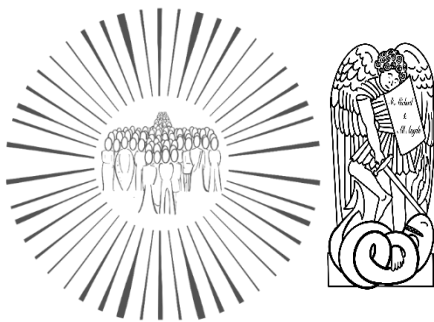




St. Michael & All Angels – Church of England

18 October 2026 – Luke the Evangelist

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

Sung Eucharist– Sunday 10.00a.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, <https://www.youtube.com/@stmichaelandallangels/streams>

Please stay after the 10a.m. service to celebrate Heather Haddock's birthday with a glass of bubbly and cake.

Hymns for 10a.m.

532 We have a gospel to proclaim
53 Be still for the presence of the Lord
319 Lord, we come to ask your healing
467 Tell out my soul

Readers:

Christine Leslie
Rosie Marciniak

Collect

Almighty God, you called Luke the physician, whose praise is in the gospel, to be an evangelist and physician of the soul: by the grace of the Spirit and through the wholesome medicine of the gospel, give your Church the same love and power to heal; 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.

Isaiah 35.3-6

A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

Strengthen the weak hands, and make firm the feeble knees. Say to those who are of a fearful heart, 'Be strong, do not fear! Here is your God. He will come with vengeance, with terrible recompense. He will come and save you.' Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped; then the lame shall leap like a deer, and the tongue of the speechless sing for joy. For waters shall break forth in the wilderness, and streams in the desert.

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

Psalms 147.1-7

(Alleluia.)

How good it is to make music for our God, how joyful to honour him with praise.

The Lord builds up Jerusalem and gathers together the outcasts of Israel.

He heals the broken hearted and binds up all their wounds.

Response

He counts the number of the stars and calls them all by their names.

Great is our Lord and mighty in power; his wisdom is beyond all telling.

Response

The Lord lifts up the poor, but casts down the wicked to the ground.

Sing to the Lord with thanksgiving; make music to our God upon the lyre;

Response

2 Timothy 4.5-17

A reading from the second letter of Paul to Timothy.

As for you, always be sober, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully. As for me, I am already being poured out as a libation, and the time of my departure has come. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. From now on there is reserved for me the

crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give to me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing. Do your best to come to me soon, for Demas, in love with this present world, has deserted me and gone to Thessalonica; Crescens has gone to Galatia, Titus to Dalmatia. Only Luke is with me. Get Mark and bring him with you, for he is useful in my ministry. I have sent Tychicus to Ephesus. When you come, bring the cloak that I left with Carpus at Troas, also the books, and above all the parchments. Alexander the coppersmith did me great harm; the Lord will pay him back for his deeds. You also must beware of him, for he strongly opposed our message. At my first defence no one came to my support but all deserted me. May it not be counted against them! But the Lord stood by me and gave me strength, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth.

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

Luke 10.1-9

*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 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."' "

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

Post Communion Prayer

Lord God, the source of truth and love, keep us faithful to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, united in prayer and the breaking of bread, and one in joy and simplicity of heart, in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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

RIP JAMIE HALEY – Jamie's funeral will take place at the Milton Chapel, Amersham Crematorium on 29 October at 11am and will be followed by refreshments at Aladin's Cave, Chalfont St Giles. All are welcome to attend but please let Joy Johns know as soon as possible if you plan to attend, to help with catering.



HARVEST APPEAL – This year's appeal is for Age UK Buckinghamshire. Please make any donations via the card machine in the Narthex or by using the QR code

To use a QR code open the camera on your phone and hover it over the QR code. A web link will appear on your phone screen. Click on the link and you will be taken to a page on which you can carry out your donation by following the instructions.

CAN YOU HELP? – JUST A FEW CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL HELPERS STILL NEEDED PLEASE! Huge thanks to all those who have already put their hands up. The following exciting opportunities are still on offer – first come, first served!

Monday, 23 November – 10a.m.-12 noon – setting up Christmas Trees in the Church

Saturday, 5 December – 1p.m.-3.30p.m. – helping during 'Carols, Coffee and Cake' event.

Monday, 4 January – 10a.m.-1p.m. – packing Christmas /Trees away

Please contact kiki@akipl.com if you would like to help.

You are invited to a special ALL SOULS SERVICE at St. Michael's on Sunday, 1st November at 4.00p.m., during which we shall gather to remember with prayer and thanksgiving loved ones who have died. During the service there will be an opportunity to have names read out and to light a candle in their memory. If you are unable to be at St. Michael's, but would like us to read out the name of anyone you wish to remember and light a candle on your behalf, please do let the Parish Office know by emailing: office@stmichaelsamersham.org.uk. As usual, everyone is welcome to attend this service whether or not you attend St. Michael's.

CHURCH SOUND SYSTEM – we are seeking someone who would like to learn to run the sound system at St. Michael's as part of a team. Please let the church office know if you or someone you know could be interested in this role.

REVD. DEBBIE AND ROB WOULD LIKE TO INVITE YOU to stay after the 10am. Service on Sunday, 25 October for a glass or two of sparkly to celebrate their 40th wedding anniversary!

MESSY CHURCH – Saturday, 17 October– 11.30a.m.-1p.m. Join us with your children/grandchildren for fun activities, followed by an interactive session and a light lunch. The session is free. Donations are welcome.

COUNTRY MARKETS IN ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH HALL – Saturday, 17 October – 10a.m.-1p.m. Start your Christmas shopping and enjoy a cup of tea or coffee at this new craft market.

A CRAFTY CUPPA – Friday, 23 October – 10.30a.m.-12noon. A Crafty Cuppa is a drop-in session for everyone who wants a cuppa and some company. 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. *If you would like to make poppies for Remembrance Sunday, have wool that can be used for this purpose, or you need a pattern, please come along or contact the church office.*

CARDS FOR GOOD CAUSES – Will be in the church from 30 October for anyone who would like to purchase cards and other Christmas items. Times will follow.

CANCER SUPPORT GROUP FOR AMERSHAM – 5 November – 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.

POP IN AND PAINT – Friday, 6 November 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 to watch the proceedings!

REPAIR CAFÉ – Saturday, 7 November – 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. In addition to their usual wide range of repairs, they are now also offering technical advice: mobile phones, laptops and tablets. Bookable bike maintenance slots are also available; details on the noticeboard. No appointment required. Free refreshments. The repair café is held on the first Saturday of every second month.

RED KITE CRAFT MARKET – Saturday, 7 November – 9a.m.-1p.m. – St. Michael's Church Hall. Handmade crafts, including, cards, woodwork, knitting, jewellery and more.

FAIRTRADE – Sunday, 8 November– The stall will be in the North Transept after the 10a.m. service.

ADVENT COURSE – This will start a week before Advent. Times and dates will be confirmed soon. If you would like to join the course, please contact the office and request a copy of *Walking with Angels*, by Eleanor Sanderson. A voluntary donation of £10 to cover the cost of the book would be welcome.

SNOW WHITE AT THE ELGIVA – 12 December – 3p.m. – Would you, your family and friends, like to join us for an outing to the panto this Christmas? If you are interested, please let the church office know as soon as possible. 23 people have already said they will be coming and so we are entitled to 15% discount. If you have replied to express your interest in attending you will be contacted shortly for payment. The prices below include the discount. If you can't drive, when contacting the office, please let us know that you will need transport.

Full Price £23.17

60+/Disabled/Student £22.32

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Activities and Events Beyond St. Michael's

LUNCHBREAK – Tuesday, 13 October – 12 noon, including at 1.10p.m.-1.30p.m. – a short talk, music or a Bite Sized Service. *All welcome.*

A WEEK OF GUIDED PRAYER AT AFC – the last week of November – spaces for 12 people are available. Registration forms will be available from next week and should be completed and sent to Alison in the Amersham Free Church office via: admin@amershamfreechurch.org.uk

For more details and a booking form please see the desk by the pigeon holes at St. Michael's. The Amersham Free Church are keen to welcome members of St. Michael's to join them for this.