

**8am Holy Communion, in Church**

**10am Service of the Word, in Church & [Zoom](#)**

*Come and enjoy fellowship and refreshments in (or outside) the WCC after the 10am service.*

You are welcome to share in our worship in the following ways:

**1. Come to Church** All are welcome!

Remember to bring your order of service for the 10am service.

**2. Join Zoom on your computer**

When signed in you can 'Join a Meeting' (ID: 846 662 9590 / Passcode: 834900).

**3. Join with Audio Zoom via phone**

a) Call **0131 460 1196** b) Enter Meeting ID then #, then enter Meeting Passcode then #

### GIVING SEASON RESPONSES

Thank you for responses received so far during our Lent Giving Season.

Further responses, for Time and Talents and/or Financial Giving, can be placed in the wooden post box in the corner of the North Porch, or handed to a Warden.

Thank you very much for considering your response to our appeal this year. Derwyn.

### Collect for The Second Sunday of Easter

Almighty Father, you have given your only Son to die for our sins and to rise again for our justification: grant us so to put away the leaven of malice and wickedness that we may always serve you in pureness of living and truth; through the merits of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.



Godly Play Easter Display

### A Psalm for today, Psalm 150

**Refrain: Let everything that has breath praise the Lord.**

Alleluia. O praise God in his holiness; praise him in the firmament of his power.

Praise him for his mighty acts; praise him according to his excellent greatness. **[R]**

Praise him with the blast of the trumpet; praise him upon the harp and lyre.

Praise him with timbrel and dances; praise him upon the strings and pipe. **[R]**

Praise him with ringing cymbals; praise him upon the clashing cymbals.

Let everything that has breath praise the Lord. Alleluia. **[R]**

*God of life and love, whose Son was victorious over sin and death, make us alive with his life, that the whole world may resound with your praise; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

### Gospel for The Second Sunday of Easter, John 20. 19-31

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained." But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe."

A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe." Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.



Jesus reveals himself to Thomas

### Come and share our short session for children and young people during our Sunday 10am service EVERY WEEK!

We invite children of all ages, with their adults, to come into the Lady Chapel during part of the service, and share in A Godly Play (a short visual storytelling of scriptures, with wondering questions, stories, crafts, puzzles, and even some acting for those that want ... for all ages to share together; then various age related activities). There will be a display in the Lady Chapel most weeks, if you'd like to find out more!

You might also like to explore the links on our [Children & Young People](#) page. There are loads of activities to help young people get to know the person of Jesus this Easter season.



**The church is open each day, from early morning to mid afternoon.**

*An opportunity to spend some comforting time in prayer, peace and reflection.*

### Easter Floral Reflection

If you haven't already had the opportunity, do take some time to visit the church and share our Easter Resurrection story: a journey of beautiful floral displays and prayers.

**Roger & Rowena Sudbury farewell, this Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> April** – The Sudburys have settled into their new home in Suffolk and are coming to say a proper 'goodbye' to us all, sharing in worship and fellowship at the 10am service, followed by refreshments in the WCC. Do join!

**Holy Communion, Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> April, 10am** – A service of Holy Communion, in church and **via Zoom (ID: 846 662 9590 / Passcode: 834900)**. You can also dial in by phone. Due to the bells' restoration, refreshments after the service will be held in the WCC.

**Tiny Tots, Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> April, 11 for 11:15am in the WCC** – Worship for babies/toddlers and their parents / carers; with a story, singing and instruments for little ones too! Join us for refreshments, fellowship and a little chance for the children to play before/after the service.

**A quiet day at Albury, Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> April, 10:30am-3pm** – These popular days of reflection and contemplation in June's home have returned on a monthly basis. Places are limited, please contact June on 07539 058946 to book, or for more information.

**Prayers for our Community in Church, Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> April, 9:30am** – All welcome.

**TLC Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> May from the new time of 2:15pm for 2:30pm, WCC** – An opportunity to join in with tea and talk, read the paper, play board games ... and then later in the afternoon we welcome families after school for a short while, to share in reading/play and enjoy a biscuit/cake/fruit snack. Do come along ... and tell your friends too! We'll begin with a short time of prayer just after 2:15pm before our session at 2:30pm. This coming month, we're planning to prepare a little something for the upcoming Jubilee.

**CTBS presents a short play, My Place by Riding Lights Theatre, Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> May, 7:30pm, Charis Centre** – A new production by the acclaimed theatre company in partnership with the Christian charity Home for Good. HfG encourages and supports individuals, individuals, families and churches to provide safe, loving homes for children in the UK care system, through fostering and adoption. The play tells the stories of 4 such children. Tickets are £10 (£8 for under 16s and unwaged) and are available online at [ridinglights.org/my-place](http://ridinglights.org/my-place) (or telephone 01904 613000).

**APCM, 29<sup>th</sup> May after 10am service** – Electoral Roll revision is currently taking place (ending on 1<sup>st</sup> May) if you'd like to join our electoral roll and/or nominate for PCC election.

**Flower Festival for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee, 2<sup>nd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> June** – We need your help! Are you a flower arranger? Can you help arrange sponsorship? Please contact Claire (07944 431873 / [claire.conquest62@gmail.com](mailto:claire.conquest62@gmail.com)) or Jenny ([jennyklincke@gmail.com](mailto:jennyklincke@gmail.com) / 833523).

**Flower Festival Jubilee Songs of Praise in church at 4:30pm on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> June so do save the weekend!** Proceeds to our Bell Restoration Fund.

**Friends of St Michael's, Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> July** – Another date for your diary! Family Fun Day, then Gilbert & Sullivan Concert. More details next week.

**Holiday Bible Week, 1<sup>st</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> August** – After two years, we're delighted to be able to host a live HBW for 2022. This year's theme is all about celebration and we hope your children (ages 5-11) will be able to join us to celebrate an action-packed week full of stories, puppets, music and games. More details on Facebook and Instagram. Don't miss out, register now! Please may we also emphasise the importance of adult volunteers signing-up too so that we can offer places to as many children as possible (usually about 500).

**Lent Appeal Update** – The CSG is delighted to report the total receipts for the Lent Appeal are £1582.57, including donations direct to the CSG account and £251 from Lent Lunches. We expect £281.51 in Gift Aid making a grand total of £1864.08. Thank you to all who contributed and those who made soup for the lunches. The money will be split between Delhi Brotherhood, The Bishop's Stortford Child Contact Centre, (formerly Portland Child Contact Centre) and Hope & Homes for Children (whose work currently focuses on orphanages in Ukraine where there are almost 100,000 children in over 600 institutions).

**Hospitality Support for Ukrainian Refugees** – Jenny Klincke has kindly offered to be a Church Representative for St Michael's, liaising with Churches Together in Bishops Stortford and Herts Welcomes Refugees. If you'd be interested in helping in offering hospitality to refugees in some way, please let Jenny know ([jennyklincke@gmail.com](mailto:jennyklincke@gmail.com) / 833523). Many thanks.

**'A Patchwork of Hope', our St Michael's School project** – During the Spring term we focused on the Christian values of Peace and Hope. Our display in church reflects those values; before we share with you our Patchwork of Hope we're creating this Summer term.

**From our Director of Music** – We would be delighted to hear from those of all ages interested in **singing or making music** in worship. If we've spoken but I don't have your contact details, please drop me a line (parents must email on behalf of children). We're not asking for a firm commitment at this stage, just a measure of interest and enthusiasm. With every good wish, Nathan Collins [stmichaelsbdsdom@gmail.com](mailto:stmichaelsbdsdom@gmail.com)

**From the Lewin family** – 'Elspeth, Jonathan, Jeremy and Fiona thank you all for your sensitive support over the past months, and for the lovely letters and kind words expressed by so many of you when Richard died. Your presence at his Funeral and Service of Thanksgiving was such a wonderful support and a great comfort to us all.'

More details of all services and events are available on the [Calendar](#) page on our website.

Do follow us on Social Media too, for regular updates.

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