

Sunday Services for January

St Andrew's

8.00 am every Sunday - Holy Communion

10.30 am 1st Holy Communion
 8th All Age service with puppets
 15th United Covenant service with Holy Communion *in St Peter's*
 22nd Morning service
 29th Morning service

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United Evening Services

6.30 pm 1st Day One service *in St Peter's*
 8th Holy Communion *in St Andrew's*
 15th Coffee and Choruses *in St Andrew's*
 22nd Newcastle Churches Together
in Higherland Methodist Church
 29th Evening service *in St Andrew's*



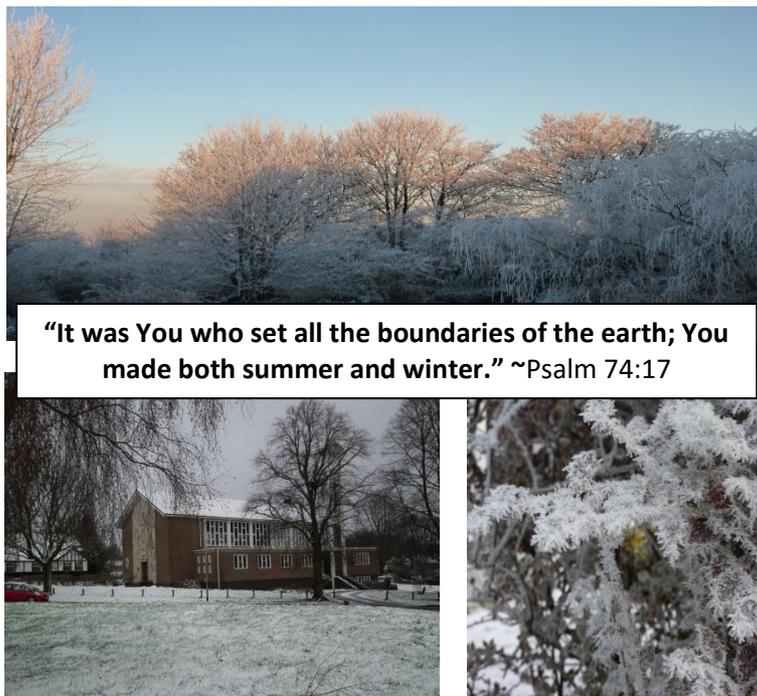
"Don't forget! Puppets will be visiting St Andrew's 10.30 am service on Sun 8th Jan"

Dial a Lift



Would you like a lift to and from the 10.30am service at St Andrew's ?

We have volunteers to help. Please ring 07963 636210 between 8.30am and 9.30am on the morning concerned



"It was You who set all the boundaries of the earth; You made both summer and winter." ~Psalm 74:17

New Year's Resolution

Why not make your New Year's Resolution to try out one of our regular church events? We have loads of groups going on throughout the week -see inside this newsletter for more information. Newcomers are very welcome to any of these groups, or any Sunday service

Forget - me – not Café

Friday January 20th 10.30am - 12 noon

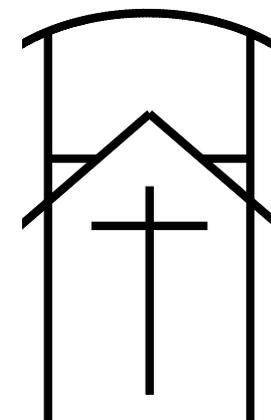
Share a hot drink and a biscuit with others who have been bereaved, in St Andrew's parish room (enter through small door at back of church car park), every third Friday of the month.

Thanksgiving for the life of

Helen Ward	<i>of Copeland Ave</i>	Nov 14 th
Graham Pearce	<i>of Pilkington Ave</i>	Nov 14 th
Pamela Bladen	<i>of Hanford Court Home</i>	Nov 25 th

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ST PETER'S

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ST ANDREW'S

Anglican Church

Rev'd Andrew Dawswell

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January Message

Start the new year with...

I'm sure many will have discovered, when you begin typing a phrase in an internet search engine it offers a variety of suggestions of how you might want it to be completed. You can even play an online version of the TV quiz show Family Fortunes based on the principle (www.googlefeud.com). Or, if you've got a few spare minutes to fill, simply type in the beginnings of a phrase and see what your search engine comes up with.

When I entered 'Start the new year with' perhaps unsurprisingly 'Start the new year with a bang' was the top listed suggestion - followed by 'Start the new year with positive energy' and 'Start the new year with a smile'. Though some of Google's suggestions on how to start the new year may be a good thing, for the Christian there can be an additional emphasis. Of starting the new year... with God.

One of the main benefits I found in coming to a personal faith was how life now seemed to have a purpose. Each day, each month, each year presenting new opportunities to know and serve the God who made me. In addition to that, as life has at times brought difficulties and challenges, there's been a real reassurance in the Lord's promise 'I will be with you always, even until the end of this age'

This year, New Year's Day falls on a Sunday. If you think you're unlikely to be up to joining us at 8am or even 10.30am, why not try our Day One contemporary service at 6.30pm in St Peter's. And discover something of the challenge, the purpose and the comfort that can come from starting each new year with the Lord.

Andrew Dawswell

Afternoon Tea

All are welcome to monthly 'Afternoon Tea' on the 2nd Tuesday of every month. Tea, light refreshments and a chat in St Andrew's Hall 3.30 to 5.00pm. Our January Tea will be on Tuesday 10th.

Please phone Jenny for more information

Monday Group

A social group for ladies of all ages, meeting on the 2nd Monday of each month with guest speakers, tea, biscuits and time to chat. Our next meeting is on Mon Jan 9th at 7.30pm in St Peter's church building when Keith will speak on 'Town and Country Planning; An Act or Science?' Just turn up or phone Margaret

Knit Wits

Knit Wit members meet every Monday from 2-4pm in St Peter's. We knit for various charities, creating blankets, toys and clothing, with time for a chat and a cuppa! Please turn up, or ring June

Vintage Time

Gentle exercise, fun and laughter, followed by tea and biscuits, on the fourth Tuesday of every month in St Peter's Hall. Each session costs £1, next on Tues Jan 24th from 10am-11am. Just turn up, or phone Ann

Choir

St Andrew's choir sings at most 10.30am Sunday services and meets to practise every Thursday evening. New members are very welcome- no experience needed. Please contact Geoff

Children's groups

Sunday Club

Children's groups for ages 3-7yrs, 7-11yrs, and 11-14yrs in every 10.30am service, except the 2nd

Sunday of the month when we hold All Age services. We stay in church for the first 15 minutes of the service, before going to our group activities

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After school club for ages 7-11 yrs every Monday of term time from 3.30-5pm in St Andrew's Hall.

Games, refreshments, Bible stories, and fun!

Contact Bob

14 + group

Lively discussions, snacks, table tennis, Xbox, Wii and much more for all in KS4. Every Tuesday in term time from 7.30pm-9pm in St Andrew's parish room (enter through small door at back of church car park). Contact Johnny on 07931 808154 or jim4westlands@gmail.com



Little Sparklers

Parent and Toddler group for babies and pre-schoolers with Bible stories, songs, toys, snacks and more! Every Tuesday, from 10am-11.30am in St Andrew's parish room (enter through small door at back of church car park). Just turn up or contact Leslie on 766116

Messy Church



Messy craft with a snack and a Christian theme for all ages from toddler up, accompanied by an adult. Various Saturday afternoons throughout the year, next on February 4th in St Andrew's Hall.