Communion
Sunday 25 August	10.00am	Parish Communion
Thursday 29 August	9.30am	Holy Communion
Sunday 1 September	10.00am	Parish Administrator
Monday 2 September		School Term Commences
Thursday 5 September	9.30am	Holy Communion
Sunday 8 September		Education Sunday
	8.00am	Holy Communion
	10.00am	Family Communion
	12.45pm	Sunday Lunch
Thursday 12 September	9.30am	Holy Communion
	11.00am	Penrose Court Communion
	7.00pm	Social event. The Kings Reach Pub

**ONLINE SHOPPING** Do you ever shop online? If so there is a way you can raise funds for St Andrew's by registering for an account at [easyfundraising.org.uk](http://easyfundraising.org.uk) and choosing St Andrew's Church Biggleswade as your cause. Each time you are thinking of buying something online, just go via this website and search for the retailer and purchase your item this way and a percentage of what you spend is donated to your cause. It may only be pence each time but this will soon add up if we sign up. I know that Asda, Sainsbury's and Amazon are on the list just to name a few. If you do your grocery shop online, you can also raise cash for the church at the same time. There are no costs involved to you or the church, so it's a win win situation. If you have any questions about how to sign up or use the site then please don't hesitate to ask me. *Anna Rutt 01767 313387*

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### MAFAMBISA PARTNERSHIP

We receive weekly updates from Hands at Work - from different communities via WhatsApp. If you would like to receive these I will add you to the WhatsApp group. Please text your mobile number to Chris on 07702 250776 or email on [chris2parker@btinternet.com](mailto:chris2parker@btinternet.com)

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### Used Postage Stamps

Please keep collecting these for me to take to St. John's Hospice; it is important especially at this time that we give them all the support possible.

*Gill Hibbert*



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## Social Media

Keeping in touch with family and friends is something as a Church we are trying to undertake through the use of our social media platforms. The online sphere is another channel we are also able to use to be able to spread God's message. The platforms allow us to reach out to our community of faith, our local community as well as others who aren't as local. Please do contact Oliver Dilley or Jessica Mepham with any ideas, thoughts or content for the social media pages. In the meantime please continue to like, follow and share our social media accounts. *Thanks.*

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**Living God, draw us deeper into your love; Jesus our Lord, send us to care and serve, Holy Spirit make us heralds of good news. Stir us, strengthen us teach and inspire us to live your love with generosity and joy, imagination and courage, for the sake of your world and in the name of Jesus. Amen**

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