

# ALDENHAM CHURCH ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST



**Pew Sheet for Sunday 20 October 2024 - 21st  
Sunday after Trinity  
Trafalgar Day**

**Welcome to today's service which is A Service of the Word.**

**A special welcome this Trafalgar Sunday to members of the HMS Aldenham Society who, after the service, will gather round the tomb of Philip Smith, a midshipman who was killed at the battle of Trafalgar on 21 October 1805. The tomb is just down the path outside the North Door.**

Join us on air at 10.30pm or after on this link:<https://youtube.com/live/OQzb7GM1EzU?feature=share>

**We thank Rosie Rawlinson for leading this service**

**The Greeting**

**Opening Prayers**

**Collect**

Almighty God, in whose service lies perfect freedom:  
teach us to obey you with loving hearts and steadfast wills;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**First Hymn:** NEH 236, Lord, as I wake I turn to you

**Confession/Absolution/Praise**

**Second Hymn:** God, we praise you, God, we bless you (Rustington, separate sheet)

**The Word of God**

**1st Reading:** Hebrews 5: 1-10 read by Linda Lambert

Every high priest chosen from among mortals is put in charge of things pertaining to God on their behalf, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. He is able to deal gently with the ignorant and wayward, since he himself is subject to weakness; and because of this he must offer sacrifice for his own sins as well as for those of the people. And one does not presume to take this honour, but takes it only when called by God, just as Aaron was. So also Christ did not glorify himself in

becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him, 'You are my Son, today I have begotten you'; as he says also in another place, 'You are a priest for ever, according to the order of Melchizedek.' In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

**Third Hymn:** NEH 374, How sweet the name of Jesus sounds

**2nd Reading:** Mark 10: 35-45 read by the Fongho family

James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to him and said to him, 'Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you.' And he said to them, 'What is it you want me to do for you?' And they said to him, 'Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory.' But Jesus said to them, 'You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?' They replied, 'We are able.' Then Jesus said to them, 'The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared.' When the ten heard this, they began to be angry with James and John. So Jesus called them and said to them, 'You know that among the Gentiles those whom they recognize as their rulers lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. But it is not so among you; but whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all. For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many.'

**Fourth Hymn:** NEH 369, Happy are they, they that love God

**The Creed**

**Prayers of Intercession:** led by Dr Mark Jones

Please pray for:

**Fiona McGuinness, Isla & Don Hart, Jack, Natalia, Rostislav Myslov, Lucy Haslar, John Chapman, Malcolm Pattinson and Elizabeth Village. We commend to God the soul of Michael Bromley, praying for his family and friends**

*(Please let us know of any additions to this list by emailing - [info@aldenhamchurch.com](mailto:info@aldenhamchurch.com))*

## **The Lord's Prayer**

**Fifth Hymn:** NEH 334, All people that on earth do dwell

## **The Grace**

### **EVENSONG at 6.30pm**

Thank you to Dr Mark Jones for leading this service

**Opening Hymn:** NEH 344, Children of the heavenly King

## **Confession/Collect**

**Lord's Prayer and versicles/responses**

**Psalm:** 141

**Reading:** Joshua 14: 6-14 read by Sue Barnard

## **Magnificat**

**Reading:** Matthew 12: 1-21 read by Jill Gillam

## **Nunc Dimittis**

## **Creed**

**Versicles/responses**

**Collect for the day and 2nd/3rd Collect**

**Reflection:** Dr Mark Jones

**Hymn:** NEH 334, All people that on earth do dwell

## **Prayers**

**Hymn:** NEH 239, Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy

## **Closing prayer**

**Pastoral Care**  
If you need care  
or assistance at  
any time, please  
do not hesitate to  
contact Sue  
Barnard

## **NOTICES**

### **Michael Bromley RIP**

We are so sorry to report the passing of Michael Bromley last weekend and pray for Pat and his family and friends at this sad time. Michael has been such a big part of the church for so many years and his contributions have been enormous. We will have more information and funeral arrangements shortly.

### **Bill Ritson RIP**

All are welcome at the memorial requiem Eucharist for our former parish priest Bill Ritson which will be in St Albans Cathedral on Thursday 24 October at 1pm.



## Operation Christmas Child - Shoe box appeal It's that time of year again!

A simple shoebox gift packed with love and fuelled by prayer can have a huge impact! Once again, we will arrange a shoebox collection to be sent to children across the world who are less fortunate than we are. Here is a video showing the faces of the children opening shoeboxes last year <https://youtu.be/Bh479DyjRwc> which just shows the impact it can make. All details are online now <https://www.samaritans-purse.org.uk/what-we-do/operation-christmas-child/>, but if more helpful, there will be leaflets at the back of the church soon too. Ideas include: a cuddly toy, a deflated football and pump, a toy truck, doll or a musical instrument. Please note there are now several items on the restricted list such as chocolate, sweets and toothpaste, so please do check.

**Boxes need to be dropped off the week beginning Monday 11 November, so please get them to the back of the Church or to Morwen Harris (07889 472322) by Sunday 17 November.**

**Thank you!**

**Christianity Unpacked** – This enquirer's course (previously known as Alpha) began at St Martin's on 16 October and runs until 18 December. All welcome.

**Christianity Unpacked;**  
*Lifting the lid on our faith*



Space in which to explore Christianity,  
ask questions & discuss with one  
another in a welcoming,  
judgement free group.

**Every Wednesday**  
**7.30-9pm**  
**@ St Martin's Church**  
**Starting from 18th October**

[www.stmartinschurch.co.uk](http://www.stmartinschurch.co.uk)

**Christianity Unpacked;**  
*Lifting the lid on our faith*



Wk 1: The Radical Rabbi, 16th Oct  
Wk 2: Beyond The Cross, 23rd Oct  
Wk 3: Faith In The Real World, 30th Oct  
Wk 4: Talking To God, 6th Nov  
Wk 5: The Book That Speaks, 13th Nov  
Wk 6: Finding Our Path, 20th Nov

**Half Day Retreat, 23rd Nov (10.30-3pm)**  
The Invisible Power  
Making Room For The Spirit  
Unwrapping Our Gifts

Wk 7: Life's Rollercoaster, 27th Nov  
Wk 8: Being A Witness Today, 4th Dec  
Wk 9: Power In Prayer, 11th Dec  
Wk 10: Together As One, 18th Dec

**General questions or enquiries - [info@aldenhamchurch.com](mailto:info@aldenhamchurch.com)**  
**More information and diary - [www.aldenhamchurch.com](http://www.aldenhamchurch.com)**  
**Donations - Barclays A/c No. 90100668 Sort Code 20-74-09**