



Welcome to St. Michael and All Angels, Amersham on the Hill.

Please take this sheet home with you for future reference.

01 July, 2018

Trinity 5

8.00am. Said Eucharist

10.00am. Sung Eucharist

We invite you to stay for tea, coffee or juice, served in the area to the left of the altar after the 10.00am. service.

You can follow the service in the booklet given to you as you came in. This week's readings are printed out below. Please use the time before the service to be quiet and to prepare for worship.

Music before the service (sung by the choir) *God to uphold you.*

Collect

Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of the Church is governed and sanctified: hear our prayer which we offer for all your faithful people, that in their vocation and ministry they may serve you in holiness and truth to the glory of your name; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Alternative Collect

Almighty God,
send down upon your Church
the riches of your Spirit,
and kindle in all who minister the
gospel
your countless gifts of grace;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Wisdom of Solomon 1.13–15; 2.23

God did not make death, and he does not delight in the death of the living. For he created all things so that they might exist; the generative forces of the world are wholesome, and there is no destructive poison in them, and the dominion of Hades is not on earth. For righteousness is immortal. For God created us for incorruption, and made us in the image of his own eternity, but through the devil's envy death entered the world, and those who belong to his company experience it.

For the word of the Lord, **thanks be to God.**

Psalm 30

Response: O Lord, my God, I will give you thanks for ever.

I will exalt you, O Lord,
because you have raised me up
and have not let my foes triumph over me.

Response

O Lord my God, I cried out to you
and you have healed me.

You brought me up, O Lord, from the dead;
you restored me to life from among those that go down to the Pit.

Response

Sing to the Lord, you servants of his; give thanks to his holy name.
For his wrath endures but the twinkling of an eye, his favour for a lifetime.
Heaviness may endure for a night,
but joy comes in the morning.

Response

In my prosperity I said, 'I shall never be moved.
You, Lord, of your goodness, have made my hill so strong.'
Then you hid your face from me
and I was utterly dismayed.

Response

To you, O Lord, I cried; to the Lord I made my supplication:
'What profit is there in my blood, if I go down to the Pit?
Will the dust praise you or declare your faithfulness?
'Hear, O Lord, and have mercy upon me; O Lord, be my helper.'

Response

You have turned my mourning into dancing;
you have put off my sackcloth and girded me with gladness;

Therefore my heart sings to you without ceasing;
O Lord my God, I will give you thanks for ever.

Response

2 Corinthians 8.7–15

You excel in everything – in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in utmost eagerness, and in our love for you – so we want you to excel also in this generous undertaking. I do not say this as a command, but I am testing the genuineness of your love against the earnestness of others. For you know the generous act of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, so that by his poverty you might become rich. And in this matter I am giving my advice: it is appropriate for you who began last year not only to do something but even to desire to do something – now finish doing it, so that your eagerness may be matched by completing it according to your means. For if the eagerness is there, the gift is acceptable according to what one has – not according to what one does not have. I do not mean that there should be relief for others and pressure on you, but it is a question of a fair balance between your present abundance and their need, so that their abundance may be for your need, in order that there may be a fair balance. As it is written, ‘The one who had much did not have too much, and the one who had little did not have too little.’ For the word of the Lord, **Thanks be to God.**

Mark 5.21–43

When Jesus had crossed again in the boat to the other side, a great crowd gathered around him; and he was by the lake. Then one of the leaders of the synagogue named Jairus came and, when he saw him, fell at his feet and begged him repeatedly, ‘My little daughter is at the point of death. Come and lay your hands on her, so that she may be made well, and live.’ So he went with him. And a large crowd followed him and pressed in on him. Now there was a woman who had been suffering from haemorrhages for twelve years. She had endured much under many physicians, and had spent all that she had; and she was no better, but rather grew worse. She had heard about Jesus, and came up behind him in the crowd and touched his cloak, for she said, ‘If I but touch his clothes, I will be made well.’ Immediately her haemorrhage stopped; and she felt in her body that she was healed of her disease. Immediately aware that power had gone forth from him, Jesus turned about in the crowd and said, ‘Who touched my clothes?’ And his disciples said to him, ‘You see the crowd pressing in on you; how can you say, “Who touched me?”’ He looked all around to see who had done it. But the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came in fear and trembling, fell down before him, and told him the whole truth. He said to her, ‘Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace, and be healed of your disease.’ While he was still speaking, some people came from the leader’s house to say, ‘Your daughter is dead. Why trouble the teacher any further?’ But overhearing what they said, Jesus said to the leader of the synagogue, ‘Do not fear, only believe.’ He allowed no one to follow him except Peter, James, and John, the brother of James. When they came to the house of the leader of the synagogue, he saw a commotion, people weeping and wailing loudly. When he had entered, he said to them, ‘Why do you make a commotion and weep? The child is not dead but sleeping.’ And they laughed at him. Then he put them all outside, and took the child’s father and mother and those who were with him, and went in where the child was. He took her by the hand and said to her, ‘Talitha cum,’ which means, ‘Little girl, get up!’ And immediately the girl got up and began to walk about (she was twelve years of age). At this they were overcome with amazement. He strictly ordered them that no one should know this, and told them to give her something to eat.

Offertory Hymn

1. Here is bread, here is wine,
Christ is with us - he is with us.
Break the bread, taste the wine,
Christ is with us here.
2. Here is grace, here is peace,
Christ is with us - he is with us;
know his grace, find his peace-
feast on Jesus here.

*Refrain: In this bread there is healing,
In this cup there's life for ever:
In this moment, by the Spirit
Christ is with us here.*

3. Here we are, joined in one,
Christ is with us - he is with us;
we'll proclaim till he comes -
Jesus crucified.

Refrain

Peace

My peace I leave you, my peace I give you, trouble not your hearts;
My peace I leave you; my peace I give you; be not afraid.

Music during Communion (sung by the choir) *We cannot measure how you heal.*

Post Communion Prayer

Grant, O Lord, we beseech you, that the course of this world may be so peaceably ordered by your governance, that your Church may joyfully serve you in all godly quietness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Services this week

THE LADY CHAPEL is available for prayer and meditation from 9.30am. Monday-Saturday.

MONDAY-SATURDAY 9.00am. MORNING PRAYER from 'Celebrating Common Prayer' - Lady Chapel

A gentle 20 minute service of prayer, psalms and readings. All welcome at any time. There is a simplified service booklet available in the Lady Chapel, which can be used by anyone, should no priest be present.

TUESDAY	10.30am.	SAID EUCHARIST
NEXT SUNDAY	8.00am.	SAID EUCHARIST
	10.00am.	GATHERED ROUND INTERACTIVE ALL-AGE WORSHIP

Readings for next Sunday: Ezekiel 2.1-5; Mark 6.1-13

Forthcoming Activities and Events at St. Michael's

WHEELER COFFEE –St Michael's – Tuesday, 03 July - 10.00am. – midday

Hot drinks and/or squash with biscuits, with an opportunity for a chat.

HEALING AND WHOLENESS - Lady Chapel – Wednesday, 04 July - 3.00pm. 3.30pm. & 4.15pm.

Sessions last 30 minutes. Please arrive before the start of your preferred time. Appointments are not necessary. If you would like to come but need transport, please call Joy Johns on 729061.

OFFICE CLOSING ON THURSDAYS

With effect from July 5th, the Church Office will not normally be open on Thursdays, although e-mail will be checked. This is to give the Administrator an opportunity to get on with tasks which need to be done without interruption.

TRAIDCRAFT STALL –Sunday, 08 July, after the 10.00am. service

Orders for items should be given to Sue Eames, or left in the Office, to ensure availability on the monthly stall. Alternatively, please look at the catalogue on the stall and make your request for the following month.

DEANERY CONFIRMATION SERVICE – St. Michael's – Sunday, 15 July – 6.00pm.

Bishop Alan will be conducting the service when five candidates from St. Michael's will be joined by others from the benefice of Chalfont St. Giles, Seer Green and Jordans. There will be no 10.00am. service at St. Michael's that day.

NOT-ONE-FOR-LUNCH - Lady Chapel –Monday, 16 July - 12.45pm. for 1.00pm.

For those who live alone and eat alone, run by the Pastoral Care Team - an opportunity to meet old and new friends in a very informal atmosphere. If you would like to come, but have difficulty with transport, please call Alison Woodnutt on 721420.

"QUIET MORNING" – St. Michael's - Wheeler Room – Thursday, 19 July – 10.00am. – 12noon

A time of reflection and silence, a space to relax gently with God. Any queries to Joy Tobler Tel. 818172.

.MESSY CHURCH–St Michael's - Saturday, 21 July - 11.30am. – 1.00pm.

Family Fun Saturday! Crafts. Song and Dance. Lunch for everyone. You choose what you want to do. No need to book in advance. Just come along. No charge.

"POP IN AND PAINT" - St Michael's – Friday, 27 July – 10.30am. – 12.15pm.

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 to come along for a chat and to watch the proceedings, that's fine too! Further information from Judy Redpath on 725271.

PRAYER CHAIN AND PRAYER WITH LAYING ON OF HANDS

A number of people pray at home for St. Michael's and for specific needs or thanksgivings that people may have. If you would like to be part of this network or have a prayer request, please contact Joy Tobler on 818172. If anyone would like prayer with laying on of hands, either for themselves or for someone else, this ministry is available after church services. Please ask a member of the healing team, whose names are on the 'Healing Board', or either of the clergy.

QUIET GARDEN OPENING

The address given by Philip Roderick on June 17th is now available to listen to, or download, on the website <http://www.stmichaelsamersham.org.uk/media/> Some photographs of the event will be added to the site shortly.

Activities and Events beyond St. Michael's

LUNCH BREAK - Amersham Free Church – Tuesday, 03 July - Midday to 2pm.

Lunch Café with coffee, speciality teas and snack lunches, daily newspapers. The church is open for quiet reflection and offers a varied programme of music, worship, meditation and speakers between 1.10pm. and 1.30pm. We are open for anyone who wants a bit of an oasis during the week at lunch time every Tuesday. **This week: Downley Descants in Recital**

COTHA AGM – Owen Room, Amersham Free Church - Tuesday, 17 July – 7.30pm.

The Revd Dr Paul Goodliff (incoming) General Secretary, Churches Together in England, will speak about his hopes for his new appointment. This will be followed by a short AGM. All are welcome to the meeting. If you would like any further information please speak to Roland Gillott (722674).

WOMEN'S WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

The Amersham Churches Committee of the WWDP organisation is looking for an Organising Secretary for the annual service in March next year. If you feel that this is something in which you would like to be involved – and please note that men are as welcome as women! – then please get in touch after June 25th, with Valerie Royal, (tel 433193) who will be happy to provide more information.