

AMERSHAM DEANERY SYNOD

<https://www.amershamdeanery.org.uk/>

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 18th March 2021 by Zoom.

Meeting Details

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85314041497?pwd=cXR6WVltR0k1VjFWZ1prYUFQNFpBdz09>

Meeting ID: 853 1404 1497 Passcode: 788758

Meeting will open at 7:30 pm for an 8 pm start.

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AGENDA

Chairman: Rev'd Martin Williams

- 1) Welcome.
- 2) Apologies for absence
- 3) Minutes of the meeting, 26th November 2020
- 4) Matters Arising
Bucks Historic Churches Trust / "Ride and Stride" (see also paper on Website)
- 5) Election of Lay Chair for 2021 to 2024
- 6) Election of Deanery Officers
 - Treasurer for 2021 to 2024
 - Hon Secretary for 2021 to 2022

Deanery Synod Adjourns. Amersham Deanery Trust AGM convenes.

AMERSHAM DEANERY TRUST ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AGENDA

Papers are tabled on the Deanery Website.

- 1) Presentation of Annual Accounts
- 2) Presentation of 2021 Budget
- 3) Appointment of Independent Examiner

Amersham Deanery Trust AGM ends, Deanery Synod reconvenes.

- 7) Area Dean's notes (circulated in advance)
- 8) AOB (please let the Secretary know in advance of the meeting)
- 9) Time of Prayer (in Groups, 10 mins)
- 10) Communion *Please see continuation on next page.*

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SHARING COMMUNION AS A SYNOD

This time last year a 'virtual' holy communion service, eucharist, breaking of bread, whatever name we give it and tradition we come from, would have been almost unthinkable. After all is not the whole point that Christians meet together, and in sharing bread and wine we believe the Lord to come among us in some special way through sacrament and the action of the Holy Spirit?

However, given the pandemic needs must, and many if not most churches have come to terms with the Zoom or streamed eucharist, either having bread and wine at home, or simply listening in asking God to bless us anyway. There are many examples through history of followers of Jesus resorting to this idea in some way when kept from the Lord's table.

Whatever tradition is yours and however you would like to participate, the deanery team invites you to share in this short virtual HC service at the end of our Deanery Synod meeting. We will be using the shortened order of service (on Website) approved by Bishop Alan and employed by him over a number of years.

The service will contain a short reflection by Rev'd Cassa Messervy following the Gospel Reading.