

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, 28<sup>th</sup> January**

**St Peter's Church**

Holy Communion

*Epiphany 4*

8.00 am

*Mrs Irene Hardacre*

Morning Prayer

10.30 am

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*Mark 10:17-31 (p1020)*

*Genesis 1:26-31 (p2)*

Morning Worship

*Mr Charles Irvine*

*Psalms 111 (StF 826)*

*Mark 1:21-28 (p46)*

United Evening Prayer

6.30 pm

*Revd Andrew Dawswell*

**Collect**

*God our creator,  
who in the beginning  
commanded the light to shine out of darkness:  
we pray that the light of the glorious gospel of Christ  
may dispel the darkness of ignorance and unbelief,  
shine into the hearts of all your people,  
and reveal the knowledge of your glory  
in the face of 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.

## Tuesday, 30<sup>th</sup> January

Little Sparklers	10.00 am – 11.30 am	Parish Room
Deanery Synod	7.00 pm for 7.30 pm	St Thomas, Kidsgrove
George Fisher will be speaking on HOPE 's different faith-sharing projects. All welcome		
TMNC	7.30 pm – 9.00 pm	Parish Room

## Thursday, 1<sup>st</sup> February

Holy Communion	10.00 am	St Andrew's Church
Blaze Youth Group	6.30 pm – 7.45 pm	Parish Room
Y&C Worker Management Committee	7.00 pm	Vicarage

## St Andrew's Church

## Sunday, 4<sup>th</sup> February

## St Peter's Church

	<i>Epiphany 5</i>	
Holy Communion	8.00 am	
<i>Revd Andrew Dawswell</i>		
Holy Communion	10.30 am	United Service at St Luke's Methodist Church
<i>Revd Andrew Dawswell</i>		
	6.30 pm	Day One <i>Brian Tattersall</i> <i>The Pharisee and the Tax Collector</i>

**Lent Course ...** "These Truths Alone" Looking at 5 'solos' which summarise key principles of reformation thought and spirituality. It is on Wednesdays: 21<sup>st</sup> February - Scripture alone; 28<sup>th</sup> February – Christ alone; 7<sup>th</sup> March - Grace alone; 14<sup>th</sup> March - Faith alone; 21<sup>st</sup> March – Glory to God alone in the Parish Room. 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 ...** The Management Committee did not feel able to appoint either of the 2 candidates we interviewed, and have been encouraged by the Diocesan Youth Advisor to take stock before re-advertising. This could end up with our retaining something very similar to the current job description focussing on work with 7-18's; although another obvious possibility could be to refocus the post on work with children (0-11's) and families. We would value expressions of opinion from parents, youth and children's leaders and helpers, givers, and indeed any members of the congregation - please speak to, or email, a member of the committee (Bob Baker, Sue Tattersall, Marion Reddish, John Taylor, Andrew Dawswell or Leslie Siu) – ideally before our meeting on Thursday.



Life Explored is a seven session series featuring a combination of short films - shot around the world - and Bible interaction. It is an exposé of the little gods that promise us so much happiness, yet deliver so little. As it explores the Bible story (creation, fall, redemption, new creation), Life Explored shows how our deepest desires for happiness can only be satisfied in one person, Jesus Christ. The best gift God can give us is himself. Ideal for anyone wanting to know more about the Christian faith, or looking for a refresher course. More details from the Vicar.

**Summer Holiday Club ...** we are planning to hold a holiday club for 5-11's on Tuesday, 31<sup>st</sup> July, Wednesday, 1<sup>st</sup> and Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> August. Potential leaders, helpers and parents of

children who might attend - do please consider aiming to be in Newcastle for that week. Leslie Siu and Ian Watts will be leading - potential helpers do please register any interest with them.

**PCC News ...** St Andrew's has been approached by the Diocesan World Mission to ask if we might consider hosting a young adult from one of Lichfield's overseas partner Dioceses for a year as part of the St Chads volunteer scheme. The PCC would in due course have to consider whether to prioritize funding for this sort of project - but it would also need several people who are very much involved in the life of the church to combine to offer the necessary support and encouragement. If anyone would be interested in this, please speak to the Vicar.

**Stoke and Newcastle CAP Debt Centre ...** are now looking for someone to manage the proposed project. It is a volunteer role, although with expenses, laptop and phone all funded. Hours: Flexible, 16+ hours per week. The role: supporting clients on their journey to becoming debt free through home visits and ongoing contact; managing other volunteers from the partner churches. We are looking for: someone with a passion for evangelism, organised, articulate and good with people. More information, including full job description is on: <http://www.park-church.uk/cap> If you are interested and want to know more, have an informal chat with the chair of the proposed Stoke and Newcastle Debt Centre, Jon Mason, on 0750 200 4611, or speak to Andrew Dawswell. Deadline: end of January 2017.

**Flipping Marvellous Pancake Party ...** in aid of CAP on Shrove Tuesday (13<sup>th</sup> February), at Swan Bank Church lower hall - come anytime between 1.00 pm and 3.00 pm on that day.

**St Andrew's 10.30 am Services ...** the PCC last month agreed to test the waters of using the screen for hymn words and liturgy. Printed materials will continue to be available to those who really need them; but with the encouragement for as many as possible to aim to use the screen (if necessary considering moving seat). The next service we will be trialling is scheduled to be on 28<sup>th</sup> January.

**Link Deliveries ...** thank you for those who continue to deliver. We are looking for extra volunteers, please speak to Gillian Moss or the vicar if you would consider taking on a monthly round.

**Afternoon Tea ...** you are invited to our next Afternoon Tea on Tuesday, 13<sup>th</sup> February, 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.

Help is also needed at the Afternoon Tea on the second Tuesday of each month for approximately 2½ hours. If you are able to help please speak to Jenny.

**Parish Administrator Needed ...** for St Barnabas' Bradwell and St Andrew's Porthill. Principal duties; managing hall bookings; producing weekly pew sheets; responding to visitors and enquiries; general administrative assistance to clergy and church officers. 6 hours per week (two sessions of 3 hours) Salary: £208 per month (reviewed annually). For more information contact Fr. Chris Routledge [rev.chrisr73@gmail.com](mailto:rev.chrisr73@gmail.com) . Closing date 11<sup>th</sup> February.

**Ash Wednesday Services (Wednesday, 14<sup>th</sup> February) ....**

There will be a Circuit Service at 7.00 pm at St Luke's Methodist Church, Clayton. All welcome.

There will be a service in St Andrew's Parish Room at 8.00 pm.

**UCB Bible notes...** the latest copies of Word For Today and Word For You are now at the rear of St Andrew's.

**Adrian and Bridget Plass...** best-selling Christian authors and story-tellers are coming to Keele Chapel with an evening of laughter, poems, questions and the odd moment of dangerous honesty about things that really matter. Do go along and take a friend too. Refreshments and a bookstall will be available on Saturday, 3<sup>rd</sup> February at 7.30 pm. Tickets are £5 (£2 students), available on the door and can be reserved via email: chaplaincy@keele.ac.uk

**Newcastle Foodbank ...** thank you to everyone who gives food and toiletries to Newcastle Foodbank, it is very much appreciated by clients. We just want to draw to your attention a few items that they are short of at the moment: sugar, long life juice, jam, sponge puddings, mashed potatoes, toothpaste, shampoo, gents toiletries and ladies deodorant.

Foodbank is also looking to recruit a dedicated Project Lead to oversee its day to day operation locally and be an inspirational PR and fundraising lead. The role initially is for a fixed term contract of up to 2 years (with a view to this being extended) with a starting salary of £7,800 per annum for 15 hours per week. The ideal candidate will have previous knowledge of Foodbanks and experience within the voluntary sector although not essential. However they will need to share the Foodbank vision to tackle poverty. For more details contact the trustees on info@newcastlestaffs.foodbank.org.uk. The full job description can also be found on <http://www.newcastlestaffs.fodbank.org.uk> . Applications by 16<sup>th</sup> February via email, enclosing an up to date CV along with the names and contact details for two referees, one of which must be your current employer (if applicable).

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**Secretary** Michelle Bradbury churchinthewestlands@talktalk.net 01782 634389 (Thurs only)  
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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