

St. Michael & All Angels, Amersham – Church of England

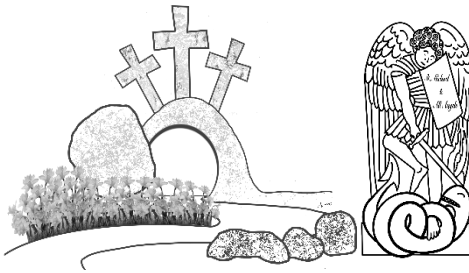
19 April 2026 – 3rd Sunday of Easter

**Said Eucharists - Sunday, 8.30a.m.
and Tuesday, 10.30a.m.**

Sung Eucharist, Sunday, 10a.m.

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

The 10a.m. service will not be streamed live but will be available shortly after the service on St. Michael's YouTube Channel, <https://www.youtube.com/@stmichaelandallangels/streams>



Hymns for 10a.m.

49 Awake, awake, fling off the night
107 Dearest Jesu, we are here
325 Loving Shepherd of thy sheep
158 Glorious things of thee are spoken

Readers:

Hazel Miller and Ann Beattie

Collect

Almighty Father, who in your great mercy gladdened the disciples with the sight of the risen Lord: give us such knowledge of his presence with us, that we may be strengthened and sustained by his risen life and serve you continually in righteousness and truth; 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.**

Alternative Collect

Risen Christ, you filled your disciples with boldness and fresh hope: strengthen us to proclaim your risen life and fill us with your peace, to the glory of God the Father. **Amen.**

Acts 2.14a, 36-41

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

On the day of Pentecost, Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd, 'Let the entire house of Israel know with certainty that God has made him both Lord and Messiah, this Jesus whom you crucified.' Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and to the other apostles, 'Brothers, what should we do?' Peter said to them, 'Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him.' And he testified with many other arguments and exhorted them, saying, 'Save yourselves from this corrupt generation.' So those who welcomed his message were baptized, and that day about three thousand persons were added to their number.

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

Psalm 116.1-8

Response: I will walk before the Lord in the land of the living, the land of the living.

I love the Lord, for he has heard the voice of my supplication;
because he inclined his ear to me on the day I called to him.

The snares of death encompassed me; the pains of hell took hold of me;
by grief and sorrow was I held.

Response

Then I called upon the name of the Lord: 'O Lord, I beg you, deliver my soul.'
Gracious is the Lord and righteous; our God is full of compassion.

Response

The Lord watches over the simple; I was brought very low and he saved me.
Turn again to your rest, O my soul, for the Lord has been gracious to you.

Response

For you have delivered my soul from death, my eyes from tears and my feet from falling.
I will walk before the Lord in the land of the living.

Response

1 Peter 1.17-23

A reading from the first letter of Peter.

If you invoke as Father the one who judges all people impartially according to their deeds, live in reverent fear during the time of your exile. You know that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your ancestors, not with perishable things like silver or gold, but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without defect or blemish. He was destined before the foundation of the world, but was revealed at the end of the ages for your sake. Through him you have come to trust in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are set on God. Now that you have purified your souls by your obedience to the truth so that you have genuine mutual love, love one another deeply from the heart. You have been born anew, not of perishable but of imperishable seed, through the living and enduring word of God.

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

Luke 24.13-35

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

On that same day, two of the disciples were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. And he said to them, 'What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?' They stood still, looking sad. Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, 'Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?' Jesus asked them, 'What things?' They replied, 'The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but they did not see Jesus.' Then he said to them, 'Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?' Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures. As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. But they urged him strongly, saying, 'Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over.' So he went in to stay with them. When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized Jesus; and he vanished from their sight. They said to each other, 'Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?' That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. They were saying, 'The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!' Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

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

Post Communion Prayer

Living God, your Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread: open the eyes of our faith, that we may see him in all his redeeming work; who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

Amen.

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

MESSY CHURCH – Saturday, 18 April – 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.

PARENTING THROUGH THE TEEN YEARS – Monday, 20 April – 9.30a.m.-11a.m. – The Wheeler Room, St. Michael's. A monthly support group led by experienced counsellors, Sarah Standish & Claire Morgan. Please contact Claire on 07903 443443 to reserve your space. Suggested donation of £5.

A CRAFTY CUPPA – Friday, 24 April – 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.

ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING (APCM) – Sunday, 26 April - 10.00a.m. The APCM will take place on Sunday, 26 April at 10a.m. in church, followed by a short Holy Communion Service. Attendance at the APCM is limited to those on the electoral roll of the parish. The agenda and other papers relating to the meeting will be circulated to those on the roll. The meeting agenda includes elections for vacancies on the PCC.

POP IN AND PAINT – Friday, 1 May – 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!

WISE CHOICES FILM CLUB – Friday, 1 May – 2p.m.-4p.m. – MR BURTON Starring Harry Lawtey and Toby Jones. In the Welsh town of Port Talbot in 1942, Richard Jenkins lives as a wayward school boy, until his teacher Philip Burton spots his natural talent for drama. Running Time: 2hrs.

REPAIR CAFÉ – Saturday, 2 May – 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. The repair café is on the first Saturday of every second month.

RED KITE CRAFT MARKET – Saturday, 2 May – 9a.m.-1p.m. – St. Michael's Church Hall. Handmade crafts, including, cards, woodwork, knitting, jewellery and much more.

CANCER SUPPORT GROUP FOR AMERSHAM – Thursday, 7 May – 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.

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

Activities and Events beyond St. Michael's

LUNCHBREAK – Amersham Free Church – Tuesday, 21 April – 1.10p.m.-1.30p.m. – Community Connex. All Welcome.

LUNCH FORUM – Friday, 17 April – 12.15p.m. – Amersham Free Church. Judith Fisher from Workaid, a local charity based in Chesham, will update us on the latest developments. Workaid, manned by local volunteers, refurbishes donated tools, typewriters and sewing machines. These items are then shipped to Africa in a container, and, when they arrive, are then dispersed to various groups which have already been vetted. There, using the items sent, young people have the opportunity to learn a trade and develop skills which will help set them up for life and escape poverty. As usual we will sit down to eat our own packed lunches at 12.15-12.30 with the talk starting at 1.00pm. Tea/coffee/water provided. Suggested donation £3-£5 to cover the cost of speakers. *It would be wonderful to have members of St. Michael's come and join us again.*

WYCOMBE HOMELESS CONNECTION'S ANNUAL CHURCH SERVICE – Saturday, 25 April, at Christ the Servant King, Booker, High Wycombe, HP12 4TJ – Arrival from 2p.m. for refreshments – 2.30p.m. start. We will give thanks for the unwavering community response to homelessness in our community, celebrate the winter night shelter and the all-year-round work done to prevent and reduce the harm that homelessness does. We will also take time to honour those who have been lost. *You are invited to attend.*

TALK: THE IMPORTANCE AND LEGACY OF TYNDALE'S TRANSLATION – St. Mary's Church, Old Amersham – 5 May – 7p.m.-9p.m. - £5 suggested donation

In partnership with the Tyndale Society and St Mary's Church, we are marking Tyndale500, the 500th anniversary of the first New Testament in English.

500 years ago in 1526 William Tyndale published the first New Testament in English to ever be printed and the first to be translated from the original Greek. His words and phraseology set a standard which continues today. The famous Authorised Version owes much to his text, and readers of Bibles in modern English still owe a great debt to Tyndale. For more details and tickets please see:

<https://amershammuseum.org/event/the-importance-and-legacy-of-tyndales-translation/>

TALK: FROM WYCLIF THROUGH TYNDALE AND BEYOND: THE REFORMATION IN AMERSHAM – St. Mary's Church, Old Amersham – 12 May – 7p.m.-9p.m. - £5 suggested donation. In partnership with the Tyndale Society and St. Mary's Church, we are marking Tyndale500, the 500th anniversary of the first New Testament in English. Amersham was very hospitable to Lollardy, the heretical movement which flowed from the ideas of John Wyclif (d.1384). Lollards stressed the importance of the Bible in English, but copies were only available in manuscript and their ownership was forbidden. Despite persecution, Lollardy persisted in Amersham through to the early sixteenth century. In 1526 William Tyndale produced the first printed translation of the New Testament, which was also the first translation from the original Greek. It proved impossible to control its distribution and it was to change English-speaking religion for ever.

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