

St Martin's Church

1st March 2026

8.30am

Holy Communion

Rev Alan Hargrave

10.30am

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Preaching & Presiding

Rev Alan Hargrave

Leading

Glenn Hickson



Psalm 121

John 3.1-18



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Revision of St Martin's Electoral Roll

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The *Annual Parochial Church Meeting* of St Martin's Sherwood will be held on 22nd March 2026

All are welcome - if you are on our Electoral Roll your membership allows you to vote at the **APCM** on the 22nd and, if you wish, stand for the Parochial Church Council, giving you the opportunity to be involved in the life, running, and decision-making of the church.

Application forms, which include details of eligibility, are available on the website here -

<https://www.stmartinsherwood.org/news-and-downloads>

or on the foyer display, with a locked box for completed forms. Digital copies may be emailed to stmsherwood@gmail.com, clearly marked Electoral Roll.

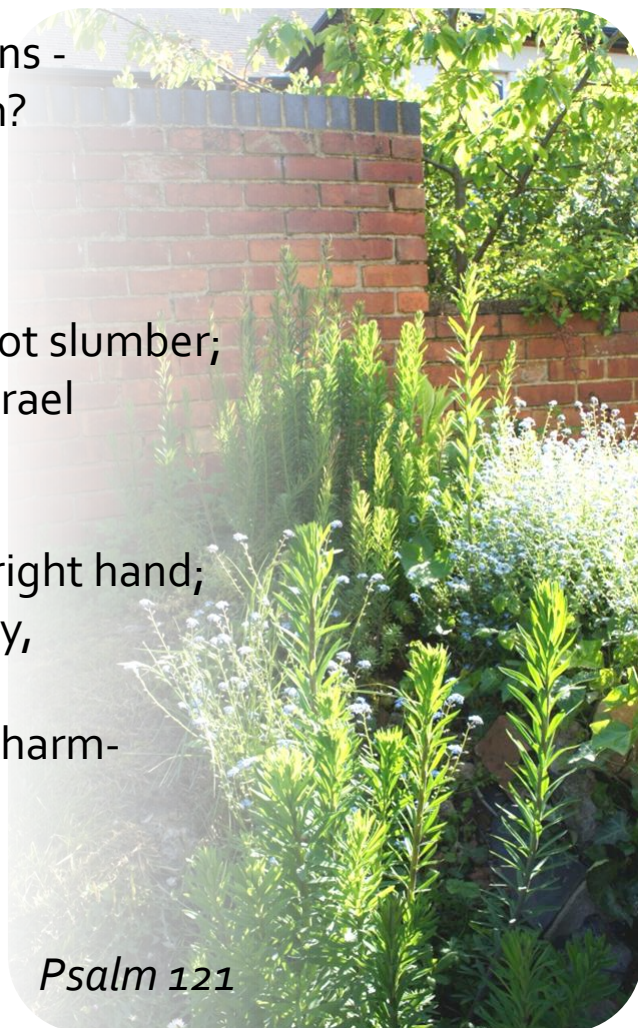
Please consider whether you would like to join the PCC - helping to guide the direction taken for the future of the church. We have four 3-year one 2 year and one 1-year term coming up, as well as a space for Warden or Assistant Warden and a vacancy on the Deanery Synod.



Please let me know if you would like any further details.
Thanks, Julie Day, Electoral Roll Officer.

I lift up my eyes to the mountains -
where does my help come from?
My help comes from the Lord,
the Maker of heaven and earth.
He will not let your foot slip -
he who watches over you will not slumber;
indeed, he who watches over Israel
will neither slumber nor sleep.
The Lord watches over you -
the Lord is your shade at your right hand;
the sun will not harm you by day,
nor the moon by night.
The Lord will keep you from all harm-
he will watch over your life;
the Lord will watch over
your coming and going
both now and forevermore.

Psalm 121



For your prayers this week

John, Glenys and family, Rev Denise Watkinson & family,
Brenda Charles, Christine & Chris Budd, Kate, Glenys Lowth,
Mike & Ina, Sarah Conte, Judith Swift, Karine Thornhill, the
Higgins family and Frances & David Clayden

This week we are praying
for the people of Hall
Street, Black Swan Close
and The Cedars



*"seek the peace and prosperity of the city to which I
have carried you... Pray to the Lord for it, because if
it prospers, you too will prosper." Jeremiah 29.7*

Lent Film Group – *God's Outlaw*

We are watching and discussing a dramatisation of the life of William Tyndale (one of the earliest people to translate the Bible into English) during Lent this year.

The remaining dates are –

Wednesday 4th & 11th March 2026 from 12.30-2pm -
12.30 pm for lunch , 1pm for film & discussion

There is a sign up sheet at the back of church so please add your name if you can join us; Lesley Cohen

Lent Course - *Open to God*

This year we will gather as a church as Annie Hargrave leads us in a three week course called "Open to God" on the 11th, 18th and 25th March - 6.45pm for coffee , 7-8.15 pm as we explore openness to God together



Easter is fast approaching, and Bags of Blessings are once again preparing their Easter Bags for young people in our local community who need them most.

Carrying Joy, Bringing Hope

Each bag will include a craft activity, one or two small toys, a reading book, some stationery, and of course, an Easter egg. Last year, Bags of Blessings provided 650 Easter bags for children aged 4–11, along with an additional 525 Easter eggs donated to local food banks and Framework.

Can you help make a difference this Easter?

A collection box is available in the church foyer for any suitable donations. Every contribution, big or small, is greatly appreciated and helps to make a child's Easter extra special. Thank you, Julie

Your opportunity to serve

As followers of Christ we all have roles to play in his church. Our Sunday services and all we do to show Christ's love for our community are powered by YOU! Thank you!

St Martin's needs YOU!

Please have a look at the board in the foyer, where might you serve? Two immediate needs to highlight are:

1. Our young people are amazing! We have a Sunday evening youth group – could you come and be an additional adult to make their time fun and safe?
2. Can you make a good cuppa and serve it with a smile to our regulars at Nourish cafe 2-4 on Monday? Or are you always over catering when you cook? Nourish needs new cooks, who can cook a simple, nutritious meal once a month.



Rev Sue is on annual leave this coming week, but can be contacted on her return at revsue.stmsherwood@gmail.com

Alternatively have a chat with any member of the leadership team after a service to say 'Count me in!'

St Martin's Eco Church

March News - Isn't it lovely to see Spring beginning to arrive? I have been enjoying the Spring flowers coming out including Crocuses (there are some lovely displays In St John's Carrington church yard and in Woodthorpe Park).

For information about Nottingham crocuses see <https://shorturl.at/GlDa6>

The **Eco Church Group** will be meeting in church (and the church garden) on

Monday 16th March at 4:15pm.

You are welcome to join us!

Other things to look out for (and act on if you feel able in March):

Great British Spring Clean – local Clean Champions will be out in Sherwood on Saturday 14 March meeting 10:30 outside Café Chinos

<https://www.nottinghamcity.gov.uk/cleanchampions>

Big Plastic Count 9-15th March– sign up to take part and count your single use plastic at <https://thebigplasticcount.com/> - Liz Cordle.



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