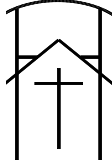


The Church in the Westlands



**St Andrew's  
Anglican Church**

**St Peter's  
Methodist Church**

*As the Church in the Westlands  
we are committed in the power of the Holy Spirit that our worship, service and witness will  
demonstrate to everyone the love of Jesus Christ*

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*A very warm welcome to anyone worshipping with us today for the first time.*

**St Andrew's Church**

**Sunday, 19<sup>th</sup> February**  
*Second Sunday Before Lent*

**St Peter's Church**

Holy Communion  
*Revd Andrew Dawswell*

8.00 am

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*Luke 18:15-17 (p1057)*  
*Deuteronomy 6:1-25 (p181)*

10.30 am

Morning Worship  
*Revd Leslie Siu*  
*Nehemiah 8:1-12 (p485)*  
*2 Peter 1:16-21 (p299)*

United Evening Prayer  
*Revd Andrew Dawswell*

6.30 pm

**Collect**

*Almighty God,  
you have created the heavens and the earth  
and made us in your own image:  
teach us to discern your hand in all your works  
and your likeness in all your children;  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
who with you and the Holy Spirit reigns supreme over all things,  
now and for ever*

Morning prayer will take place at 8.30 - 8.50 am on Monday (in church), and on Tuesday & Wednesday (at the Vicarage). All are welcome.

St Andrew's Standing Committee	<b>Monday 20<sup>th</sup> February</b> 7.30 pm	Parish Room
Little Sparklers	<b>Tuesday, 21<sup>st</sup> February</b> 10.00 am – 11.30 am	Parish Room
Link Editorial Meeting	<b>Wednesday, 22<sup>nd</sup> February</b> 9.30 am	Vicarage
St Peter's Church Council	<b>Thursday, 23<sup>rd</sup> February</b> 10.00 am	St Peter's Church
<b>St Andrew's Church</b>	<b>Sunday, 26<sup>th</sup> February</b> <i>Sunday Before Lent</i>	<b>St Peter's Church</b>
Holy Communion <i>Revd Andrew Dawswell</i>	8.00 am	
Morning Prayer <i>Revd Andrew Dawswell</i>	10.30 am	Morning Worship <i>Mr Bryan Harrison</i>
United Evening Prayer <i>Revd Andrew Dawswell</i>	6.30 pm	

**Our Lent Course this year is 'Contagious Christianity'** ... we will be thinking about why and how we can share with others the joy of being a follower of Jesus Christ. I hope that we will come away with a sense of anticipation that God will work through us, rather than guilt and fear. It will be run on each Wednesday throughout Lent beginning on 8<sup>th</sup> March. Come either in the morning at 10.30 am or at 7.45 for 8.00 pm in the evening. Please sign the sheets at the back of church if you plan to attend

**Youth and Children's Worker Fundraising Event** ... Sarah and James Froggatt are putting on an evening for us at 10 Green Bottles (46 Merrial Street) on Tuesday, 4<sup>th</sup> April, 7.00 pm for 7.30 pm. £10 for nibbles and the opportunity to taste a variety of gins - more details to follow later.

**St Peter's Church Council** ... a reminder that the next Church Council Meeting will take place on Thursday, 23<sup>rd</sup> February. Please note that the meeting will start at 10.00 am.

**Church of England General Synod...** Please pray for the Church of England senior bishops and others involved in its national governance as they work out how best to proceed following the failure to gain all three houses approval for the bishops' recent direction document on same-sex relationships. Some media reports implying that this signals imminent approval of gay marriage in the Church of England are undoubtedly premature, although the strong differences in the church on this issue are now even harder to avoid. For those who want to find out more, there are plenty of articles on the internet - I'd particularly recommend Andrew Goddard's writing on which is generally published on [www.fulcrum-anglican.org.uk](http://www.fulcrum-anglican.org.uk) - Andrew

**Ash Wednesday** ... there will be a Circuit Service on Wednesday, 1<sup>st</sup> March at 7.00 pm at Audley Methodist Church. There will also be a service in St Andrew's Parish room at 8.00 pm. All welcome

**Compline** ... or night prayer gives the opportunity to conclude the day sharing with others in quiet worship and prayer. This will now take place monthly, on the second Saturday of each month, meeting at 9.00 - 9.30 pm in the Parish Room (ie 11<sup>th</sup> March, 8<sup>th</sup> April etc).

**Revd Alison Anderson** ... as you will be aware Revd Alison Anderson will be retiring and leaving the Circuit at the end of February. The Circuit is organising a retiring collection for her, if you would like to contribute towards this could you please send your contribution to the Circuit Office as soon as possible. There will be a Circuit Farewell Service for Revd Alison Anderson on Sunday, 26<sup>th</sup> February at 6.00 pm at Silverdale Methodist Church. All are warmly invited.

**UCB Prayerline Needs Volunteers** ... who are willing to pray with those who call the Prayerline number, offering up to 2-3hrs per week on a regular basis. There is an opportunity to find out more on Tuesday, 21<sup>st</sup> February or Tuesday, 7<sup>th</sup> March at UCB's office in Westport Road, Burslem, ST6 4JF. For more details contact Carl at cfinnan@ucb.co.uk.

**The Northern Men's Convention** ... this year is on Saturday, 6<sup>th</sup> May at St Andrew's Leyland, near Preston, and is titled "Men, how should we Live? - To the Glory of God Alone". The Principle speaker will be Michael Reeves, President and Professor of Theology at Union School of Theology in Oxford. This is a great opportunity for the men in our congregations to get together, hear from well-known excellent speakers and enjoy singing rousing songs! Doors open at 9.00 am and the Convention starts at 10.00 am so we will need to leave around 8.00 am, to allow for traffic on the M6! We will finish at 4.45 pm and hope to be home soon after 6.00 pm. A group will be attending from St Andrew's and transport can be arranged. Tickets can be ordered in advance for £12.50 before 28<sup>th</sup> February (£15 at the door) Alan Swanborough will make a block booking in February. Look out for details in St Andrew's Church, and have a word with Alan.



... has re-launched as a weekly Parent and Toddler group. Meeting every Tuesday 10.00 am – 11.30 am in the Parish Room. Plenty of toys and books for the children to enjoy followed by drinks, snacks, a short time of songs, fun Bible story and the occasional craft. Everyone, both regulars and newcomers, are welcome.

**Circuit Prayer & Praise** ... the next meeting will be held on Tuesday, 21<sup>st</sup> February at Silverdale Methodist Church commencing at 7.30 pm. A warm welcome to all to join in this time of praise, worship and prayer. Tea/coffee and biscuits from 7.00 pm.

**Methodist Women In Britain** ... Coffee morning and bring and buy stall on Saturday, 25<sup>th</sup> February, at Newcastle Methodist Church, 10.00 am – 12.00 noon. All proceeds to Methodist Women in Britain. All welcome.

**Save The Children** ... is in urgent need of volunteers in its shop in Merial Street, Newcastle. Could you spare 3 hours (morning or afternoon) to help? Please call into the shop or contact Helen Lane.

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Same contact details (or St Peter's letterbox which is on the wall next to the Pilkington Avenue  
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