

Sunday 11th January 2026

The Baptism of Christ

10:45am Covenant Service at the United Reform Church,
Radlett, 6:30pm Evensong at Aldenham



Collect of the Day

Eternal Father, who at the baptism of Jesus revealed him to be your Son, anointing him with the Holy Spirit: grant to us, who are born again by water and the Spirit, that we may be faithful to our calling as your adopted children; 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.



10:45am COVENANT SERVICE at RADLETT UNITED FREE CHURCH, Station Rd, Radlett WD7 8JX

Led by Revd. David Jebb with Revd Oliver Blease preaching.

We are invited to join the Methodist Covenant service with Communion, together with Christ Church and St John's Radlett. The Methodist Covenant service is held at the beginning of the year as a yearly reminder of our God's promises and our response.

THERE IS THEREFORE NO MORNING SERVICE AT ALDENHAM



(Picture shows a portion of the 'Baptism of Christ' by Leonardo Da Vinci)

6:30pm EVENSONG AT Aldenham as usual

We are delighted to welcome back Eileen Bigg to lead us in worship.

Opening hymn: NEH 337 As pants the hart for cooling streams

General Confession / Absolution

Lord's Prayer / Preces and Responses

Psalm: Ps. 46

OT Lesson: Exodus 14.15-22, read by Andrew Whittington

Then the Lord said to Moses, “Why are you crying out to me? Tell the Israelites to move on. ¹⁶ Raise your staff and stretch out your hand over the sea to divide the water so that the Israelites can go through the sea on dry ground. ¹⁷ I will harden the hearts of the Egyptians so that they will go in after them. And I will gain glory through Pharaoh and all his army, through his chariots and his horsemen. ¹⁸ The Egyptians will know that I am the Lord when I gain glory through Pharaoh, his chariots and his horsemen.”

¹⁹ Then the angel of God, who had been traveling in front of Israel’s army, withdrew and went behind them. The pillar of cloud also moved from in front and stood behind them, ²⁰ coming between the armies of Egypt and Israel. Throughout the night the cloud brought darkness to the one side and light to the other side; so neither went near the other all night long.

²¹ Then Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and all that night the Lord drove the sea back with a strong east wind and turned it into dry land. The waters were divided, ²² and the Israelites went through the sea on dry ground, with a wall of water on their right and on their left.

Magnificat

NT Lesson: 1 John 5.6-9, read by Mark Jones

⁶ This is He who came by water and blood—Jesus Christ; not only by water, but by water and blood. And it is the Spirit who bears witness, because the Spirit is truth. ⁷ For there are three that bear witness in heaven: the Father, the Word, and the Holy Spirit; and these three are one. ⁸ And there are three that bear witness on earth: the Spirit, the water, and the blood; and these three agree as one.

⁹ If we receive the witness of men, the witness of God is greater; for this is the witness of God which He has testified of His Son.

Nunc Dimittis

Creed

Lesser Litany and Responses

Collect for the Day, Second and Third Collect

Address by Eileen Bigg.

Second hymn: NEH 354 *Eternal father, strong to save*

Prayers

Closing hymn: NEH 495 *God is working his purpose out*

Closing Prayer

PRAYER LIST

Please pray for: Fiona McGuiness, Isla Hart, Natalia, Rostislav Myslov, Lucy Haslar, and John Chapman.



NOTICES

Next Sunday at Aldenham: 10:30pm Family Service with Communion; 6:30pm Evensong

Children's Church will be held on the first Sunday of every month with the next session being on February 1st at 10.30.

Parking is available in the Social Club Car Park for the Morning Service. Please leave the space outside the church for those less able.

Pastoral Care If you need care or assistance at any time, please do not hesitate to contact Sue Barnard or Jackie Wilson. This can be done either in person on Sunday, through the contact box on the website or by calling Jackie on 07949 587828.

Thank you to the generous people who have so kindly donated towards the recent cost of the renovations to the bells. Your help on this is very welcome and made a big difference to their continued use. Pictures show the pulleys and clappers having been restored to their former glory.



Funerals, we were so sorry to hear of the passing of **Joanne Fletcher**, who was so instrumental in keeping our church clean and tidy for some 20+ years. She always went beyond the call of duty and was so helpful in many ways. Her funeral will be at the church on Jan 26th at 12.30 followed by a burial at Allum Lane and the wake at the Social Club.

We are also sorry to hear that **Liz Cornellison** passed away over the Christmas period. Many of you will remember her well and all that she did for Aldenham. Her funeral will also be at the church, and this will be on Jan 14th at 11.00am followed by burial in the churchyard.

Both services will be taken by Robert.

Website – have you looked at our website lately? Being the first contact for people it is important that it looks right and contains the relevant information. It is so easy for us to assume it is OK so please have a look and let us know if you have any recommendations to improve it please.

www.aldenhamchurch.com



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St. John the Baptist, Aldenham Parish Church
(or talk to Jill or Cathy if you would like to become a regular contributor or a friend.)