

SERVICES FOR SUNDAY 27TH MARCH

MOTHERING SUNDAY

ST ALBANS

10.00 am Methodist morning service led by
Revd Rachel Leather

6.30 pm Evening Prayer

HOLY TRINITY

11.00 am Holy Communion with Rev. Simon Howell

FUTURE SERVICES AT ST ALBANS

SUNDAY APRIL 3RD - Joint Ecumenical service at Holy Trinity with Fusebox at St Albans in the evening led by Richard Spring at 7.00pm

SUNDAY APRIL 10TH, PALM SUNDAY - Methodist morning service led by Revd Rachel Hope with Holy Communion

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CHURCH FAMILY NEWS

SERVICES FOR SUNDAY 20TH MARCH

ST ALBANS

10.00 am Methodist morning service led by
Revd Steve Ward

6.30 pm Taize service led by Revd Rachel Hope

DEC APPEAL FOR UKRAINE

The news from Ukraine remains grim, with an estimated 3 million people fleeing their homes. You may have already given to this crisis but if not and would like to do so there will be a retiring collection after both services today. All donations received will be forwarded to the DEC appeal. Thank you.

HOLY TRINITY

11.00 am Morning Worship with Local Ministry Team



Wednesday 23rd March - Church open for private
prayer 8.30am - 3.00pm

VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED PLEASE

Holy Week joint services, April 11th - 14th 2022

The ECC worship team is planning to hold some of our Holy Week services in person for the first time in 3 years and we need some helping with making sure they happen. Please let Karen know if you can help (details below).

There will be **Early Morning services** at 7.00am on Monday 11th, Tuesday 12th and Wednesday 13th. The overall theme is 'Towards the Cross'. You may remember we have a 30 minute service followed by a simple breakfast in the Wesley Rooms for those who can stay. We need **volunteers** to organise breakfasts of juice, croissants and tea/coffee each day.

On Maundy Thursday we would like to, once again, organise a symbolic **Passover Meal**, incorporating a Communion service at St Alban's at 7.30pm. We will need **volunteers** to arrange the furniture in the church and to organise the food, including cooking a lamb joint (as Karen and Peter Burridge are away). There are usually people willing to stay to tidy up at the end.

Good Friday morning service will be at St Alban's. More information to follow nearer the time.

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LENT COURSE 2022

This year's Lent course is 'Glimpses of God – Hope for today's world' and will be held at St Albans on a Thursday evening at 7.30pm.

Thursday 10th March - The God who hears our cry.

Thursday 17th March - The Shepherd who guides and guards his people.

Thursday 24th March - The Son who is the Way, the Truth and the Life.

Thursday 31st March - The God who shares our pain.

Thursday 7th April - The God who calms our fears.

This is a York course, some of which we have done before. Booklets will be available on the first evening and subsequent weeks, at a cost of £3.80. We look forward to seeing you.



WALK ALL OVER CANCER

This year in March I will be walking 10,000 steps a day to raise funds for Cancer Research.

If you would like to sponsor me you can donate to Cancer Research UK on the page <https://fundraise.cancerresearchuk.org/page/rachels-walk-all-over-cancer-giving-page-130>

I will have a sponsor form with me if you would like to donate by cash or by cheque. Please make cheques payable to Cancer Research UK

Thank you for your support Revd Rachel

DATES FOR YOU DIARY



BIBLE STUDY

The Bible study will continue on **Wednesday 23rd March** in the Wesley room at 7.30pm and fortnightly thereafter.

We will be studying the Acts of the Apostles.

At the awayday it was noted that "we" wanted more Bible study, so we expect a large crowd, hence meeting in church so we can space ourselves out.

All are welcome and lifts can be arranged.



FRIDAY NIGHT FELLOWSHIP

We will continue this popular fellowship with our next gathering on **Friday 1st April**.

We will start by meeting in the Wesley room to give ourselves some space.

The idea is to bring some food to share and enjoy fellowship and discussion, but there is almost always too much food so if you are coming for the first time just turn up.

The subsequent meetings will be on the first Friday of the month.

All are welcome and lifts can be arranged.



SATURDAY SOCIAL

We are pleased that once again we can enjoy a game of table tennis, pool or air hockey; sit and chat and drink tea and coffee and play board games to our hearts content. The next meeting is on **Saturday 2nd April** from 3.30pm - 6.30pm. Please bring a picnic tea if you would like to stay and eat. If you haven't been before do come along and give it a try. It is a great opportunity for fellowship and also a chance to get to know people better as we talk about all sorts of things whilst we enjoy our tea! If you require transport please let me know. Janet Townsend.



CRAFT SESSIONS

We are meeting fortnightly in the Wesley Rooms on Mondays from 2.30 - 4.00pm. Our next session is on **21st March**. Bring your own craft project to work on, or sew, crochet or knit a piece of bunting for the 1900th anniversary of Hadrian's Wall. These will be sent up to the wall for an exhibition in October. Materials and instructions are provided for the bunting.



PLANT SALES

You may like to start thinking about plant sales for the coming year. Last year was a great success with several sales happening during the week leading up to a sale at St Albans in the car park. We hope that this can happen again and we may even be able to serve refreshments this year. The date for the St Alban's sale is Saturday 21st May.