

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, 16<sup>th</sup> September**

**St Peter's Church**

Holy Communion

*Trinity 16*

8.00 am

*Mrs Irene Hardacre*

Holy Communion

10.30 am

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*Genesis 1:1-31 (p1)*

*Luke 12:22-31 (p1050)*

Morning Worship

*Revd Edna Perry*

*1 Kings 2:10-12, 3:3-14 (p331)*

*Ephesians 5:15-20 (p243)*

*John 6:51-58 (p125)*

United Evening Prayer

6.30 pm

*Revd Andrew Dawswell*

**Collect**

*O Lord, we beseech you mercifully to hear the prayers  
of your people who call upon you;  
and grant that they may both perceive and know  
what things they ought to do,  
and also may have grace and power faithfully to fulfil them;  
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 St Andrews); and Wednesday (at the Vicarage). All are welcome.

**Tuesday, 18<sup>th</sup> September**

Little Sparklers

10.00 am – 11.30 am

Parish Room

TMNC

7.30 pm – 9.00 pm

Parish Room

**Wednesday, 19<sup>th</sup> September**

“The Bible Course”

8.00 pm

Parish Room

**Friday, 21<sup>st</sup> September**

Forget Me Not Café

10.30 am – 12.00 noon

Parish Room

## Saturday, 22<sup>nd</sup> September

Explained & Proclaimed

10.00 am – 3.00 pm

St Andrew's Church &  
Hall

## St Andrew's Church

## Sunday, 23<sup>rd</sup> September

## St Peter's Church

*Trinity 17*

Holy Communion

8.00 am

*Revd Leslie Siu*

Morning Prayer

10.30 am

*Revd Leslie Siu*

United Holy Communion Service at

St Luke's Methodist Church

*Revd John Palmer*

United Evening Prayer

6.30 pm

*Revd Andrew Dawswell*

**Regular Sunday groups re-start today ...** for 3-7's, 7-11's and 11-14's.

TMNC for 14-18's have also now restarted on Tuesdays, 7.30 pm -9.00 pm in the Parish Room. All 14-18's welcome for a variety of activities, time together, bible study and discussion.

**Explained and Proclaimed ...** an annual inter-denominational bible teaching day is again being held at St Andrew's in conjunction with Keswick Fellowship. The organising committee thought last year's speaker, Peter Mead, was so good that we have invited him back. He is focusing on John's gospel's presentation of Jesus with the title, "Empty: is my Christian life missing something". This will take place on Saturday, 22<sup>nd</sup> September, 10.00 am – 3.00 pm. All welcome, drinks will be provided but please bring your own lunch.

**Homegroups Continue ...** on 25<sup>th</sup>/26<sup>th</sup>/27<sup>th</sup> September; 9<sup>th</sup>/10<sup>th</sup>/11<sup>th</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup>/24<sup>th</sup>/25<sup>th</sup> October; 13<sup>th</sup>/14<sup>th</sup>/15<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>/28<sup>th</sup>/29<sup>th</sup> November, 8<sup>th</sup>/9<sup>th</sup>/10<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>/23<sup>rd</sup>/24<sup>th</sup> January; and 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup>/7<sup>th</sup> February with a new course entitled 'Life to the Full' focussing on the life and teaching of Jesus from the first half of John's gospel.

**'The Bible Course' Will Start This Week ...** with a taster session on Wednesday, 19<sup>th</sup> September in St Andrew's Parish Room, (refreshments at 7.45 pm for an 8.00 pm start.) This introductory meeting, led by Alan and Helen Swanborough, is open to all, so come and see whether you would find The Bible Society's DVD course helpful to your understanding God's message in the Bible. After the initial session there will be a break until November when we will continue with more sessions. This gives us time to order course books for those who sign up to follow the rest of the course.

**Little Sparklers Toddler Group ...** has started again for the new school year. If you have any good quality toys that you think would be suitable for 0 to 3 year olds, especially push-along or ride-on toys, please let Naomi, Gabi or Cynthia know. Thank you very much.

**St Andrew's...** will probably need to remain locked this week.

**St Andrew's PCC ...** will, among other matters, be considering clergy robing at our main 10.30 am service. Since 2017 PCC's and clergy together have been formally allowed to decide on their practice. I am aware that this can provoke strong views for or against, do feel free to communicate this to PCC members before we meet on 24<sup>th</sup> September.

**St Andrew's New Hall Project Update ...** as has been reported before, the PCC felt that there was more than enough encouragement from the congregation to decide to fund an application

for planning permission for the kind of proposal presented in January, ie to build a new hall attached to the church, part-funded by the sale of the old hall site. Before proceeding with a formal application, the buildings development committee are taking advice on a few key points from the relevant local authority departments. A couple of months ago we received an encouraging reply from the highways department regarding the proposed new roadway junctions; although they indicated that they would defer to the planners' advice in regard to a new building's interaction with the trees on highways land, and we are still waiting for the planners' response on this. We are also awaiting more detailed legal advice on land covenant issues. Please pray that in time all of these discussions will yield a constructive outcome.

**On Sunday, 23<sup>rd</sup> September at the 10.30 am Service ...** we will welcome Olivia Rigby the local staffworker from UCCF (University and Colleges Christian Union) who will be letting us know more about their ministry.

**Gift for the Siu Family ...** we are very grateful for all that Leslie has brought to the role of curate and it has been great to have Mel and indeed the whole family involved in church life too. Please do please pray for them all as they make preparations for their move to Suffolk towards the end of October. If any are able to be at the induction service in Wickham Market at 7.30 pm on Wednesday, 31<sup>st</sup> October there would be a very warm welcome. If you would like to contribute towards a leaving gift, please put it on the church collection plate in an envelope marked: 'Siu's leaving gift', or alternatively post it through the vicarage study letterbox by Sunday, 7<sup>th</sup> October. Envelopes are available by the church entrance - please make any cheques payable to 'St Andrew's Westlands PCC' There is also a card to sign at the back of St Andrew's - and Steve Forrester is collecting video goodbye or thank you messages to pass on too - please email to Steve Forrester.

**Welcome Sunday ...** is on 30<sup>th</sup> September Please think and pray about who you might invite to come along, perhaps by giving them one of the invitation leaflets that are available at the back of St Andrew's.

**Christmas With a Difference ...** can you make some room for an international student to learn what true British Festive hospitality can mean? Would you like to add that international element to your Christmas, learning another countries traditions and enjoying the connection and friendship that such sharing brings? HOST UK arranges for international students to enjoy brief homestays with UK hosts, one day, a weekend or, over the festive period-a three day visit. We need more hosts - if you would like to know more, please go to our website: <http://www.hostuk.org> or ring 0207 739 6292.

**The New Methodist Church Plant ...** the first service for the new church plant will take place this afternoon (Sunday, 16<sup>th</sup> September) at 4.00 pm at Newcastle Methodist Church. All are very welcome to attend. To begin with these services will take place monthly.

**Canzonetta Wind Quintet ...** Saturday, 29<sup>th</sup> September, 7.30 pm in St Peter's Methodist Church. An evening of entertaining music including Water Music – Handel, Petite Symphonie – Gounod, The Entertainer – Scott Joplin and much more. Tickets £7 are available from A Major Music, Trentham Gardens or contact Margaret Tebby or on the door. Children free, refreshments provided. Proceeds in aid of Newcastle-under-Lyme Festival for Music, Speech and Drama.

**Newcastle-under-Lyme Foodbank** ... thank you to all who continue to support Foodbank At the present time the items that are low/out of stock are:- tinned tomatoes, small jars of coffee, small bags of sugar, tinned spaghetti, dried rice, tinned fruit/rice pudding/custard/sponge puddings, chocolate, jam, shower gel, gents toiletries, washing powder/gel, washing up liquid.

**Rotary Aquabox at St Peter's** ... your help is greatly needed to fill the box, a list of essential items is available inside an envelope inside the box. Please take a look. For further information please contact Joe Cartwright. Many thanks in anticipation.

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