Newsletter and Notices



8am Holy Communion, in Church 10am Service of the Word, in Church & <u>Zoom</u>

Come and enjoy fellowship and refreshments in 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 #

A Psalm for today, Psalm 104. 26-36

Refrain: I will sing to the Lord as long as I live.

O Lord, how manifold are your works!

In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.

There is the sea, spread far and wide,

and there move creatures beyond number, both small and great.

There go the ships, and there is that Leviathan

which you have made to play in the deep.

All of these look to you to give them their food in due season. [R]

When you give it them, they gather it;

you open your hand and they are filled with good.

When you hide your face they are troubled

when you take away their breath, they die

and return again to the dust.

When you send forth your spirit, they are created,

and you renew the face of the earth. [R]

May the glory of the Lord endure for ever;

may the Lord rejoice in his works;

He looks on the earth and it trembles;

he touches the mountains and they smoke.

I will sing to the Lord as long as I live;

I will make music to my God while I have my being.

So shall my song please him while I rejoice in the Lord. [R]

Creator God, send your Holy Spirit to renew this living world, that the whole creation, in its groaning and striving, may know your loving purpose and come to reflect your glory; in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Collect for The Day of Pentecost

God, who as at this time taught the hearts of your faithful people by sending to them the light of your Holy Spirit: grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgement in all things and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort; through the merits of Christ Jesus our Saviour, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Gospel for The Day of Pentecost, John 14. 8-17

Philip said to Jesus, 'Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied.' Jesus said to him, 'Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, "Show us the Father"? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.



If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you for ever. This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you.

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). We're delighted to say that in this last ten months we've grown enough to enable a fortnightly breakout session for older children/young people too: during the sermon on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month, also in the Lady Chapel. There will be a display in the Lady Chapel most weeks, if you'd like to find out more! This week we've created a small floral display outside to welcome people to the flower festival, along with our floral display inside! You might also like to explore the links on our <u>Children & Young People</u> page. There are loads of activities to help young people get to know the person of Jesus.



St Michael's Church, Bishop's Stortford

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The church is open each day, from early morning to mid afternoon. An opportunity to spend some comforting time in prayer, peace and reflection.

Parish Office – The Parish Office is closed for the duration of the bell restoration works. Katharine is working from home and may be readily contacted by email, or chat to her after the Wednesday Holy Communion service.

TLC Tuesday 7th June, 2:15pm for 2:30pm, WCC – An opportunity to be able 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, until about 4:30pm. This coming month, we're planning a Jubilee themed tea party with special cake, to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee!

Holy Communion, Wednesday 8th June, 10am – A service of Holy Communion, in church. Due to the bells' restoration, refreshments after the service will be held in the WCC.

Tiny Tots, Wednesday 8th June, 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.

Bishop's Stortford Hospitality Support, Wednesdays from 11:30am-2pm – St Michael's is providing space at the WCC for Ukranian refugees and their host families to meet together, along with some informal language lessons, once a week. We need to provide some volunteers to be on hand during this time, hopefully for a two-hour slot each. We've enjoyed some great, and busy, sessions, offering a very light lunch, but we will have no idea how many people will turn up each week or for how long they will want to stay. This is an evolving situation, depending on what amount of support hosts and their guests would like, and I hope, as St Michael's rep on the BS Hospitality Support Group, there are other volunteers who I can ask to come along. Please let me know if you are willing to help with these support sessions. Jenny Klincke (833523 / jennyklincke@gmail.com)

Prayers for our Community in Church, Saturday 11th June, 9:30am – All welcome.

Auction of Bell Fittings from St Michael's Bells, Friday 24th June – Viewing from 1pm and auction at 8pm in the Windhill Churches Centre. Auction lots to include Clappers, Wheels, Stays, Sliders, Ropes, Pulleys, Ladders and Running Boards. Ideal for wall / house / garden decorations / craft projects. Do come along and have a look!

Friends of St Michael's, Saturday 2nd July – Family Fun Day, then concert at 7 for 7:30pm: 'The World of Gilbert & Sullivan', performed by The Wandering Minstrels. £17 including finger buffet (£19 on the door). Tickets via TicketTailor <u>here</u> or contact Rob Klincke. Rob is also requesting good quality bric-a-brac for one of the stalls at the fun day: please bring donations along <u>from NEXT week</u> and leave at the back of the church, on the green carpet. Thank you.

Flower Festival for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee, 2nd-5th June

• Thanks for some excellent offers of hymns to sing at the Festival Songs of Praise at 4:30pm on Saturday 4th June. Do come along to join in the praise if you can. The <u>list of hymns</u> and songs is available <u>here</u>, to print and bring. Thank you, Derwyn.

An excerpt of the message of thanks from Rosemary Thomson – "A huge thank you for all the love that was directed to me at the APCM Sunday. on was overwhelmed by the gifts:beautiful cards, flowers, books and gift tokens but most of all the kind words from Derwyn and Gill Johnson and Claire Conquest having worked with me during the last 12 months and as they take on the role





Pentecost

Sunday 5th June 2022

• Refreshments served in the Windhill Churches Centre • Exhibition, 'The History of the Bells'

Jubilee Songs of Praise Service, Saturday 4th June 4:30pm

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as Churchwardens. Love and prayers, Rosemary". The full message is on our website here.

More details of all services and events are available on the <u>Calendar</u> page on our website. Do follow us on Social Media too, for regular updates.

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