

Notices:

- ❖ Every service is a "Family Service". Children of all ages are welcome and will have something to help us out with if they want to. Carrying the cross, the offering plate round, even giving us lovely sounds of baby chatter (it's not crying to us). There is a children's corner too.
- ❖ Baptism does not have to wait, kindly contact us to fix a date.

In Our Community: News & Events

Electoral Roll renewal is underway and everyone needs to complete an application form. Forms are available in each church and need to be returned to the Electoral Roll Officer:

Much Hadham Carol French by 30 April

St Albans Easter Monday Pilgrimage will take place on 21 April and the theme is JOY. Pilgrims can journey from their local church, or from a hub church, to gather together for a celebration at St Albans Cathedral. Gather on the beautiful Abbey Orchard before heading inside from 2:30 pm for an informal service at 3 pm. Short communion led by Bishop Richard, Bishop of Bedford.

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Sunday 20 April 2025

Easter Day

@ St Mary's Albury

The Benefice of Albury, Little Hadham

& Much Hadham

We Are Living God's Love

*Our Church is for more than
"hatched, matched, dispatched & jingle bells".
It is our history, handed over to us by our
grandparents for our grandchildren.
Keep it alive. Attend & support your church.*

Bank details:

Albury Parochial Church Council

Sort code: 20-36-98 Account No. 00106887

**Revd Tayo will be leading us in worship today.
Please stay for refreshments & catching up after the service.**

Looking Ahead: April into May

Thursday 24 April 2025 10:00 am

Mid-week Communion

@ St Cecilia's Little Hadham

Sunday 27 April 2025 9:15 am

Benefice Holy Communion

@ St Andrew's Much Hadham

Sunday 4 May 2025 9:15 am

Benefice Holy Communion

@ St Cecilia's Little Hadham

Sunday 11 May 2025 9:15 am

Benefice Holy Communion

@ St Mary's Albury

Sunday 18 May 2025 9:15 am

Benefice Holy Communion

@ St Andrew's Much Hadham

Afternoon tea on the first Sunday every month,
3 - 5 pm at Albury Village Hall.

Much Hadham Baby and Toddler Group meets on
Tuesdays in term time 9.30- 11.30 in Much Hadham
Village Hall.

Please Keep In Our Prayers:



Stuart Sagers

Peter Radley

Joanne Luxford

Margaret Radley

David Stroud

Tamsin Farrell

Please bring to our notices, those who we need to keep in our prayers.

Our Hymns for this service are:

Opening: CP148 Jesus Lives Thy Terrors Now

Gradual: CP147 Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

Offertory: CP523 My God How Wonderful Thou Art

Closing: CP160 Thine The Glory Risen Conquering

We Pray The Collect Together:

God of glory, by the raising of your Son you have broken the chains of death and hell: fill your Church with faith and hope; for a new day has dawned and the way to life stands open in our Saviour Jesus Christ.

We Listen To God's Word

Psalm 118.14-24

¹⁴ The Lord is my strength and my might; he has become my salvation.

¹⁵ **There are glad songs of victory in the tents of the righteous: 'The right hand of the Lord does valiantly;**

¹⁶ the right hand of the Lord is exalted; the right hand of the Lord does valiantly.'

¹⁷ **I shall not die, but I shall live, and recount the deeds of the Lord.**

¹⁸ The Lord has punished me severely, but he did not give me over to death.

¹⁹ **Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter through them and give thanks to the Lord.**

²⁰ This is the gate of the Lord; the righteous shall enter through it.

²¹ **I thank you that you have answered me and have become my salvation.**

²² The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.

²³ **This is the Lord's doing; it is marvellous in our eyes.**

²⁴ This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it

Amen.

Acts 10.34-43

³⁴ Then Peter began to speak to them: 'I truly understand that God shows no partiality, ³⁵but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. ³⁶You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. ³⁷That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: ³⁸how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was

with him. ³⁹We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; ⁴⁰but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, ⁴¹not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. ⁴²He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. ⁴³All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.'

This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Reading Luke 24.1-12

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

All: Glory to you, O Christ

²⁴But on the first day of the week, at early dawn, they came to the tomb, taking the spices that they had prepared. ²They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, ³but when they went in, they did not find the body. ⁴While they were perplexed about this, suddenly two men in dazzling clothes stood beside them. ⁵The women were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, 'Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen. ⁶Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, ⁷that the Son of Man must be handed over to sinners, and be crucified, and on the third day rise again.' ⁸Then they remembered his words, ⁹and returning from the tomb, they told all this to the eleven and to all the rest. ¹⁰Now it was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women with them who told this to the apostles. ¹¹But these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. ¹²But Peter got up and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; then he went home, amazed at what had happened.

All: Praise to you, O Christ.

Post Communion

God of Life, who for our redemption gave your only-begotten Son to the death of the cross, and by his glorious resurrection have delivered us from the power of our enemy: grant us so to die daily to sin, that we may evermore live with him in the joy of his risen life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.