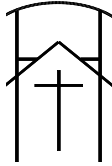


The Church in the Westlands



**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*

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

St Andrew's Church

Sunday, 29th October

St Peter's Church

Holy Communion

Trinity 20

8.00 am

Revd Andrew Dawswell

Holy Communion

10.30 am

Revd Andrew Dawswell

Morning Worship

Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43 (p987)

Acts 20:17-35 (p1120)

Deacon Jill Taylor

United Evening Prayer

6.30 pm

Revd Andrew Dawswell

Collect

*God, the giver of life,
whose Holy Spirit wells up within your Church:
by the Spirit's gifts equip us to live the gospel of Christ
and make us eager to do your will,
that we may share with the whole creation
the joys of eternal life;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, 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.

Monday, 30th October

St Andrew's Standing Committee	7.30 pm	Parish Room
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Tuesday, 31st October

Little Sparklers	10.00 am – 11.30 am	Parish Room
TMNC	7.30 pm – 9.00 pm	Parish Room
Home Group	8.00 pm	16 Rugby Close

Wednesday, 1st November

Home Group	10.30 am	Parish Room
Home Group	10.30 am	5 Friars Walk
Home Group	8.00 pm	32 Beresford Crescent
17+ Bible Study/Discussion Group	8.45 pm – 9.30 pm	Vicarage

Thursday, 2nd November

Holy Communion	10.00 am	St Andrew's Church
Blaze Youth Group	6.30 pm – 7.45 pm	Parish Room
Home Group	8.00 pm	48 Kingsway West

St Andrew's Church**Sunday, 5th November**
*4th Sunday Before Advent***St Peter's Church**

Holy Communion <i>Revd Andrew Dawswell</i>	8.00 am	
Messy Sunday in St Andrew's Hall	10.15 am	
Holy Communion <i>Revd Andrew Dawswell</i>	10.30 am	Morning Worship <i>Mr Richard Orrell</i>
	6.30 pm	Day One <i>Revd Steve Nicholson</i> <i>Exodus 3:1-14 "What is God doing in the world?!"</i>

Ladies Craft Evening ... Friday, 10th November at 7.15 pm in St Andrew's Parish Room: Do come along and make a Contemporary Christmas Wreath at our Ladies Craft event. As part of our efforts to continue to be an outward looking church we are running this outreach event with an encouragement to bring along a guest to enjoy this accessible craft evening, where everyone gets to take home a lovely Christmas Wreath. All equipment and materials will be supplied, along with instruction by our guest demonstrator; who will be sharing part of her life story as a Christian. Tickets cost £8, which covers the cost of the craft materials and there will be light refreshments included. Ladies only, not suitable for children. Do please pick up a leaflet from the back of church and contact Brian or Sue for tickets and more details (don't delay; ticket numbers are limited).

Rod Thomas Speaking at Talke ... Rod was appointed a couple of years ago as a Church of England Bishop with particular responsibility for helping individuals and congregations with a traditional/'conservative' evangelical understanding of ministry. Some of us heard him address the PCC away day in Stone last year, and there is another opportunity to benefit from his ministry locally on Sunday, 12th November when he will be preaching at the 6.00 pm service in St Martin's Talke. Leslie will be able to offer lifts to any others who would like to join him at this. (**NB** There will also still be a regular Westlands evening service).

Messy Sunday ... next week will again be a 'Messy Sunday'! All 3-11's are invited to meet up initially in St Andrew's hall for 10.15 am, before moving to church and remaining there until the first Bible reading; after which they (and any parents who would like to) will return to the hall to take part in some fun-filled activity based learning. All who want to catch the tail end of Messy Sunday and then have refreshments in St Andrew's hall will be welcome to join us at the end of the morning service.

Afternoon Tea ... you are invited to our next Afternoon Tea on Tuesday, 14th November, in St Andrew's Church Hall, from 3.30 pm to about 5.00 pm. Enjoy the company of your friends and make some new ones. A light afternoon tea will be served. The cost will be £2.50. All welcome. If you would like to come, please contact Jenny.

Youth & Children's Worker Vacancy ... the Management Committee is open to applications at any time, and will be proactively re-advertising the post later in November. Please continue to pray.

St Andrew's Daytime Opening ... during Monday-Friday in school term time, we will again be opening the church between 9.00 am - 3.00 pm. There is a note in October's Link letting others in the area know and inviting all who would benefit to use the building for prayer or reflection. We are very grateful to those who have volunteered to facilitate this.

Tidying of St Andrew's Grounds ... on Friday, 10th November there will be a tidying up of the church grounds. It will be from 9.30 am until 12.30 pm and refreshments will be provided. If you can give up some of your time to help it would be appreciated. Could you please let David Morgan know if you intend to come?

Christians Against Poverty Debt Centre ... after an excellent meeting the other week we were all set to go ahead with launching a service in Stoke and Newcastle early next spring. However there has been an unexpected hitch - please pray that this will be able to be resolved. The project is asking initially for those who will be prayer supporters - please let me know if you might be interested in this. To find out more you can visit their website capuk.org. They have also produced a book called Journeys of Hope: 12 lives changed by God – a copy has been placed in St Andrew's library – Andrew.

PCC News Update ... we are grateful for those who have volunteered to enable us to resume opening up the church in weekdays during term-time from a little later in the Autumn. We are still looking for a new treasurer. Please see Andrew if you might consider helping being involved in any of this, or any other, role.

Newcastle Foodbank ... are looking for some extra volunteers. This can be on a weekly, fortnightly or monthly basis. There is a particular need to help staff the session operating out of The Congregational Church on Thursday afternoons from 2.00 pm – 4.00 pm, with various roles to do: meeting and greeting, making drinks, listening and signposting if appropriate, unpacking deliveries, packing parcels and inputting data. So there is a role for everyone. If you would like some more information please call Debra Hills. You are also welcome to visit one week to see how they operate and see if it's for you.

Offer Your Hand for International Friendship! ... welcome an adult international student into your home this Christmas and make the world a little friendlier. Adult international students in the UK face a lonely holiday on a university campus, and would love to spend a few days with you, learning about British culture, experiencing Christmas festivities, and telling you about their own country. Hosting is a voluntary position suitable for all ages and is also

available throughout the year with HOST, a charity set up in 1987. To find out more, please visit <http://www.hostuk.org> or call 020 7739 6292.

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Same contact details (or St Peter's letterbox which is on the wall next to the Pilkington Avenue door) for the next notice sheet (before 9 am on Thursday please). Rest of week for St Peter's & Circuit Business: northstaffscircuit@hotmail.co.uk 01782 612648.

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