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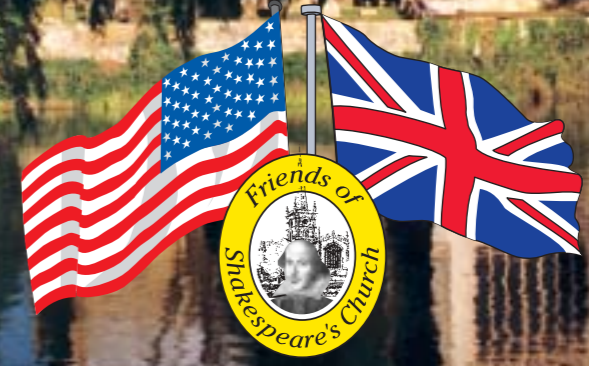
If you would like to donate using our secure on-line facility, please find details of this on
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THANK YOU

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Help to SAVE Shakespeare's church for future generations to visit and to worship here



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Shakespeare's church in Stratford-upon-Avon, England, is a place of pilgrimage for visitors worldwide. William Shakespeare was baptised in this church in 1564. He was buried here in 1616 - you can see his grave slab, and those of members of his nearest family: his wife, his daughter and his son-in-law. In this building, a few years after his death, his friends and theatre colleagues installed a memorial in his honour.



Holy Trinity Church was a vital influence on Shakespeare's life and works. In this church he first heard the great words of the Bible in the new English translations, and Cranmer's Book of Common Prayer, which so influenced his own writings.

It is a serene and gracious spot for Shakespeare's final resting place.

BUT SHAKESPEARE'S CHURCH IS IN DANGER

The stone spire is crumbling away. The pinnacles on the tower are eroding. The stonework round the windows is fracturing.

The grave-slabs need restoration.

If we are to keep Shakespeare's Church alive and welcoming for congregations and for visitors we urgently need your help.



AMERICANS were among the first overseas visitors to Stratford-upon-Avon, birthplace of William Shakespeare.

Washington Irving visited here in 1817 and his famous Sketchbook describes the house in which the playwright was born, the town and Holy Trinity Church. 19th-century Presidents John Adams,

General Grant and Jefferson Davis all visited the church. There is an American Window in the church unveiled in 1896 by the US Ambassador as a mark of goodwill from the citizens of the United States.

And since then, some of our most generous support has come from the United States, both from scholars and statesmen, and from regular visitors and enthusiasts for Shakespeare: students and theatre-goers.

Now we are asking our American friends for help again. Will you join us in trying to preserve and enhance Shakespeare's church for future visitors and lovers of his work?

HOW YOU CAN HELP

- Become a Friend of Shakespeare's Church.
- Make a donation to the Friends.
- Remember the Friends in your will.
- Sponsor the re-carving of one of the 'grotesque' decorated stones.
- Visit our website www.shakespeareschurch.org and help us online.
- Come to Holy Trinity Church, Stratford-upon-Avon and experience for yourself the history, the heritage and the present-day worship in this magnificent building.

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With YOUR help we can save Shakespeare's Church for future generations!