



AMERSHAM FREE CHURCH

Sunday 19th April 2026

MORNING WORSHIP WITH COMMUNION

led by The Revd Heather McIntyre and The Revd Ian Green

Organist: Richard Brazier

All who love and follow our Lord Jesus Christ are invited to receive communion.
Please stand, if you are able, for those parts of the service marked with an asterisk (*)

GOD INVITES US TO WORSHIP

***HYMN:** God of life *Tune: Hyfrydol R&S 663*
During which the bible is placed in the pulpit

**1 God of life, we come in worship,
lost in wonder, filled with awe.
At your feet we kneel in homage,
here to marvel and adore.
Words cannot express your greatness,
awesome is your majesty:
higher than the highest mountain,
deeper than the deepest sea.**

**2 God of love, we come rejoicing,
here to celebrate your grace.
Consecrate this sacred moment,
help us meet you face to face.
In the love of Christ enfold us,
by his touch make us anew:
Cleanse, renew, restore, refashion
all we are and all we do.**

**3 God of light, we come in gladness,
souls on fire and hearts ablaze,
reaching out in adoration,
singing hymns and songs of praise.
Take the hope that flames within us,
take the joy that burns so bright;
may our lives reflect your glory,
finding favour in your sight.**



Opening Responses

Minister: We have come together to worship God.

All: To offer our prayers and sing our praises.

Minister: We gather seeking truth

All: and longing for light.

Minister: When the disciples eyes were opened they exclaimed:

All: Did not our hearts burn within us.

Minister: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you

Opening Prayer and Lord's Prayer followed by Welcome and Notices

* **Hymn 45:** Morning has broken

WE LISTEN FOR THE WORD OF GOD

Readings: Acts 2:14a & 2:36-41 NT p.102

Luke 24: 13-35 NT p.76

Reader: In this is the word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

This morning's reader is Anne Marshall

Sermon: Living an Easter Life

followed by silent reflection.

* **Hymn 248:** This joyful Eastertide *followed by*

Prayers of Intercession

THE COMMUNION

***Hymn:** As friends meet round a table *Tune: Salley Gardens*

I As friends meet round a table

when food has been prepared,

in gifts from God's provision

the joy of life is shared.

How clear is his intention:

enough for all to live,

enjoying the abundance

the Lord delights to give.

**2 As friends meet round a table
they take, with gratitude,
the riches they are offered –
companionship and food.
In welcome and belonging
life's pleasure is increased,
till loving words and laughter
make simple fare a feast.**

**3 Come, friends, around this table
to share the holy meal:
in bread and wine encounter
God's love, so near, so real –
here faith and hope are nourished
as Jesus bids us come
to feast on all he offers
and find ourselves at home.** *Martin Leckebusch (b.1962) CCL257120*

***The Peace** *all standing*

Minister: The peace of the Lord be always with you

All: and also with you.

Minister: We say for one another:

**All: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
the love of God
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit
be with us all evermore.**

***The Offertory Procession**

Minister: We give thanks to God and sing:

**All: Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
praise him, all creatures here below.
Praise him above, ye heavenly host,
praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.**

***Prayer of Dedication and Invitation to Communion**



The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

Minister: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

Minister: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Minister: Therefore with all your people
in heaven and on earth we sing
the resounding hymn of your glory:

All: **Holy, holy, holy Lord,
Sung: 13 in
hymn book** **God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

Words of Institution and Sharing of the bread and wine

Post Communion Prayer

Your death O Lord we commemorate

Your resurrection we confess

Your final coming we await.

Christ has died

Christ has risen

Christ will come again. Hallelujah! Amen

* **Hymn 239:** Jesus lives!

* **Dismissal and Blessing with sung Amen**

Morning Tea and Coffee is served in the church hall after the service

