



8am Holy Communion, in Church

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

Please 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: 927 480 8728 / Passcode: 889123).

3. Join with Audio Zoom via phone

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

Collect for The Sixth Sunday after Trinity

Merciful God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as pass our understanding: pour into our hearts such love toward you that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; 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.

A Psalm for today, Psalm 65. 8-13

Refrain: Be joyful in God, all the earth.

You visit the earth and water it;
you make it very plenteous.

The river of God is full of water;
you prepare grain for your people,
for so you provide for the earth.

You drench the furrows and smooth out the ridges;
you soften the ground with showers and bless its increase. [R]

You crown the year with your goodness,
and your paths overflow with plenty.

May the pastures of the wilderness flow with goodness
and the hills be girded with joy.

May the meadows be clothed with flocks of sheep
and the valleys stand so thick with corn

that they shall laugh and sing. [R]

May the richness of your creation, Lord, and the mystery of your providence lead us to that heavenly city where all peoples will bring their wealth, forsake their sins and find their true joy, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

A Gospel reading for today, Matthew 13. 1-9, 18-23

Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the sea. Such great crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat there, while the whole crowd stood on the beach. And he told them many things in parables, saying: "Listen! A sower went out to sow. And as he sowed, some seeds fell on the path, and the birds came and ate them up. Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and they sprang up quickly, since they had no depth of soil. But when the sun rose, they were scorched; and since they had no root, they withered away. Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. Other seeds fell on good soil and brought forth grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. ⁹Let anyone with ears listen!"

"Hear then the parable of the sower. When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what is sown in the heart; this is what was sown on the path. As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy; yet such a person has no root, but endures only for a while, and when trouble or persecution arises on account of the word, that person immediately falls away. As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of the world and the lure of wealth choke the word, and it yields nothing. But as for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty."

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 We also have an older group breakout session and 4th Sunday of the month. **Today, we're be starting a short series on the stories Jesus told (Luke 10. 25-37).**



Our sessions from Genesis, about Jacob, over the last few weeks.

Our [Children & Young People](#) website page has loads of activities to help young people get to know the person of Jesus.



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

Summer Organ Festival Concerts, Sundays in July at 3pm – Please do come along and enjoy these concerts, with different renowned organists. Free admission with retiring collection. Refreshments will be served. **This Sunday we welcome Jonathan Lilley:** Jonathan is organist and director of music at Waltham Abbey Church. He will play a blissful programme of music by Iain Farrington (Voices of the World), Duruflé and Jongen (4 pieces). The organ at Waltham Abbey is similar in many ways to our organ, although larger and was the last organ to be rebuilt by Mander Organs in 2019. You are invited to stay for tea and cake.



Holy Communion, Wednesday 19th July, 10am – A service of Holy Communion, in church. Refreshments after the service will be held in the WCC.

Tiny Tots, Wednesday 19th July, 11 for 11:15am – Worship for babies/toddlers and their grown-ups; with a story, singing and instruments for little ones too! Join us for refreshments, fellowship and a chance for the children to play beforehand in the WCC, if you can. **We gather in the WCC and walk across to the Lady Chapel for worship.**

Ukrainian Hospitality Support, Wednesdays from 11:30am-2pm, WCC – Space at the WCC for Ukrainian guests and host families to meet weekly, with informal language lessons.

RESOURCING ST MICHAEL'S CHURCH

Please take and ponder a letter from the Vicar, Churchwarden and Treasurer, about giving of time, talents and treasure, Please help if you can with delivering letters personally addressed to members of HUBB (our Church Management System). Please take one of the generic Giving Season envelopes if you are not yet registered with HUBB. Many thanks.

Prayers for our Community in Church, Saturday 22nd July, 9:30am – A half hour session of informal prayer. All welcome.

A quiet day at Albury, Thursday 27th July, 10:30am-3pm – A day of reflection and contemplation in June's home, offered on a monthly basis. Places are limited, please contact June on 07539 058946 to book, or for more information.

St Michael's Coffee Morning, WCC, Saturday 29th July – Come and join us for a cuppa from 10am to 12 noon. Fresh coffee / tea, biscuits and cakes ... plus a cake stall, a raffle and a good as new / unwanted gift stall. **All contributions to the good as new/unwanted presents stall and the cake stall will be gratefully received.** Thank you.

TLC Tuesday 1st August, 2:15pm for 2:30pm, WCC – An opportunity to be able to join in with tea and talk and a regular 10/15 minute presentation on wide ranging interests ... 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! This month we're having a Bingo game, since it was such fun last time!

HBW 'Superheroes' 7th-11th August 2023 – Children's sign up for children is at holidaybibleweek.co.uk **If your children have never come along before it's definitely one not to miss.**

A date for your diary – We have chosen a date for our next **Choral Evensong: Bible Sunday, 29th October 2023, at 6pm.**

St Michael's Bells Restoration – Donate a headstock for £1,000 and we supply a brass plaque, approximately 7 inches long, which will be fixed to the headstock and inscribed with a suitable approved wording, e.g. "Headstock donated by The Smith Family In memoriam John Smith 1930-2022." For more information contact Claire Conquest or Gill Johnson or alternatively please email: bells@saintmichaelweb.org.uk

We have an opportunity for a Governor at our Church School! Would you be interested or do you know somebody who might be? Please speak to Val Ashwood for information.

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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