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Welcome to St Albright's

If you are new to the area or a visitor to this Church, please introduce yourself to the clergy or to one of the sides people who gave you your hymn books.

Families are very welcome in church. Please speak to a team member about the various services we provide for youth.

A **Hearing Aid Loop** is in operation during the service. Please set your hearing aid to the 'T' setting.

The **Toilets** are situated in the hall next to the church.

Holy Communion - Everybody is welcome to receive Communion, but, if you do not normally receive, we encourage you to come to for a blessing. Please bring a hymn book or order of service with you so we know that you have come for a blessing.

Collections - You can donate to St. Albright's online. There is a dedicated page on the website to make giving much easier. If you would like further details about how to give, and there are many ways to do so, then please contact any of the ministry team or churchwardens. We particularly welcome regular giving, however small, either using weekly envelopes or by standing order, and, if you are a taxpayer we can reclaim Gift Aid.

It is also possible to **sponsor a day in the life of the church**. You may wish to make a one-off donation in memory of someone or to celebrate a particular event. Please contact any of the ministry team or Churchwardens.

Pastoral Support Team - If you would like a visit from a member of our Pastoral Team, please speak to one of the clergy.

Bookstall - a well-equipped bookstall may be found by the main door. You are welcome to borrow any books.



PEW BULLETIN

"Seeking to be the transforming presence of God's love in Stanway"

We welcome you to our worship today.

Sunday 20th September -Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity

11.00am: Parish Eucharist

Monday 21st September – Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist

Morning Prayer 8.45am

Tuesday 22nd September

10.00am: Albright's Tots

Wednesday 23rd September

Ember Day

10.30am: Macmillan Coffee morning

7.00pm: Basic Safeguarding Training

Thursday 24th September

10.00am: Holy communion at All Saints

Friday 25th September

Lancelot Andrewes, Bishop of Winchester, Spiritual Writer, 1626

Ember Day

Sergei of Radonezh, Russian Monastic Reformer, Teacher, 1392

Saturday 26th September

Ember Day

Wilson Carlile, Founder of the Church Army, 1942

Sunday 27th September – Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity

11.00am: All Age parish Eucharist

Prayer Requests:

Those who have asked for our prayers:

Karl, Joan Alexander, Carol Harvey, Keith, Penny Miller, Daniel Butcher, Ann Booty, Amy, Marcus, Mark Claydon, Alison, Sophie, Jo and Richard, Doreen Hales, Jenny Richardson, Brian Greenaway Ann and John, Graham and Viv, Alex, Alexander, Simon, Joshua, Maxine Humes, Jean Needs, Suzannah, Irene Brewer, John & Hazel, Morgan Burgoyne, Ann Adams, Dorothy Williams, Vitaly and Rosolaka, Nicola Jones, Ali, Shirley Vaughan, Arji, Suviana, Rafael and Rebecca, Joy Sparkes, Claire Jones, John

Those to be baptized at St. Albright's –

Those who are getting married - James Drysdale and Georgia King
Also, those who are having their banns called here this year

The recently departed and their families: -

Linda Brook, Joanne Marie Doman, Mason Morgan, Jean Gilbert, Babs Baker, Leonard Comben, Tony Momotiuk, Adeleye Adediran Aluko, Alice Bolton, John Cheale, Tony Windsor, Chris Lay, Jill Dixon, Sheila Bradfield, Sheila Gibbs, Gordon Harvey

Other Christian communities in Stanway:

Stanway Evangelical Church, The Kingsland Church, St. Teresa's Roman Catholic Church, Lexden, The Methodist church. Continue to pray for the Middle East, Ukraine, Sudan and Congo, Refugees who have come to Colchester.

Colchester Foodbank

If you have a particular prayer request, you can fill in a card and place it in the box in church. Prayers will be said at services.

COLLECT FOR THE SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

O Lord, we beseech you mercifully to hear the prayers of your people who call upon you; and grant that they may both perceive and know what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to fulfil them; 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.

COLLECT FOR MATTHEW, APOSTLE AND EVANGELIST

O Almighty God, whose blessed Son called Matthew the tax collector to be an apostle and evangelist: give us grace to forsake the selfish pursuit of gain and the possessive love of riches that we may follow in the way of your son Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.



Everyone is warmly welcome to join us for our Harvest Festival on **4th October**, at 11am as we give thanks for the harvest and celebrate our community. We'll also be collecting donations for **Colchester Foodbank**, so if you're able to bring something along, it would be greatly appreciated. Do sign up for a shared lunch with our friends from Shrub End who will join us in St Andrew's Hall after the service. A suggested donation of £5 is asked to cover the cost please.



There will be confirmation taking place on **Sunday, 22nd November** at St Leonard's. If you would like more information, please speak to Rev Nikky.

This Hall is available for hire

The Hall for St Albright's Church (known as St Andrew's Hall), is next to St Albright's Church, London Road, Stanway, CO3 8LR

We have sessions available Monday to Saturday for regular or occasional bookings.



For details please contact:
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Welcomes you to our baby and toddler group

St Albright's Church Hall, London Road, Stanway, CO3 8LR.

Tuesdays 10:00 - 11:30am

Term time except the 2nd Tuesday of the month.



E2 a child and E3 a family - includes a range of snacks for children and hot drink and biscuits for adults.



Onsite parking, Craft activities, Themed weeks

Outside area, Role play, Singing, Baby corner

See you there!

It's time for a Macmillan Coffee Morning and you're invited

Let's do whatever it takes
to support people living with cancer.

Wednesday 23rd September
10.30am - 12noon
at St Andrew's Hall
next to St Albright's Church
corner of London Road and
Church Lane, Stanway, CO3 8LR



Hosted by St Albright's Church
For further details contact: office@stalbrights.org

MACMILLAN
CANCER SUPPORT

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REGULATOR

Everyone is welcome, and we look forward to see as many of you that can make it.

Safeguarding Training

There will be in-person safeguarding training held here at St Andrew's Hall:

- **Wednesday 23rd September at 7pm** – Basic Safeguarding Training
- **Wednesday 7th October at 7pm** – Foundation Safeguarding Training

This training is essential for everyone who has a role within the church, but it is also helpful and relevant for everyone, so please come along if you are free.

The training can be completed individually online, but coming together in person provides a valuable opportunity for group discussion and shared learning.

Please let Pam or Rev Nikki know if you are able to attend. It would be lovely to have as many people as possible join us.

FIRST READING

A reading from the book of Jonah.

When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them, and he did not do it. But this was very displeasing to Jonah, and he became angry. He prayed to the LORD and said, "O LORD! Is not this what I said while I was still in my own country? That is why I fled to Tarshish at the beginning, for I knew that you are a gracious and merciful God, slow to anger, abounding in steadfast love, and relenting from punishment. And now, O LORD, please take my life from me, for it is better for me to die than to live." And the LORD said, "Is it right for you to be angry?" Then Jonah went out of the city and sat down east of the city and made a booth for himself there. He sat under it in the shade, waiting to see what would become of the city.

The LORD God appointed a bush and made it come up over Jonah, to give shade over his head, to save him from his discomfort, so Jonah was very happy about the bush. But when dawn came up the next day, God appointed a worm that attacked the bush, so that it withered. When the sun rose, God prepared a sultry east wind, and the sun beat down on the head of Jonah so that he was faint and asked that he might die. He said, "It is better for me to die than to live." But God said to Jonah, "Is it right for you to be angry about the bush?" And he said, "Yes, angry enough to die." Then the LORD said, "You are concerned about the bush, for which you did not labour and which you did not grow; it came into being in a night and perished in a night. And should I not be concerned about Nineveh, that great city, in which there are more than a hundred and twenty thousand persons who do not know their right hand from their left and also many animals?"

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

(Jonah 3. 10 – 4:11)

PSALM

Refrain: The Lord is near to those who call upon him

I will exalt you, my God and King,
and bless your name forever and ever.
Every day I will bless you
and praise your name forever and ever.

Refrain

Great is the LORD and greatly to be praised;
his greatness is unsearchable.
One generation shall extol your works to another
and shall declare your power

Refrain

They will recount the glorious splendour of your majesty,
and on your wondrous works I will meditate.
They will proclaim the might of your awesome deeds,
and I will declare your greatness.

Refrain

They shall celebrate the fame of your abundant goodness
and shall sing aloud of your righteousness.
The LORD is gracious and merciful,
slow to anger and of great kindness.

Refrain: The Lord is near to those who call upon him

(Psalm 145. 1 - 8)

SECOND READING

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Philippians

For to me, living is Christ and dying is gain. If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labour for me, yet I cannot say which I will choose. I am hard pressed between the two: my desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better, but to remain in the flesh is more necessary for you. Since I am convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with all of you for your progress and joy in faith, so that, by my presence again with you, your boast might abound in Christ Jesus because of me. Only, live your life in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that, whether I come and see you or am absent and hear about you, I will know that you are standing firm in one spirit, striving side by side with one mind for the faith of the gospel and in no way frightened by those opposing you. For them, this is evidence of their destruction but of your salvation. And this is God's doing. For he has graciously granted you the privilege not only of believing in Christ but of suffering for him as well, since you are having the same struggle that you saw I had and now hear that I still have.

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

(Philippians 1. 21 - 30)

GOSPEL

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew

Glory to you, O Lord

Jesus said to his disciples:
The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire labourers for his vineyard. After agreeing with the labourers for

a denarius for the day, he sent them into his vineyard. When he went out about nine o'clock, he saw others standing idle in the marketplace, and he said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.' So they went. When he went out again about noon and about three o'clock, he did the same. And about five o'clock he went out and found others standing around, and he said to them, 'Why are you standing here idle all day?' They said to him, 'Because no one has hired us.' He said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard.' When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, 'Call the labourers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first.' When those hired about five o'clock came, each of them received a denarius. Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received a denarius. And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, saying, 'These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.' But he replied to one of them, 'Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for a denarius? Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?' So the last will be first, and the first will be last."

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

(Matthew 20. 1 – 16)

PRAYER OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

Thanks be to you, Lord Jesus Christ, for all the benefits you have given me, for all the pains and insults you have borne for me. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, I ask you to come spiritually to my heart. O most merciful redeemer, friend and brother, may I know you more clearly, love you more dearly and *follow you more nearly, day by day.* **Amen**

POST COMMUNION

Almighty God, you have taught us through your Son that love is the fulfilling of the law.: grant that we may love you with our whole heart and our neighbours as ourselves; through Jesus Christ our Lord.