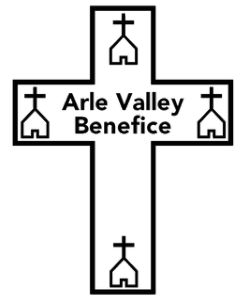


The Arle Valley Benefice

[St. John's Church, New Alresford](#) + [St. Peter's Church, Ovington](#)
[St. Mary's Church, Old Alresford](#) + [All Saints Church, Bighton](#)



18th October 2026 - Luke the Evangelist

Welcome to our worship today. Good to have you with us.

Please make yourself known to the Clergy or one of the Churchwardens after the service.

Services this Sunday:

This morning's Bible Readings:

[2 Timothy 4.5-17](#)

[Luke 10.1-9](#)



St. John's

9.30am Parish Communion

St. Peter's

10am Morning Praise

St. Mary's

11am Parish Communion

All Saints

11am Morning Prayer

Collect for Today

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

Post Communion Prayer

Almighty God,
who on the day of Pentecost
sent your Holy Spirit to the apostles
with the wind from heaven and in
tongues of flame,
filling them with joy and boldness
to preach the gospel:
by the power of the same Spirit
strengthen us to witness to your truth
and to draw everyone to the fire of your love;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen

Live Streaming at St. John's

LIVE

The link for the live-streaming of services is:

www.youtube.com/@thearlevalleybenefice5720/streams

It will come up under a Live heading with a green oblong
with a small round picture of St John's underneath.

Click on the oblong and it will open the live stream.

Children are welcome at all services here.

A hearing aid 'loop' system operates at
St. John's, St. Peter's & St. Mary's.

If moving is difficult and you wish to have communion
brought to you, please ask the Churchwarden on duty.

If you require a gluten-free wafer,
please inform us before the service begins.

Know of anyone who'd appreciate reading this notice sheet?
Please feel free to forward it to them.



THIS WEEK (19th - 24th October)

Mon 19 th	9am 3.30pm	All Saints John Pearson Hall	Morning Prayer Monday Meet & Eat
Tues 20 th	2pm	John Pearson Hall	Mothers' Union Meeting
Wed 21 st	9am 10am 5pm	St. Mary's St. John's West Room in the JPH	Morning Prayer Wednesday Service of the Word Chill, Chat & Chomp! (Youth Group)
Thurs 22 nd	10am	John Pearson Hall	Chatterbox Baby & Toddler Group
Fri 23 rd	10am 2pm	Prayer Space @ St. John's St. John's	Parish Prayer Meeting Interment - Kenneth Chant
Sat 24 th	9am 6pm	St. John's St. John's	Churchyard Clear Up Italian Opera Gala



SUNDAY 25th OCTOBER - Last Sunday after Trinity

8am 9.30am 9.30am 11am	St. John's St. John's St. Mary's All Saints	Holy Communion (BCP) Celtic Service of the Word Parish Communion (BCP) Parish Communion	
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PRAYERS FOR:

Irene P, Audrey S, Marion M,
Shirley W, Margaret Se, Barbara G,
Audrey C, Rosemary F, Hazel G,
Val L, Tony H, Ian V, Jilly C, Sarah G,
Dennis, David O, Meg R, Moira J, Joy F and
those who attend worship at Wayfarer's Place,
Bailey House & Makins Court



Those who have recently died:
Pat Ure and Les Willoughby

Prayer REQUESTS

If you would like the Prayer team
to pray for you, your family,
friends or any other situation,
please contact Rosie Waring Green:
e. rosie@22rwg.co.uk or t. 07891 120662.

*We, of course, always respect the
confidentiality of your requests.*

To all Parishioners,

RECTOR VACANCY UPDATE

We would like to update you with all the information we have regarding the Arle Valley Benefice vacancy.

- 1) The **DBS certificates have not arrived in time for the paperwork to be completed** before the original potential Licensing Service on November 5th for the new Rector and Assistant Minister.
- 2) The **non-appearances of the DBS certificates have nothing to do with the Church of England**, they are totally reliant on the relevant DBS agencies.
- 3) We have been **assured by Archdeacon Simon that the new date for the licensing will be a top priority** and will happen as soon as possible.

Thank you so much for your patience. Best wishes, Arle Valley Benefice Churchwardens



Notices

ST JOHN'S FLOWERS

The chancel flowers in St. John's are sponsored by:
Maureen Mackrell - Remembering her parents with love



UPCOMING INTERMENT SERVICES

Kenneth Chant - Interment at St. John's on Friday, 23rd October at 2pm

UPCOMING GROUPS - MARK YOUR CALENDARS...

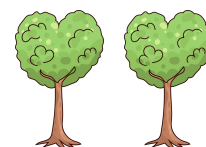


TABLE TALK

Friday, 16th October at 12pm in the John Pearson Hall

Table Talk will start at noon with a **bring and share lunch** (or bring your own if on a special diet), followed by a discussion on a topical subject and is **open to everyone from any church community or none**.

SOLOS are looking forward to seeing you on Sunday 18th October from 2.30pm in the John Pearson Hall for sandwiches, tea and homemade cakes, conversation and friendship. For more info: t. 01962 733545.



OLD ALRESFORD MOTHERS' UNION MEETING

Our next meeting is on Tuesday, 20th October, 2 for 2.30pm in the John Pearson Hall, when we will be filling Rotary Shoeboxes. **New members always welcome.**
Contact: Heather Galley on 01962 732326.

MEN'S SUPPER CLUB (FOR WIDOWERS) (LAST THURSDAY OF THE MONTH)

Our next meeting is on Thursday, 29th October at 7pm in the Swan Hotel

A very pleasant evening meal to meet men in a similar situation with light-hearted chatter/banter. Please contact Roger Whiffen on 01962 734045 for further details.

After our October meeting, we will next meet again in 2027 on Thursday, 28th January.



ST. JOHN'S
LIGHT
Party

A FUN ALTERNATIVE TO HALLOWEEN!
A whole lot of fun for the whole family
Children must be accompanied by their parent/carer

31 OCT | DON'T FORGET YOUR TORCH! | **4-6 PM**

GAMES **CRAFTS** **FOOD** **ACTIVITIES**

To book your place and more information (along with any dietary requirements) please email Rosie: rosie@22rwg.co.uk

Free entry (Donations welcome)

We will be holding our annual Light Party at St. John's again this year to celebrate all that is light and bright!

All primary school aged children and younger siblings are welcome, accompanied by an adult, but places need to be booked.

To book your place, please contact
Rosie Waring Green:
rosie@22rwg.co.uk
or t. 07891 120662



We would love some help on the day (4 - 6pm)
Please contact Rosie if free.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH
INVITES YOU TO A

COFFEE MORNING

In aid of The Michael Project
31st October, 10am - 12noon
The John Pearson Hall

COFFEE, CAKE, SALES TABLE AND RAFFLE
PLEASE COME AND SUPPORT US.

Notices

ST JOHN'S AUTUMN CHURCHYARD CLEAR-UP

Our traditional Autumn Churchyard Clear-up will take place on **Saturday, 24th Oct.** between 9am and 12 noon.



Please just turn up on the day, suitably attired with the right footwear and gloves and some hand tools.

Refreshments will be provided. For more details, contact James Lees 01962 732574 or email: jameslees2022@hotmail.com

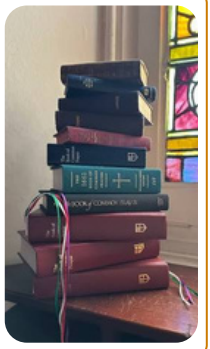
BCP HOLY COMMUNION SERVICES

2 x services on 4th Sundays

Next services: Sunday, 25th October
8am St. John's & 9.30am St. Mary's

Do you prefer a more traditional said service of Holy Communion celebrating the rich tradition & liturgy of the Book of Common Prayer (BCP)?

Please join us at one of our BCP services to enjoy the peace and tranquillity.



*Fun for
the whole
community*

YOU'RE INVITED TO:

A Gift from St. John's

**SATURDAY
28TH NOVEMBER
10AM - 4PM**

You are invited to join us
at St. John's Church, Alresford
to share in **FREE** festive nibbles and
FREE Christmas themed activities and crafts.

CAFE - JUST DROP IN!

FESTIVE ACTIVITIES

A decorative poster for the 'Service of Comfort & Hope'. It features a purple butterfly at the top, pink and purple flowers, and a purple butterfly on the left. The text is centered and reads: 'SERVICE OF COMFORT & HOPE', 'Sunday 1st November at 2pm', 'St John's Parish Church, Alresford', 'A simple & reflective service to remember loved ones who have died', 'Bring a single flower for each person remembered to add to the Bouquet of Memories & light a candle', 'Pick up a Remembering card from the back of the church to write & bring with you', 'There will be refreshments after the service', 'If you need a lift to enable you to get to the service, please call the Parish Office on 733545'.

**SERVICE OF
COMFORT & HOPE**

Sunday 1st November at 2pm
St John's Parish Church, Alresford

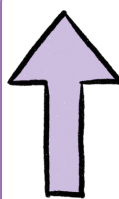
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Help is needed to serve refreshments
after the **Service of Comfort & Hope**
on Sunday 1st November in the afternoon.

If you would be willing to help, please give
Maureen a call on 01962 732135.



Our Facebook page
Our Instagram page

<https://www.facebook.com/StJohnsAlresford>
[the_alresford_area_churches](https://www.facebook.com/the_alresford_area_churches)

Material for notices:

please email Penny Forbes at
notices@arlevalleychurches.org.uk

Deadline: 12pm Wednesday

Information about those in hospital to:

Jackie Connell t. 01962 732056 or
Patricia Todd t. 07810 723973

**Urgent information for Intercessions
to the churchwardens.**

Rector: Position Vacant

Benefice Office

Open Monday - Friday 9 - 11am

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Prayers for the coming week (18th - 24th October)



***We are to love God with our whole being,
and love others as much as we love ourselves***

Please pray for

God's broken world..... We bring before God every country that is experiencing war. Ask for a swift end to all the violence; pray for peace and ask that God will guide the hearts and minds of all world leaders. Pray especially for the children caught up in war, seeing and experiencing awful things.

Our Community..... Pray for our town and all those who serve us. Ask God to help us show his love in what we all do and say. Pray that we may bring, through our actions, the love you show to us all. May the 'Light Party' help show our young people that Jesus is the Light of the World.

For all who will not be able to heat their homes... Ask God to help us be aware of those in our community who are struggling. May we give thanks to God for all our blessings and help in small ways to make our neighbours' lives easier, by giving advice or pointing folk to organisations that can be of assistance.

Child Carers.... Pray for all those who care for relatives at home, especially when the carer is a child. Ask God to surround them all with his love and that help may be more available. Pray also for the whole Social Care System in our Country, so that people may no longer feel neglected or forgotten.

Give Thanks... Give thanks to God daily for the love poured out to us each moment of each day. Ask that we may have the grace to give freely what we have received.

***Give us the courage to tell out your truth without fear,
and to work for your kingdom with joy***