



Willen Church Newssheet
The Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity

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Stantonbury Ecumenical Partnership
St Mary Magdalene Willen
Sunday 6th September 2026
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Today: Creationtide Sunday

Theme: Living Water

9.30am All Age Morning Worship led by Margaret Moakes LLM

Thank you, Margaret, for leading us this morning

11.00am Signed Holy Communion led by Rev Peter Green at Cross & Stable

Service details for SEP churches are on SEP website and in monthly newsletter

This week

St Mary Magdalene church is open for private prayer or quiet reflection on Sundays from 9.30am until evening and on Mondays.

The next **Bible study** meeting will be on **Monday 7th September** from **7.00 to 9.00pm** at 91A Aldrich Drive, Willen, and will be following the SEP House Group Bible Study "God in Three Persons". All welcome

ChatterboxMK at Cross & Stable each **Wednesday** 10.30am to 12.30pm. All Welcome - tea - coffee - cakes - meet and chat. Come and meet others.

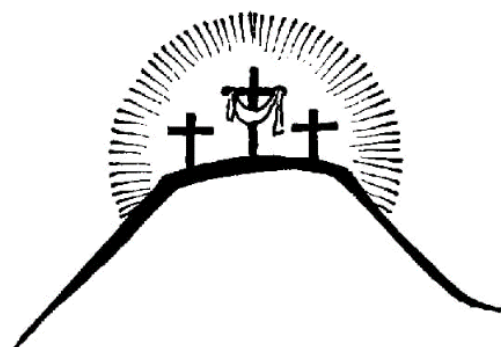
Please come along and join the **volunteer gardeners** on Saturday mornings 10am - 12pm in the Garden of Remembrance. No special skills needed.

Next week: September 13th The Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity

9.30am Holy Communion led by Revd. Dr. Sam Muthuveloe

The Collect of the Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity

Merciful God,
your Son came to save us
and bore our sins on the cross:
may we trust in your mercy
and know your love,
rejoicing in the righteousness
that is ours through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**



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Stantonbury Ecumenical Partnership: www.stantonbury.net and Facebook Please email short succinct notices to notices@willenchurch.org by 5pm on the preceding Thursday	

PSALM 148 (NRSVA)

¹ Praise the LORD!

Praise the LORD from the heavens;
praise him in the heights!

² **Praise him, all his angels;
praise him, all his host!**

³ Praise him, sun and moon;
praise him, all you shining stars!

⁴ **Praise him, you highest heavens,
and you waters above the heavens!**

⁵ Let them praise the name of the LORD,
for he commanded and they were created.

⁶ **He established them for ever and ever;
he fixed their bounds, which cannot be passed.**

⁷ Praise the LORD from the earth,
you sea monsters and all deeps,

⁸ **fire and hail, snow and frost,
stormy wind fulfilling his command!**

⁹ Mountains and all hills,
fruit trees and all cedars!

¹⁰ **Wild animals and all cattle,
creeping things and flying birds!**

¹¹ Kings of the earth and all peoples,
princes and all rulers of the earth!

¹² **Young men and women alike,
old and young together!**

¹³ Let them praise the name of the LORD,
for his name alone is exalted;
his glory is above earth and heaven.

¹⁴ **He has raised up a horn for his people,
praise for all his faithful,
for the people of Israel who are close to him.**

Praise the LORD!



OLD TESTAMENT READING

Ezekiel 47: 1 – 12 (NRSVA)

A reading from the book of Ezekiel

Then he brought me back to the entrance of the temple; there, water was flowing from below the threshold of the temple towards the east (for the temple faced east); and the water was flowing down from below the south end of the threshold of the temple, south

of the altar. ² Then he brought me out by way of the north gate, and led me round on the outside to the outer gate that faces towards the east, and the water was coming out on the south side. ³ Going on eastwards with a cord in his hand, the man measured one thousand cubits, and then led me through the water; and it was ankle-deep. ⁴ Again he measured one thousand, and led me through the water; and it was knee-deep. Again he measured one thousand, and led me through the water; and it was up to the waist. ⁵ Again he measured one thousand, and it was a river that I could not cross, for the water had risen; it was deep enough to swim in, a river that could not be crossed. ⁶ He said to me, 'Mortal, have you seen this?' Then he led me back along the bank of the river. ⁷ As I came back, I saw on the bank of the river a great many trees on one side and on the other. ⁸ He said to me, 'This water flows towards the eastern region and goes down into the Arabah; and when it enters the sea, the sea of stagnant waters, the water will become fresh. ⁹ Wherever the river goes, every living creature that swarms will live, and there will be very many fish, once these waters reach there. It will become fresh; and everything will live where the river goes. ¹⁰ People will stand fishing beside the sea from En-gedi to En-eghlaim; it will be a place for the spreading of nets; its fish will be of a great many kinds, like the fish of the Great Sea. ¹¹ But its swamps and marshes will not become fresh; they are to be left for salt. ¹² On the banks, on both sides of the river, there will grow all kinds of trees for food. Their leaves will not wither nor their fruit fail, but they will bear fresh fruit every month, because the water for them flows from the sanctuary. Their fruit will be for food, and their leaves for healing.'

Hear the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

GOSPEL READING

Matthew 18: 15 – 20 (NRSVA)

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Matthew

Glory to you, O Lord

¹⁵ 'If another member of the church sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If the member listens to you, you have regained that one. ¹⁶ But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. ¹⁷ If the member refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax-collector. ¹⁸ Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. ¹⁹ Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. ²⁰ For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them.'

This is the gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, O Christ

NOTICES

Welcome If you are new to St, Mary Magdalene Willen, please make yourself known to one of the welcomers, one of the churchwardens or one of the Ministers

Heritage Week 11- 20 Sept. 2026 We are once again hosting a variety of events in September. Please let Sharron know if you are available to help with events that week. You can find out more about MK Heritage Open Days here: Facebook: @living.archive.7 Instagram: @livingarchivemk. Use the QR code to download a copy of the MK Heritage Open Days brochure.



The annual **SEP Tree Cathedral Service** will be held at 3pm on the **20th September**.

Homeless Soup Run Revival If there are enough volunteers, the Soup Run will begin again on 1 October, to run on Monday and Tuesday evenings, from 5 to 8pm. Please let Sharron (sepltlaychair@gmail.com) or Helen (sburyepadm@gmail.com) know If you can volunteer for at least 3 hours once every 3 weeks Thanks, Sharon

FOR YOUR PRAYERS Please pray for

- Hospitals: Specialist health care is in some way used by most people at some time. We need to pray for all who work in this area, caring for patients or in supporting roles, and also for patients and their loved ones.
- schools re-opening after the holidays, especially for children starting for the first time and those moving to new schools
- A Rocha, a Christian charity working to protect and restore the natural world and to equip UK Christians and churches to care for the environment. www.arocha.org.uk

Sick: Mark & Janice Earls, Fr Edmund Wheat SSM, Alison Read, Cindy Williams, Rosie Fletcher, Lynda Phillips, Carolyn and John Trood, Harold Judd

World Prayers: For those who have lost loved ones in the flash flood in Nepal and Tibet and those injured or still searching for missing loved ones. South Sudan, Yemen and all the forgotten conflicts. Sept. 7 International Day of Clean Air for Blue Skies; International Day of Police Cooperation; World Duchenne Awareness Day; Sept. 8 International Literacy Day; Sept. 9 International Day to Protect Education from Attack Sept. 12 United Nations Day for South-South Cooperation

The earth is at the same time mother, She is mother of all that is natural, mother of all that is human. She is the mother of all, for contained in her are the seeds of all. The earth of humankind contains all moistness, all verdancy, all germinating power. It is in so many ways fruitful. All creation comes from it. Yet it forms not only the basic raw material for humankind, but also the substance of the incarnation of God's son. (Hildegard of Bingen)

HYMNS - Complete Anglican Hymns Old & New

- 231** God's Spirit is in my heart
- 684** Thou, whose almighty word
- 184** For the beauty of the earth
- 249** Great is thy faithfulness

