



All Saints' Church

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Sunday 6th September

9.45am Morning Worship led by Revd Caroline Wickens

Readings

Romans 13 vv 8 – 14
Matthew 18 vv 15 – 20

Hymns

83	Praise, my soul, the King of heaven
495	Dear Lord and Father of mankind
675	Because the Saviour prayed
503	Love divine, all loves excelling

Thought for the week: Sunday 6th September – Matthew 18:15 – 20

The missioning, reconciling, and praying community of disciples committed to Jesus is the place of Jesus' presence, represented by and encountered in these acts. Jesus manifests God's saving presence, which is found in a merciful, inclusive community committed to reconciliation and forgiveness.

Warren Carter

Blessings, Caroline

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

"Coffee, Chat and Play" starts again this week and everyone is welcome to enjoy some fellowship and time together from 10 - 11.30am on Tuesday mornings in the Lower Hall.

Church tea party for The Leprosy Mission - this Sunday (6th September) from 3pm to 4.30 pm. Please come and enjoy some time together - and bring some cake if you can. There will be information about The Leprosy Mission and you will be invited to contribute to their cause.

DENS: Waitrose in Berkhamsted is very kindly supporting the DENS Foodbank with two upcoming collection days in store on **Tuesday 8th** and **Wednesday 9th September**. DENS volunteers will be on hand to encourage shoppers to add a little extra to their trolley and help replenish the foodbank with items that are currently running low. These include tinned tomatoes, peas, carrots and sweetcorn, custard and cooking sauces. Kitchen and hygiene items such as 2 in 1 shampoo, toothpaste, hand soap, laundry tablets and carrier bags are also needed. For a full list please go to <https://www.dens.org.uk/support-us/high-needs-list/>

Creation tide: Revd Caroline will be leading a series of study group sessions to celebrate Creation tide, the period in the annual church calendar dedicated to God as creator and sustainer of all life. These will take place on **Thursdays at 2pm** with the next session on **Thursday 10th September**. The six sessions will look at biodiversity, transport, water, energy, waste and pollution and shopping. All welcome and if you would like to take part, please contact Caroline for the Zoom joining link.

The annual **Bike n Hike** for the Beds & Herts Historic Churches Trust is taking place next **Saturday 12th September**. Thank you to all those who are volunteering to sign people in at All Saints' and offer refreshments. Thank you, too, to all those who have sponsored John and Heather Wignall who will be cycling to raise money for both the Trust and All Saints'. If anyone else would like to sponsor them please get in touch or donate via the JustGiving website on <https://www.justgiving.com/page/john-wignall-2026>.

Our **Harvest Service** will take place on **Sunday 4th October** and as ever it would be nice to celebrate by bringing flowers and foliage to the church. It might be rather different, after the unusual summer heat and lack of rain, causing Autumn to arrive early. Please come and help on the morning of **Saturday 3rd October** between 10 am and 12noon. Raid your gardens and hedgerows or search, on the day, in the church garden. If you are able to contribute but not on that morning/day do let me know. I am sure alternatives can be arranged. Thank you. Sylvia Smith (text/email or in person)

October/November newsletter: unfortunately, due to Doug's recent illness, I am not going to be able to produce the October/November newsletter. Hopefully things will improve so that I can do the December/January one and all things being equal I hope the copydate will be Friday 6th November. We would both like to thank all of you that have been praying for us, Doug is improving but it is quite slow. Christina Billington

People's Emergency Briefing: there will be a free screening of this 50 minute film at St Peter's on **Wednesday 23rd September** at 7pm. The film brings together leading UK scientists and experts to explore the impacts of climate change on our lives. Please register for free tickets at www.tickettailor.com/events/ecoberko

Service streaming: the link to watch the service on Sundays is: <https://www.youtube.com/@Allsaintshp4/live>

Prayer Requests

For: Jonathan and Ann Hayes; Terry; James; Doug Billington; Penny;

We pray for all those affected by recent disasters, particularly the people of Nepal and Tibet and those from other countries who were on pilgrimage;

We pray for the children and young people of our town at the start of the new school year and for all those involved in education;

We pray for an end to war and suffering in the Middle East and the other parts of the world where there is ongoing conflict. We pray for peace and respect for the rules of international law among the nations;

We pray that the changes in our climate will be treated seriously and pray for recovery for the land and forests which have been badly burned in the last few weeks;

We pray for those who find it hard to provide for their families, and for all those who work for a more just society. And we remember all those refugees who are seeking safety and peace in our country, praying for greater understanding of what they have suffered;

We pray for those who are helped by Embrace the Middle East, Karibuni Children; the Leprosy Mission; Phakamisa, DENS; the Way Inn; 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; Valerie Ruddock; Jenny Wells; Marnie Taylor; Lesley Whittaker; Chris Billington; Mark, Nicola and family; Helen and Sarah; Marion and Julian; Jean Emsall



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