



Church of King Charles the Martyr  
**NOTICES**  
Sunday 28 June  
**Trinity 4**



**NOTE: All services are broadcast live on Facebook\***

\*Please see a Welcomer or Church Warden for advice on where to sit to avoid the camera

### **0930 Sung Eucharist**

Officiant: Revd Emma-Jane Wilkinson  
Churchwarden: Helen and John Schmitz  
Musicians: Adrian P and Choir  
Readers: Jean B  
Intercessor: Judith R  
Chalice: Steve J  
Welcomers: Lynn J

**Music:** 484 (tune 167, omit \*verses) The Church's one foundation, 172 (tune 443) Thou art the Christ, O Lord, 378 Immortal love for ever full, 385 Jesu, the very thought of thee, 388 Jesus shall reign where'er the sun

### **1100 Café Church Taking that Step of Faith**

Officiant: Prof David Thomson  
Churchwarden: Revd Emma  
Readers: Ruth B  
Intercessor: Peter S  
Welcomers: TBC



Prof David Thomson

**Steps to Faith at Cafe Church:** At Cafe Church this month we will be thinking about taking the step of faith, and members of our church family will be sharing their own stories. For many this is the hardest thing to do, so let's pray for all those who have been challenged by this series so far that they will be able to take the next step and give their lives to Jesus.  
Everyone is welcome to join us.

# Readings for Sunday 28 June

## Trinity 4

### Collect

O God, the protector of all who trust in you,  
without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy:  
increase and multiply upon us your mercy;  
that with you as our ruler and guide  
we may so pass through things temporal  
that we lose not our hold on things eternal;  
grant this, heavenly Father,  
for our Lord Jesus Christ's sake,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

**Genesis 22.1-14** – *page 22*

**Psalm 13**

**Romans 6.12-end** – *page 1133*

**Matthew 10.40-end** – *page 976*

### Post Communion

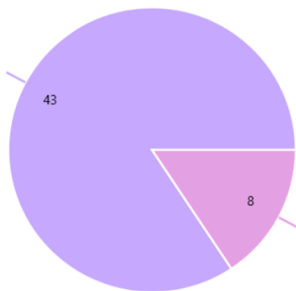
Eternal God,  
comfort of the afflicted and healer of the broken,  
you have fed us at the table of life and hope:  
teach us the ways of gentleness and peace,  
that all the world may acknowledge  
the kingdom of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Visiting Speaker from Compassion UK.** Caroline from Compassion UK was very inspiring and I know several members of the congregation have started to sponsor a child as a result. Several others reminded us that they already sponsor children and the charity is very grateful for all that you do. We were challenged to think about how often we write to our church children and Lauren T has agreed to take on responsibility for co-ordinating this. So, watch this space!

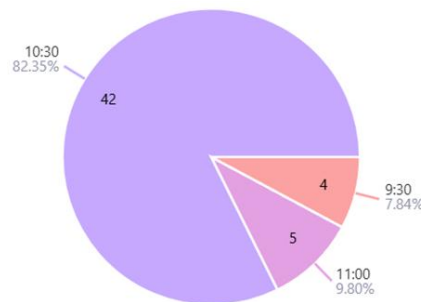
## Family News

**Archdeacon Visitation:** As you know, Bill Simpson has been elected as Church Warden for the coming year. On **Monday 29 June 2026** at Ware, Christ Church, New Rd, Ware SG12 7BS at 7.30pm there is a special service where the Archdeacon gives a resume of the year and where Bill will be, along with others who are taking on this important role, commissioned as Warden for the year by Archdeacon Janet. It would be great if members of our church family were able to go to this service to support Bill. If you are interested but need transport, please speak to Bill or Emma. Bill has suggested that we meet at 17:00 at the Waterside Inn for something to eat before the service. Please let Bill know if you plan to attend for the meal.

**Services in August.** Wow – what a great response we had to our survey about services in August, thank you. The overwhelming majority voted for joint services at 10:30 so that is what we will be going with – and incidentally, everyone who replied said that they would attend so we look forward to good sized congregations!



*Purple: joint Pink: normal pattern*



*Purple: 10:30*

### **This means the pattern of services will be:**

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| 2 August    | 10:30 Joint Communion Service  |
| 9 August    | 10:30 Joint Morning Worship<br>17:00 Said Communion Service                              |
| 16 August   | 10:30 Joint Communion Service  |
| 23 August   | 10:30 Joint Communion Service<br>16:00 Songs of Praise                                   |
| 30 August   | 9:30 Communion Service<br>11:00 Cafe Church  |
| 6 September | 9:30 Communion Service<br>11:00 Morning Worship with Communion<br>12:00 Fellowship Lunch |

## Musings from the Vicarage

I don't know how many of you get the St Mary's newsletter each week, but last week I was really taken by Richard Osborne's reflections about the Longest Day and how it gives us the opportunity to stop and reflect. He said, 'For Christians, Midsummer offers an opportunity to reflect on the God who is the source of all light and life. The warmth of the sun, the growth of gardens and fields, and the richness of creation all remind us of God's generosity. As we read in Psalm 19 (and put to music so memorably by Haydn in his oratorio 'The Creation'): "The heavens are telling the glory of God, the wonder of his work displays the firmament."'

On my daily drive from Baldock to Hoddesdon and back again when I was living and teaching there, I often found that verse coming into my mind as the sunrises and sunsets over the fields were magnificent. Every time the sun rises it reminded me that God is always with us and it shows us that each day brings new hope and chances. It reminds us that with God everything happens at the right time, according to God's plan and I think it helps us to feel more connected and to trust that God has a plan for each one of us.



When I watch the sun set, I think the amazing colours connect us to something bigger and I find these beautiful words from the hymn 'The day thou gavest Lord has ended' which remind us that God is constantly being praised somewhere in the world every moment of the day and night, running through my mind:

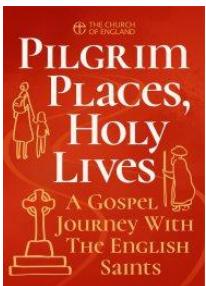


We thank Thee that Thy church, unsleeping  
while earth rolls onward into light,  
through all the world her watch is keeping,  
and rests not now by day or night.  
As o'er each continent and island  
the dawn leads on another day,  
the voice of prayer is never silent,  
nor die the strains of praise away.

I don't expect any of us expected, following the longest day that we would have the extreme temperatures that we have been having this week but

perhaps with activities being cancelled and the need for a slower pace of life, we have time to stop to thank and praise our creator and to remember that the psalmist said, 'From the rising of the sun to its setting, the name of the Lord is to be praised'.

Revd Emma



**Bible Study Groups.** Thank you to everyone who came to our bible study groups this week where we had some really interesting discussions about how the saints set up monasteries so that people can grow in their faith and how, as a church, we can emulate their principles today. The dates of the rest of our studies are **Tuesdays 7th and 21st July at either 10:45 following the morning communion or 7:30 at the vicarage.** Each session stands alone, so please feel free to come to one or more as you are able.

### **Potters Bar Food Bank**

Thank you to everyone who has recently donated to the Food Bank. They are always so grateful for our donations. Currently, they are particularly in need of milk, biscuits, tinned fruit and toilet roll.

Please leave your donations in the boxes in the Link Corridor.

Access to the foodbank is by referral, please speak to local clergy in confidence.

## Prayer – Week beginning 28 June

We invite you to pray on a Wednesday morning, no matter where you are, for our community, our town and the wellbeing of all.

**Please pray for:** all those who are struggling with the current heat wave, for all those affected by last week's train crash near Bedford and for more children to sign up for our churches together Holiday Club.

**Those who live in:** Cranborne Crescent, Cranborne Road, Deepdene

**The recently departed:** Ann Osborne, and any others known to us personally.

**Anniversary of death:** Mollie Westmacott, Ernest Burt, Bill Belini, Ruth Cooper, Peter Howe, Edie McBay and all whose anniversary falls at this time.

If you or someone you know is in need of prayer, please contact the ministry team to have a chat or ask to speak to one of the pastoral team who will be happy to support you. If you or a loved one are not on the list and would like to be added, please do let Revd Emma or the Office know. In line with the Parish Prayer Policy, please ensure that you have permission from the person whose name you wish to add to the list. The prayer list is published each week. **It is reviewed at the end of each month, so please let us know if you wish a name to stay on the list.**

# ***Coming up in church and on Facebook***

## **Sunday 5 July – Trinity 5**

**Readings:** Genesis 24.34-38, 42-49, 58-end, Psalm 45.10-end, Romans 7.15-25a, Matthew 11.16-19, 25-end

### **0930 Sung Eucharist**

Officiant: Revd Emma-Jane Wilkinson  
Churchwarden: Bill S  
Musicians: TBC and Choir  
Readers: Mila B  
Intercessor: Jean B  
Chalice: Judith R  
Welcomers: Lynn J  
**Music:** TBC

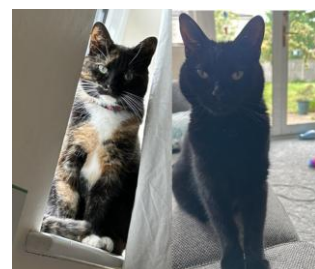
### **1100 Morning Worship with Communion**

Officiant: Revd Emma-Jane Wilkinson  
Churchwarden: Robin B  
Readers: Pina H  
Intercessor: Emma K  
Welcomers: Jenny D, Ann D  
Powerpoint: David D  
**Music:** TBC

### **1500 Messy Church Uniform Groups and Pet Service**

Officiant: Revd Emma-Jane Wilkinson

Please come and join us and bring your pet or a photo of your pet so that they can be blessed during the service and support our Uniformed Organisations. All animals and their owners are welcome! Let's make this a great church family event. See the poster on the back for more information and timings.



## **Dates for your diary and for prayer**

*Each week our worship follows this pattern*

<b>Monday morning</b>	<i>0900 Morning Prayer</i>
<b>Tuesday morning</b>	<i>1000 Eucharist</i>
<b>Wednesday morning</b>	<i>Please take a few minutes to pray for our community</i>
<b>Thursday morning</b>	<i>0900 Morning Prayer</i>
<b>Sunday morning</b>	<i>0930 Sung Eucharist; 1100 Morning Worship</i>
<b>Sunday 28 June</b>	<i>1100 Café Church</i>
<b>Monday 29 June</b>	<i>1930 Archdeacon visitation Christ Church, Ware</i>
<b>Sunday 5 July</b>	<i>1500 Messy Church with our Uniform Groups and Pet Service</i>
<b>Tuesday 7 July</b>	<i>1400 Songs of Praise at Temple Court – all welcome</i>
<b>Saturday 11 July</b>	<i>1400 Vicarage Garden Party</i>
<b>Sunday 12 July</b>	<i>1030 Joint service for Dedication Sunday followed by lunch</i>

**Songs of Praise at Temple Court:** At 14:00 on Tuesday 7 July we are going to Temple Court for a Songs of Praise. Everyone is welcome to join us and the residents. If you have a favourite hymn that you would like to sing, please let Revd Emma know with the reason it is one of your favourites.

**Safeguarding Awareness:** The husband of the lady who came to speak to us on Sunday is the chairman of 31:8 the safeguarding charity which oversees a lot of the safeguarding for the Church of England and other denominations. He took time in the morning to congratulate us on the safeguarding information which is around in the church, corridor and halls. He said it was exemplary. So, a big thank you to you all, and in particular Helen Schmitz, as our safeguarding officer, for all you do to ensure that our church is a safe place for all.

**Eco Tip Trinity 4:** In this hot weather, try putting your pillowcase, pyjamas or even a hot water bottle filled with cold water in the freezer 20 minutes before bed as this simple trick can help you get to sleep faster. Also, try placing a damp towel or bedsheet in front of a fan. As the air blows through, it creates an evaporative cooling effect — similar to an air conditioner, but far cheaper. Or try a bowl of ice in front of the fan for extra cooling.

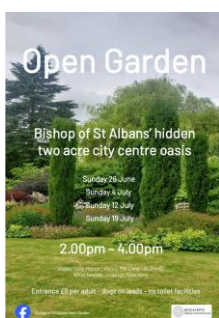
# NOTICES

**Wanted – Disability Aids for Ukraine.** Do you have any crutches, walking sticks, Zimmer frames, rollators etc that you no longer need? If so, then please let Stella know. Thank you.

**Churches Together Holiday Club.** Please encourage anyone you know who is thinking of signing their child up for Holiday Club to do so as soon as possible. Why not bring your own children or grandchildren, it's going to be a great week.



The poster features a central graphic of a wooden plank with the word 'SHIPWRECKED' written on it in blue, set against a background of a blue whale and coral. Text on the poster includes: 'Potters Bar Churches Holiday Club' logo, 'faith kids' logo, 'Scripture Union' logo, 'BOOKING NOW OPEN', 'A Summer Holiday Club in Jonah at King Charles the Martyr Church, Mutton Lane, Potters Bar', 'Monday 27<sup>th</sup> July - Friday 31<sup>st</sup> July 2026', '9.30 am - 1pm', 'https://cclh.churchsuite.com/events/po7pz0mp', 'For Primary Aged Children School Years 1-6 - £30', and 'Teens - School Years 7-12 - Free'. A QR code is located on the right side.



**Bishop's Garden Open days:** Bishop Andrew has kindly agreed that his garden can be open to the public to raise money for the Herts and Beds Historic Churches Trust before he and his family move in. It will be open on Sunday 28 June, Saturday 4 July, Sundays 12 and 19 July. Admission £5 per adult. More information on the poster in the Link corridor.

**Hertfordshire Show Band** As you are probably aware, the Hertfordshire Show Band, which includes the Townsend family, are currently practicing very hard for the World Music Contest next month, an international contest held every 4 years in the Netherlands - they are the only band representing the UK. On Sunday 12 July they are inviting people from the locality to come and watch their final dress rehearsal at QUEENSWOOD School, Brookmans Park at 17:00. It would be great if a contingent from KCM went to support. Please keep the band in your prayers as they prepare for their trip.

## Supporting the work and mission of this church

The Church of King Charles the Martyr provides a spiritual focus and outstanding facilities for the local community. It is **OUR** church and like all charities is dependent on the generosity of its members, the local community, and others to make it prosper.

The church and halls cost us over **£3000 a week** to run and this isn't possible without your generosity.

*If you would like to support the work of the Church of King Charles the Martyr, you can do this either as a one off or by joining our regular giving scheme please speak to our Treasurer to set up **regular giving** to help us plan*

- by joining the Parish Giving Scheme [Potters Bar King Charles - Parish Giving Scheme](#)
- with the **cashless giving machine in church or online** on our webpage.
- **Remember us in your Will.** Legacies are a tax efficient way of giving to the church. Please do think about us when making or revising your Will.

## How to access services at KCM

**Sunday mornings** go to the church website [www.kcm-church.org.uk](http://www.kcm-church.org.uk) and click on the link on that page it will take you to Facebook where you will be able to click on the LIVE streaming or watch the services from previous weeks.

If you are in church, please be aware that services are live streamed and that you may like to sit nearer the back if you do not wish to be on camera.

## How to stay in touch

This notice sheet is posted on our website each week, emailed to all those on our mailing list and posted to those without email access. *If you would like to receive a paper copy of this notice sheet please contact the office.*

The Church office is open on Monday and Thursday between 9am and 12 noon. Outside of these hours email and calls are monitored but please be aware it may take a few days to get back to you. Alternatively, you can contact our vicar, Revd Emma on 01707 661266 or 07549516589 or [vicar@kcm-church.org.uk](mailto:vicar@kcm-church.org.uk)

We have a **KCM Family WhatsApp** group for information about the church and a **KCM Social WhatsApp** group to share the more lighthearted social chat – if you would like to join these groups please contact Revd Emma or the wardens to be added.

### Keep an eye on our social media

YouTube <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCbHtNFKZaN7fHVIkIL2tYUQ>

Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/KCMChurchPottersBar/>

Please send information for this notice sheet to Imogen at [office@kcm-church.org.uk](mailto:office@kcm-church.org.uk) by 5pm Wednesday evening.  
In case of pastoral need, please contact Revd Emma.

### Contact details:

<b>The Vicar</b>	<b>Revd Emma-Jane Wilkinson</b>	<b>Rest Day:</b>
		<b>Friday</b>
	01707 661266 / 07549516589	vicar@

**Please email the relevant person and we will get back to you as soon as we can.**

All email addresses are [xxx@kcm-church.org.uk](mailto:xxx@kcm-church.org.uk)

<b>Lay Minister / Reader</b>	David Thomson	reader@
<b>Church Warden</b>	Vacant	churchwarden1@
<b>Church Warden</b>	Bill Simpson	churchwarden2@
<b>Safeguarding Officer</b>	Helen Schmitz	safeguarding@
<b>Admin Assistant</b>	Imogen St Pierre	office@
<b>Halls Administrator</b>	Nikki Edwards	halls@
<b>PCC Secretary</b>	Nicola Thrussell	pccsecretary@
<b>Treasurer</b>	Steve Jones	treasurer@
<b>Building Committee Chair</b>	Phil Townsend	buildings@
<b>Music</b>	Simon Worley	music@

For all hall enquires please email Imogen or Nikki using the halls address [halls@kcm-church.org.uk](mailto:halls@kcm-church.org.uk) or by phone 01707665579 and leave a message.

They will respond as soon as they can.

[www.kcm-church.org.uk](http://www.kcm-church.org.uk)

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Join us and our  
Uniformed Organisations  
at KCM for



Sunday 5 July



3pm – animal themed crafts in the church hall

4pm – Pet blessing service

4:30pm – picnic tea (outside if fine)

For more information,  
contact  
[vicar@kcm-  
church.org.uk](mailto:vicar@kcm-church.org.uk)



All children (and pets)  
must be accompanied  
by an adult who will be  
responsible for them  
for the duration.