



# Church of King Charles the Martyr NOTICES

Sunday 13 September  
**Creationtide 2**



**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              |
| Preacher:     | Revd Sue from Embrace the Middle East |
| Churchwarden: | Debbie R                              |
| Musicians:    | Simon and Choir                       |
| Readers:      | Nicola T                              |
| Intercessor:  | Jean E                                |
| Chalice:      | Phil E                                |
| Welcomers:    | Jean B                                |

**Music:** 433 O worship the King (omit \* verses), 64 Be thou my guardian and my guide, 417 O God, our help in ages past, 368 Guide me, o thou great Redeemer

**Anthem:** Call to remembrance – Farrant

## **1100 Morning Worship**

|               |                                       |
|---------------|---------------------------------------|
| Officiant:    | Revd Emma-Jane Wilkinson              |
| Preacher:     | Revd Sue from Embrace the Middle East |
| Churchwarden: | Elouise N                             |
| Musicians:    | Simon and Singers                     |
| Readers:      | Pina H                                |
| Intercessor:  | Peter S                               |
| Welcomers:    | David H, Sue T                        |
| Powerpoint:   | Ed S                                  |

**Music:** Brother, sister, let me serve you, 8 All heaven declares, 348 Make me a channel of your peace, 465 Such love, Give me oil in my lamp/ Sing Hosanna, 936 Over all the earth

## **1500 Messy Church**

***Treasuring our wild and wonderful world***

|            |           |
|------------|-----------|
| Officiant: | Revd Emma |
|------------|-----------|

# Readings for Sunday 13 September

## Collect

Almighty God,

You parted the sea and made a path to freedom, commanding wind and water to serve your purpose. Teach us to see your power in earth, sky and sea.

As we face rising waters and a changing climate, guide us with your light and grace. Deliver us from fear and lead us to action, that we may honour you by protecting your creation.

Through Jesus Christ our Liberator.

**Exodus 14.19 – 3** – *page 72*

**Psalm 114**

**Romans 14.1 – 12** – *page 1140*

**Matthew 18.21 – 35** – *page 985*

## Post Communion

God our creator,

You give us seed to sow and bread to eat;

As you have blessed the fruit of our labour in this eucharist,

So we ask you to give all your children their daily bread

That the world may praise you for your goodness;

Through Jesus Christ our Lord.

## Potters Bar Food Bank

Thank you to everyone who has recently donated to the Food Bank over the Summer – the boxes are full of goodies. They have now reopened and I am sure will be very grateful for our donations. 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.

## Musings from the Vicarage



Last Sunday we blessed the school bags of our children, and gave them a tag to put on their bag that reminded them that we are praying for them and encouraging them to be bold. In Sunday School they looked at the story of Daniel in the lions' den, and on lions wrote the things that they are worried about over the coming year. Our young people have so much pressure on them now and it is very important that we pray for them and support where we can.

Daniel was a man of prayer, who was prepared to risk his life for what he believed, and in the lions' den we see how God protected him from harm. But perhaps one of the things we sometimes miss about Daniel is that he was not protected from every difficult situation. He was taken from his home, lived in a foreign land and had to navigate a culture and society very different from the one he knew. He faced pressure to conform and, because of his faithfulness to God, eventually found himself facing the very real threat of being thrown into a den of lions.

Daniel's story reminds us that being faithful does not mean that life will always be easy or that we will never face things that frighten us. Instead, it reminds us that we do not face those things alone.

The children who were at Sunday School wrote on their lions – SATs, tests, maths and secondary school. I wonder what other children, if asked, would write on their lions - perhaps starting a new school, moving to a new class, making new friends or worrying about whether they will fit in. Perhaps there are concerns about exams, bullying, friendships or simply the pressure to keep up with everything that is expected of them. And, of course, those worries are not limited to children.



We all have our own 'lions' – the things that can make us anxious, frightened or uncertain about what lies ahead.

The wonderful thing about the story of Daniel is that he does not face the lions by himself. Daniel continues to pray, trusting in God even when he has no idea what is going to happen. And God is with him in the darkness of the lions' den. That is something I hope our children will remember as they begin another school year: they are not alone. They may face things that are difficult or frightening, but they have people around them who love them, care for them and will pray for them. And, most importantly, they have a God who is with them wherever they go.

So as those school bags are carried through the school gates this year, perhaps we can remember to pray for the children and young people in our community. Pray for courage when things are difficult, for wisdom when they have decisions to make, for kindness in their friendships and for the reassurance that they are loved.

And perhaps we might also think about our own lions. What are the things that we are carrying with us into this new season? What are the things that we are tempted to face alone? Daniel encourages us to bring them to God in prayer, trusting that even when we cannot see what is going to happen next, God is already there.

May God bless all our children and young people as they begin a new school year, and may he give them the courage to be bold, the confidence to be themselves and the faith to know that they never walk alone. And may he give us the confidence to know that the same is true for us.

Rev'd Emma



### **Bike 'n' Hike on THIS Saturday - 12 September.**

This is fast approaching! If you are planning to walk with us, or to join us for lunch at the Old Guinea, please be at church by 9:45 and let Steve know so that he can book a table.

If you are available to man the church for other visitors, please also let Emma or Bill know. It is good to have the church open for visitors. But above all, please sponsor the walkers and cyclers on the just giving page which you will find here: <https://www.justgiving.com/page/steven-jones-4>

Let's get walking – Good for the body, good for the soul! Steve J, Treasurer.

## Prayer – Week beginning 13 September

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 come to our cafe each week that there they will encounter Christian hospitality and want to find out more. Pray for all the volunteers that in serving you in this way they will be blessed.

**Those who live in:** Wellesley Crescent, Windmore Avenue, Wroxham Gardens

**The recently departed:** Antony Allcock, Jeannie Flett and any others known to us personally.

**Anniversary of death:** Dorothy Gasper, Alan Dawson-Goodey, Bobby Cousins, Frank Trewella (Priest), Raymond Field, Rita Lessons, Pamela Zaluski, Irene Finch

If you, or someone you know, are 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.**

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

*Each week our worship follows this pattern*

**Monday morning** 0900 Morning Prayer

**Tuesday morning** 1000 Eucharist

**Wednesday morning** Please take a few minutes to pray for our community

**Thursday morning** 0900 Morning Prayer

**Saturday 12 September** Bike 'n' Hike

**Sunday 13 September** Rev Sue from Embrace the Middle East preaching at both services

**Saturday 19 September** 1115 Baptism of James Hardy  
1400 Installation of Bishop Andrew, St Albans Cathedral  
– still some tickets available

**Sunday 27 September** 1500 Holiday Club reunion at KCM

**Sunday 29 September** 1930 Bible study groups start again – meeting fortnightly – more information next week

**Tuesday 6 October** 1100 Bible study group – then the following week and then fortnightly – more information next week.

**Sunday 18 October** 1300 Churches Together in Potters Bar Vision Afternoon at Our Lady and St Vincent.

**Saturday 31 October** 1700 Saints and Sausages – more detail soon

**Friday 13 November** Wine Tasting night – more details to follow

**Saturday 14 November** KCM Away Day

**Friday 4 December** Wreath Making – more details to follow

**Safeguarding Awareness:** Thursday 10 September is National Suicide Prevention Day. According to the statistics, 125 people pass away from suicide each week. We are very aware of those who sadly take their lives on our railway, and our thoughts and prayers are with their family and friends. This #WorldSuicidePreventionDay, I'm sharing an important message from @Samaritans: If you think someone might be suicidal, take action, interrupt their thoughts and show them you care. 💙 To find out how, visit [samaritans.org/WSPD](https://samaritans.org/WSPD)

**Eco Tip Trinity 15:** In this creation and harvest season, share excess produce you have grown, especially via food rescue groups, or look out for stalls outside people's houses with local seasonal produce.

# NOTICES

**Holiday Club Helpers.** Everyone who helped with Holiday Club should have received an email with a link to an evaluation form and also a letter from Adrian as Chair of CTPB. Please do fill in the evaluation form as it will greatly help us in planning for the future. Also make sure you have the date of the reunion in your diaries. If you have not returned your tshirt, please can you do so.

**Messy Church.** Our next Messy Church is on Sunday 13 September 15:00 – 17:00 and the theme this month is Treasuring our Wildly Wonderful World. We will hopefully be doing some activities outside if the weather is nice. Do invite families that you know to come along and join in the fun. If you would like to be on the team to help, we are always looking for willing volunteers – just let Revd Emma know.



We also need medium sized plant pots to plant bulbs in if you have any lurking in sheds that you don't need! Please leave them at the back of church.

**MAPPA.** The MAPPA for October was emailed out earlier this week. Please do check sooner rather than later, that you are able to do the tasks you have been allocated. If you are unavailable to make your allotted day, then please will you arrange to swap with someone else and then let Imogen know by email as she is not part of the WhatsApp group. If you have not received the MAPPA and were expecting to, then please let Imogen know. Spare copies are available at the back of the church.

## Growing in our faith

At the recent Café Church, one of the questions we answered was, 'How do I grow in my faith'. As part of the answer, we talked about the need to pray and read the bible in order to build a relationship with God. Someone asked the best way to do this and so we said that we would recommend some apps which could help.

**The Church of England Daily Prayer** is the official app to help you follow Morning, Evening and Night Prayer, wherever you are. For every day of the year, it presents the three services in full and includes Bible readings (NRSV translation), psalms, canticles and seasonal variations. It can be downloaded here:

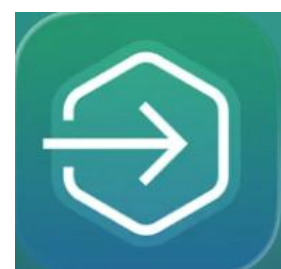
<https://chpublishing.hymnsam.co.uk/apps/daily-prayer>



**Everyday Faith** is the daily devotional app from the Church of England designed to inspire, equip and encourage you in your faith every day of the week. Everyday Faith is about where and how we encounter God in our daily lives. It is designed to support you in your discipleship journey by providing carefully curated daily reflections, including selected Bible readings, a simple prayer to prepare you for the day ahead, and thoughts based on that week's theme. It is available at any app store.



**Lectio 365** is a free daily prayer app with morning, midday & night devotionals to help you experience God's presence in your life. Each morning, Lectio 365 follows the PRAY rhythm: pause, rejoice with a psalm, reflect on scripture, Ask for God's help and yield to his will, guiding daily prayer and reflection. Each evening Lectio 365 invites you to reflect through Examen: relinquish stress, rejoice in God's presence, repent for shortcomings and rest in his peace, preparing your heart and mind for sleep. It is available in any app store.



### Our Daily Bread and Encounter with God apps

bring Scripture Union's trusted Bible reading notes straight to your phone. These apps are not free, but you can have a 14-day free trial. The apps will keep you focused on two life-changing questions: What is God saying to me today? And how do I live it out? They also do an app suitable for children. Again, these are available from any app store.



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

## **Sunday 20 September – Trinity 16**

**Readings:** Exodus 16.2- 15, Psalm 105.1-6, 37-45, Philippians 1.21 – 30, Matthew 20.1 – 16

### **0930 Sung Eucharist**

Officiant: Revd Emma-Jane Wilkinson  
Preacher: David T  
Churchwarden: Nicola T  
Musicians: Simon and Choir  
Readers: Lauren T  
Intercessor: Sue T  
Chalice: Lynn J  
Welcomers: Steve J

**Music:** 186 Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord, 456 Teach me, my God and King, 397 Let us with a gladsome mind, 368 Guide me, O thou great Redeemer

**Anthem:** I give you a new commandment - Aston

### **1100 Morning Worship**

Officiant: Revd Emma-Jane Wilkinson  
Preacher: David T  
Churchwarden: Robin B  
Musicians: Simon and Singers  
Readers: Emma K  
Intercessor: Gary D  
Welcomers: Jenny D, Ann D  
Powerpoint: David D

**Music:** 11 All I once held dear, 89 Faithful one, 571 When I look into your holiness, In Christ alone, 384 O give thanks, 114 From heaven you came

## 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.

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

### Contact details:

**The Vicar**      **Revd Emma-Jane Wilkinson**

**Rest Day:**  
**Friday**

01707 661266 / 07549516589

vicar@

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@         |



You and your family are invited to join us at

## Messy Church

Sunday 13 September

3pm – 5pm

A fun afternoon for toddlers and primary aged children and their families with activities, crafts, games and a short service followed by a light tea.

All are welcome

Children must be accompanied by an adult

Our theme this month is:

Treasuring our wild, wonderful world

Our activities include:

- Decorating crosses
- Scavenger hunt
- Chromatography
- Natural colour mixing



For more information contact

Revd Emma – [vicar@kcm-church.org.uk](mailto:vicar@kcm-church.org.uk)

No charge but donation welcome



# Churches Together Potters Bar

## Saturday Morning Prayer 2026

Join us at 8.30am on the first Saturday of each month as we pray for the Churches and Community of Potters Bar.

Meetings last about 45 mins followed by breakfast.

**Saturday 3 October**

**St Mary and All Saints**

The Walk, EN6 1QQ

**Saturday 7 November**

**Our Lady & St Vincent**

243 Mutton Lane, EN6 2AT

**Saturday 5 December**

**United Reformed**

**Church Darkes Lane**

**[www.ctpb.org.uk](http://www.ctpb.org.uk)**