

ALDENHAM CHURCH ST JOHN THE BAPTIST

Pew Sheet for Sunday 9 February 2025

Fourth Sunday before Lent
Family Service (non communion)



Join us on air at 10.30am or after on this link <https://youtube.com/live/oJ-2P64COAw?feature=share>

We welcome and thank Rosie Rawlinson for leading this service

Order of Service

Greeting

Opening Hymn: NEH 365, 'God moves in a mysterious way'

Collect for the day/Collect

O God, who knowest us to be set in the midst of so many and great dangers, that by reason of the frailty of our nature we cannot always stand upright: grant to us such strength and protection as may support us in all dangers and carry us through all temptations; through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Confession

Hymn: NEH 467, 'Through all the changing scenes of life'

1st Reading: 1 Corinthians 15, 1-11 read by Isabella Frankish
Now I should remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you—unless you have come to believe in vain. For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one

time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. Last of all, as to someone untimely born, he appeared also to me. For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace towards me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them—though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

2nd Reading: Luke 5, 1-11 read by the Minister

Once while Jesus was standing beside the lake of Gennesaret, and the crowd was pressing in on him to hear the word of God, he saw two boats there at the shore of the lake; the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little way from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat. When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, 'Put out into the deep water and let down your nets for a catch.' Simon answered, 'Master, we have worked all night long but have caught nothing. Yet if you say so, I will let down the nets.' When they had done this, they caught so many fish that their nets were beginning to break. So they signalled to their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both boats, so that they began to sink. But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, 'Go away from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man!' For he and all who were with him were amazed at the catch of fish that they had taken; and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. Then Jesus said to Simon, 'Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching people.' When they had brought their boats to shore, they left everything and followed him.

Address: the Minister

Creed

Hymn: NEH 434, 'Oft in danger, oft in woe'

Intercessions: led by Dr Mark Jones

Lord's Prayer

Final Hymn: NEH 235, 'Forth in thy name, O Lord, I go'

Final prayers and Blessing

EVENSONG at 6.30pm

Thank you to Dr Mark Jones for leading us in this service

Opening Hymn: NEH 342, 'Breathe on me, Breath of God'

Confession/Absolution

Lord's Prayer and versicles/responses

Psalm: 2, 1-6

Reading: Hosea 1, read by Martin Jeens

Magnificat

Reading: Colossians 3, 1-22 read by Valerie Turner

Nunc Dimittis

Creed

Versicles/responses

Collect for the day and 2nd/3rd Collect

Reflection: Dr Jones

Hymn: NEH 369, 'Happy are they, they that love God'

Prayers

Hymn: NEH 468, 'Through the night of doubt and sorrow'

Blessing

Please pray for:

Fiona McGuinness, Isla Hart, Jack, Natalia, Rostislav Myslov, Lucy Haslar and John Chapman

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

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

NOTICES

Coffee Morning/Concert: thank you to everyone who attended and supported our first coffee morning/concert of 2025. Elizabeth's piano recital was fantastic and helped us raise just short of £600. A great start to the year!

Aldenham Church, St John the Baptist

Coffee/Concert mornings

Saturday Mornings normally on the first Saturday of the month at the church.

Coffee 10.30 - Concert 11.30 (for up to 1 hour.)

Coming up in 2025!

Saturday March 1st

Music from the Trio con Brio, featuring piano, clarinets and saxophone.

Saturday April 5th

Stuart Sidders and friends. Stuart will be playing saxophone for us with 2 singers a variety of music in a jazz theme. We will be helping him raise money for MacMillan Nurses for which with this and other fundraisers hopes to raise over £10,000 this year

Saturday May 3rd

A Harpsichord ensemble will join us with colourful 18th century masterpieces.

Saturday June 7th

Joshua Harris - Piano recital

Saturday July 5th

To be confirmed

Saturday August 9th (Note Date)

Musicians from the Camerata course, see today's programme notes.

September 6th

Kevin and Carey Tann - Piano and organ duo.

October 4th - To be confirmed

November 1st - To be confirmed

December 6th

Kyra Gospel Choir make a welcome return.

Everyone welcome!

Entry is free but we ask for a reasonable voluntary donation to ensure the continuation of the concerts - please!

Explore our beautiful historic building or just come and enjoy refreshments from 10.30 followed by the concert.

Refreshment, cake and music, a perfect Saturday morning!

Please email us if you would like to receive more information about these events in your inbox - info@aldenhamchurch.com

(Some concerts are streamed live on the day and available for a period afterwards, details are given nearer the time and sent on email.)



Confirmations - 22nd May, 7.30pm.

This year St Martin's Church, Shenley, will be hosting the Team Confirmation service. If you feel God is calling you to be Confirmed or you have questions about what it involves, please contact Sarah Marshall for more information. Preparations will begin in the Spring.

Memory Cafe at Christ Church Vision Hall or Radlett Reform Synagogue - this gathering allows people experiencing memory loss accompanied by a loved one/carer to connect, socialise and build new support networks. The Cafe is free to attend. It runs between 10am and 11.30am every second Tuesday. The venue alternates between Christ Church Vision Hall and Radlett Reform Synagogue. The next Cafe meets on Tuesday 11 February at Christ Church.

Dates for your Diaries

- Saturday 15 March - memorial service for Christopher Treves-Brown at 11.30pm at Aldenham

General questions or enquiries - info@aldenhamchurch.com

More information and diary - www.aldenhamchurch.com

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