



## All Saints' Church

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## Sunday 14th September

### 9.45am Holy Communion led by Revd Caroline Wickens

### 4pm Messy Church

#### Readings

1 Timothy 1 vv 12 – 17  
Luke 15 vv 1 – 10

#### Hymns

53 How shall I sing that majesty?  
362 Meekness and majesty  
485 When we are living, we are in the Lord  
569 An upper room did our Lord prepare  
403 God is love, his the care

#### Thought for the week: Sunday 14th September: Education Sunday

Education Sunday takes place as children and teachers return to school and students leave for university. This year, ecumenical leaders offer the theme 'Lost and Found'. Their leader, Revd Vivienne Royal, writes this:

We work with vulnerable young people facing complex challenges. National data shows that 20% of young people need mental health support. Many of our students have also experienced trauma or adverse childhood experiences. Add to this the lingering impact of COVID-19, and it's clear: many young people feel lost.

In this week's gospel story, the shepherd leaves the 99 to search for the one lost sheep, and the woman turns her house upside down to find the lost coin. These parables show that what's lost matters deeply. The lost sheep may have wandered off, and the coin didn't lose itself, but the point is, someone cared enough to search until they were found.

**Morning Prayer** at 9am and **Eucharist** at 9.30am continue on Tuesday morning. Evening Prayer is on Fridays at 4pm. All welcome.

“**Coffee, Chat and Play**” takes place on **Tuesday mornings** from 10 - 11.15am. Everyone welcome to enjoy some time together in the Lower Hall. Refreshments provided.

**Bike n Hike:** this year's Bike 'n Hike to raise funds for the Herts and Beds Historic Churches Trust and churches is **this Saturday (13th September)**. John and Heather Wignall will be cycling to raise money and aim to cycle to over 20 churches between them. All Saints' received a grant of £5,000 from the Trust towards the work on the roof in 2024. If you would like to sponsor them they would love to hear from you or you can visit <https://www.justgiving.com/page/john-wignall-25>

**Newsletter:** if you have any articles or photographs for the next newsletter, please let Chris Billington have them as soon as possible. Thank you.

Everyone is **welcome to tea** at the church **next Sunday (21st September)** from 3-4.30pm. It will be a chance to get to know each other and Revd Caroline Wickens better, combined with a visit from Zethu of Phakamisa, the charity that we support in South Africa that supports orphans and others in a variety of ways. Do come along.

**Harvest Festival:** our harvest celebrations will be on **Sunday 5th October**. The service will be followed by a bring and share lunch and there is a sign up sheet on the table. As usual our monetary donations will be split between All We Can and the Bishop's Harvest Appeal and food donations will go to DENS. Their current high needs list is at <https://www.dens.org.uk/support-us/high-needs-list/>

**Help needed please:** several months ago Keith and I rashly promised to draw a plan of the flowerbeds at All Saints'. This was to enable members of our congregation to choose to take over the care of particular flower beds, a system we used several years ago when it worked well. The Eco Church group spends much time at their meetings discussing our church gardens and the request for a plan comes from them. We need a simple plan, not necessarily drawn to scale, something we can write on, we think. We would be very grateful if one of you could do this to help us.  
Keith and Ruth Treves Brown

**Piano recital:** on **Saturday 27th September** at 3pm there will be a recital in St Martha's Tring, given by Jill Crossland. She has given many recitals on the South Bank and at the Wigmore Hall in London and has featured in the Classic FM Hall of Fame [and](#) on radio and TV, including live and recorded broadcasts on BBC Radios 3 and 4. She will be playing works by Bach, Schubert and Beethoven. Tickets £15 including refreshments. Tel: 01442 822305 E-mail: [berdinner@gmail.com](mailto:berdinner@gmail.com) or on the door

## Prayer Requests:

For: Jonathan and Ann Hayes; Helen and Sarah; Marion and Julian; Audrey and Paul Cox; Mark, Nicola and family; Terry; Heather Gifford; Liz and Paul; Ida; Penny;

We pray for our neighbours throughout the world whose lives have been changed by the events in Israel, Palestine and Lebanon, and pray especially for all those who have lost loved ones and homes due to the conflict. We pray too for all aid workers who have died or been injured while trying to bring supplies to those in need and for their families.

We pray too for those who are caught up in war in other parts of the world, including Sudan and Ukraine and for those facing the threat of starvation in the ongoing hostilities;

We pray for the people of Myanmar following the devastating earthquake at the end of March;

We also pray for:

All who are refugees, especially those who are not receiving help to rebuild their lives in safety;

We pray that the issue of climate change may not be forgotten and all the nations may act to secure the safety of our world. We pray too for all whose lives have been badly affected by climate changes in the areas where they live.

We pray that all MPs may serve their constituents and country with integrity and care for all they represent.

We continue to pray for the children and their families of our church and town and all who work in the NHS; Social Services and the charities who are supporting the sick or frail;

We pray for those who are helped by Embrace the Middle East, Karibuni Children; the Leprosy Mission; Phakamisa, DENS; the Way Inn with Open Door; the Swan Youth Project and for all those who work in these organisations.

We continue to pray for those whose need is ongoing:

Julia Wright; Corinne & William; Gary Andersen; Charlie; Graham Rule; Clare Hancock; John Malcolm; Valerie Ruddock; Jenny Wells; Barbara Conway; Marnie Taylor; Leslie; Lesley Whittaker; Chris Billington;



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