



## St. Michael & All Angels – Church of England 6 July, 2025 – 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Trinity

Said Eucharists – Sunday, 8.30a.m. and Tuesday, 10.30a.m.

COTHA Sung Eucharist – Sunday 10.30a.m.

Morning Prayer in the Lady Chapel – Tuesday, 9.00a.m.

The 10a.m. service will be streamed live, and then be available on St. Michael's YouTube Channel, <a href="https://www.youtube.com/@stmichaelandallangels/streams">https://www.youtube.com/@stmichaelandallangels/streams</a>

#### A warm welcome to our friends from The Amersham Free Church

Readers: Barbara Gibson & Liz Waumsley

#### Processional Hymn – Brother, sister, let me serve you

- Brother, sister, let me serve you; let me be as Christ to you; pray that I may have the grace to let you be my servant too.
  - 2. We are pilgrims on a journey, fellow travellers on the road; we are here to help each other walk the mile and bear the load.
  - 3. I will hold the Christlight for you in the night-time of your fear; I will hold my hand out to you, speak the peace you long to hear.

- 4. I will weep when you are weeping; when you laugh I'll laugh with you. I will share your joy and sorrow, till we've seen this journey through.
- 5. When we sing to God in heaven, we shall find such harmony, born of all we've known together of Christ's love and agony.
- 6. Brother, sister, let me serve you; let me be as Christ to you; pray that I may have the grace to let you be my servant too.

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#### Collect Alternative Collect

Almighty God, you have broken the tyranny of sin and have sent the Spirit of your Son into our hearts whereby we call you Father: give us grace to dedicate our freedom to your service, that we and all creation may be brought to the glorious liberty of the children of God; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.** 

God our saviour, look on this wounded world in pity and in power; hold us fast to your promises of peace won for us by your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

#### Isaiah 66.10-14

A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

Rejoice with Jerusalem, and be glad for her, all you who love her; rejoice with her in joy, all you who mourn over her – that you may nurse and be satisfied from her consoling breast; that you may drink deeply with delight from her glorious bosom. For thus says the LORD: I will extend prosperity to her like a river, and the wealth of the nations like an overflowing stream; and you shall nurse and be carried on her arm, and dandled on her knees. As a mother comforts her child, so I will comfort you; you shall be comforted in Jerusalem. You shall see, and your heart shall rejoice; your bodies shall flourish like the grass; and it shall be known that the hand of the LORD is with his servants, and his indignation is against his enemies. For the word of the Lord: **Thanks be to God.** 

#### Psalm 66.1-8 Response: O be joyful in God, all the earth, sing the glory of his name.

Be joyful in God, all the earth; sing the glory of his name; sing the glory of his praise.

Say to God, 'How awesome are your deeds!

Because of your great strength your enemies shall bow before you.

Response

All the earth shall worship you, sing to you, sing praise to your name.

Come now and behold the works of God, how wonderful he is in his dealings with humankind. Response

He turned the sea into dry land; the river they passed through on foot; there we rejoiced in him. In his might he rules for ever; his eyes keep watch over the nations; let no rebel rise up against him.

Response

Bless our God, O you peoples; make the voice of his praise to be heard, Who holds our souls in life and suffers not our feet to slip.

Response

#### Galatians 6.7-16

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Galatians.

Do not be deceived; God is not mocked, for you reap whatever you sow. If you sow to your own flesh, you will reap corruption from the flesh; but if you sow to the Spirit, you will reap eternal life from the Spirit. So let us not grow weary in doing what is right, for we will reap at harvest time, if we do not give up. So then, whenever we have an opportunity, let us work for the good of all, and especially for those of the family of faith. See what large letters I make when I am writing in my own hand! It is those who want to make a good showing in the flesh that try to compel you to be circumcised — only that they may not be persecuted for the cross of Christ. Even the circumcised do not themselves obey the law, but they want you to be circumcised so that they may boast about your flesh. May I never boast of anything except the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. For neither circumcision nor uncircumcision is anything; but a new creation is everything! As for those who will follow this rule — peace be upon them, and mercy, and upon the Israel of God.

For the word of the Lord: Thanks be to God.

#### **Gradual Hymn – Let there be love (peace, hope)**

1. Let there be love shared among us, Let there be love in our eyes. May now your love sweep this nation; Cause us, O Lord, to arise. Give us a fresh understanding, Brotherly love that is real. Let there be love shared among us, Let there be love. 2. Let there be peace shared among us, Let there be peace in our eyes. May now your peace sweep this nation; Cause us, O Lord, to arise. Give us a fresh understanding, Sisterly peace that is real. Let there be peace shared among us, Let there be peace.

3. Let there be hope shared among us, Let there be hope in our eyes.
May now your hope sweep this nation; Cause us, O Lord, to arise.
Give us a fresh understanding,
Brotherly hope that is real.
Let there be hope shared among us,
Let there be hope.

#### Luke 10.1-11, 16-20

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke: Glory to you, O Lord.

The Lord appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. He said to them, 'The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest. Go on your way. See, I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and greet no one on the road. Whatever house you enter, first say, "Peace to this house!" And if anyone is there who shares in peace, your peace will rest on that person; but if not, it will return to you. Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the labourer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; cure the sick who are there, and say to them, "The kingdom of God has come near to you." But whenever you enter a town and they do not welcome you, go out into its streets and say, "Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet, we wipe off in protest against you. Yet know this: the kingdom of God has come near." Whoever listens to you listens to me, and whoever rejects you rejects me, and whoever rejects me rejects the one who sent me.' The seventy returned with joy, saying, 'Lord, in your name even the demons submit to us!' He said to them, 'I watched Satan fall from heaven like a flash of lightning. See, I have given you authority to tread on snakes and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy; and nothing will hurt you. Nevertheless, do not rejoice at this, that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord: Praise to you, O Christ.

#### Peace

The peace of the earth be with you, the peace of the heavens too; the peace of the rivers be with you, the peace of the oceans too. Deep peace falling over you. God's peace growing in you.

#### Offertory Hymn – We are his people

- 1. We are your people: Lord, by your grace, you dare to make us Christ to your neighbours of every nation and race.
- 2. How can we demonstrate your love and care? Speaking or listening? battling or serving? Help us to know when and where.
- 3. Called to portray you, Help us to live closer than neighbours open to strangers, able to clash and forgive.

- 4. Glad of tradition, help us to see in all life's changing where you are leading, where our best efforts should be.
- 5. Joined in community, breaking your bread may we discover gifts in each other willing to lead and be led.
- Lord, as we minister
  in different ways,
  May all we're doing
  show that you're living,
  meeting your love with our praise.

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#### Post Communion Hymn – Will you come and follow me

Will you come and follow me if I but call your name?
Will you go where you don't know and never be the same?
Will you let my love be shown, will you let my name be known, will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?

Will you leave yourself behind if I but call your name?
Will you care for cruel and kind and never be the same?
Will you risk the hostile stare should your life attract or scare,
will you let me answer prayer in you, and you in me?

Will you let the blinded see if I but call your name?
Will you set the prisoner free and never be the same?
Will you kiss the leper clean, and do such as this unseen, and admit to what I mean in you and you in me?

Will you love the 'you' you hide if I but call your name?
Will you quell the fear inside and never be the same?
Will you use the faith you've found to reshape the world around through my sight and touch and sound in you, and you in me?

Lord, your summons echoes true when you but call my name. Let me turn and follow you and never be the same. In your company I'll go where your love and footsteps show. Thus I'll move and live and grow in you, and you in me?

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#### **Post Communion Prayer**

O God, whose beauty is beyond our imagining and whose power we cannot comprehend: show us your glory as far as we can grasp it, and shield us from knowing more than we can bear until we may look upon you without fear; through Jesus Christ our Saviour. **Amen.** 

# Activities and Events at St. Michael & All Angels, Amersham on the Hill, June 2025

"POP IN AND PAINT" – The first Friday of each month.
4 July – 10.30a.m.-12.30p.m. Join Jenny Thompson and Liz Grammenos from Simpatico. No experience needed – only enthusiasm and interest. All materials supplied, but you are welcome to bring your own paints. If you prefer, just come along for a chat and watch the proceedings!

REPAIR CAFÉ – The first Saturday of every second month. Saturday, 5 July – 10.a.m.-1p.m. Come along to SustainableAmersham.org's pop-up Repair Café. Volunteer repairers will help you fix your stuff for free. No appointment required. Free refreshments.

A CRAFTY CUPPA – The second and fourth Friday of each month. Friday, 11 July – 10.30a.m.-12noon. A Crafty Cuppa is a drop-in session for everyone who wants a cuppa and some company. Please do bring your knitting, crochet and sewing, if you would like to. Some organised talks or crafts will also be available for those who prefer to come empty handed. We look forward to seeing you.

**FAIRTRADE STALL – The second Sunday of each month. Sunday, 13 July.** The stall will be in the North Transept, after the 10a.m. service.

MESSY CHURCH – The third Saturday of each month (except August). Saturday, 19 July – 11.30a.m.-1p.m. Join us with your children/grandchildren for fun activities, followed by a story or discussion, and a light lunch. The session is free. Donations are welcome.

CANCER SUPPORT GROUP FOR AMERSHAM – The first Thursday of each month. Thursday, 7 August – 10a.m.-12 noon – Wheeler Room, St. Michael's. Are you or a loved one facing a cancer diagnosis? Are you finding cancer treatment tough? Is your treatment over, but you still feel anxious? You are not alone. Please drop in for coffee and a chat. Sharing experiences can be such a positive support in our cancer journeys.

### Activities and Events beyond St. Michael's

LUNCHBREAK – Amersham Free Church – Tuesday, 8 (AFC History in 20mins. with Ian Green), 15 (Bite Sized Service), 22 (Great Sacred Music) and 29 July (Organ Recital with George) – 12noon-2p.m. - Tea, coffee and soup are available. The church is open for quiet reflection, and from 1.10p.m.-1.30p.m. the above.

**LUNCH FORUM** – **Friday, 18 July**– **from 12.15p.m.** – **Amersham Free Church**. Bring a packed lunch. A talk starts at 1p.m. Tea/coffee/water provided. Suggested donation £3-£5 to cover the cost of speakers. All very welcome.

ORGAN RECITAL BY JONATHAN LEE, (Organist of Christ's Hospital, West Sussex). Saturday, 19 July – 6p.m. Join us at Great Missenden Parish Church for wine and canapes as Jonathan showcases the colours of the historic Binns organ in a lively programme from Bach to Ian Farrington. Tickets £15 (Students £5). Tickets can be purchased on the Church website or at Samways Newsagents in Great Missenden or on the door.