

## Holy Baptism



11<sup>th</sup> February Emily Sophia Carter

## In Peace



19<sup>th</sup> February Beryl Page

## Mothers Union

**26<sup>th</sup> Feb - 11<sup>th</sup> March Fairtrade Fortnight**

[www.fairtrade.org.uk](http://www.fairtrade.org.uk)

**2<sup>nd</sup> March 2pm**

**Womens' World Day of Prayer**

Hertford Baptist Church. "All God's Creation is very Good!" Written by the women of Suriname.

**Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> March 2pm** Mothering Sunday posy preparation in the Church.

**Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> March 10am**

**Mothering Sunday Service**

"Make a Mother's Day" – Mothers' Union ethical gift catalogues available from the back of the Church.

**Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> March 7.30pm. Lent meeting.**

Janet & Colin Bird will present a talk & slideshow on last year's Diocesan Pilgrimage to The Holy Land. Memorial Chapel.

**Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> March 9.45 to 2.30pm**  
**Diocesan Spring Sharing Day "Action & Outreach"**. We are hosting this. Help with

refreshments & car park marshalling required.

## Bible Book Club

As the first (and 2nd) Tuesdays in March are not convenient for several of our regulars, we propose moving the meeting forward to 27 February.

We hope that works for most of you. Usual venue at Church, and we will continue with Luke Chapters 22 and 23.

## All Saints Art

All Saints Art has a talk on Thursday 1 March – in church, starting at 7.30pm. Dr Roger Aubery will give a talk entitled 'Angels in Religious Art' illustrated with slides.

Charge £2 to include tea and biscuits. This meeting is open for anyone to attend - so please do join us.

## Quiz Night

Pit your wits against All Saints finest in our annual fun-packed Quiz Night on March 17<sup>th</sup> in St John's hall at 7.00 pm. Come by yourself or as part of a team.

Please sign up at the back of church or call Richard on 01992 589781.

## All Saints Flower Club – AGM & Easter Flowers

The AGM & planning of Easter Flowers will be on Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> March at 10am in the Church Meeting Room. All members are asked to please make every effort to attend and if unable to please let me know if you can help at Easter.

New helpers are always welcome. We are always looking for new people to join our flower teams. If you are interested in joining in helping with weekly flowers in church or just at festivals please do join us

at this meeting. If you would like to know more do ring or email me.

Dorothy Toyn  
01992 589781 [dorothy.toyn@ntlworld.com](mailto:dorothy.toyn@ntlworld.com)

## **Donations for Flowers on the Memorial Book and Altar**

This is to remind you that you can donate money for flowers on the Altar or in the memorial chapel in memory of a friend or relative. The calendar to enter your chosen date is on the noticeboard at the back of church. Please contact the team leader on duty for the month you have chosen – a list of Team Leaders is on the noticeboard. The team leader will organize the flowers using your money donation. If you are unsure who to contact, please get in touch with me: see above.

## **Easter Flowers**

Flowers in church at Easter in memory of loved ones have always been special. Your donations are always appreciated and are a great help in making our church look its very best on Easter morning.

If you would like to make a donation this year Dorothy Toyn or the Churchwardens would be pleased to receive your gift by Sunday 25th March 2018.

The XMAS TREE CROSS will be decorated on Easter Day. Please remember to bring a flower on Easter Day Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> April

Dorothy Toyn  
01992 589781 [dorothy.toyn@ntlworld.com](mailto:dorothy.toyn@ntlworld.com)

## **Michael Stephens-Jones ARCO**

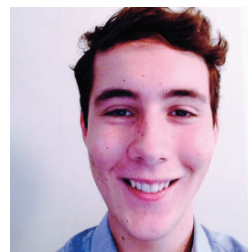
Congratulations to Michael on successfully completing the last exam module and thus being awarded his Associateship of the Royal College of Organists.

*"Associateship of the College indicates a standard of professional competency in organ-playing technique, essential keyboard skills and interpretative understanding. It also indicates accuracy in aural perception and fluency in those written disciplines which support practical musicianship"*



He will be presented with his diploma at the College's award ceremony in Southwark Cathedral at 14:00 on Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> March. All welcome!

## **Mark Scaife BMus**



Mark joined us in January 2018 as our new 'Soundbites' Organ Scholar.

He graduated with a First Class Degree in Music from Kings College London in 2017. He has Grade 8's in Piano (Merit), Saxophone (Merit), and Singing (Distinction) and is now studying the Organ with Martin Penny.

Hobbies include playing piano, harpsichord, and saxophone, choral singing, politics and current affairs, gym, menswear, reading, cycling, he is a qualified dinghy sailor, whisky collector, and has a black belt in Karate.

## **Street Pastors – an appeal**

Dear friends,

As you may know, Hertford & Ware Street Pastors has been at a crossroads recently. Crises of funding, volunteers and the need

for new trustees called the organisation's future into doubt.

The existing trustees, realising that urgent action was needed, set a date of 31st March, beyond which we could not continue to operate, and set ourselves the task of either helping to restructure the organisation and welcome in new blood, or of winding up operations in an orderly manner.

We wrote an appeal for help in November, and we have had a wonderful response. Financial gifts in the region of £3000 have been made, ensuring that we can pay our bills to March and beyond. There have been several offers of new volunteers to train to become Street Pastors, and one firm offer to become a trustee.

Rick Hartwig will be stepping down from his role as paid co-ordinator, though still involved on a voluntary basis, and this will mean Street Pastors is far easier to fund.

Bob, Colin and I, as existing trustees, will be meeting on 12th March to plan the next step.

If we have three people who have told us they are willing to be trustees by 9th March, then, with the gifts of money we have received and with the offers of new volunteers, we will be confident that H&W Street Pastors is in good shape to continue, and we will hand over to the new team with glad and thankful hearts.

So to help us reach this position, we need two people willing to become trustees. The one person who has so far offered is willing to become secretary, or possibly chair, so we need someone to fill the treasurer's role, and someone either to be secretary or chair.

Please could you spread this news among your churches, and pray earnestly for the right people to come forward. Remember, the deadline is 9th March.

Grateful thanks,

Nick Sharp, on behalf of the trustees.



# Church at 3

*a short dementia-friendly service  
with traditional prayers and  
hymns*

*followed by afternoon tea*

**3pm St Andrew's Church,  
St Andrew Street**

11 March, 20 May, 15 July,  
16 Sept, 18 Nov

**Contact: Rev Alan Stewart  
01992 582726**



## Our Lent Appeal

Lent is traditionally a time of foregoing something, though there is also now a trend to mark the season by **doing** something, something extra thoughtful and special.

As we approach a time of joyful celebration in the Church calendar we ask if you might consider doing something for international relations...making a small but significant contribution towards greater understanding worldwide.

Here at HOST our mission is to give a welcome to international students in British



homes for friendship and cultural exchange.

Our volunteer hosts open their homes and offer the opportunity to their student guests to have a break from studies and the chance to discover a new part of the UK. They share meals and conversation and in so doing learn about each other's cultures.

We know from the feedback we receive that being a host can give every bit as much pleasure as being a guest.

Hospitality can be offered for one day (daytime only) or three days and two nights at the weekend. We operate all year round and would very much welcome more volunteer hosts to join us.

More information can be found on our website: [www.hostuk.org](http://www.hostuk.org) or email us on: [info@hostuk.org](mailto:info@hostuk.org) or telephone us on: 020 7739 6292

## HCS Concert

**Rutter Requiem**



**Bernstein Chichester Psalms**

**HCS** Hertford Choral Society

**Saturday 24 March 2018**  
 7:30 All Saints' Church, Hertford SG13 8AY

Natasha Page <i>soprano</i>	Alex Rider <i>harp</i>
Dominic Bevan <i>tenor</i>	Graham Instrall <i>percussion</i>
Peter Jaekel <i>organ</i>	Derek Harrison <i>conductor</i>

**TICKETS** £16 reserved, £10 unreserved, £4 children/students under 25.  
 Email: [tickets@hertfordchoral.org.uk](mailto:tickets@hertfordchoral.org.uk). Phone: 07936 719498.  
 Online: [www.ticketsource.co.uk](http://www.ticketsource.co.uk)  
 In person (booking fee applies): Hertford Town & Tourist Information Centre, 10-12 The Wash, Hertford, SG14 1PX  
 Further details: [www.hertfordchoral.org.uk](http://www.hertfordchoral.org.uk)

## Welwyn Garden City Orchestra with the world class Galini Trio

**Saturday 17 March 2018 7:30pm**  
 St Francis Church Church Road WGC AL8 6HH  
 Conductor James Ross

## Beethoven Triple Concerto

Andrew Watkinson, violin  
 Shuna Wilson, 'cello Caroline Palmer, piano



## Vaughan Williams Symphony No. 5

**Tickets £15 Students £8**  
 Available online at [www.wgcms.org.uk](http://www.wgcms.org.uk)  
 Also for sale at Hill & Co Welwyn or on the door. For ticket information, call 01707 391224 or email [tickets@wgcms.org.uk](mailto:tickets@wgcms.org.uk)  
Welwyn Garden City Music Society Registered Charity 290194



## Herts and Essex Border Ecumenical Area

Methodist, United Reformed Church and Anglican Churches in Partnership

## Christian Mindfulness

A quiet day - Led by Revd Alan Stewart

**Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> April 2018**  
 10am-4pm (arrival from 9.30am)

**At Watton-At-Stone Methodist Church**  
 High Street, Watton at Stone, SG14 3SY

**Cost £ 5.00: Please bring a Bible and packed lunch and some shoes for gentle walking outside.**

**To book your place please email: [haebeabookings@gmail.com](mailto:haebeabookings@gmail.com) or telephone: 07597-109819**

**About the day:** The day will include an introduction to Mindfulness and how it relates to Christian meditation and contemplation; exploring various practises; some mindful walking and the use of the prayer of Loving Kindness.

### Reverend Alan Stewart



Alan comes from Northern Ireland where he was raised in the Presbyterian Church. He has since been a Baptist Deacon, worshipping in all shades of the Anglican Church and on his days off attends Quaker Meeting. Alan studied art in Belfast and then came to London to study Fashion and Textiles.

He went to London School of Theology which is where he met his wife Rachel, they have two children Rosie and Elijah. They worked for five years planting a church in North London before Alan was ordained in 2003. He served his curacy in Stanmore and then came to Hertford, where he is the Anglican vicar at St Andrew's.

Alan has been practising Mindfulness for a few years. Other interests include painting, contemporary art, films and silence!

