

**Sunday 26 January 2025**

**Epiphany 3**

**@ St Mary's Albury.**

**The Benefice of Albury, Little Hadham**

**& Much Hadham**

**We Are Living God's Love**

**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**

**Save the date – 29 March St Andrew's**

The Reverend Doctor Cally Hammond, Dean and Fellow of Gonville and Caius in Cambridge will give us a Lent talk, starting at Noon in church to be followed by a Lent lunch. More details to follow.

**Lent Course**

St Andrew's and Holy Cross will re run (on Zoom) Michael McAdam's Lent course each morning in Lent, starting on 5 March (Ash Wednesday) and finishing on 17 April (Maundy Thursday). More details on 'NOTICES' page of the website.

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"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*

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

**Looking Ahead: February**

**Sunday 2 February 2025 9:15 am**

Benefice Holy Communion  
@ St Andrew's Much Hadham

**Sunday 9 February 2025 9:15 am**

Benefice Holy Communion  
@ St Cecilia's Little Hadham

**Sunday 16 February 2025 9:15 am**

Benefice Holy Communion  
@ St Mary's Albury

**Sunday 23 February 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 Siggers  
Peter Radley  
Joanne Luxford

Margaret Radley  
David Stroud  
Tamsin Farrell

**And the bereaved families of:**

Roger Day

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

**Our Hymns for this service are:**

**Opening:** CP543 O Praise Ye The Lord, Praise Him . .

**Gradual:** CP519 Make Me A Channel Of Your Peace

**Offertory:** CP416 Father Hear The Prayer We Offer

**Closing:** CP376 And Can It Be

**We Pray The Collect Together:**

**God of all mercy, your Son proclaimed good news to the poor, release to the captives, and freedom to the oppressed: anoint us with your Holy Spirit and set all your people free to praise you in Christ our Lord.**

**We Listen To God's Word**

**Psalm 19.1–6**

<sup>1</sup> The heavens are telling the glory of God and the firmament proclaims his handiwork.

<sup>2</sup> **One day pours out its song to another and one night unfolds knowledge to another.**

<sup>3</sup> They have neither speech nor language and their voices are not heard,

<sup>4</sup> **Yet their sound has gone out into all lands and their words to the ends of the world.**

<sup>5</sup> In them has he set a tabernacle for the sun, that comes forth as a bridegroom out of his chamber and rejoices as a champion to run his course.

<sup>6</sup> **It goes forth from the end of the heavens and runs to the very end again, and there is nothing hidden from its heat.**

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;

**as it was in the beginning is now and shall be forever.**

**Amen.**

**1 Corinthians 12.12–31a**

<sup>12</sup> For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. <sup>13</sup> For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit. <sup>14</sup> Indeed, the body does not consist of one member but of many. <sup>15</sup> If the foot were to say, Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body, that would not make it any less a part of the body.

<sup>16</sup> And if the ear were to say, Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body, that would not make it any less a part of the body. <sup>17</sup> If the whole body were an eye, where would the hearing be? If the whole body were hearing, where would the sense of smell be? <sup>18</sup> But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose. <sup>19</sup> If all were a single member, where would the body be? <sup>20</sup> As it is, there are many members, yet one body. <sup>21</sup> The eye cannot say to the hand, I have no need of you, nor

again the head to the feet, I have no need of you.

<sup>22</sup> On the contrary, the members of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, <sup>23</sup> and those members of the body that we think less honourable we clothe with greater honour, and our less respectable members are treated with greater respect; <sup>24</sup> whereas our more respectable members do not need this. But God has so arranged the body, giving the greater honour to the inferior member, <sup>25</sup> that there may be no dissension within the body, but the members may have the same care for one another. <sup>26</sup> If one member suffers, all suffer together with it; if one member is honoured, all rejoice together with it. <sup>27</sup> Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it. <sup>28</sup> And God has appointed in the church first apostles, second prophets, third teachers; then deeds of power, then gifts of healing, forms of assistance, forms of leadership, various kinds of tongues. <sup>29</sup> Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? <sup>30</sup> Do all possess gifts of healing? Do all speak in tongues? Do all interpret? <sup>31</sup> But strive for the greater gifts. And I will show you a still more excellent way.

This is the word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

**Gospel Reading Luke 4.14–21**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

**All: Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>14</sup> Then Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country. <sup>15</sup> He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone. <sup>16</sup> When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, <sup>17</sup> and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written: <sup>18</sup> The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, <sup>19</sup> to proclaim the year of the Lord's favour. <sup>20</sup> And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. <sup>21</sup> Then he began to say to them, today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**All: Praise to you, O Christ.**

**Post Communion Prayer – Celebrant.**